

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING INSPECTION

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Building Code Interpretation Disabled Access 002

Wheelchair Seating at Counters

Subject: Wheelchair seating at counter/bar areas	Date: November 5, 2007
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Question:

May the accessible wheelchair seating location at a counter/bar area be provided at any location along the counter/bar area, or must the seating be dispersed or be more integrated with general counter seating?

Answer:

Where one accessible wheelchair seating location is required by code, it may be provided at any location along the counter/bar area that is in the regular customer service area. This includes areas at the end or "return" of the counter/bar area. Where more than one accessible wheelchair seating location is required (one wheelchair space for each 20 seats), such additional location shall be dispersed so that it is integrated with the general counter/bar seating to allow a selection of seating areas.

Accessible seating should adjoin other counter/bar seating that may be used as companion seating.

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