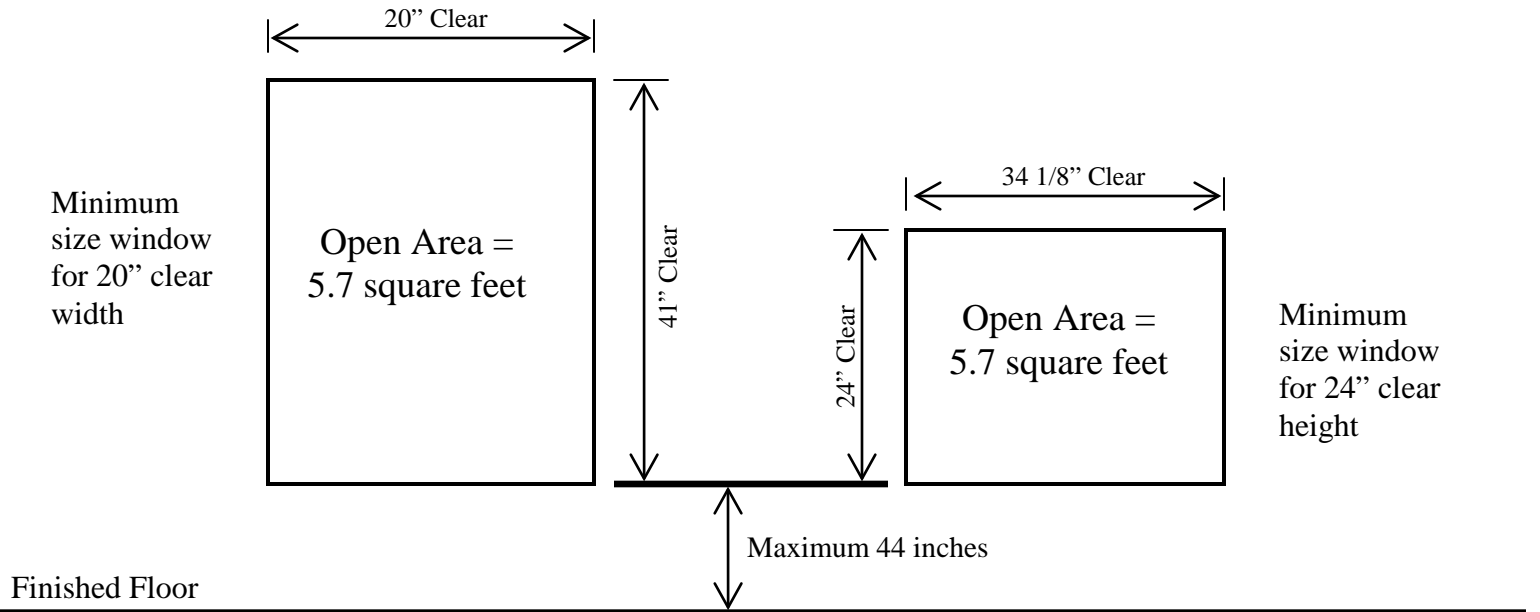


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Egress Window Requirements



Width	20	20.5	21.5	21.5	22	22.5	23	23.5	24	24.5	25	25.5	26	26.5	27
Height	41	40	39.1	38.2	37.3	36.5	35.7	34.9	34.2	33.5	32.8	32.2	31.6	31	30.4

Width	27.5	28	28.5	29	29.5	30	30.5	31	31.5	32	32.5	33	33.5	34	34.2
Height	29.8	29.3	28.5	28.3	27.8	27.4	26.9	26.5	26.1	25.7	25.3	24.9	24.5	24.1	24

Each level must have at least two remotely located means of egress. In addition, all rooms used for napping must have at least two means of egress. One of the means of egress must be a door, and the other can be a window or another door. Windows being used for egress must meet the following criteria:

- Minimum size to be **5.7 Square Feet of clear opening**. The opening cannot be less than **24 inches** in height or less than **20 inches** in width.
- Maximum sill height to be no more than **44 inches** from the floor.
- Exits must be remotely located from each other. This means that the distance between the two exits must be equal to or greater than half the diagonal distance of the space occupied in order to minimize the possibility that both exits will be blocked off by a fire or other emergency condition.
- A written emergency evacuation plan must identify the use of emergency egress windows.
- Windows and their hardware must be maintained and in good repair at all times.
- All exits must be unobstructed at all times:
 - Storm windows are not to be used on Emergency Exit Windows.
- In an emergency, all occupants of the day care facility must be able to escape from the home or building in a safe and timely manner.