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CHAPTER 11 ACCESSIBILITY

SECTION 1111 RECREATIONAL FACILITIES

1111.1 General.

Recreational facilities shall be provided with accessible features in accordance with Sections 1111.2 through 1111.4.

1111.2 Facilities serving Group R-2, R-3 and R-4 occupancies.

Recreational facilities that serve Group R-2, R-3 and Group R-4 occupancies shall comply with Sections 1111.2.1 through 1111.2.3, as applicable.

1111.2.1 Facilities serving Accessible units.

In Group R-2 and R-4 occupancies where recreational facilities serve *Accessible units*, every recreational facility of each type serving *Accessible units* shall be *accessible*.

1111.2.2 Facilities serving Type A and Type B units in a single building.

In Group R-2, R-3 and R-4 occupancies where recreational facilities serve a single building containing *Type A units* or *Type B units*, 25 percent, but not less than one, of each type of recreational facility shall be *accessible*. Every recreational facility of each type on a site shall be considered to determine the total number of each type that is required to be *accessible*.

1111.2.3 Facilities serving Type A and Type B units in multiple buildings.

In Group R-2, R-3 and R-4 occupancies on a single site where multiple buildings containing *Type A units* or *Type B units* are served by recreational facilities, 25 percent, but not less than one, of each type of recreational facility serving each building shall be *accessible*. The total number of each type of recreational facility that is required to be *accessible* shall be determined by considering every recreational facility of each type serving each building on the site.

1111.3 Other occupancies.

Recreational facilities not falling within the purview of Section 1111.2 shall be accessible.

1111.4 Recreational facilities.

Recreational facilities shall be accessible and shall be on an accessible route to the extent specified in this section.

1111.4.1 Area of sport activity.

Each area of sport activity shall be on an accessible route and shall not be required to be accessible except as provided for in Sections 1111.4.2 through 1111.4.15.

1111.4.2 Team or player seating.

At least one wheelchair space shall be provided in team or player seating areas serving areas of sport activity.

Exception: Wheelchair spaces shall not be required in team or player seating areas serving bowling lanes that are not required to be *accessible* in accordance with Section 1111.4.3.

1111.4.3 Bowling lanes.

An accessible route shall be provided to at least 5 percent, but not less than one, of each type of bowling lane.

1111.4.4 Court sports.

In court sports, at least one accessible route shall directly connect both sides of the court.

1111.4.5 Raised boxing or wrestling rings.

Raised boxing or wrestling rings are not required to be accessible or to be on an accessible route.

1111.4.6 Raised refereeing, judging and scoring areas.

Raised structures used solely for refereeing, judging or scoring a sport are not required to be *accessible* or to be on an *accessible* route.

1111.4.7 Animal containment areas.

Animal containment areas that are not within public use areas are not required to be accessible or to be on an accessible route.

1111.4.8 Amusement rides.

Amusement rides that move persons through a fixed course within a defined area shall comply withSections 1111.4.8.1 through 1111.4.8.3.

Exception: Mobile or portable amusement rides shall not be required to be *accessible*.

1111.4.8.1 Load and unload areas.

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Load and unload areas serving amusement rides shall be accessible and be on an accessible route. Where load and unload areas have more than one loading or unloading position, at least one loading and unloading position shall be on an accessible route.

1111.4.8.2 Wheelchair spaces, ride seats designed for transfer and transfer devices.

Where amusement rides are in the load and unload position, the following shall be on an accessible route.

- 1. The position serving a wheelchair space.
- 2. Amusement ride seats designed for transfer.
- 3. Transfer devices.

1111.4.8.3 Minimum number.

Amusement rides shall provide at least one wheelchair space, amusement ride seat designed for transfer or transfer device.

Exceptions:

- 1. Amusement rides that are controlled or operated by the rider are not required to comply with this section.
- 2. Amusement rides designed primarily for children, where children are assisted on and off the ride by an adult, are not required to comply with this section.
- 3. Amusement rides that do not provide seats that are built-in or mechanically fastened shall not be required to comply with this section.

1111.4.9 Recreational boating facilities.

Boat slips required to be *accessible* by Sections 1111.4.9.1 and 1111.4.9.2 and boarding piers at boat launch ramps required to be *accessible* by Section 1111.4.9.3 shall be on an *accessible route*.

1111.4.9.1 Boat slips.

Accessible boat slips shall be provided in accordance with Table 1111.4.9.1. All units on the site shall be combined to determine the number of accessible boat slips required. Where the number of boat slips is not identified, each 40 feet (12 m) of boat slip edge provided along the perimeter of the pier shall be counted as one boat slip for the purpose of this section.

Exception: Boat slips not designed for embarking or disembarking are not required to be *accessible* or be on an *accessible route*.

TABLE 1111.4.9.1 BOAT SLIPS

TOTAL NUMBER OF BOAT SLIPS PROVIDED	MINIMUM NUMBER OF REQUIRED ACCESSIBLE BOAT SLIPS
1 to 25	1
26 to 50	2
51 to 100	3
101 to 150	4
151 to 300	5
301 to 400	6
401 to 500	7
501 to 600	8
601 to 700	9
701 to 800	10
801 to 900	11
901 to 1,000	12
1,001 and over	12, plus 1 for every 100, or fraction thereof, over 1,000

1111.4.9.2 Dispersion.

Accessible boat slips shall be dispersed throughout the various types of boat slips provided. Where the minimum number of *accessible* boat slips has been met, further dispersion shall not be required.

1111.4.9.3 Boarding piers at boat launch ramps.

Where boarding piers are provided at boat launch ramps, at least 5 percent, but not less than one, of the boarding piers shall be *accessible*.

1111.4.10 Exercise machines and equipment.

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At least one of each type of exercise machine and equipment shall be on an accessible route.

1111.4.11 Fishing piers and platforms.

Fishing piers and platforms shall be accessible and be on an accessible route.

1111.4.12 Miniature golf facilities.

Miniature golf facilities shall comply with Sections 1111.4.12.1 through 1111.4.12.3.

1111.4.12.1 Minimum number.

At least 50 percent of holes on miniature golf courses shall be accessible.

1111.4.12.2 Miniature golf course configuration.

Miniature golf courses shall be configured so that the accessible holes are consecutive. Miniature golf courses shall provide an accessible route from the last *accessible* hole to the course entrance or exit without requiring travel through any other holes on the course.

Exception: One break in the sequence of consecutive holes shall be permitted provided that the last hole on the miniature golf course is the last hole in the sequence.

1111.4.12.3 Accessible route.

Holes required to comply with Section 1111.4.12.1, including the start of play, shall be on an accessible route.

1111.4.13 Play areas.

Play areas containing play components designed and constructed for children shall be located on an accessible route.

1111.4.14 Swimming pools, wading pools, cold baths, hot tubs and spas.

Swimming pools, wading pools, cold baths, hot tubs and spas shall be accessible and be on an accessible route.

Exceptions:

- 1. Catch pools or a designated section of a pool used as a terminus for a water slide flume shall not be required to provide an *accessible* means of entry, provided that a portion of the catch pool edge is on an *accessible route*.
- 2. Where spas, cold baths or hot tubs are provided in a cluster, at least 5 percent, but not less than oneof each type of spa, cold bath or hot tub in each cluster, shall be accessible and be on an accessible route.
- 3. *Swimming pools*, wading pools, spas, cold baths and hot tubs that are required to be *accessible* by Sections 1111.2.2 and 1111.2.3 are not required to provide *accessible* means of entry into the water.

1111.4.14.1 Raised diving boards and diving platforms.

Raised diving boards and diving platforms are not required to be accessible or to be on an accessible route.

1111.4.14.2 Water slides.

Water slides are not required to be accessible or to be on an accessible route.

1111.4.15 Shooting facilities with firing positions.

Where shooting facilities with firing positions are designed and constructed at a site, at least 5 percent, but not less than one, of each type of firing position shall be *accessible* and be on an *accessible* route.

Exception: Shooting facilities with firing positions on free-standing platforms that are elevated more than 12 feet (3660 mm) above grade, provided that the aggregate area of the elevated firing positions is not more than 500 square feet (46 m²), are not required to be accessible.

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