

402 OCCUPANCY REQUIREMENTS

- 402.1 Each dwelling unit shall contain the following minimum amount of floor area in order to comply with the occupancy requirements of this subtitle:
- (a) At least one hundred thirty square feet (130 ft.²) of floor area in habitable rooms for the first occupant of the dwelling unit;
 - (b) At least ninety square feet (90 ft.²) of additional floor area in habitable rooms for each additional occupant of the dwelling unit up to a total of seven (7) occupants; and
 - (c) At least seventy-five square feet (75 ft.²) of additional floor area in habitable rooms for each additional occupant of the dwelling unit if the dwelling unit is to be occupied by more than seven (7) persons.
- 402.2 Each room used for sleeping purposes by not more than one (1) occupant shall be a habitable room containing at least seventy square feet (70 ft.²) of habitable room area.
- 402.3 Each room used for sleeping by two (2) or more occupants shall be a habitable room containing at least fifty square feet (50 ft.²) of habitable room area for each occupant.
- 402.4 No sleeping facilities shall be permitted in any room in which there is located any of the following:
- (a) A furnace;
 - (b) A space heater using an open flame, unless that space heater is effectively flue connected;
 - (c) A domestic water heater; or
 - (d) A gas meter.

SOURCE: The Housing Regulations of the District of Columbia, 5G DCRR §§ 2305, 2306, Commissioners' Order 55-1503 (August 11, 1955).