



### 3. EXITS

Table A.2.3: FAQ– Exits

QUESTION	ANSWER
1. What is the swing direction for doors for fire exits ?	<p>i. Doors required to be of the side-hinged or pivoted-swinging type shall swing in the direction of egress travel where serving a room or area with an occupant load of 50 or more. A door shall swing in the direction of egress travel under either of the following conditions.</p> <p>a. Where the door is used in an exit enclosure</p> <p>b. Where the door serves a high hazard contents area</p>
2. Can spiral stairs be used for egress ?	<p>i. Spiral Stairs is not allowed as a part of means of egress.</p> <p>ii. Spiral stairs are permitted only to access mezzanines in mercantile and as equipment access.</p>
3. Can interlocking or scissor stair be treated as 2 staircases	<p>i. No. Interlocking or scissor stairs are considered only as a single exit</p>
4. What is the minimum separation distance between two exits?	<p>i. The minimum separation distance between two exits in a sprinklered building shall be not less than one-third (1/3) the length of the maximum overall diagonal dimension of the building or area to be served.</p> <p>ii. The minimum separation distance between two exits in a non-sprinklered building shall be not less than one-half (1/2) the length of the maximum overall diagonal dimension of the building or area to be served.</p>
5. What is the minimum clear width of a corridor or passageway	<p>i. The minimum clear width of any corridor or passageway serving an occupant load of 50 or more shall be not less than 1200 mm in occupancies other than Schools and Hospitals.</p> <p>ii. The minimum corridor width of schools and hospital shall not be less than 1800 mm.</p>
6. What is exit access?	<p>i. That portion of a means of egress that leads to an exit.</p>
7. What is exit discharge?	<p>i. That portion of a means of egress between the termination of an exit and a public way.</p>
8. What is exit passageway?	<p>i. An Exit component that is separated from other spaces of a building or structure by fire resistance rated construction and opening protective, providing a protected path of egress travel in a horizontal direction to exit discharge or public way or outside building. Additional uses for the exit passageway include stair transfer in upper floors as well as to reduce travel distance to an exit by having an exit passageway lead to a stair of exit discharge.</p>
9. What is exit corridor?	<p>i. An Exit component that may or may not be separated from other spaces of a building or structure by fire resistance rated construction and opening protective, providing a path of egress travel in a horizontal direction to exit or exit passageway.</p>