



ADMINISTRATIVE RULES OF MONTANA



37.106.2837 COMMON USE AREAS

- (1) The facility must provide:
 - (a) a dining room of sufficient size to accommodate all the residents comfortably with dining room furnishings that are well constructed and tables designed to accommodate the use of wheelchairs;
 - (b) at least one centrally located common area in which residents may socialize and participate in recreational activities. A common area may include, without limitation, a living room, dining room, enclosed porch or solarium. The common area must be large enough to accommodate those to be served without overcrowding; and
 - (c) enough total living or recreational and dining room area to allow at least 30 square feet per resident.
- (2) All common areas must be furnished and equipped with comfortable furniture and reading lights in quantities sufficient to accommodate those to be served.
- (3) Any provision of this rule may be waived at the discretion of the department if conditions in existence prior to the adoption of this rule or construction factors would make compliance extremely difficult or impossible and if the department determines that the level of safety to residents and staff is not diminished.

Authorizing statute(s): Sec. 50-5-103, 50-5-226 and 50-5-227, MCA

Implementing statute(s): Sec. 50-5-225, 50-5-226 and 50-5-227, MCA

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