

# § 76651. Emergency Lighting and Power System.

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(a) Auxiliary lighting and power facilities shall be readily available in case of necessity. Flashlights shall be in readiness for use at all times. Open-flame type of light shall not be used.

(b) The licensee shall provide and maintain an emergency electrical system in safe operating condition and in compliance with subsections (d), (e) and (f). The system shall serve all lighting, signals, alarms and equipment required to permit continued operation of all necessary functions of the facility for a minimum of six hours.

(c) If the Department determines that an evaluation of the emergency electrical system of a facility or portion thereof is necessary, the Department may require the licensee to submit a report by a registered electrical engineer which shall establish a basis for alteration of the system to provide reasonable compliance with Subarticle E702-B, Part 3, Title 24, California Administrative Code (Emergency Electrical Systems for Existing Nursing Homes). Essential engineering data, including load calculations, assumptions and tests, and where necessary, plans and specifications acceptable to the Department, shall be submitted in substantiation of the report. When corrective action is determined to be necessary, the work shall be initiated and completed within an acceptable time limit.

(d) The emergency lighting and power system shall be maintained in operating condition to provide automatic restoration of power for emergency circuits within 10 seconds after normal power failure.

(e) Emergency generators shall be tested as follows:

(1) Non-diesel generators installed in the facilities shall be tested under load conditions for at least 30 minutes at intervals of not less than 14 days.

(2) Diesel generators installed in intermediate care facilities for the developmentally disabled shall be tested as required by Health and Safety Code, section 41514.1.

(f) A written record of inspection, performance, exercising period and repairs shall be regularly maintained and available for inspection.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 1275 and 131200, Health and Safety Code. Reference: Sections 1276, 131050, 131051 and 131052, Health and Safety Code.

## HISTORY

1. Change without regulatory effect adding new subsection (e), redesignating and amending former subsection (e) as new subsection (e)(1), adding new subsection (e)(2) and

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