



Residential Emergency Egress Openings

Basements, habitable attics, and all sleeping rooms shall have not less than one operable emergency escape and rescue opening complying with CBC Sec. 1030 and CRC Sec. 310. Below grade emergency escape and rescue openings shall be provided with window wells in accordance with CBC 1030.5 or CRC 310.2.3. Emergency escape and rescue openings shall open directly to a public way, or to a yard or court that opens to a public way. The opening must have a minimum net clear width of 20" and minimum net clear height of 24". The minimum net clear opening area for grade level floors is 5.0 s.f. The minimum net clear opening area for floors below or above the grade level floor is 5.7 s.f.

