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FLIP-UP COUNTERS AND SIMILAR PASSAGEWAYS AS EXITS

Administrative Rule Adopted by Bureau Pursuant to Rule-Making Authority ARB-ENB-15.26

TOPIC: Exiting - Means of Egress - UBC/10/#3

CODE: Structural Specialty Code: 1998 Edition

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REFERENCE: 1003 - Structural Specialty Code

SUBJECT: Flip-up Counters and Similar Passageways as Exits

QUESTION: What is the minimum width of passageways within employee or service areas located behind display counters, bars and similar spaces? Do these areas need to be provided with egress doorways or gates large enough to permit the installation of a 3 foot by 6 foot 8 inch door, or can flip-up counters be used?

RESPONSE: Employee areas such as those described are not required to be fully accessible, however a person with disabilities must be able to approach, enter and exit such spaces.

Passageways in employee-only areas, which serve an occupant load of 10 or less, within retail sales areas, checkout counters, cocktail bars and similar spaces, shall be not less than 36 inches wide between permanently installed counters, equipment and walls. Each area must be provided with a clear passageway, door or gate, not less than 32 inches in width with appropriate maneuvering space provided on the entrance side of the space. Flip-up counters can be used on the assumption that they could be removed should accessibility for an employee be needed in the future.

HISTORY

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