

10A NCAC 70K .0309 BATHROOMS

- (a) Residential maternity homes shall have one full bathroom for each five or fewer mothers and children, not including infants. Live-in staff shall have a separate bathroom from residents in care.
- (b) The bathrooms shall be designed to provide privacy. A bathroom with two or more water closets (commodes) shall have privacy partitions for each water closet. Each tub or shower shall have privacy partitions or curtains.
- (c) Entrance to the bathroom shall not be through a kitchen, another person's bedroom or another bathroom.
- (d) The required bathrooms of residents shall be located so there is no more than 40 feet from any resident's bedroom door.
- (e) Hand grips shall be installed at all commodes, tubs and showers used by the residents.
- (f) Non-skid surfacing or strips shall be installed in showers and bath areas.
- (g) The bathrooms shall be lighted to provide 30 foot candles of light at floor level and have mechanical ventilation at the rate of two cubic feet per minute for each square foot of floor area. These vents shall be vented directly to the outdoors.
- (h) The bathroom floor shall have a non-slippery, water-resistant covering.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 131D-1; 143B-153;
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