

**15-DAY COMMENT PERIOD MODIFICATIONS
FOR
PROPOSED BUILDING STANDARDS
OF THE
DIVISION OF THE STATE ARCHITECT ACCESS COMPLIANCE
US DOJ ADA CERTIFICATION RELATED ACCESSIBILITY STANDARDS
CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 24, PART 2**

Legend for Express Terms:

1. California amendments brought forward without modification: *All such language appears in Italics.*
 2. California amendments brought forward with modification: *All such language appears in Italics, modified language is underlined.*
 3. New IBC language with new California amendment: IBC language is shown in normal Arial 9 pt. California amendments to IBC text appear underlined and in italics.
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 7. IBC text proposed to be removed: Shown as ~~Strikeout~~.
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SPECIAL NOTE: THIS RULEMAKING IS DIVIDED INTO TWO ITEMS:

ITEM #1: 2006 IBC RELATED ACCESSIBILITY STANDARDS;

ITEM #2: US DOJ ADA CERTIFICATION RELATED ACCESSIBILITY STANDARDS

ITEM #2: US DOJ ADA CERTIFICATION RELATED ACCESSIBILITY STANDARDS

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General. DSA/AC proposes to update the model code language where required throughout this document to match the current published 2006 International Building Code language.

Authority Cited – GC§ 4450.

Reference – GC §§ 4450 through 4461, 12955.1(d) and H&SC§§ 18949.1, 19952 through 19959.

Rationale: Model code language shown in this document was based on draft language made available to the State of California by the International Code Council. The final published model code language contains minor revisions or updates in various locations.

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General Application. DSA/AC proposes to remove the general application statement, “for applications listed in Section 109.1 regulated by the Division of the State Architect/Access Compliance”, and replace with the DSA/AC acronym, “[For DSA/AC]”, where required throughout this document.

Authority Cited – GC§ 4450.

Reference – GC §§ 4450 through 4461, 12955.1(d) and H&SC§§ 18949.1, 19952 through 19959.

Rationale:

This change is required for consistency with the Building Standards Commission format.

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202 Service Entrance. DSA/AC proposes to withdraw the proposed amendment adding a new definition of “service entrance”.

Authority Cited – GC§ 4450.

Reference – GC §§ 4450 through 4461, 12955.1(d) and H&SC§§ 18949.1, 19952 through 19959.

Rationale: Concerns have been raised that inclusion of this definition will reduce existing accessibility provisions. DSA/AC is withdrawing the proposed new definition, and will restudy this proposed amendment as it finalizes the Part 2 response package to USDOJ.

~~**SERVICE ENTRANCE** is an entrance intended primarily for delivery of goods or services.~~

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1104B.5 item 4 Seating. DSA/AC proposes to withdraw a proposed amendment to the third sentence of this section.

Authority Cited – GC§ 4450.

Reference – GC §§ 4450 through 4461, 12955.1(d) and H&SC§§ 18949.1, 19952 through 19959.

Rationale: Concerns have been raised that inclusion of this language will reduce existing accessibility provisions for aisle width in dining, banquet and bar facilities. DSA/AC will restudy this proposed amendment as it finalizes the Part 2 response package to USDOJ.

1104B.5 Dining, Banquet and Bar Facilities. ...

4. Seating. *Each dining, banquet and bar area shall have one wheelchair seating space for each 20 seats, with at least one minimum wheelchair seating space per functional area. Such seating shall be designed and arranged to permit use by wheelchair occupants, and shall comply with Section 1122B, “Fixed or Built-in Seating, Tables, and Counters.” Access to such seating spaces shall be provided with main aisles not less than 36 inches (914 mm) clear width ~~between parallel edges of tables or between a wall and the table edges or fixed seating.~~ In establishments where separate areas are designated for smoking and non-smoking patrons, the required number of accessible fixed tables (or counters) shall be proportionally distributed between the smoking and non-smoking areas. Accessible seating spaces shall be integrated with general seating to allow a reasonable selection of seating area and to avoid having one area specifically highlighted as the area for persons with disabilities. The ratio of accessible seating is based on the total number of seats provided. Where food or drink is served at counters exceeding 34 inches (865 mm) in height for consumption by customers seated or standing at the counter, a portion of the main counter which is 60 inches (1525 mm) in length minimum shall be provided in compliance with Section 1122B.*

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1115B.4.1, item 3.1. DSA/AC proposes to withdraw the repeal of language related to required dimensions for grab bars at water closets.

Authority Cited – GC§ 4450.

Reference – GC §§ 4450 through 4461, 12955.1(d) and H&SC§§ 18949.1, 19952 through 19959.

Rationale: DSA/AC proposed to repeal language requiring side grab bars to extend 24 inches beyond the front edge of the water closet, and replace it with requirements from the federal ADA Standards requiring side grab bars to be 42 inches long minimum, be located 12 inches maximum from the rear wall, and extend 54 inches minimum from the rear wall. In some instances, however, the existing language may be required to maintain current CBC requirements for grab bars. The existing requirements for side grab bars to extend 24 inches beyond the front edge of the water closet have been incorporated into the new ADA Standards language as follows:

1115B.4.1. Accessible water closets. ...

3.1. Side Wall. *The side grab bar shall be 42 inches (1067 mm) long minimum, located 12 inches (305 mm) maximum from the rear wall and extending 54 inches (1372 mm) minimum from the rear wall with the front end positioned 24 inches (610 mm) minimum in front of the water closet. The side grab bar shall be securely attached and centered 33 inches (838 mm) above and parallel to the floor.*

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1115B.4.4.2 Thresholds. DSA/AC proposes to further amend this section to align with current federal ADA Standards.

Authority Cited – GC§ 4450.

Reference – GC §§ 4450 through 4461, 12955.1(d) and H&SC§§ 18949.1, 19952 through 19959.

Rationale: Concerns have been raised that amendments to this section do not align with current federal ADA Standards. After further study of this proposed amendment including researching USDOJ technical assistance letters, DSA/AC is proposing to further amend this section to align with ADA Standards section 4.21.7 which does not allow a curb at roll-in type showers, but has been interpreted to allow a 1/2 inch high maximum compliant threshold. Figures 11B-2A, 11B-2B, and 11B-2C have been further revised to indicate this amendment.

1115B.4.4.2 (1115B.6.2.2) Thresholds. ~~A threshold or recessed drop is not permitted in accessible showers complying with Section 1115B.4.4.~~ Thresholds in roll-in type showers shall be 1/2 inch (12.7 mm) high maximum and shall comply with Section 1124B.2.

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1116B.1.10 Hall Call Buttons. DSA/AC proposes to correct a typographical error in the last sentence of this section by inserting an approved 2004 Rulemaking change. Criteria #1 & 8.

Authority Cited – GC§ 4450.

Reference – GC §§ 4450 through 4461, 12955.1(d) and H&SC§§ 18949.1, 19952 through 19959.

Rationale: An approved 2004 Rulemaking change was inadvertently omitted during preparation of this document. DSA/AC is proposing to insert the approved change, “Hall call buttons shall be internally illuminated with a white light over the entire surface of the button,” as the last sentence of this section.

1116B.1.10 Hall Call Buttons. *The centerline of the hall call buttons shall be 42 inches (1067 mm) above the floor. Buttons shall be a minimum of 3/4-inch (19.1mm) in size and shall be raised 1/8 inch (3.2 mm) [plus or minus 1/32 inch (0.8 mm)] above the surrounding surface. The button designating the up direction shall be on top. Visual indication shall be provided to show each call registered and extinguished when answered. Objects adjacent to, and below, hall call buttons shall not project more than 4 inches (102 mm) from the wall. Hall call buttons shall be internally illuminated with a white light over the entire surface of the button.*

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1117B.2.7 Enclosures. DSA/AC proposes to correct a conflict between the code provisions located in this section and the proposed changes to Figure 11B-4.

Authority Cited – GC§ 4450.

Reference – GC §§ 4450 through 4461, 12955.1(d) and H&SC§§ 18949.1, 19952 through 19959.

Rationale: In order to comply with the federal ADA Standards, Figure 11B-4 was revised. Associated revisions to this section were inadvertently omitted during preparation of the rulemaking document. Criteria #1.

1117B.2.7 Enclosures. *If telephone enclosures ...*

1. Side reach possible. ~~The overhang shall be no greater than 10 inches (254 mm). The height of the lowest overhanging part shall be equal to or greater than 27 inches (686 mm). Where a parallel approach is provided at a telephone within an enclosure, the enclosure and counter may extend beyond the face of the telephone a maximum of 10 inches (254 mm). The enclosure and counter may not overlap the required clear floor or ground space.~~ See Figure 11B-4(a).

2. Full-height enclosures. *Entrances to full-height enclosures ...*

3. Forward reach required. ~~If the overhang is greater than 12 inches (305 mm), then the clear width of the enclosure shall be 30 inches (762 mm) minimum; if the clear width of the enclosure is less than 30 inches (762 mm), then the height of the lowest overhanging part shall be equal to or greater than 27 inches (686 mm). Where a front approach is provided at a telephone within an enclosure, the counter may extend beyond the face of the telephone a maximum of 20 inches (508 mm) into the required clear floor or ground space and the enclosure may extend beyond the face of the telephone a maximum of 24 inches (610 mm). If an additional 6 inches (152 mm) in width of clear floor space is provided, creating a clear floor space of 36 inches by 48 inches (914 mm by 1219 mm), the enclosure may extend more than 24 inches (610 mm) beyond the face of the telephone.~~ See Figure 11B-4(e).

4. Protruding telephone enclosures. *Where telephone enclosures protrude ...*

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1117B.5.8.1.3 Information posted. DSA/AC proposes to further amend this section to incorporate usage of the term “sanitary facilities” rather than the term “toilet and bathing facilities”.

Authority Cited – GC§ 4450.

Reference – GC §§ 4450 through 4461, 12955.1(d) and H&SC§§ 18949.1, 19952 through 19959.

Rationale: The defined term “sanitary facility” should be used consistently throughout the code.

1117B.5.8.1.3 Information posted. *Buildings that ~~have been remodeled to provide specific sanitary facilities and/or elevators for public use that conform to these building standards shall have this information posted in the building lobby, preferably as part of the building directory. The information shall be accompanied by the International Symbol of Accessibility. Inaccessible toilet and bathing sanitary facilities shall have directional signage complying with 1117B.5.1 Items 2 and 3 to indicate the location of the nearest accessible toilet and bathing sanitary facility.~~*

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1121B Transportation Facilities. DSA/AC proposes to further amend this section to incorporate the current CBC requirement for all entrances to buildings and facilities to be accessible.

Authority Cited – GC§ 4450.

Reference – GC §§ 4450 through 4461, 12955.1(d) and H&SC§§ 18949.1, 19952 through 19959.

Rationale: Concerns have been raised that the proposed language for transportation facilities which came directly from the ADA Standards does not reflect the current CBC requirement for entrances to buildings and facilities to be accessible. After further study, DSA/AC proposes to further amend this section to clarify that in new construction all entrances to transportation facilities shall be accessible per current CBC provisions.

1121B.3.1 New Construction. New stations in...

1. Elements such as ramps, elevators or other circulation devices, fare vending or other ticketing areas, and fare collection areas shall be placed to minimize the distance which wheelchair users and other persons who cannot negotiate steps may have to travel compared to the general public. The circulation ~~path~~ paths, each including an accessible entrance and an accessible route, for persons with disabilities shall, to the maximum extent practicable, coincide with the circulation path for the general public. Where ~~the~~ a circulation path is different, signage complying with Section 1117B.5.1 Items 2 and 3 shall be provided to indicate direction to and identify the accessible entrance and accessible route.

2. If different entrances to a station serve different transportation fixed routes or groups of fixed routes, ~~at least one entrance~~ entrances serving each group or route shall comply with Section 1133B.1.

1121B.4.1 New Construction.

1. Elements such as ramps, elevators or other vertical circulation devices, ticketing areas, security checkpoints, or passenger waiting areas shall be placed to provide equitable travel distances for wheelchair users and other persons who cannot negotiate steps compared to the route for the general public.

2. The circulation ~~path~~ paths, each including an accessible entrance and an accessible route, for persons with disabilities shall, to the maximum extent practicable, coincide with the circulation path for the general public. Where ~~the~~ a circulation path is different, signage complying with Section 1117B.5.1 Items 2 and 3 shall be provided to indicate direction to and identify the accessible entrance and accessible route.

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1133B.2.2 Width and height. DSA/AC proposes to withdraw a proposed amendment to this section regarding openings more than 24 inches in depth.

Authority Cited – GC§ 4450.

Reference – GC §§ 4450 through 4461, 12955.1(d) and H&SC§§ 18949.1, 19952 through 19959.

Rationale: Concerns have been raised that this amendment creates an inaccessible “deep door jamb” condition and eliminates the required strike side clearance for doors. DSA/AC is withdrawing this proposed amendment and will restudy this item as it finalizes the Part 2 response package to USDOJ.

1133B.2.2 Width and height. *Every required exit doorway shall be of a size as to permit the installation of a door not less than 3 feet (914 mm) in width and not less than 6 feet 8 inches (2032 mm) in height.*

When installed in exit doorways, exit doors shall be capable of opening at least 90 degrees and shall be so mounted that the clear width of the exitway is not less than 32 inches (813 mm) measured between the face of the door and the opposite stop (see Figure 11B-5B). Openings more than 24 inches (610 mm) in depth shall comply with Sections 1114B.1.2 and 1118B.1. In computing the exit width the net dimension of the exitway shall be used.

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1133B.4.2.2. DSA/AC proposes to add the term “and facilities” to this section consistent with current CBC provisions.

Authority Cited – GC§ 4450.

Reference – GC §§ 4450 through 4461, 12955.1(d) and H&SC§§ 18949.1, 19952 through 19959.

Rationale: CBC Section 1134B.2 contains provisions for “existing buildings and facilities” when alterations, structural repairs or additions are made to such “buildings or facilities”. Consistent with 1134B requirements, DSA/AC is proposing to further amend this section to include existing buildings “and facilities”.

1133B.4.2.2 Handrails shall ...

Exceptions:

1. In new construction, ...

2. In existing buildings and facilities, full extension of handrails at stairs shall not be required in alterations where such extensions would be hazardous or impossible due to plan configuration.

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1134B.1 Scope DSA/AC proposes to correct a typographical error following this section.

Authority Cited – GC§ 4450.

Reference – GC §§ 4450 through 4461, 12955.1(d) and H&SC§§ 18949.1, 19952 through 19959.

Rationale: The section title “CHAP. 11B, DIV. IV” should not appear in this location. Criteria #8.

1134B.1 Scope. The provisions of this division apply to ...

~~CHAP. 11B, DIV. IV~~

1134B.2 General. All existing buildings and facilities ...

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1134B.2.2 Accessibility for existing buildings DSA/AC proposes to correct a typographical error by adding the IBC adoption proposed changes to this section. Criteria #8.

Authority Cited – GC§ 4450.

Reference – GC §§ 4450 through 4461, 12955.1(d) and H&SC§§ 18949.1, 19952 through 19959.

Rationale: The IBC adoption proposed changes were omitted in error.

~~**1134B.2.2** Where it is technically infeasible in the area of an alteration to make existing restroom toilet facilities code compliant and to install separate sanitary toilet facilities for each sex, then the installation of at least one unisex toilet/bathroom facility per floor being altered, located in the same area as existing toilet facilities, will be permitted. Such a facility shall meet the requirements of Section 1115B.7.2.~~

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Figure 11B-1B. DSA/AC proposes to further amend this figure to be consistent with amendments made to Section 1115B.3.1 item 4.5 regarding door maneuvering spaces at accessible water closet compartment doors.

Authority Cited – GC§ 4450.

Reference – GC §§ 4450 through 4461, 12955.1(d) and H&SC§§ 18949.1, 19952 through 19959.

Rationale: An amendment to Figure 11B-1B related to new proposed language in Section 1115B.3.1 item 4.5 was inadvertently omitted. A lavatory previously shown on Figure 11B-1B has been deleted to graphically indicate a compliant door maneuvering space.

See Chapter 11B, Figure 11B-1B.