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A Strategy for Classifying the Built Environment

Table 14 - Spaces by Form

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Definition

Spaces by Form are basic units of the built environment delineated by physical or abstract boundaries and characterized by physical form.

Discussion

A space is a segment of the built environment that is marked off from other spaces and elements in some way. It is usually a component part of a larger, more significant construction entity.

A space can be delineated by either physical or abstract boundaries. These boundaries determine the form of the space which can be three-dimensional such as a room, or a two-dimensional surface such as a walkway. The form of the space can create a medium for action or movement which is related to the function of the space. Many spaces are also largely unoccupied, but serve a function within the facility. This table is only concerned with form; Table 13 - Spaces by Function is concerned with the purpose or use of a space.

Examples

Room, Alcove, Cavity, Courtyard, Easement, City Block

Table Uses

Storing and retrieving information, space planning, construction project programming and budgeting, compiling historical cost and operation data, designating spaces and activities for building codes and ordinances, inventorying spaces for property transfer, classifying spaces for facility management operations and categorizing objects for software.

Table Users

Librarians, design professionals, space planners and programmers, estimators, building officials, real estate agents, facility managers, and computer programmers.

Legacy Sources

- ISO IS 12006-2 Table 4.4 Spaces (by degree of enclosure)
- Uniclass Table F, Spaces

Primary Properties

Degree of Enclosure: fully enclosed, partially enclosed, open.

Size: FOOTPRINT: horizontal dimensions (x, y): small, medium, large, extra large; HEIGHT: vertical dimension (z): low, medium, high. Size can be quantified through measurement. Spaces are usually measured by the area of their footprint, although volume is also a common measurement. Relevant measurements include gross area, net area, assignable area, usable area, rentable area, and circulation area.

Position: relative to a datum: GRADE (below grade, on grade, above grade); CARDINAL DIRECTION (north facing, south facing, east facing, west facing, NE, SE, SW, NW); OTHER SPACES (central, perimeter, frontal, rear, between)

Shape: FOOTPRINT: Centralized (ratio of x to y less than 2 to 1, including: rectangular, circular (or part thereof), polygonal, irregular), Linear (ratio of x to y greater than 2 to 1, including: rectangular and Irregular); OVERHEAD: flat, sloped or bent, curved (vaulted, domed, etc.), Combination/other; FLOOR PLANE: flat, sloped, multi-level; INTERIOR: uninterrupted (clear span), interrupted (by columns, partitions, etc.)

Numbers & Titles

14-11 00 00 Fully Enclosed Spaces

14-11 11 00 Rooms

- 14-11 11 11 Room
- 14-11 11 14 Lobby
- 14-11 11 17 Hall
- 14-11 11 21 Auditorium
- 14-11 11 24 Anteroom
- 14-11 11 27 Office
- 14-11 11 99 Other Rooms

14-11 14 00 Levels

- 14-11 14 11 Level
- 14-11 14 14 Floor
- 14-11 14 17 Story
- 14-11 14 21 Basement (Includes: Cellar)
- 14-11 14 24 Attic
- 14-11 14 99 Other Levels

14-11 17 00 Atria

- 14-11 17 11 Gallery
- 14-11 17 14 Mall
- 14-11 17 17 Atrium
- 14-11 17 21 Enclosed Court
- 14-11 17 99 Other Atria

14-11 21 00 Shafts

- 14-11 21 11 Stair Enclosure
- 14-11 21 14 Elevator Shaft
- 14-11 21 17 Mechanical Shaft
- 14-11 21 99 Other Shafts

14-11 24 00 Interstitial Spaces

- 14-11 24 11 Plenum
- 14-11 24 14 Cavity
- 14-11 24 17 Interstitial Floor
- 14-11 24 99 Other Interstitial Spaces

14-11 27 00 Compartments

- 14-11 27 11 Chamber
- 14-11 27 14 Compartment
- 14-11 27 99 Other Compartments

14-14 00 00 Partially-Enclosed Spaces

14-14 11 00 Recessed Spaces

- 14-14 11 11 Alcove
- 14-14 11 14 Niche
- 14-14 11 17 Exedra
- 14-14 11 99 Other Recessed Spaces

14-14 14 00 Transition Spaces

- 14-14 14 11 Corridor
- 14-14 14 14 Vestibule
- 14-14 14 17 Nave
- 14-14 14 99 Other Transition Spaces

14-14 17 00 Raised Spaces

- 14-14 17 11 Mezzanine
- 14-14 17 14 Balcony
- 14-14 17 17 Stage
- 14-14 17 21 Platform
- 14-14 17 99 Other Raised Spaces

14-14 21 00 Lowered and Sunken Spaces

- 14-14 21 11 Pit
- 14-14 21 14 Pool
- 14-14 21 99 Other Lowered and Sunken Spaces

14-14 99 00 Other Partially-Enclosed Spaces

14-17 00 00 Non-Enclosed Spaces

14-17 11 00 Stations

- 14-17 11 11 Work Station
- 14-17 11 14 Cubicle
- 14-17 11 17 Counter
- 14-17 11 99 Other Stations

14-17 14 00 Grouped Spaces

- 14-17 14 11 Seating Group
- 14-17 14 14 Seating Row
- 14-17 14 17 Seating Section
- 14-17 14 21 Aisle
- 14-17 14 99 Other Groups

14-17 17 00 Zones

- 14-17 17 11 Air Distribution Zone
- 14-17 17 14 Queuing Zone
- 14-17 17 99 Other Zones

14-17 21 00 Areas

- 14-17 21 11 Rink
- 14-17 21 14 Ring
- 14-17 21 17 Mat
- 14-17 21 21 Court
- 14-17 21 99 Other Areas

14-17 99 00 Other Non-Enclosed Spaces

14-21 00 00 Covered Spaces

14-21 11 00 Attached Spaces

- 14-21 11 11 Porch
- 14-21 11 14 Porte Cochere

- 14-21 11 17 Arcade
- 14-21 11 21 Cloisters (Includes: Arcaded Courtyard)
- 14-21 11 24 Breezeway
- 14-21 11 99 Other Attached Spaces

14-21 14 00 Free-Standing Spaces

- 14-21 14 11 Gazebo
- 14-21 14 14 Trellis
- 14-21 14 99 Other Free-Standing Spaces

14-21 99 00 Other Covered Spaces

14-24 00 00 Uncovered Spaces

14-24 11 00 Routes

- 14-24 11 11 Path
- 14-24 11 16 Trail
- 14-24 11 14 Trail Head
- 14-24 11 17 Street (Alternate Terms: Road, Avenue)
- 14-24 11 24 Alley
- 14-24 11 27 Sidewalk
- 14-24 11 31 Walkway
- 14-24 11 34 Boardwalk
- 14-24 11 99 Other Routes

14-24 14 00 Outdoor Areas

- 14-24 14 11 Terrace
- 14-24 14 14 Patio
- 14-24 14 17 Courtyard
- 14-24 14 21 Light Well
- 14-24 14 27 Farm Field
- 14-24 14 31 Planting Bed
- 14-24 14 34 Yard
- 14-24 14 37 Roof Area
- 14-24 14 99 Other Outdoor Areas

14-24 17 00 Intersections and Nodes

- 14-24 17 11 Crossroad
- 14-24 17 14 Intersection
- 14-24 17 17 Plaza
- 14-24 17 99 Other Intersections and Nodes

14-24 99 00 Other Uncovered Spaces

14-27 00 00 Combined Spaces

14-27 11 00 Integral Combined Spaces

- 14-27 11 11 Suite
- 14-27 11 14 Core
- 14-27 11 99 Other Integral Combined Spaces

14-27 14 00 Grouped Combined Spaces

- 14-27 14 11 Wing
- 14-27 14 14 Bay
- 14-27 14 99 Other Grouped Combined Spaces

14-31 00 00 Space Designations to Facilitate Design and Construction

14-31 11 00 Modules

- 14-31 11 11 Planning Module
- 14-31 11 14 Structural Module
- 14-31 11 17 Proportional Module
- 14-31 11 99 Other Modules

14-31 14 00 Clear Spaces

- 14-31 14 11 Operational Clear Space
- 14-31 14 14 Accessible Clear Space
- 14-31 14 17 Service Space
- 14-31 14 99 Other Clear Spaces

14-31 17 00 Tolerance Spaces

- 14-31 17 11 Planning Tolerance Space
- 14-31 17 14 Construction Tolerance Space
- 14-31 17 99 Other Tolerance Spaces

14-31 99 00 Other Space Designations to Facilitate Design and Construction

14-34 00 00 Topographical Spaces

14-34 11 00 Sloped Topographical Spaces

- 14-34 11 11 Valley
- 14-34 11 14 Channel
- 14-34 11 17 Plateau
- 14-34 11 21 Knoll
- 14-34 11 24 Ridge
- 14-34 11 27 Summit
- 14-34 11 31 Berm
- 14-34 11 34 Swale
- 14-34 11 99 Other Sloped Topographical Spaces

14-34 14 00 Flat Topographical Spaces

- 14-34 14 11 Plain
- 14-34 14 14 Meadow
- 14-34 14 17 Basin
- 14-34 14 99 Other Flat Topographical Spaces

14-34 17 00 Land and Water Topographical Transitions

- 14-34 17 11 Peninsula
- 14-34 17 14 Point
- 14-34 17 17 Inlet
- 14-34 17 21 Bay
- 14-34 17 24 Shoreline
- 14-34 17 27 Island
- 14-34 17 31 Lagoon
- 14-34 17 99 Other Land and Water Topographical Transitions

14-34 21 00 Topographical Water Spaces

- 14-34 21 11 Ocean (Includes: Sea)
- 14-34 21 14 Pond

- 14-34 21 17 Lake
- 14-34 21 21 Reservoir
- 14-34 21 24 Creek
- 14-34 21 27 River
- 14-34 21 99 Other Topographical Water Spaces

14-37 00 00 Legal and Geopolitical Space Designations

14-37 11 00 Property Limits

- 14-37 11 11 Parcel
- 14-37 11 14 Site
- 14-37 11 17 Tract
- 14-37 11 99 Other Property Limits

14-37 14 00 Rights of Way

- 14-37 14 11 Right-of-way Space
- 14-37 14 14 Easement
- 14-37 14 17 Air Rights Space
- 14-37 14 21 Mineral Rights Space
- 14-37 14 99 Other Rights of Way

14-37 17 00 Blocks

- 14-37 17 11 City Block
- 14-37 17 14 Cul-de-sac
- 14-37 17 17 Planned Unit Development
- 14-37 17 99 Other Blocks

14-37 21 00 Sub-City Limits

- 14-37 21 11 District
- 14-37 21 14 Neighborhood
- 14-37 21 17 Campus
- 14-37 21 21 Compound
- 14-37 21 24 Base
- 14-37 21 99 Other Sub-City Limits

14-37 24 00 Municipal Limits

- 14-37 24 11 Town
- 14-37 24 14 City
- 14-37 24 99 Other Municipal Limits

14-37 27 00 Extra-Municipal Limits

- 14-37 27 11 County
- 14-37 27 14 Region
- 14-37 27 17 State
- 14-37 27 21 Province
- 14-37 27 24 Nation
- 14-37 27 99 Other Extra-Municipal Limits

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