

1 10A NCAC 13G .0309 is proposed for readoption with substantive changes as follows:

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3 **10A NCAC 13G .0309 BATHROOM**

4 (a) ~~Adult~~ Family care homes licensed on or after April 1, 1984, shall have one full bathroom for ~~each~~ five or fewer
5 ~~persons~~ persons, including live-in ~~staff and family~~ staff. For the purpose of this rule, a full bathroom is a room
6 containing a sink, water closet (commode), and a bathtub, shower, spa tub, or similar bathing fixture.

7 (b) ~~The bathrooms shall be designed to provide privacy. A bathroom~~ Bathrooms with two or more water closets
8 (commodes) shall have privacy partitions or curtains for each water closet. ~~Each tub or shower~~ Bathtubs, showers,
9 spas, or similar bathing fixtures shall have privacy ~~partitions or curtains~~.

10 (c) ~~Entrance~~ Entrances to the ~~bathroom~~ bathrooms shall not be through a kitchen, another person's bedroom, or another
11 bathroom.

12 (d) ~~The required~~ Required residents' bathrooms shall be located so that there is no more than 40 feet from ~~any residents'~~
13 a resident's bedroom door to a resident use bathroom door.

14 (e) ~~Hand grips shall be installed at all commodes, tubs and showers used by the residents.~~ Water closets (commodes),
15 bathtubs, showers, spas, and similar bathing fixtures shall have hand grips meeting the following requirements:

16 (1) be mechanically fastened or anchored to the walls;

17 (2) be located to assist in entering and exiting bathtubs, showers, spas, or similar bathing fixtures; and

18 (3) be within reach of water closets (commodes).

19 (f) Nonskid surfacing or strips must be installed in ~~showers and bath areas.~~ bathtubs, showers, spas, and similar
20 bathing fixtures.

21 (g) ~~The bathrooms~~ Bathrooms shall meet the following requirements:

22 (1) be lighted to provide 30 foot-candles foot-candles of light at floor level ~~and have level;~~

23 (2) have ~~mechanical ventilation at the rate of two cubic feet per minute for each square foot of floor~~
24 area. an exhaust system per the North Carolina State Building Code: Residential Code. ~~These~~

25 Exhaust vents shall vent directly to the ~~outdoors.~~ outdoors; and

26 (3) floors be water-resistant and slip-resistant.

27 (h) ~~The bathroom floor shall have a non-slippery water-resistant covering.~~

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