

9520.0650 LIVING UNIT REQUIREMENTS.

Subpart 1. **Furnishings.** Each living unit shall include furnishings appropriate to the psychological, emotional, and developmental needs of each resident.

Subp. 2. **Ratios.** For each program, there shall be one living room or lounge area per living unit for up to 25 residents.

Subp. 3. **Program space.** There shall be space available for program services as indicated in the individual treatment plans such as an area for learning recreation and leisure time skills, and an area for learning independent living skills, such as laundering and cooking.

Subp. 4. **Gender of residents.** The unit or complex of units shall house both male and female residents insofar as this conforms to prevailing cultural norms, unless contraindicated by the facility's overall program plan. The unit shall provide for appropriate separation of male and female residents.

Subp. 5. **Privacy.** The living unit shall allow for individual privacy and group socialization. Each resident shall have the opportunity for privacy during assessment, interviews, counseling sessions, and visitations.

Subp. 6. **Storage space.** Each facility shall provide to each resident storage space for clothing and other personal property, including a secure place for valuables. Each facility may exclude particular kinds of personal property from the facility for reasons of space limitations or safety. Any exclusions shall be documented and included in the policies and procedures manual of the facility.

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