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An intermediate care facility shall not have more patients or beds set up for use than the number for which it is licensed except in case of emergency when temporary permission may be granted by the Director or his designee.

(b)

Five percent of a facility's total licensed bed capacity may be used for a classification other than that designated on the license. Upon application to the Director and a showing that seasonal fluctuations justify, the Director may grant the use of an additional five percent of the beds for other than the classified use.

(c)

Patients shall not be housed in areas which have not been approved by the

Department for patient housing and which have not been given a fire clearance by
the State Fire Marshal except as provided in paragraph (a) above.

(d)

The number of licensed beds shown on a license shall not exceed the number of beds for which the facility meets applicable construction and operational requirements.