4715.2240 ACCESS TO WATER HEATERS.

Every water heater installation shall be readily accessible for inspection, repair, or replacement. The appliance space shall be provided with an opening or doorway of sufficient size to provide such access.

Exception: A water heater with a tank capacity not greater than six gallons may be concealed in a ceiling space provided the water heater has been set in an overflow pan that has been constructed of a corrosion-resistant material, has side walls extending at least four inches upward, and has an outlet that shall not be sized less than the supply line to the water heater. This outlet shall be piped undiminished in size to a point of safe disposal below the ceiling area. No tools shall be required to gain access to a water heater.

Statutory Authority: MS s 16B.59 to 16B.75; 326.37 to 326.45; 326B.101 to 326B.194; 326B.43 to 326B.49

History: 23 SR 686; L 2007 c 140 art 4 s 61; art 6 s 15; art 13 s 4; L 2008 c 337 s 64

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