

ESCAPE AND RESCUE OPENINGS

The City of Minot requires that basements and every sleeping room below the fourth story have at least one operable window or door approved for emergency escape or rescue that shall open directly into the public street, public alley, yard, or exit court. The emergency door or window shall be operable from the inside to provide a full, clear opening without the use of separate tools.

REQUIREMENTS FOR INSTALLING EGRESS WINDOWS

1. Sill height not more than 44 inches above the floor.
2. All emergency escape and rescue openings shall have a min. net clear opening of 5.7 sq. ft. (821 sq in). Exception: Grade floor openings shall have a net clear opening of 5 sq. ft. (720 sq. in.)
3. The minimum net clear opening width shall be 20".
4. The minimum net clear opening height shall be 24".

REQUIREMENT FOR EGRESS WINDOW WELLS

1. The clear horizontal dimensions shall allow the window to be fully opened. The horizontal dimensions of the window well shall provide a minimum area of 9 sq. ft. with a minimum horizontal projection and width of 36 inches.
2. Window wells with a depth greater than 44 inches below the adjacent ground level need a permanently fixed ladder or steps usable with the window in the fully open position. The ladder or stairs shall not encroach into the required dimensions of the window well more than 6 inches.
3. If an egress window is installed under the deck, the minimum clear height is 36".

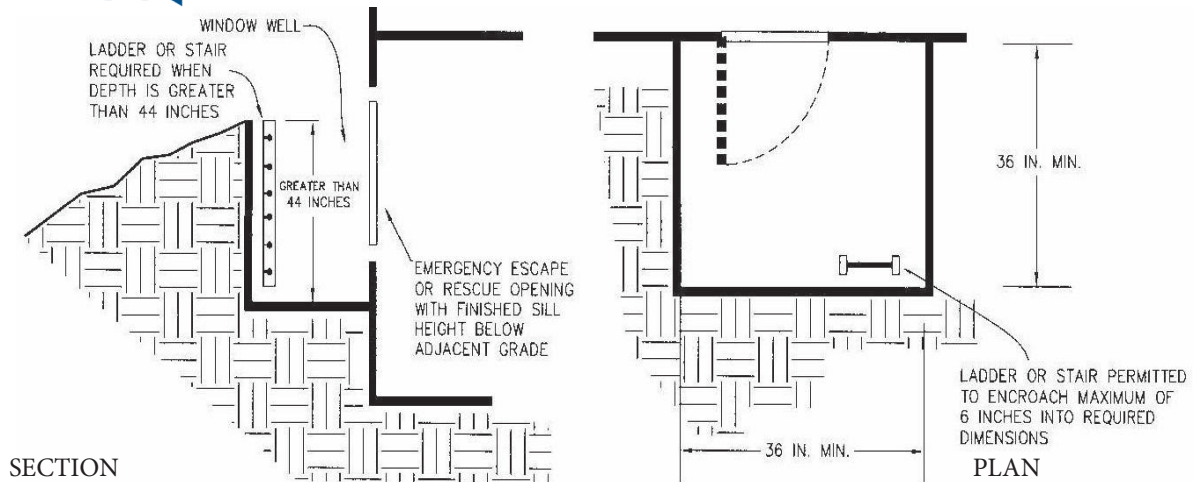
REQUIREMENTS FOR SMOKE ALARMS

When interior alterations, repairs, or additions requiring a permit occur, or when one or more sleeping rooms are added or created in existing dwellings, the individual dwelling unit shall be provided with smoke alarm(s) in accordance with IRC Section R317. This requirement also applies to window replacements.



EGRESS WINDOWS IN BASEMENTS



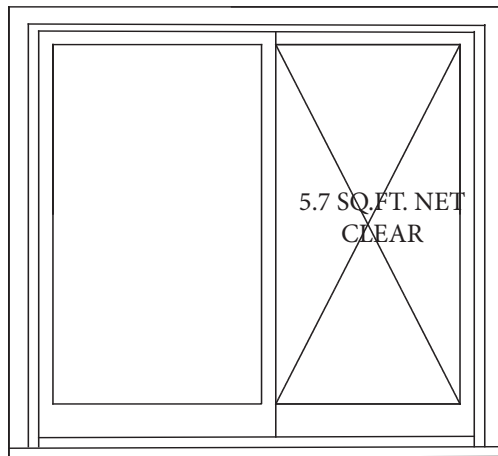


EGRESS WINDOW WELL DIMENSIONS

WIDTH	20	22	24	26	28	30	32	36
HEIGHT	42	38	36	32	30	28	26	24

EGRESS WINDOW SIZES

SLIDING



CASEMENT



DOUBLE HUNG



EGRESS WINDOW TYPES

* NOTE: 20" & 24" ARE MINIMUM DIMENSIONS IN WIDTH & HEIGHT.
MAXIMUM OF 44 INCHES FROM FLOOR TO WINDOW SILL.

ALL EMERGENCY ESCAPE AND RESCUE OPENINGS SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM NET CLEAR OPENING OF 5.7 SQUARE FEET. EXCEPTION: GRADE FLOOR OPENINGS SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM NET CLEAR OPENING OF 5 SQUARE FEET