

- g) be equipped with a coat hook mounted not more than 1200 mm above the floor on a side wall and projecting not more than 50 mm from the wall, and
- h) be equipped with a toilet paper dispenser mounted on the side wall closest to the water closet such that,
 - i) the bottom of the dispenser is 600 mm to 800 mm above the floor, and
 - ii) the closest edge of the dispenser is 300 mm from the front of the water closet.

3.8.3.12. Universal Washrooms

(See Note A-3.8.3.12., NBC)

- 1) A universal washroom shall
 - a) be served by a *barrier-free* path of travel,
 - b) have a door complying with Article 3.9.3.6. that
 - i) has a latch-operating mechanism located 900 mm to 1000 mm above the floor that is capable of being locked from the inside and released from the outside in case of emergency,
 - ii) if it is an outward swinging door that is not self-closing, has a door pull not less than 140 mm long located on the inside so that its midpoint is not less than 200 mm and not more than 300 mm from the hinged side of the door and not less than 900 mm and not more than 1000 mm above the floor, and
- (See Note A-3.8.3.11.(1)(c)(vi), NBC)
- iii) if it is an outward swinging door that is not self-closing, a door closer, spring hinges or gravity hinges, so that the door closes automatically,
 - c) have on lavatory conforming to Article 3.8.3.15.,
 - d) have one water closet conforming to Article 3.8.3.13. and Clause 3.8.3.11.(1)(d), with a clear floor space at least 900 mm wide that is parallel and adjacent to the open side of the water closet,
 - e) have grab bars conforming to Clauses 3.8.3.11.(1)(e) and (f),
 - f) have a coat hook conforming to Clause 3.8.3.11.(1)(g),
 - g) have a toilet paper dispenser conforming to Clause 3.8.3.11.(1)(h),
 - h) unless a counter is provided, have a shelf located not more than 1200 mm above the floor, and
 - i) be designed to permit a wheel chair to turn in an open space that has a diameter of not less than 1500 mm.

3.8.3.13. Water Closets

(See Note NS-3.8.3.13., NSBCR)

- 1) A water closet for a person with physical disabilities shall
 - a) be equipped with a seat located at not less than 430 mm and not more than 460 mm above the floor,
 - b) flush automatically or be equipped with a flushing control that
 - i) is located 500 mm to 900 mm above the floor,
 - ii) is located no more than 350 mm from the transfer side, and

- iii) complies with Clause 3.8.3.8.(1)(b),
- c) be equipped with a seat lid or other back support, and
- d) where it has a tank, have a securely attached tank top.

3.8.3.14. Urinals

(See Note NS-3.8.3.14. NSBCR)

- 1) Urinals described in Sentence 3.8.2.8.(8) shall
 - a) be wall-mounted, with the opening of the basin located not more than 430 mm above the floor,
 - b) be adjacent to an accessible route,
 - c) have a clear width of approach of 800 mm centred on the urinal and unobstructed by privacy screens,
 - d) have no step in front of it,
 - e) have a flush valve that
 - i) is automatic, or
 - ii) complies with Clause 3.8.3.8.(1)(b) and is located 900 mm to 1100 mm above the floor, and
 - f) have a vertically mounted grab bar installed on each side that
 - i) complies with Article 3.7.2.8.,
 - ii) is not less than 600 mm long, with its centre line 1000 mm above the floor, and
 - iii) is located not more than 380 mm from the centre line of the urinal.

3.8.3.15. Lavatories and Mirrors

- 1) Lavatories required by Sentence 3.8.2.8.(7) shall
 - a) be equipped with faucets complying with Sentence 3.7.2.3.(4),
 - b) be located so that the distance between the centre line of the lavatory and any side wall is not less than 460 mm,
 - c) have a rim height not more than 865 mm above the floor,
 - d) have a clearance beneath the lavatory not less than
 - i) 760 mm wide,
 - ii) 735 mm high at the front edge
 - iii) 685 mm high at a point 200 mm back from the front edge, and
 - iv) 230 mm high over the distance from a point 280 mm to a point 430 mm back from the front edge,

(See Note A-3.8.3.15.(1)(d), NBC)

- e) have insulated water supply and drain pipes where these pipes are exposed,

(See Note A-3.8.3.15.(1)(e), NBC)

- f) have a soap dispenser that
 - i) is automatic, or
 - ii) complies with Clause 3.8.3.8.(1)(b) and is located not more than 1100 mm above the floor within 500 mm from the front of the lavatory, and

(See Note A-3.8.3.15.(1)(f), NBC)

- g) have a towel dispenser or other hand-drying equipment located close to the lavatory, not more than 1200 mm above the floor in an

area that is accessible to persons in wheelchairs.

- 2) Mirrors required by Sentence 3.8.2.8.(10) shall be
 - a) mounted with their bottom edge not more than 1000 mm above the floor, or
 - b) fixed in an inclined position so as to be usable by a person in a wheelchair.

3.8.3.16. Showers

- 1) Showers required by Sentences 3.8.2.8.(12) and (13) shall
 - a) be not less than 1500 mm wide and 900 mm deep,
 - b) have a clear floor space at the entrance to the shower that is not less than 900 mm deep and the same width as the shower, except that fixtures are permitted to project into that space provided they do not restrict access to the shower,
(See Note A-3.8.3.16.(1)(b), NBC)
 - c) have no doors or curtains that obstruct the controls or clear floor space at the entrance to the shower,
 - d) have a slip-resistant floor surface,
 - e) have a threshold not more than 13 mm higher than the finished floor, and where it is higher than 6 mm, bevelled to a slope no steeper than 1 in 2 (50%),
 - f) have 2 grab bars that
 - i) conform to Sentence 3.7.2.8.(1),
 - ii) one of which is not less than 1000 mm long and located vertically on the side wall 50 mm to 80 mm from the adjacent clear floor space, with its lower end 600 mm to 650 mm above the floor, and
 - iii) one of which is L-shaped and located on the wall opposite the entrance to the shower, with a horizontal member not less than 1000 mm long mounted 750 mm to 870 mm above the floor and a vertical member not less than 750 mm long mounted 400 mm to 500 mm from the side wall on which the other vertical grab bar is mounted,
(See Note A-3.8.3.16.(1)(f), NBC)
 - g) have a hinged seat that is not spring loaded, or a fixed seat with a smooth slip-resistant surface and no rough edges, the seat being
 - i) not less than 450 mm wide and 400 mm deep,
 - ii) mounted on the same side wall as the vertical grab bar, at 460 mm to 480 mm above the floor, and
 - iii) designed to carry a minimum load of 1.3 kN,
 - h) have a pressure-equalizing or thermostatic-mixing valve that
 - i) complies with Clause 3.8.3.8.(1)(b),
 - ii) are mounted on the wall opposite the entrance to the shower at not more than 1200 mm above the floor and within reach of the seat,
 - i) have a hand-held shower head with not less than 1800 mm of flexible hose located so that it
 - i) can be reached from the seated position,

- ii) can be used in a fixed position at a height of 1200 mm and 2030 mm, and
- iii) does not obstruct the use of the grab bars, and
- j) have recessed soap holders that can be reached from a seated position.

2) If individual shower stalls are provided for use by residents and patients in *buildings* of Group B, Division 2 or 3, *care* or *treatment occupancies*, they shall conform to the requirements of Clauses (1)(a) to (j) except where

- a) common showers are provided in conformance with Clauses (1)(a) to (j), or
- b) common bath tubs equipped with hoist mechanisms to accommodate residents and patients are available.

3.8.3.17. Bathtubs

- 1) Bathtubs required by Sentence 3.8.2.8.(13) shall
 - a) be located in a room with a clear floor space not less than 1500 mm in diameter,
 - b) be not less than 1500 mm long,
 - c) have a clear floor space not less than 750 mm wide adjacent to its entire length,
 - d) be capable of being accessed along its full length with no tracks mounted on its rim,
 - e) have faucets or other controls that
 - i) conform to Clause 3.8.3.8.(1)(b), and
 - ii) are located on the centre line or between the centre line of the bathtub and the exterior edge of the bathtub rim, at a maximum height of 450 mm above the rim,
 - f) have 3 grab bars
 - i) that conform to Sentence 3.7.2.8.(1),
 - ii) that are not less than 1200 mm long,
 - iii) 2 of which are located vertically at each end of the bathtub, set 80 mm to 120 mm in from the outside edge of the bathtub, with their lower end 180 mm to 280 mm above the bathtub rim, and
 - iv) one of which is located horizontally along the length of the bathtub at 180 mm to 280 mm above the bathtub rim,
 - g) have a slip-resistant bottom surface, and
 - h) be equipped with a hand-held shower head with not less than 1800 mm of flexible hose that can be used in a fixed position at a height of 1200 mm to 2030 mm.

3.8.3.18. Assistive Listening Devices

(See Note A-3.8.3.18, NBC)

1) Except as permitted in Sentence (2), assistive listening systems required by Article 3.8.2.9. shall encompass the entire seating area.

2) Where the assistive listening system referred to in Article 3.8.2.9. is an induction loop system, only half the seating area in the room need be

encompassed.

3.8.3.19. Counters

- 1) Counters required by Sentence 3.8.2.11.(1) shall have
 - a) at least one *barrier-free* section not less than 760 mm long centred over a knee space conforming to Clause (c),
 - b) a surface not more than 865 mm above the floor, and
 - c) except as provided in Sentence (2) and where the counter is intended to be used as a work surface, a knee space underneath it that is
 - i) not less than 760 mm wide,
 - ii) not less than 685 mm high, and
 - iii) not less than 485 mm deep.

2) A counter that is used in a cafeteria or one that performs a similar function whereat movement takes place parallel to the counter, need not provide a knee space underneath it.

3.8.3.20. Shelves or Counters for Telephones and TTY/TTD Telephone Services

(See Note A-3.8.3.20., NBC)

- 1) Shelves or counters required by Sentence 3.8.2.11.(2) shall
 - a) be level,
 - b) be not less than 305 mm deep,
 - c) have, for each telephone provided, a clear floor space not less than 250 mm wide having no obstruction within 250 mm above the surface, and
 - d) have a section with a surface not more than 865 mm above the floor serving at least one telephone.

2) Where a wall-hung telephone is provided above the shelf or counter section described in Clause (1)(d), it shall be located so that the receiver and coin slot are not more than 1200 mm above the floor.

3) Where public telephones are provided, at least one telephone shall be provided with a variable volume control on the receiver.

4) At least one built-in teletypewriter telephone (TTY/TTD) shall be provided and located in a publicly accessible location for all of the following:

- a) where 4 or more public access telephones are provided, including interior and exterior locations,
- b) where the *building area* exceeds 600 m², in a Group A, Group B, Group D or Group E *occupancy* when telephones are provided,
- c) in a hotel or motel that
 - i) exceeds 600 m² in *building area*, or
 - ii) is required by Sentence 3.8.2.1.(2) to provide a *barrier-free suite*, or
- d) in a tourist cabin required by Sentence 3.8.2.1.(2) to provide *barrier-free suites*, unless a portable unit is available for use.

(See Note NS-3.8.3.20.(4)(d), NSBCR)

5) Where public telephones are provided, at least one electrical receptacle shall be provided within 500 mm of one of the public telephones.

3.8.3.21. Spaces in Seating Area

- 1) Spaces designated for wheelchair use referred to in Sentence 3.8.2.3.(3) shall be
- a) clear and level, or level with removable seats,
 - b) not less than 900 mm wide and 1525 mm long to permit a wheelchair to enter from a side approach and 1220 mm long where the wheelchair enters from the front or rear of the space,
 - c) be arranged so that at least 2 designated spaces are side by side,
 - d) located adjoining a *barrier-free* path of travel without infringing on egress from any row of seating or any aisle requirements, and
 - e) situated, as part of the designated seating plan, to provide a choice of viewing location and a clear view of the event taking place.

3.8.3.22. Sleeping Units in Roofed Accommodations

- 1) Where sleeping unit *suites* conforming to this Article are required by Sentence 3.8.2.1.(2), they shall have
- a) sufficient space to provide a turning area of not less than 1500 mm diameter on one side of the bed,
 - b) sufficient space to provide clearance of not less than 900 mm to allow for functional use of units by persons in wheelchairs,
 - c) an accessible balcony, where balconies are provided,
 - d) at least one closet that provides
 - i) a minimum clear opening of 900 mm,
 - ii) clothes hanger rods located at a height of 1200 mm, and
 - iii) at least one shelf located at a height of 1370 mm,
 - e) light switches, thermostats and other controls that are specifically provided for use by the occupant mounted not more than 1200 mm above the floor,
 - f) electrical receptacles located between 455 mm and 550 mm above the finished floor,
 - g) a GFI outlet located not more than 1200 mm above the floor,
 - h) an accessible bathroom that shall be designed to provide manoeuvring space up to each type of fixture required to be used by persons in a wheelchair conforming to the following:
 - i) a floor space of not less than 3.7 m² with no dimension less than 1700 mm when the door swings out and 4.0 m² with no dimension less than 1800 mm when the door swings in,
 - ii) fixtures located to provide maximum manoeuvrability for persons in wheelchairs,
 - iii) grab bars conforming to Clauses 3.8.3.11.(1)(e) and (f),
 - iv) a coat hook conforming to Clause 3.8.3.11.(1)(g),
 - v) a water closet conforming to Article 3.8.3.13.,
 - vi) at least one lavatory conforming to Article 3.8.3.15.,
 - i) washroom accessories conforming to Clause 3.8.3.15.(1)(g), and
 - j) a lock on the entrance door that is operable with one hand.

2) If a bathtub is installed in a sleeping unit required to be *barrier-free*, the bathtub shall comply with the requirements of Article 3.8.3.17.

3) If a shower is installed within a sleeping unit required to be *barrier-free*, at least one shower stall shall be *barrier-free* and comply with the requirements of Article 3.8.3.16.

3.8.3.23. Suites of Care and Residential Occupancies to be Barrier-free

General

- 1) Where a *suite of care* or *residential occupancy* is required by Sentence 3.8.2.1.(6) to provide *barrier-free* access, it shall be served by
- a) entrances in accordance with Article 3.8.2.2.,
 - b) a *barrier-free* path of travel to, into, and throughout each required *suite* in accordance with Article 3.8.2.3.,
 - c) an accessible balcony, if required, in accordance with Clause 3.3.1.7.(1)(c), and
 - d) *barrier-free* controls for the operation of *building* services or safety devices, including electrical switches, thermostats and intercom switches, that are accessible to a person in a wheelchair, operable with one hand and mounted not more than 1200 mm above the floor and electrical receptacles that are located between 400 mm and 550 mm above the finished floor, except as required by Clause 3.8.3.23.(3)(f) and Subclause 3.8.3.23.(4)(c)(v).

Sleeping Area

- 2) Where a *suite of residential occupancy* is required by Sentence 3.8.2.1.(6) to provide *barrier-free* access, it shall contain at least one sleeping area with
- a) a minimum floor space of 12.25 m²,
 - b) at least one horizontal room dimension not less than 3.35 m, and
 - c) at least one closet that provides
 - i) a minimum clear opening of 900 mm,
 - ii) clothes hanger rods located at a height of 1200 mm, and
 - iii) at least one shelf located at a height of 1370 mm.

Bathroom

- 3) Where a *suite of care* or *residential occupancy* is required by Sentence 3.8.2.1.(6) to provide *barrier-free* access, a minimum of one accessible bathroom shall be provided with
- a) a floor space of not less than 3.7 m² with no dimension less than 1700 mm when the door swings out and 4.0 m² with no dimension less than 1800 mm when the door swings in,
 - b) a water closet conforming to Article 3.8.3.13.,
 - c) a lavatory conforming to Article 3.8.3.15.,
 - d) where a shower is provided, a shower conforming to Article 3.8.3.16.,
 - e) where a bathtub is provided, a bathtub conforming to Article 3.8.3.17.,

- f) a GFI razor outlet located not more than 1200 mm above the floor, and
- g) grab bars conforming to Clauses 3.8.3.11.(1)(e) and (f).

Kitchen

- 4) Where a *suite of care* or *residential occupancy* is required by Sentence 3.8.2.1.(6) to provide *barrier-free* access the kitchen shall have
 - a) a minimum 1200 mm clearance between counters and all opposing base cabinets, counter tops, appliances, or walls except in a U-shaped kitchen the minimum distance shall be 1500 mm,
 - b) a minimum clear floor space of 750 mm by 1200 mm at each
 - i) range,
 - ii) cooktop,
 - iii) oven,
 - iv) refrigerator or freezer,
 - v) dishwasher, and
 - vi) other major appliance,
 - c) a minimum of one work surface that
 - i) is 750 mm wide by 600 mm deep,
 - ii) is 810 mm to 860 mm above the floor,
 - iii) has a clear floor area of 750 mm by 1200 mm, which may extend 480 mm under the work surface,
 - iv) has a knee space a minimum of 750 mm wide, 480 mm deep and 680 mm high, and
 - v) has a minimum of one electrical receptacle located at the front or side of the work surface,
 - d) base cabinets with a minimum toe space 150 mm deep and 230 mm high,
 - e) sinks
 - i) mounted with the rim between 810 mm and 860 mm above the floor,
 - ii) with a knee space a minimum of 750 mm wide and 250 mm deep, and a toe space 750 mm wide, 230 mm deep and 230 mm high,
 - iii) with a clear floor space 750 mm by 1200 mm, which may extend 480 mm under the work surface,
 - iv) with faucets equipped with lever handles, and
 - v) with insulated hot water and drain pipes that may abut the required clear space,
 - f) where upper cabinets are provided, an upper cabinet with a minimum of one shelf not more than 1200 mm above the floor,
 - g) storage cabinet doors and drawers
 - i) with handles that are easily graspable, and
 - ii) mounted at the top of base cabinets and bottom of upper cabinets,
 - h) all controls in compliance with Clause 3.8.3.23.(1)(d), except as required by Subclause 3.8.3.23.(4)(c)(v).

3.8.4. Adaptable Housing Requirements

3.8.4.1. Application

- 1) This Subsection applies to the design and construction of all of the following:
 - a) a *dwelling unit* in a *building* that is exempt under Sentence 3.8.2.1.(1) from the *barrier-free* requirements in this Section, or
 - b) a *dwelling unit* in a *building* with multiple *suites* for *care* or *residential occupancies* if the *barrier-free* requirements for the unit in Clause 3.8.2.1.(6)(a) are not met and the *dwelling unit* is not a unit exempt by Clause 3.8.2.1.(1)(a).

3.8.4.2. Entrance Doors to Dwelling Units

- 1) All *dwelling units* shall have at least one entrance door no less than 900 mm wide equipped with door opening hardware conforming to Sentence 3.8.4.6.(2).
- 2) Except as provided in Sentence (3), the entrance door in Sentence (1) shall have a threshold that complies with Sentence 3.8.3.6.(5).
- 3) The entrance door to a *building* described in Clause 3.8.2.1.(1)(a) or (b) shall be easily accessed and be capable of being made *barrier-free* from a sidewalk or parking area.

3.8.4.3. Interior Doors and Corridors in Dwelling Units

- 1) Doors or passageways within *dwelling units* to habitable rooms and *service rooms* shall be not less than 900 mm wide and equipped with door opening hardware conforming to Sentence 3.8.4.6.(2).
(See Note NS-3.8.4.3., NSBCR)
- 2) Where a door is installed between an attached garage and a *dwelling unit*, the door shall conform to Article 3.8.4.2.
- 3) Corridors within *dwelling units* shall have a clear width of not less than 900 mm.

3.8.4.4. Kitchens in Dwelling Units

- 1) Kitchen sinks in *dwelling units* shall be equipped with lever-type faucets or hardware conforming to Sentence 3.8.4.6.(2).
- 2) All trap arms running from P-traps under the kitchen sink shall be installed no higher than 305 mm to the centre line of the pipe measured from the finished floor.
- 3) An electrical rough-in shall be located below the counter top to allow for the installation of an electrical receptacle conforming to Subclause 3.8.3.23.(4)(c)(v).

4) Duplex electrical receptacles located over a kitchen counter are not required to comply with this Subsection.

3.8.4.5. Bathrooms in Dwelling Units

1) All lavatories in *dwelling units* shall be equipped with lever-type faucets or hardware conforming to Sentence 3.8.4.6.(2).

2) Wall assemblies that enclose a bathroom in a *dwelling unit* shall include reinforcement to accommodate the future installation of grab bars described in

- a) Clauses 3.8.3.11.(1)(e) and (f), for a water closet,
- b) Clause 3.8.3.17.(1)(f), for a bathtub,
- c) Clause 3.8.3.16.(1)(f), for a shower.

(See Note NS-3.8.4.5., NSBCR)

3.8.4.6. Duplex Receptacles, Switches and Controls

(See Note NS-3.8.4.6., NSBCR)

1) Operating controls in a *dwelling unit* include, but are not limited to,

- a) door handles and locks,
- b) faucets and adjustable shower heads,
- c) nonproprietary duplex electrical receptacles, telephone, cable and data outlets and wall switches,
- d) controls for the operation of *building* services, safety devices and intercoms, and
- e) activation devices.

2) Except as permitted by Sentence (3), all controls in a *dwelling unit* shall be operable

- a) with one hand, using
 - i) a closed fist position, or
 - ii) another method of operation that does not require tight grasping, pinching or twisting of the wrist, and
- b) with a force of not more than 22 N.

3) A control identified in Clause (1)(a) or (b) need not meet the actual requirements in Clause (2)(a) provided that it remains possible for door hardware or a faucet, which conforms to those requirements, to be installed.

4) Except as provided in Sentence (5), the centre line height of the operating controls shall be located in a range between 400 mm and 1200 mm from the finished floor.

5) Sentence (4) does not apply where an additional or required nonproprietary duplex electrical receptacle is permitted by the electrical *authority having jurisdiction* to be mounted in a location other than a wall.

(See Note NS-3.8.4.6.(5), NSBCR)

Schedule D: Alternate Compliance Methods for Existing Buildings

No.	NBC Requirement <i>(as amended by NSBCR where applicable)</i>	Alternate Compliance Methods
1	Fire Separations (2 h)	
	Article 3.1.3.1. and Table 3.1.3.1. (Part 3); Subsection 9.10.9. (Part 9) 2 h fire separation required between some major occupancies	Except for Group F1 occupancies, 1 h fire separation is acceptable provided the building is fully sprinklered.
2	Fire Separations (1 h)	
	Article 3.1.3.1. and Table 3.1.3.1. (Part 3); Subsection 9.10.9. (Part 9) 1 h fire separation required between some major occupancies	30 min. fire separation is acceptable provided the building is fully sprinklered.
3	Noncombustible Construction	
	Subsection 3.1.5. (Part 3); Article 9.10.6.1. (Part 9) All materials used in noncombustible construction must be noncombustible unless otherwise permitted.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Roofs may be of combustible construction provided the building is fully sprinklered. 2. Up to 10% gross floor area to a maximum of 10% of any 1 floor area may be of combustible construction provided the building is fully sprinklered.
4	Fire-resistance Rating	
	Sentence 3.1.7.1.(1) (Part 3); Article 9.10.3.1. (Part 9) Where a material, assembly of materials or structural member is required to have a fire-resistance rating it shall be tested in accordance with the CAN/ULC-S101 standard.	A fire-resistance rating may also be used where they are based on 1 of the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (a) HUD Rehabilitation Guidelines No. 8, "Guideline on Fire Ratings of Archaic Materials and Assemblies", (b) "Fire Endurance of Protected Steel Columns and Beams", DBR Technical Paper No. 194, (c) "Fire Endurance of Unit Masonry Walls", DBR Technical Paper No. 207, (d) "Fire Endurance of Light-Framed and Miscellaneous Assemblies", DBR Technical Paper No. 222.
5	Rating of Supporting Construction	
	Article 3.1.7.5. (Part 3); Article 9.10.8.3. (Part 9) Supporting assemblies to have fire-resistance rating at least equivalent to that of the supported floor.	Heavy timber construction is permitted to have a fire-resistance rating less than would be required by the Code provided the building is <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (a) fully sprinklered, and (b) does not exceed 5 storeys in building height.

No.	NBC Requirement <i>(as amended by NSBCR where applicable)</i>	Alternate Compliance Methods
6	Continuity of Fire Separations	
	Sentences 3.1.8.3.(1) and (2) (Part 3); Article 9.10.9.2. (Part 9) Fire separations are required to be continuous above the ceiling space.	Fire separations are not required to be continuous above the ceiling space where: (a) the ceiling space is noncombustible construction, (b) both fire compartments are sprinklered, or (c) the ceiling has a minimum rating of 30 min.
7	Wired Glass	
	Sentences 3.1.8.5.(1) and 3.1.8.16.(2) (Part 3); Article 9.10.13.1. (Part 9) 6 mm wired glass in steel frame required in fire separations.	For fixed transoms or sidelights, 6 mm wired glass fixed to a wood frame of at least 50 mm thickness with steel stops is permitted in a required fire separation.
8	Mezzanines	
	Sentence 3.2.1.1.(3) to (6) (Part 3); Article 9.10.4.1. (Part 9) Mezzanines enclosing more than 10% above the horizontal plane are considered a storey in building height.	Mezzanines may enclose up to 20% above the horizontal plane and not be considered a storey in building height provided the building is fully sprinklered.
9	Spatial Separation	
	Subsection 3.2.3. (Part 3); Subsection 9.10.14. (Part 9) Specified maximum areas of unprotected openings.	The area of unprotected opening is not limited provided: (a) the exterior walls have an interior thermal barrier of 12.7 mm thick gypsum board, or lath and plaster in good condition, (b) the limiting distance is a minimum 1 m, (c) the entire building has a supervised sprinkler system in conformance with Sentence 3.2.4.8.(2), (Part 3), (d) the sprinkler system is connected to the fire department in conformance with Sentence 3.2.4.7.(4). (Part 3).
10	Construction of Exposing Building Face	
	Article 3.2.3.7. (Part 3); Articles 9.10.14.5. and 9.10.15.5. (Part 9) The exposing building face is required to have a fire-resistance rating and/or be of noncombustible construction.	1. Exposing building face is not required to have a fire-resistance rating provided the building is fully sprinklered. 2. Also, the exposing building face is not required to be of noncombustible construction if: (a) it is protected by an exterior sprinkler system conforming to NFPA 13, and (b) has a thermal barrier as specified in item no. 9(a)

No.	NBC Requirement <i>(as amended by NSBCR where applicable)</i>	Alternate Compliance Methods
		of this compliance table.
11	Roof Covering Rating	
	Article 3.1.15.2. (Part 3) Class A, B or C roof covering in conformance with CAN/ULC-S107 required.	For existing roofs not covered by a Class A, B or C roofing, a manually operated deluge system in accordance with NFPA 13 is permitted.
12	Interconnected Floor Space	
	Subsection 3.2.8. (Part 3); Sentence 9.10.1.3.(6) (Part 9) Openings that are not protected by shafts or closures shall be protected in conformance with Subsection 3.2.8. or Sentence 9.10.1.3.(6).	An open stair in buildings of maximum 3 storeys in building height need not comply with Subsection 3.2.8. (Part 3) provided: (a) the stair is not a required exit stair, (b) the building contains a Group C or D occupancy, (c) the building is fully sprinklered with fast-response sprinklers, (d) corridors opening into the interconnected floor space are separated from the interconnected floor space by a fire separation with the rating required for the corridor, and (e) smoke detectors are installed in the rooms opening into the interconnected floor space.
13	Separation of Suites	
	Article 3.3.1.1. (Part 3); Article 9.10.9.13. and 9.10.9.14. (Part 9) Suites are required to be separated from adjoining suites by 45 min. or 1 h rated fire separations.	Existing 30 min fire separations are acceptable in fully sprinklered buildings not exceeding 5 storeys in building height.
14	Public Corridor Fire Separation	
	Article 3.3.1.4. (Part 3); Article 9.10.9.15. (Part 9) Public corridors are required to be separated from the remainder of the building by a fire separation having a fire-resistance rating of at least 45 min.	Existing corridors with 30 min. fire-resistance ratings are acceptable in residential occupancies provided the building (a) does not exceed 5 storeys in building height, and (b) is fully sprinklered with fast-response sprinklers.
15	Width of Corridors	
	Articles 3.3.1.9. and 3.4.3.1. (Part 3); Article 9.9.3.3. (Part 9) Public corridors, corridors used by the public and exit corridors are required to have a minimum width of 1100 mm.	Public corridors, corridors used by the public and exit corridors are permitted with a minimum width of 800 mm if (a) the occupant load of the building is not more than 20 people, and (b) the building does not exceed 3 storeys in building height.

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16	Door Swing	
	Articles 3.3.1.11. And 3.4.6.12. (Part 3); Article 9.9.6.5. (Part 9) Doors are required to swing in the direction of exit travel.	A 2nd egress door from a room is not required to swing in the direction of exit travel provided the building: (a) is fully sprinklered and the system is supervised in conformance with Sentence 3.2.4.8.(2), (Part 3), (b) the occupant load of the building is not more than 100 people.
17	Stairs, Ramps, Handrails and Guards	
	Article 3.3.1.14., 3.3.1.16., 3.3.1.18., 3.4.6.4. to 3.4.6.9. (Part 3); Section 9.8. (Part 9)	Existing conditions that do not comply fully with the requirements are permitted if they (a) do not create an unsafe condition, and (b) are acceptable to the authority having jurisdiction.
18	Transparent Doors and Panels	
	Article 3.3.1.19. (Part 3); 9.6.1.4. (Part 9) Glass in doors and sidelights is required to be protected by guards and to be safety glass.	Existing glass or transparent panels that do not comply fully with the requirements are permitted if (a) sufficiently discernible, or (b) guards are provided in hazardous situations.
19	Dead-end Corridors	
	Sentence 3.3.1.9.(7) (Part 3); Article 9.9.7.3. (Part 9) Dead-end corridors are permitted to a maximum length of 6 m.	1. Dead-end corridors are permitted to a maximum length of 10 m in Group C occupancies provided (a) the building is fully sprinklered with fast-response sprinklers, and (b) smoke detectors are installed in the corridor system. 2. Dead-end corridors are permitted to a maximum length of 15 m in Group D, E, F2 and F3 occupancies provided (a) the building is fully sprinklered with fast-response sprinklers, and (b) smoke detectors are installed in the corridor system.
20	Exits	
	Article 3.4.2.1. (Part 3); Article 9.9.8.2. (Part 9) Floor areas shall be served by not fewer than 2 exits except as permitted by Sentence 3.4.2.1.(2) (Part 3).	Floor areas may be served by a single exit within the limits of Sentence 3.4.2.1.(1) (Part 3) provided the building: (a) does not exceed 3 storeys in building height, (b) is fully sprinklered with fast-response sprinklers, and (c) contains an approved fire alarm system with smoke detectors located in accordance with Article 3.2.4.11.

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		(Part 3).
21	Reduction of Exit Width	
	Sentence 3.4.3.3.(2) (Part 3); Article 9.9.6.1. (Part 9) Swinging doors in their swing shall not reduce the effective width of exit stairs and landings to less than 750 mm	Existing swinging doors in their swing are permitted to reduce the effective width of exit stairs and landings to a minimum of 550 mm provided: (a) they serve Group C or D occupancies, (b) the building does not exceed 5 storeys in building height, and (c) the building is fully sprinklered.
22	Fire Separation of Exits	
	Article 3.4.4.1. (Part 3); Subsection 9.9.4. (Part 9) Exits are required to be separated from the remainder of the floor area by a fire separation having a fire-resistance rating of not less than 45 min.	1. Existing fire separations of 30 min. are acceptable provided the building (a) does not exceed 3 storeys in building height, and (b) is fully sprinklered with fast-response sprinklers. 2. Buildings not exceeding 5 storeys in building height may have exits that are separated by a 45 min. fire separation if the building is fully sprinklered.
23	Exits Through Lobbies	
	Article 3.4.4.2. (Part 3); Article 9.9.8.5. (Part 9) Rooms adjacent to the lobby are required to be separated by a fire separation.	Rooms adjacent to the lobby are not required to be separated by a fire separation provided (a) the floor area is sprinklered with fast-response sprinklers, and (b) smoke detectors are installed in the adjacent rooms.
24	Rooms Opening into Exit	
	Sentences 3.4.4.4.(7) and (8) (Part 3); Sentence 9.9.5.9.(1) (Part 9) Service rooms and ancillary rooms are not permitted to open directly into an exit.	Service rooms and ancillary rooms may open directly into an exit provided (a) the building is fully sprinklered, (b) the room is sprinklered with fast-response sprinklers, (c) the door assembly has a fire-protection rating of at least 20 min., (d) the building does not exceed 3 storeys in building height, and (e) weatherstripping is installed on the door to prevent passage of smoke.
25	Illumination of Exit Signs	

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	Sentence 3.4.5.1.(3) (Part 3); Sentences 9.9.11.3.(3) and (4) (Part 3) Exit signs are required to be illuminated continuously while the building is occupied.	In provincial or municipal designated heritage buildings where exit signage may compromise historic appearances or authenticity of displays, exit signs may be installed to light only in an emergency condition, such as by the fire alarm system or because of power failure.
26	Clearance from Exit Doors	
	Sentence 3.4.6.11.(1) (Part 3); Article 9.9.6.6. (Part 9) Stair risers shall not be closer than 300 mm from an exit door.	Except as permitted in Sentences 3.4.6.11.(3), (Part 3) or 9.9.6.6.(2), (Part 9) existing exit doors shall not extend beyond the first riser.
27	Fire Escapes	
	Subsection 3.4.7. (Part 3); Article 9.9.2.1. (Part 9) Fire escapes are required to conform to Subsection 3.4.7. (Part 3)	Existing fire escapes that do not completely conform to Subsection 3.4.7. (Part 3) provided (a) they are acceptable to the authority having jurisdiction, and (b) the building is fully sprinklered.
28	Fire Escape Construction	
	Article 3.4.7.2. (Part 3); Article 9.9.2.1. (Part 9) Fire escapes shall be of metal or concrete.	Existing combustible fire escapes are permitted where the building is permitted to be of combustible construction by (a) Part 3, Part 9, or (b) the alternate compliance methods in this Schedule.
29	Protection of Fire Escapes	
	Article 3.4.7.4. (Part 3); Article 9.9.2.1. (Part 9) Openings in the exterior wall adjacent to the fire escape are required to be protected by closures.	Existing openings in the exterior wall adjacent to the fire escape are not required to be protected by closures provided (a) the building is fully sprinklered, and (b) a sprinkler head is located within 1.5 m of the opening required to be protected by Article 3.4.7.4. (Part 3).
30	Vertical Service Space	
	Article 3.6.3.1. (Part 3) Vertical service spaces are required to be separated from the adjacent floor area by a rated fire separation.	Existing vertical service spaces that do not completely conform to the rated fire separation requirements are acceptable provided the building is fully sprinklered.

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31	Height and Area of Rooms	
	Subsection 3.7.1. (Part 3); Section 9.5. (Part 9) The height and area of rooms are required to comply to minimum dimensional requirements.	Existing rooms are not required to comply to the minimum dimensional requirements of Subsection 3.7.1. (Part 3) or Section 9.5. (Part 9).
32	Window Areas	
	Article 9.9.10.1. (Part 9) Windows in dwelling units are required to comply to minimum dimensions.	Existing windows are not required to comply with the minimum dimensions of Article 9.9.10.1. (Part 9).
33	Washrooms Required to be Barrier-free	
	Sentence 3.8.2.8.(1) (NSBCR) Except as permitted by Sentence (2), a washroom in a storey to which a barrier-free path of travel is required in accordance with Article 3.8.2.3., shall be barrier-free in accordance with the appropriate requirements in Subsection 3.8.3. (NSBCR)	Except in Group A assembly occupancies and Group D business and personal services occupancies that are intended to offer medical or therapeutic services, a barrier-free washroom need not be provided in an existing building with a building area of less than 120 m ² .
34	Entrances	
	Sentence 3.8.2.2.(1), (NSBCR) In addition to the barrier-free entrances required by Sentence (2), not less than 50% of the pedestrian entrances of a building referred to in Sentence 3.8.2.2.(1) shall be barrier-free and shall lead from a) the outdoors at sidewalk level, or b) a ramp that conforms to Subsection 3.8.3. and leads from a sidewalk.	Where an existing building has: (a) a building area less than 120 m ² , (b) a slope from the entrance level floor at the entrance door to a street or public way of greater than 1 in 10, (c) no entrance more than 1 m to the property line, (d) no possible alternate access to an entrance from a street or public way, (See Note NS - No.34, Schedule D: Alternate Compliance Methods for Existing Buildings) the owner may use a stair with (a) a maximum rise of 150 mm, (b) a minimum run of 280 mm, (c) tactile warning indicators located on the landings, (d) nosings that are colour contrasted, and (e) an unobstructed width of 1 m.

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35	Mechanical Systems	
	Part 6 and Part 7	Existing mechanical systems in buildings are not required to fully comply to the requirements in Part 6 or Part 7 provided (a) it is not an unsafe condition, and (b) it is acceptable to the authority having jurisdiction.