

**WAC 388-76-10695 Building codes—Structural requirements. (1)**

For single family dwellings used as an adult family home after July 1, 2007, the home must ensure the building meets the requirements of WAC 51-51-0330 if the building is:

- (a) New; or
  - (b) An existing building converted for use as an adult family home.
- (2) For buildings licensed as a home before July 1, 2007, the requirement of subsection (1) of this section does not apply if:
- (a) The building sells or transfers to a new owner; and
  - (b) The new owner takes possession of the building before the issuance of the license.
- (3) The home must ensure that every area used by residents:
- (a) Has direct access to at least one exit which does not pass through other areas such as a room or garage subject to being locked or blocked from the opposite side; and
  - (b) Is not accessible only by or with the use of a:
    - (i) Ladder;
    - (ii) Folding stairs; or
    - (iii) Trap door.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 70.128.040. WSR 21-04-131, § 388-76-10695, filed 2/2/21, effective 3/5/21. Statutory Authority: RCW 70.128.040 and chapters 70.128 and 74.34 RCW. WSR 07-21-080, § 388-76-10695, filed 10/16/07, effective 1/1/08.]