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Section 204.11@ Equipment for bathrooms

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(a)

Grab bars shall be installed as necessary at each tub and shower for safety and convenience. Grab bars, accessories and anchorage shall have sufficient strength to accommodate the residents' needs.

(b)

The general bathroom or shower room used by residents shall have one emergency signal bell located in close proximity to the tub or shower and which registers at the workstation. An emergency signal bell shall also be located at each toilet unless a signal bell can be reached by the resident from both the toilet and tub or shower.

(c)

The facility shall make provisions to get residents in and out of bathtubs in a safe way to prevent injury to residents and personnel. The facility shall provide appropriate supervision and assistance to ensure the safety of all residents being bathed.

(d)

A dressing area shall be provided immediately adjacent to the shower stall and bathtub. In the dressing area, there shall be provisions for keeping clothes dry while bathing.

(e)

The facility shall ensure that water for baths and showers is at a safe and comfortable temperature before the resident is bathed.