CHAPTER 4
EMERGENCY PLANNING AND PREPAREDNESS

SECTION 401
GENERAL

401.1 Scope. Reporting of emergencies, coordination with emergency response forces, emergency plans, and procedures for managing or responding to emergencies shall comply with the provisions of this section.

Exception: Firms that have approved on-premises fire-fighting organizations and that are in compliance with approved procedures for fire reporting.

401.2 Approval. Where required by this code, fire safety plans, emergency procedures, and employee training programs shall be approved by the fire code official.

401.3 Emergency forces notification. In the event an unwanted fire occurs on a property, the owner or occupant shall immediately report such condition to the fire department. Building employees and tenants shall implement the appropriate emergency plans and procedures. No person shall, by verbal or written directive, require any delay in the reporting of a fire to the fire department.

401.3.1 Making false report. It shall be unlawful for a person to give, signal, or transmit a false alarm.

401.3.2 Alarm activations. Upon activation of a fire alarm signal, employees or staff shall immediately notify the fire department.

401.3.3 Emergency evacuation drills. Nothing in this section shall prohibit the sounding of a fire alarm signal or the carrying out of an emergency evacuation drill in accordance with the provisions of Section 405.

401.3.4 Unplanned evacuation. Evacuations made necessary by the unplanned activation of a fire alarm system or by any other emergency shall not be substituted for a required evacuation drill.

401.4 Interference with fire department operations. It shall be unlawful to interfere with, attempt to interfere with, conspire to interfere with, obstruct or restrict the mobility of or block the path of travel of a fire department emergency vehicle in any way, or to interfere with, attempt to interfere with, conspire to interfere with, obstruct or hamper any fire department operation.

401.5 Security device. Any security device or system that emits any medium that could obscure a means of egress in any building, structure or premise shall be prohibited.

SECTION 402
DEFINITIONS

402.1 Definition. The following word and term shall, for the purposes of this chapter and as used elsewhere in this code, have the meaning shown herein.

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EMERGENCY EVACUATION DRILL. An exercise performed to train staff and occupants and to evaluate their efficiency and effectiveness in carrying out emergency evacuation procedures.

SECTION 403
PUBLIC ASSEMBLAGES AND EVENTS

403.1 Fire watch personnel. When, in the opinion of the fire code official, it is essential for public safety in a place of assembly or any other place where people congregate, because of the number of persons, or the nature of the performance, exhibition, display, contest or activity, the owner, agent or lessee shall provide one or more fire watch personnel, as required and approved, to remain on duty during the times such places are open to the public, or when such activity is being conducted.

403.1.1 Duties. Fire watch personnel shall keep diligent watch for fires, obstructions to means of egress and other hazards during the time such place is open to the public or such activity is being conducted and take prompt measures for remediation of hazards, extinguishment of fires that occur and assist in the evacuation of the public from the structures.

403.2 Public safety plan. In other than Group A or E occupancies, where the fire code official determines that an indoor or outdoor gathering of persons has an adverse impact on public safety through diminished access to buildings, structures, fire hydrants and fire apparatus access roads or where such gatherings adversely affect public safety services of any kind, the fire code official shall have the authority to order the development of, or prescribe a plan for, the provision of an approved level of public safety.

403.2.1 Contents. The public safety plan, where required by Section 403.2, shall address such items as emergency vehicle ingress and egress, fire protection, emergency medical services, public assembly areas and the directing of both attendees and vehicles (including the parking of vehicles), vendor and food concession distribution, and the need for the presence of law enforcement, and fire and emergency medical services personnel at the event.

SECTION 404
FIRE SAFETY AND EVACUATION PLANS

404.1 General. Fire safety and evacuation plans shall comply with the requirements of this section.

404.1.1 Group overnight stays. Fire safety and evacuation plans for group overnight stays shall comply with Section 408.14.

404.2 Where required. An approved fire safety and evacuation plan shall be prepared and maintained for the following occupancies and buildings.
1. Group A, other than Group A occupancies used exclusively for purposes of religious worship that have an occupant load less than 2,000.
2. Group B buildings having an occupant load of 500 or more persons or more than 100 persons above or below the lowest level of exit discharge.
3. Group E.
4. Group H.
5. Group I.
8. Therapeutic residences of Group R-2, R-3 and R-4.
10. Group M buildings having an occupant load of 500 or more persons or more than 100 persons above or below the lowest level of exit discharge.
11. Covered malls exceeding 50,000 square feet (4645 m²) in aggregate floor area.
13. Buildings with an atrium and having an occupancy in Group A, E or M.
15. Flammable liquid terminals.
16. Adult and child day care facilities.
17. Group overnight stays.

404.3 Contents. Fire safety and evacuation plan contents shall be in accordance with Sections 404.3.1 and 404.3.2.

404.3.1 Fire evacuation plans. Fire evacuation plans shall include the following:
1. Emergency egress or escape routes and whether evacuation of the building is to be complete or, where approved, by selected floors or areas only.
2. Procedures for employees who must remain to operate critical equipment before evacuating.
3. Procedures for accounting for employees and occupants after evacuation has been completed.
4. Identification and assignment of personnel responsible for rescue or emergency medical aid.
5. The preferred and any alternative means of notifying occupants of a fire or emergency.
6. The preferred and any alternative means of reporting fires and other emergencies to the fire department or designated emergency response organization.
7. Identification and assignment of personnel who can be contacted for further information or explanation of duties under the plan.
8. A description of the emergency voice/alarm communication system alert tone and preprogrammed voice messages, where provided.

404.3.2 Fire safety plans. Fire safety plans shall include the following:
1. The procedure for reporting a fire or other emergency.
2. The life safety strategy and procedures for notifying, relocating, or evacuating occupants.
3. Site plans indicating the following:
   3.1. The occupancy assembly point.
   3.2. The locations of fire hydrants.
   3.3. The normal routes of fire department vehicle access.
4. Floor plans identifying the locations of the following:
   4.1. Exits.
   4.2. Primary evacuation routes.
   4.3. Secondary evacuation routes.
   4.4. Accessible egress routes.
   4.5. Areas of refuge.
   4.7. Portable fire extinguishers.
   4.8. Occupant-use hose stations.
   4.9. Fire alarm annunciators and controls.
5. A list of major fire hazards associated with the normal use and occupancy of the premises, including maintenance and housekeeping procedures.
6. Identification and assignment of personnel responsible for maintenance of systems and equipment installed to prevent or control fires.
7. Identification and assignment of personnel responsible for maintenance, housekeeping and controlling fuel hazard sources.

404.4 Maintenance. Fire safety and evacuation plans shall be reviewed or updated annually or as necessitated by changes in staff assignments, occupancy, or the physical arrangement of the building.

404.5 Availability. Fire safety and evacuation plans shall be available in the workplace for reference and review by employees, and copies shall be furnished to the fire code official for review upon request.

404.5.1. The fire safety and evacuation plans shall be distributed to the tenants and building service employees by the owner or agent. Tenants shall distribute to their employees applicable parts of the fire safety plan affecting the employees' actions in the event of a fire or other emergency.

SECTION 405
EMERGENCY EVACUATION DRILLS

405.1 General. Emergency evacuation drills complying with the provisions of this section shall be conducted at least annually in the occupancies listed in Section 404.2. Drills shall be designed in cooperation with the local authorities.
**405.2 Frequency.** Required emergency evacuation drills shall be held at the intervals specified in Table 405.2 or more frequently where necessary to familiarize all occupants with the drill procedure.

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a. The frequency shall be allowed to be modified in accordance with Section 408.3.2.
b. Fire and evacuation drills in residential care assisted living facilities shall include complete evacuation of the premises in accordance with Section 408.10.5. Where occupants receive habilitation or rehabilitation training, fire prevention and fire safety practices shall be included as part of the training program.
c. Group B buildings having an occupant load of 500 or more persons or more than 100 persons above or below the lowest level of exit discharge.
d. Applicable to Group R-2 college and university buildings in accordance with Section 408.3.
e. Applicable to Group I day care in accordance with Section 408.3.

**405.3 Leadership.** Responsibility for the planning and conduct of drills shall be assigned to competent persons designated to exercise leadership.

**405.4 Time.** Drills shall be held at unexpected times and under varying conditions to simulate the unusual conditions that occur in case of fire.

**405.5 Record keeping.** Records shall be maintained of required emergency evacuation drills and unplanned evacuation to include the following information:

1. Identity of the person conducting the drill.
2. Date and time of the drill.
3. Notification method used.
4. Staff members on duty and participating.
5. Number of occupants evacuated.
6. Special conditions simulated.
7. Problems encountered.
8. Weather conditions when occupants were evacuated.
9. Time required to accomplish complete evacuation.

**405.5.1 Casino fire command center.** The casino fire command center shall maintain a comprehensive log which shall include the information required in Sections 405.5.1.1 and 405.5.1.2 below.

405.5.1.1. The name and signature of each employee on duty in the fire command center along with the date and time of arrival and departure.

405.5.1.2. A description of each incident occurring within the casino or hotel, including the date, time, location and action taken. An incident shall include, but not be limited to, fire, alarm activation, trouble signal, fire protection equipment malfunction, and any unrecorded communication pertaining to fire or life safety which is made to or from the fire command center.

**405.6 Notification.** Where required by the fire code official, prior notification of emergency evacuation drills shall be given to the fire code official.

**405.7 Initiation.** Where a fire alarm system is provided, emergency evacuation drills shall be initiated by activating the fire alarm system.

**405.8 Accountability.** As building occupants arrive at the assembly point, efforts shall be made to determine if all occupants have been successfully evacuated or have been accounted for.

**405.9 Recall and reentry.** An electrically or mechanically operated signal used to recall occupants after an evacuation shall be separate and distinct from the signal used to initiate the evacuation. The recall signal initiation means shall be manually operated and under the control of the person in charge of the premises or the official in charge of the incident. No one shall reenter the premises until authorized to do so by the official in charge.

**SECTION 406 EMPLOYEE TRAINING AND RESPONSE PROCEDURES**

**406.1 General.** Employees in the occupancies listed in Section 404.2 shall be trained in the fire emergency procedures described in their fire evacuation and fire safety plans. Training shall be based on these plans and as described in Section 404.3.

**406.2 Frequency.** Employees shall receive training in the contents of fire safety and evacuation plans and their duties as part of their assigned orientation and at least annually thereafter. Records shall be kept and made available to the fire code official upon request.

**406.3 Employee training program.** Employees shall be trained in fire prevention, evacuation and fire safety in accordance with Sections 406.3.1 through 406.3.3.

**406.3.1 Fire prevention training.** Employees shall be apprised of the fire hazards of the materials and processes to which they are exposed. Each employee shall be instructed in the proper procedures for preventing fires in the conduct of their assigned duties.

**406.3.2 Evacuation training.** Employees shall be familiarized with the fire alarm and evacuation signals, their
assigned duties in the event of an alarm or emergency, evacuation routes, areas of refuge, exterior assembly areas, and procedures for evacuation.

### 406.3.3 Fire safety training.
Employees assigned fire-fighting duties shall be trained to know the locations and proper use of portable fire extinguishers or other manual fire-fighting equipment and the protective clothing or equipment required for its safe and proper use.

### SECTION 407

#### HAZARD COMMUNICATION

**407.1 General.** The provisions of Sections 407.2 through 407.7 shall be applicable where hazardous materials subject to permits under N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.7 or LHU registration under N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.4 are located on the premises or where required by the fire code official.

**407.2 Material Safety Data Sheets.** Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) for all hazardous materials shall be readily available on the premises.

**407.3 Identification.** Individual containers of hazardous materials, cartons or packages shall be marked or labeled in accordance with applicable federal regulations. Buildings, rooms and spaces containing hazardous materials shall be identified by hazard warning signs in accordance with Section 2703.5.

**407.4 Training.** Persons responsible for the operation of areas in which hazardous materials are stored, dispensed, handled or used shall be familiar with the chemical nature of the materials and the appropriate mitigating actions necessary in the event of a fire, leak or spill. Responsible persons shall be designated and trained to be liaison personnel for the fire department. These persons shall aid the fire department in preplanning emergency responses and identification of the locations where hazardous materials are located, and shall have access to Material Safety Data Sheets and be knowledgeable in the site emergency response procedures.

**407.5 Hazardous Materials Inventory Statement.** Where required by the fire code official, each application for a permit shall include a Hazardous Materials Inventory Statement (HMIS) in accordance with Section 2701.5.2.

**407.6 Hazardous Materials Management Plan.** Where required by the fire code official, each application for a permit shall include a Hazardous Materials Management Plan (HMMP) in accordance with Section 2701.5.1. The fire code official is authorized to accept a similar plan required by other regulations.

**407.7 Facility closure plans.** The permit holder or applicant shall submit to the fire code official a facility closure plan in accordance with Section 2701.6.3 to terminate storage, dispensing, handling or use of hazardous materials.

### SECTION 408

#### USE AND OCCUPANCY-RELATED REQUIREMENTS

**408.1 General.** In addition to the other requirements of this chapter, the provisions of this section are applicable to specific occupancies listed herein.

**408.2 Group A occupancies.** Group A occupancies shall comply with the requirements of Sections 408.2.1 and 408.2.2 and Sections 401 through 406.

**408.2.1 Seating plan.** The fire safety and evacuation plans for assembly occupancies shall include the information required by Section 404.3 and a detailed seating plan, occupant load, and occupant load limit. Deviations from the approved plans shall be allowed provided the occupant load limit for the occupancy is not exceeded and the aisles and exit accessways remain unobstructed.

**408.2.2 Announcements.** In theaters, motion picture theaters, auditoriums and similar assembly occupancies in Group A used for noncontinuous programs, an audible announcement shall be made not more than 10 minutes prior to the start of each program to notify the occupants of the location of the exits to be used in the event of a fire or other emergency.

**Exception:** In motion picture theaters, the announcement is allowed to be projected upon the screen in a manner approved by the fire code official.

**408.3 Group E occupancies, Group I day care centers and Group R-2 college and university buildings.** Group E and Group I occupancies shall comply with the requirements of Sections 408.3.1 through 408.3.4 and Sections 401 through 406. Group R-2 college and university buildings shall comply with the requirements of Sections 408.3.1 and 408.3.3 and Sections 401 through 406.

**408.3.1 First emergency evacuation drill.** The first two emergency evacuation drills of each school year shall be conducted within 10 days of the beginning of classes for Group E and Group I. The first drill for Group R-2 shall be conducted within 10 days of the start of each semester.

**408.3.2 Emergency evacuation drill deferral.** In severe climates, the fire code official shall have the authority to modify the emergency evacuation drill frequency specified in Section 405.2.

**408.3.3 Time of day.** Emergency evacuation drills shall be conducted at different hours of the day or evening, during the changing of classes, when the school is at assembly, during the recess or gymnastic periods, or during other times to avoid distinction between drills and actual fires. In Group R-2 college and university buildings, one required drill shall be held during hours after sunset or before sunrise and one shall be held during daylight hours.

**408.3.4 Assembly points.** Outdoor assembly areas shall be designated and shall be located a safe distance from the building being evacuated so as to avoid interference with fire department operations. The assembly areas shall be arranged to keep each class separate to provide accountability of all individuals.

**408.4 Group H-5 occupancies.** Group H-5 occupancies shall comply with the requirements of Sections 408.4.1 through 408.4.4 and Sections 401 through 407.

**408.4.1 Plans and diagrams.** In addition to the requirements of Section 404 and Section 407.6, plans and diagrams shall be maintained in approved locations indicating the
approximate plan for each area, the amount and type of HPM stored, handled and used, locations of shutoff valves for HPM supply piping, emergency telephone locations and locations of exits.

408.4.2 Plan updating. The plans and diagrams required by Section 408.4.1 shall be maintained up to date and the fire code official and fire department shall be informed of all major changes.

408.4.3 Emergency response team. Responsible persons shall be designated the on-site emergency response team and trained to be liaison personnel for the fire department. These persons shall aid the fire department in preparing emergency responses, identifying locations where HPM is stored, handled and used, and be familiar with the chemical nature of such material. An adequate number of personnel for each work shift shall be designated.

408.4.4 Emergency drills. Emergency drills of the on-site emergency response team shall be conducted on a regular basis but not less than once every three months. Records of drills conducted shall be maintained.

408.5 Group I-1 occupancies. Group I-1 occupancies shall comply with the requirements of Sections 408.5.1 through 408.5.5 and Sections 401 through 406.

408.5.1 Fire safety and evacuation plan. The fire safety and evacuation plan required by Section 404 shall include special staff actions including fire protection procedures necessary for residents and shall be amended or revised upon admission of any resident with unusual needs.

408.5.2 Staff training. Employees shall be periodically instructed and kept informed of their duties and responsibilities under the plan. Such instruction shall be reviewed by the staff at least every two months. A copy of the plan shall be readily available at all times within the facility.

408.5.3 Resident training. Residents capable of assisting in their own evacuation shall be trained in the proper actions to take in the event of a fire. The training shall include actions to take if the primary escape route is blocked. Where the resident is given rehabilitation or habilitation training, training in fire prevention and actions in the event of a fire shall be a part of the rehabilitation training program. Residents shall be trained to assist each other in case of fire to the extent their physical and mental abilities permit them to do so without additional personal risk.

408.5.4 Drill frequency. Emergency evacuation drills shall be conducted at least six times per year, two times per year on each shift. Twelve drills shall be conducted in the first year of operation. Drills are not required to comply with the time requirements of Section 405.4.

408.5.5 Resident participation. Emergency evacuation drills shall involve the actual evacuation of residents to a selected assembly point.

408.6 Group I-2 occupancies. Group I-2 occupancies shall comply with the requirements of Sections 408.6.1 and 408.6.2 and Sections 401 through 406. Drills are not required to comply with the time requirements of Section 405.4.

408.6.1 Evacuation not required. During emergency evacuation drills, the movement of patients to safe areas or to the exterior of the building is not required.

408.6.2 Coded alarm signal. When emergency evacuation drills are conducted after visiting hours or when patients or residents are expected to be asleep, a coded announcement is allowed instead of audible alarms.

408.7 Group I-3 occupancies. Group I-3 occupancies shall comply with the requirements of Sections 408.7.1 through 408.7.4 and Sections 401 through 406.

408.7.1 Employee training. Employees shall be instructed in the proper use of portable fire extinguishers and other manual fire suppression equipment. Training of new staff shall be provided promptly upon entrance on duty. Refresher training shall be provided at least annually.

408.7.2 Staffing. Group I-3 occupancies shall be provided with 24-hour staffing. Staff shall be within three floors or 300 feet (91,440 mm) horizontal distance of the access door of each resident housing area. The arrangement shall be such that the staff involved can start release of locks necessary for emergency evacuation or rescue and initiate other necessary emergency actions within 2 minutes of an alarm.

Exception: Staff shall not be required to be within three floors or 300 feet (91,440 mm) in areas in which all locks are unlocked remotely and automatically in accordance with the building subcode of the Uniform Construction Code.

408.7.3 Notification. Provisions shall be made for residents in Use Conditions 3, 4 and 5, as defined in Chapter 2, to readily notify staff of an emergency.

408.7.4 Keys. Keys necessary for unlocking doors installed in a means of egress shall be individually identifiable by both touch and sight.

408.8 Group R-1 occupancies. Group R-1 occupancies shall comply with the requirements of Sections 408.8.1 through 408.8.3 and Sections 401 through 406.

408.8.1 Evacuation diagrams. A diagram depicting two evacuation routes shall be posted on or immediately adjacent to every required egress door from each hotel, motel or dormitory sleeping unit.

408.8.2 Emergency duties. Upon discovery of a fire or suspected fire, hotel, motel and dormitory employees shall perform the following duties:

1. Activate the fire alarm system, where provided.
2. Notify the public fire department.
3. Take other action as previously instructed.

408.8.3 Fire safety and evacuation instructions. Information shall be provided in the fire safety and evacuation plan required by Section 404 to allow guests to decide whether to evacuate to the outside, evacuate to an area of refuge, remain in place, or any combination of the three.

408.9 Group R-2 occupancies. Group R-2 occupancies located in high-rise buildings shall comply with the requirements of Sections 408.9.1 through 408.9.3 and Sections 401 through 406.
408.9.1 Emergency guide. A fire emergency guide shall be provided which describes the location, function and use of fire protection equipment and appliances accessible to residents, including fire alarm systems, smoke alarms, and portable fire extinguishers. The guide shall also include an emergency evacuation plan for each dwelling unit.

408.9.2 Maintenance. Emergency guides shall be reviewed and approved in accordance with Section 401.2.

408.9.3 Distribution. A copy of the emergency guide shall be given to each tenant prior to initial occupancy.

408.10 Therapeutic residences. Therapeutic residences shall comply with the requirements of Sections 408.10.1 through 408.10.5 and Sections 401 through 406.

408.10.1 Fire safety and evacuation plan. The fire safety and evacuation plan required by Section 404 shall include special staff actions, including fire protection procedures necessary for residents, and shall be amended or revised upon admission of a resident with unusual needs.

408.10.2 Staff training. Employees shall be periodically instructed and kept informed of their duties and responsibilities under the plan. Such instruction shall be reviewed by the staff at least every two months. A copy of the plan shall be readily available at all times within the facility.

408.10.3 Resident training. Residents capable of assisting in their own evacuation shall be trained in the proper actions to take in the event of a fire. The training shall include actions to take if the primary escape route is blocked. Where the resident is given rehabilitation or habilitation training, training in fire prevention and actions to take in the event of a fire shall be a part of the rehabilitation training program. Residents shall be trained to assist each other in case of fire to the extent their physical and mental abilities permit them to do so without additional personal risk.

408.10.3.1 Admission. Within 24 hours of admission, each new occupant shall participate in a fire drill to ensure compliance with this chapter.

408.10.3.2 Self-evacuation. Self-evacuation pursuant to the Uniform Construction Code means capable of self-evacuation with a prompt egress time not exceeding 3 minutes.

408.10.3.3 Exceeding allotted time. If any resident exceeds the allotted time, the facility manager shall relocate clients or take other action to ensure that the required time is met. If the fire official finds that the required time is not being met, the fire official shall refer the matter to the construction official as a possible change in use.

408.10.4 Drill frequency. Emergency evacuation drills shall be conducted monthly, four times per year on each shift.

408.10.5 Resident participation. Emergency evacuation drills shall involve the actual evacuation of residents to a selected assembly point and shall provide residents with experience in exiting through all required exits. All required exits shall be used during emergency evacuation drills.

Exception: Actual exiting from windows shall not be required. Opening the window and signaling for help shall be an acceptable alternative.

408.11 Covered mall buildings. Covered mall buildings shall comply with the provisions of Sections 408.11.1 through 408.11.3.

408.11.1 Lease plan. A lease plan shall be prepared for each covered mall building. The plan shall include the following information in addition to that required by Section 404.3.2:

1. Each occupancy, including identification of tenant.
2. Exits from each tenant space.
3. Fire protection features, including the following:
   3.1. Fire department connections.
   3.2. Fire command center.
   3.3. Smoke management system controls.
   3.4. Elevators and elevator controls.
   3.5. Hose valves outlets.
   3.6. Sprinkler and standpipe control valves.
   3.7. Automatic fire-extinguishing system areas.

408.11.1.1 Approval. The lease plan shall be submitted to the fire code official for approval, and shall be maintained on site for immediate reference by responding fire service personnel.

408.11.1.2 Revisions. The lease plans shall be revised annually or as often as necessary to keep them current. Modifications or changes in tenants or occupancies shall not be made without prior approval of the fire code official and building official.

408.11.2 Tenant identification. Each occupied tenant space provided with a secondary exit to the exterior or exit corridor shall be provided with tenant identification by business name and/or address. Letters and numbers shall be posted on the corridor side of the door, be plainly legible and shall contrast with their background.

Exception: Tenant identification is not required for anchor stores.

408.11.3 Maintenance. Unoccupied tenant spaces shall be:

1. Kept free from the storage of any materials.
2. Separated from the remainder of the building by partitions of at least 0.5-inch-thick (12.7 mm) gypsum board or an approved equivalent to the underside of the ceiling of the adjoining tenant spaces.
3. Without doors or other access openings other than one door that shall be kept key locked in the closed position except during that time when opened for inspection.
4. Kept free from combustible waste and be broom-swept clean.

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408.12 Casinos.

408.12.1 Casinos. In addition to the other provisions of this chapter, casinos shall comply with Sections 408.12.2 through 408.12.4.9.

408.12.2 Casino employees. All hotel-casino employees who are assigned duties under the plan shall be periodically instructed and kept informed with respect to their respective duties and responsibilities. Such training shall include the proper use of portable fire extinguishers and other manual fire suppression equipment. With respect to new staff members, such training shall be provided within 30 days of entrance to duty. With respect to existing staff, refresher training shall be provided at least annually and whenever a reassignment significantly alters an employee’s duties and responsibilities under the plan.

408.12.3 Casino fire safety units. Every establishment licensed as a hotel-casino by the New Jersey Casino Control Commission shall establish a fire safety unit consisting of trained personnel who shall be under the direct supervision of a supervisor who shall have responsibility for the operation of the unit and the fire command center and whose sole responsibility during a fire-related emergency incident shall be the direction of the unit and center. The supervisor shall report directly to the director of the department under which the fire safety unit is organized.

408.12.4 Responsibilities. The responsibilities of the fire safety unit shall include the following as listed in Sections 408.12.4.1 through 408.12.4.9 below. The fire safety unit shall:

408.12.4.1 Ensure continual staffing of the fire command center with trained hotel-casino personnel. There shall be at least one such trained person in the center at all times who shall, while on duty, be responsible for the direction of the unit and the center during a fire-related emergency;

408.12.4.2. Develop and implement a comprehensive fire safety and evacuation plan;

408.12.4.3. Provide specialized training for all employees to assure compliance with the fire safety plan;

408.12.4.4. Familiarize all employees of the hotel-casino with the fire safety plan and with the built-in fire detection and suppression systems in the casino and hotel;

408.12.4.5. Familiarize management and security employees with local fire department operations and procedures for various emergencies in the hotel-casino;

408.12.4.6. Provide training for employees on specific support functions to be performed to assist fire department personnel in an emergency;

408.12.4.7. Provide training for employees in early detection and proper evacuation of a fire emergency and the proper use of first aid fire-fighting equipment and techniques;

408.12.4.8. Provide training annually for all security personnel and fire safety unit staff in cardiopulmonary resuscitation; and

408.12.4.9. Ensure the maintenance of the building and its fire protection features in compliance with the Uniform Construction Code and the Uniform Fire Code.

408.13 Flammable liquid storage terminals.

408.13.1 Flammable liquid storage terminals. All flammable liquid storage terminals required to install high-level alarm systems by N.J.A.C. 5:72 shall submit a fire and emergency plan as required by this chapter and N.J.A.C. 5:72-3.4(a).

408.14 Group overnight stays.

408.14.1 Permit required. A separate permit shall be obtained for each nonconsecutive group overnight stay, not to exceed six nights in any calendar year. A facility that holds seven or more nonconsecutive group overnight stays within a calendar year shall be considered to have changed the use of the building or portion thereof if the activity involves planned periods of sleep and it shall be necessary to apply for and be issued a certificate of occupancy under the Uniform Construction Code for the new use.

408.14.2 Application. Each application for a permit shall include a fire safety and evacuation plan which shall include, but not be limited to, the following information:

1. Number and age of planned participants;
2. Number of adult supervisors;
3. Fire drill procedures;
4. Procedure for accounting for participants after evacuation has been completed;
5. The preferred means, and any alternative, for notifying participants of a fire or other emergency;
6. The preferred means, and any alternative, for reporting fires or other emergencies to the fire department or emergency response organization;
7. The type of fire protection system(s) provided; and
8. Floor plan per Section 408.14.3.

408.14.3 Floor plan. A floor plan of the building, or portion thereof, to be occupied, which identifies the locations of the following:

1. Exits;
2. Proposed sleeping area, if any;
3. Primary evacuation route;
4. Secondary evacuation route;
5. Accessible egress route(s), if available;
6. Fire alarm enunciator and control panel, if any; and
7. Manual fire alarm pull stations, if any.

408.14.4 Means of egress. The means of egress for the sleeping area shall comply with Sections 408.14.4.1 through 408.14.4.4.

408.14.4.1 Exits. Two exits shall be required for stories with less than 500 occupants. Three exits shall be required for stories with 501 to 1,000 occupants. Four exits shall be required for stories with more than 1,000
occupants. A single exit is permitted for the story at the level of exit discharge when the occupant load of the story does not exceed 50 and the exit access travel distance does not exceed 75 feet (22,860 mm).

408.14.4.2 Means of egress doorways. A minimum of two egress doorways shall be required for all rooms and spaces with an occupant load greater than 50 or in which the travel distance exceeds 75 feet (22,860 mm). All egress doors serving an occupant load greater than 50 shall swing in the direction of exit travel.

408.14.4.3 Means of egress lighting. Artificial lighting with an intensity of not less than one foot-candle (11 lux) at floor level shall be available during all times that the conditions of occupancy of the building require that the exits be available. In all buildings, rooms or spaces required to have more than one exit or exit access, means of egress lighting shall be connected to an emergency electrical system conforming to the Uniform Construction Code except that continued illumination shall be required to be provided for not less than one hour in the case of primary power loss.

408.14.4.4 Illuminated exit signs. Illuminated exit signs shall be provided for all required means of egress in all buildings, rooms or spaces required to have more than one exit or exit access. Exit signs shall be visible from the exit access and supplemented by directional signs when necessary.

Exception: Approved main exterior doors that are clearly identified as exits are not required to have exit signs.

408.14.5 Automatic alarms. The building or fire area containing the overnight stay shall be provided with an approved automatic fire detection system consisting of smoke detectors installed in accordance with the Uniform Construction Code.

408.14.6 Fire drill. A fire drill shall be conducted in accordance with the approved fire safety and evacuation plan upon arrival of all participants.

408.14.7 Sleeping area restrictions. Sleeping in rides, jungle mazes or other amusement-type equipment or other confined areas shall be prohibited.

408.14.8 Supervision. For all overnight stays involving persons under the age of 18, adult supervision consisting of persons at least 21 years of age shall be provided as follows:

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<th>ONE SUPERVISOR REQUIRED*</th>
<th>AGE GROUP OF CHILDREN</th>
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<tr>
<td>For every 2 children</td>
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<td>For every 4 children</td>
<td>4 years of age to less than 7 years of age</td>
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<td>For every 8 children</td>
<td>7 years of age to less than 18 years of age</td>
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Note a: For groups of children of mixed ages:
1. A minimum of one supervisor is required, unless the threshold for a specific age group requires additional supervisors and
2. When the total number of children of any age exceeds eight or when the total number of children less than 7 years of age exceeds four an additional supervisor shall be required. This condition applies even if the threshold of a specific age group has not been met.
3. For groups consisting of children of high school age, where the activity involves no planned period of sleep, supervision may be reduced to one adult for each 25 children, provided no separate group of children, regardless of number, is without adult supervision.