## 106 FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY

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- 01.General Requirements. General requirements for the fire and life safety standards for a health care facility are as follows:(3-17-22)
- a. The facility must be structurally sound, maintained, and equipped to assure the safety of residents, employees, and the public. (3-17-22)
- b. Where natural or man-made hazards are present on the premises, that the facility must provide suitable fences, guards, and/or railings to isolate the hazard from the resident?s environment.(3-17-22)
- 02.Life Safety Code Requirements. The facility must meet provisions of the Life Safety Code of the National Fire Protection Association, 2012 Edition as are applicable to a health care facility except existing facilities licensed prior to the effective date of these rules and in compliance with a previous edition of the Life Safety Code may continue to comply with the edition in force at that time.(3-17-22)

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- 03. Smoking. Because smoking has been acknowledged to be a potential fire hazard, a continuous effort must be made to reduce such a hazard in the facility to include adopting written rules available to all facility personnel, residents, and the public with the following:(3-17-22)
- a. That smoking is prohibited in any area where flammable liquids, gases, or oxygen are in use or stored and posted with ?No Smoking? signs.(3-17-22)
- b.That residents are not permitted to smoke in bed.(3-17-22)
- c. That unsupervised smoking by residents not mentally or physically responsible is prohibited. This includes residents affected by medication. (3-17-22)
- d.That designated areas are assigned for employee, resident, and public smoking.(3-17-22)
- e.Nothing in Section 106 requires that smoking be permitted in facilities whose admission policies prohibit smoking.(3-17-22)
- 04.Report of Fire. A separate report of each fire incident occurring within the facility must be submitted to the licensing agency within thirty (30) days of the occurrence. The reporting form ?Facility Fire Incident Report? will be issued by the licensing agency to secure specific data concerning date, origin, extent of damage, method of extinguishment, and injuries (if any).(3-17-22)
- 05. Storage, Heating Appliances, Hazardous Substances. The following requirements must be met: (3-17-22)
- a. That attics and crawl spaces are not used for storage of any materials. (3-17-22)

- b.That rooms housing heating appliances are not used for storage of combustible materials.(3-17-22)
- c.That all fuel-fired heating devices have an easily accessible, plainly marked, functional remote fuel shut-off valve.(3-17-22)
- d.That all ranges are provided with hoods, mechanical ventilation, and removable filters.(3-17-22)