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Accessible Residential Facilities

Session Agenda

- Laws requiring access to residential facilities
- ADA and ABA Standards
- Scoping requirements (how many)
- Technical requirements (how they are required to be accessible)

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- Americans with Disabilities Act
- Architectural Barriers Act
- Rehabilitation Act
- Fair Housing Act Amendments

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Accessibility Laws

Americans with Disabilities Act:

Covers housing facilities provided as a service, program, or activity of a State or Local Government.

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Americans with Disabilities Act:

Privately owned, strictly residential facilities are not covered by the ADA.

This will include any part of these facilities that are used only by residents and their guests.

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Current ADA Standards



Option:

DOJ's 2010 standards (mandatory March 15, 2012)

<u>OR</u>

DOJ's 1991 standards

(Defaults to UFAS until March 15, 2012)



Architectural Barriers Act:

Covers housing facilities that are designed, constructed, altered, or leased by, or on behalf of the United States.

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Current ABA Standards (Federal facilities)



New ABA Standards are in effect for DOD housing facilities





All other Housing – UFAS still applies for Federal Housing Facilities (HUD to update standards)

Rehabilitation Act:

Covers housing facilities that are a program of Federal agency or that are constructed or altered with Federal financial assistance.

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Current HUD Standards Under the Rehabilitation Act



Housing receiving Federal
Financial assistance – HUD section
504 requirements apply



UFAS still the standard (HUD to update requirements)

Fair Housing Act Amendments:

Covers <u>any</u> Multi-family housing facility that was constructed after March 1991. Alteration to such facilities are not covered.

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HUD Requirements Under the Fair Housing Act





Fair Housing Act Accessibility Guidelines

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Safe Harbor Under the Fair **Housing Act**







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New ADA (and ABA) Standards



Based on the Board's ADA-ABA Guidelines (2004)

DOJ includes several additional requirements/ revisions



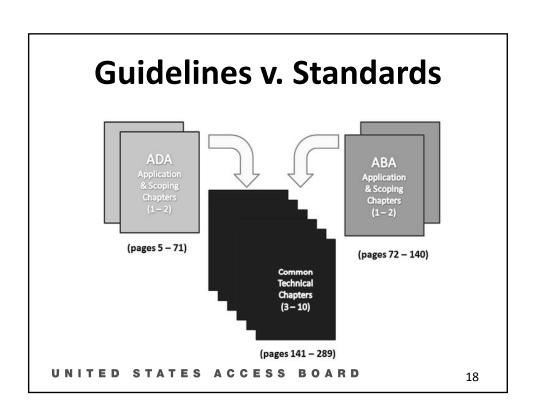
Additional DOJ Requirements



In DOJ's updated ADA regulations:

Dwelling units in a social service center establishments are covered as residential facilities.

Housing at a place of education is covered as transient lodging and <u>not</u> as residential.



Online Guidance

www.access-board.gov/ada/



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Residential Dwelling Unit (RDU) Scoping

Residential Dwelling Unit ADA Scoping

Section 233

Units subject to HUD's Section 504 requirements.

See 24 CFR Part 8

• Other Units:

5% of units shall provide the mobility features.

2% shall provide the communication features.

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Residential Dwelling Unit ABA Scoping

Section F233

- Units provided by HUD through a grant or loan shall meet HUD's section 504 requirements.
- Units provided on a Military Installation:
 5% of units shall provide the mobility features.

2% shall provide the communication features.

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Residential Dwelling Unit ABA Scoping

Section F233

Units provided by other Federal agencies through a grant or loan:
5% of units shall provide the mobility features.
2% shall provide the communication features.

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Residential Dwelling Unit ADA and ABA Scoping

Section 233.3.5 & F 233.4.5

This section requires dispersion of both types of accessible units throughout the different types provided in the facility.

An exception allows single floor accessible units to be substituted for multi-floor units when the same spaces and amenities are provided.

Accessible Route



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Accessible Route Scoping

Sections 206 and F206

At least 1 accessible route is required to:

- the primary entrance of accessible units
- accessible parking
- all public use and common use area serving the accessible units
- all doors within the accessible units providing user passage

Primary Entrance

Sections 206.4.6 and F206.4.6 requires a Primary Entrance to be accessible. This entrance cannot Be to a bedroom.



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Common Use Areas Serving Residential Dwelling Units



Mail Boxes

Common Use Areas Serving Residential Dwelling Units



Trash Disposal Areas

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Common Use Areas Serving Residential Dwelling Units



Recreational Areas

Accessible Parking



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Accessible Parking Scoping

Sections 208 and F208

- Where parking for every resident is provided: One space for each unit providing mobility features
- Additional parking for residents: 2% of the additional spaces provided
- Where parking for non-residents is provided: parking spaces shall be provided as required by the general parking table

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Components of Residential Dwelling Units

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Residential Dwelling Unit Components

Units Providing Mobility Features:

- At least one accessible route shall connect all spaces that are part of the RDU
- Turning space in all areas served by the accessible route
- An accessible kitchen
- One accessible toilet and bathing facilities

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Residential Dwelling Unit Components

Units Providing Communication Features:

- Building fire alarm system
- Smoke detection system
- Notification at the primary entrance
- Identification at the primary entrance
- Communication with site, building, or floor entrance

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RDU Components



Turning Space in All Spaces





Refrigerator and Freezer Space

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RDU Components

Clear floor space for each appliance provided. All controls within the reach range.



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Kitchen Work
Surface: 30 inches
wide with
knee and toe
space provided
underneath



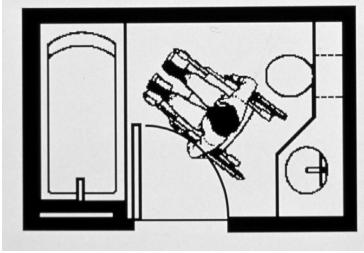
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RDU Components



50 % of Self Space in Kitchen Storage



One Bathroom with at least one of each fixture

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RDU Components



Accessible Lavatory

Accessible tubs with in tub seat provided

Grab bars may be installed later as long as reinforcement in the walls is provided



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RDU Components

Operable parts in accessible spaces required to comply

Exceptions for outlets above kitchen counters, redundant controls, and HVAC diffusers





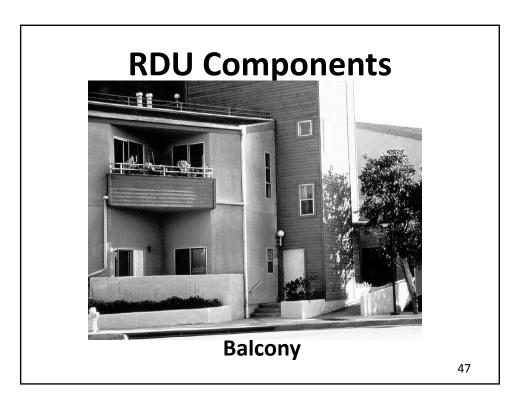
Bedrooms

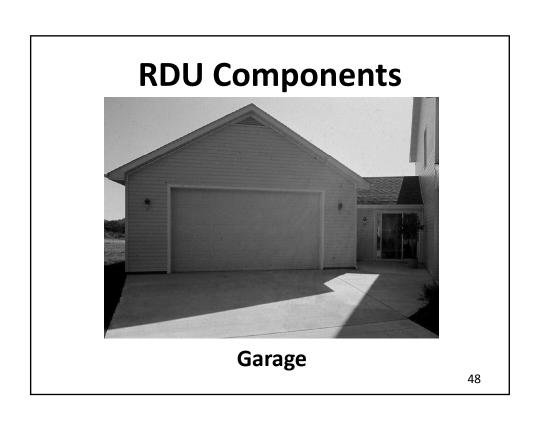
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RDU Components



Living and Dining Areas





Limited Use Limited Application Elevators (LULA)

Allowed in multilevel residential dwelling units

Required to comply with ASME A17.1



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Private Residence Elevators

Allowed only in multi-level residential dwelling units

Required to comply with ASME A17.1



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