

OCCUPANCY CLASSIFICATIONS

MN State Fire Code – 2020

Group A – Assembly (50 or more persons):

- A-1 – Theaters (performing arts, fixed seats)
- A-2 – Dining and drinking (bars, restaurants, clubs)
- A-3 – Auditoriums, gymnasiums, museums, worship, libraries, recreation, amusement, etc.
- A-4 – Arenas, swimming pools, tennis courts (indoor spectator seating)
- A-5 – Stadiums, grandstands (outdoor seating)

Group B – Business:

- Professional services
- College/university classrooms
- Offices
- Clinics (including outpatient)
- Motor vehicle showrooms
- Electronic data processing
- Assembly – less than 50 persons

Group E – Educational (through 12th grade):

- Pre-school
- K-12
- Adult Day Care (occupants capable of escape)
- Day Care – older children (see I-4 for younger)

Group F – Factory/Industrial:

- Group F-1 – Moderate Hazard (combustible materials):
 - Aircraft
 - Automobiles
 - Boats
 - Metals
 - Rugs
 - Woodworking
- Group F-2 – Low Hazard – Not a significant fire risk (mostly non-combustible materials):
 - Non-alcoholic beverages
 - Brick & Masonry
 - Ceramic products
 - Glass
 - Gypsum
 - Ice
 - Metal Products (fabrication & assembly)

Group H – Hazardous Occupancies:

- Group H-1: detonation hazard (explosive materials)
- Group H-2: deflagration/accelerated burning (flammable/combustible liquids in use, dusts)
- Group H-3: readily support combustion or pose physical hazard (flammable/combustible liquids in storage, flammable solids, Class 2 or 3 oxidizers)
- Group H-4: health hazards (corrosives, toxic and highly toxic materials)
- Group H-5: semiconductor fabrication

Group I – Institutional:

- Group I-1 (more than 16 persons):
 - Supervised custodial care (assisted living, group homes, congregate care, half-way houses, board & care, Supervised living facilities – Class A-2)
- Group I-2:
 - Hospitals
 - Nursing homes
 - Detox centers
 - Supervised living facilities – Class B-3
- Group I-3: jails, prisons, detention centers
- Group I-4: Adult day services and child day care facilities for 6 or more persons receiving custodial care

Group M – Mercantile:

- Stores
- Retail/wholesale stores
- Sales rooms
- Motor vehicle fuel dispensing (no repairs)

Group R – Residential:

- Group R-1 (transient in nature < 30 days):
 - Hotels/Motels
 - Boarding houses – Congregate living (>10)
 - Lodging house ≥ 6 guest rooms or > 10 occupants
- Group R-2 (Nontransient > 30 days):
 - Apartments – Condominiums
 - Dormitories
 - Congregate living facilities – (> 16)
 - Fraternities and sororities (>16)
 - Convents/Monasteries
- Group R-3:
 - One- & two-family homes
 - Lodging house < 6 rooms or < 10 occupants
 - Boarding houses/Congregate living (< 6)
 - Day care (family & group family) (< 6)
 - Housing w/services/Assisted Living (< 6)
 - Supervised living facilities (A-1 and B-1)
- Group R-4:
 - Supervised residential care (6 –16 people)
 - Housing w/services/Assisted living
 - Treatment facilities
 - Supervised living facilities (A-2 and B-2)

Group S – Storage:

- Group S-1: moderate hazard (combustible):
 - Combustible materials
 - Vehicle repair garages
- Group S-2: low hazard (non-combustible):
 - Metal items
 - Glass, ceramic, food products
 - Parking garages

Group U – Miscellaneous:

- Private garages/Carports
- Agricultural buildings/Barns/Greenhouses
- Fences/Retaining Walls
- Towers/Tanks
- Sheds