

Chapter ILHR 56

SCHOOLS AND OTHER PLACES OF INSTRUCTION

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Subchapter I—General Requirements

ILHR 56.001 Scope. The requirements of this chapter shall apply to all public and private schools, universities, colleges, academies, seminaries, libraries, museums and art galleries; including all buildings or parts of buildings used primarily for instructional purposes.

Note: Section 101.02 (15) (a), Stats., exempts rural school buildings from the provisions of this code. See s. ILHR 51.01 (114b) for definition of a rural school building.

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ILHR 56.01 Maximum height. (1) Buildings occupied primarily by pupils up to and including grade 12 shall not exceed 4 stories or 48 feet in height.

(a) *Exception.* Buildings provided with complete automatic sprinkler or automatic smoke detection systems, occupied primarily by students of grades 9 through 12, shall be no more than 6 stories or 72 feet in height.

Note: Also see requirements for classes of construction.

History: 1-2-56; r. Register, May, 1971, No. 185, eff. 6-1-71; cr. Register, September, 1973, No. 213, eff. 10-1-73.

ILHR 56.02 Classes of construction. (1) Except as provided in sub. (4), every building not more than one story in height may be of type 7 or 8 construction as specified in s. ILHR 51.03.

(2) Except as provided in sub. (4), every 2-story building shall be not less than type 6 construction as specified in s. ILHR 51.03 with the ex-

ception that all floors and their supports shall be at least noncombustible one-hour fire-resistive rating.

(3) Except as provided in sub. (4), every building 3 or more stories in height shall be of type 1 or 2 construction as specified in s. ILHR 51.03.

(4) The story heights specified in subs. (1) to (3) may be increased by one story in buildings completely protected by automatic fire sprinkler system protection.

(5) Auditoriums, gymnasiums or field houses, or those parts of buildings similarly used, shall comply with the following:

(a) Limitations when occupancy is restricted to first story or ground floor only.

MAXIMUM CAPACITIES

Class of Construction	Without Complete Automatic Fire Sprinkler System Protection		With Complete Automatic Fire Sprinkler System Protection	
	With Stage	Without Stage	With Stage	Without Stage
Type 1 and 2	No limit	No limit	No limit	No limit
Type 3 and 4	750	1,500	1,000	2,000
Type 5 and 6	500	1,000	750	1,500
Type 7 and 8	300	750	500	1,000

(b) 1. Except as provided in subd. 2., one story building of Types No. 5 or 6 non-combustible construction may have unlimited capacity provided the building has no ground floors or basement floors. Heavy timber columns, roof framing and roof decking may be substituted for required non-combustible columns, roof framing and roof decking. Mezzanine floors and supports shall be not less than one-hour non-combustible construction.

2. A basement or ground floor mechanical equipment room may be provided if separated from the upper level by not less than 4-hour non-combustible construction.

History: 1-2-56; r. and recr. Register, May, 1971, No. 185, eff. 6-1-71; am. (1) and (2) and r. and recr. (3), Register, June, 1972, No. 198, eff. 1-1-73; cr. (4), Register, September, 1973, No. 213, eff. 10-1-73; r. and recr. (4) (a) 1., Register, May, 1974, No. 221, eff. 6-1-74; am. (4) (a) 1., Register, December, 1978, No. 276, eff. 1-1-79; emerg. am. (1) to (3), renum. (4) to (5) and r. and recr. (5) (a) and (b), cr. (4), eff. 9-6-86; am. (1) to (3), renum. (4) to (5) and r. and recr. (5) (a) and (b), cr. (4), Register, November, 1986, No. 371, eff. 12-1-86.

FP ILHR 56.03 Protection of basement levels. (1) GENERAL REQUIREMENT.

Buildings with basements shall at such levels be protected with an approved automatic sprinkler system as specified in s. ILHR 51.23 or an approved automatic smoke detection system, as specified in s. ILHR 51.245, either of which shall be electrically connected to the required fire alarm system.

Note: See s. ILHR 51.245 for additional requirements pertaining to smoke detectors.

Note: See ss. ILHR 52.012 (1) and 52.02 for additional requirements pertaining to basements.

FP (2) RETROACTIVITY. Existing buildings which do not conform to the requirements specified in sub. (1) on or after the effective date of this subsection shall comply with the following:

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(2) **EXIT LIGHTS.** Illuminated exit lights are not required in relocatable classrooms.

History: Cr. Register, December, 1978, No. 276, eff. 1-1-79.

ILHR 56.35 Class of construction separations. Relocatable classrooms connected to another building shall be separated by class of construction separations as specified in s. ILHR 51.02 (20).

History: Cr. Register, December, 1978, No. 276, eff. 1-1-79; am. Register, December, 1983, No. 336, eff. 1-1-84.

ILHR 56.36 Barrier-free requirements. Access to, interior circulation and toilet facilities for the physically disabled need not be provided for the relocatable classroom if the course taught in the relocatable classroom are available in accessible facilities at the same school site.

History: Cr. Register, December, 1978, No. 276, eff. 1-1-79.

ILHR 56.37 Sanitary fixtures. (1) Sanitary fixtures for relocatable classrooms shall be provided in accordance with the requirements of ss. ILHR 52.50 through 52.64 and 56.16.

(a) *Exception.* Sanitary fixtures within the relocatable classroom structure need not be provided if the sanitary fixtures in the main school building are available for use and the relocatable classroom structure is connected to the main school building with an enclosed passageway.

History: Cr. Register, December, 1978, No. 276, eff. 1-1-79.

ILHR 56.38 Fire alarms. Relocatable classroom structures containing more than 2 classrooms or connected to another building shall be provided with a fire alarm system as specified in s. ILHR 51.24. FP

History: Cr. Register, December, 1978, No. 276, eff. 1-1-79.

Subchapter III—Mobile Training Units

ILHR 56.40 Scope. This part provides the minimum requirements for mobile training units as defined in s. ILHR 56.41.

History: Cr. Register, December, 1978, No. 276, eff. 1-1-79.

ILHR 56.41 Definitions. “Mobile training units” mean trailer type units constructed and left on wheels. Mobile training units are used for education purposes at one site for a period of time no greater than 9 weeks per year.

History: Cr. Register, December, 1978, No. 276, eff. 1-1-79.

ILHR 56.42 General. Mobile training units shall comply with the applicable sections of this code except as otherwise specified in this part.

History: Cr. Register, December, 1978, No. 276, eff. 1-1-79.

ILHR 56.43 Exit doors and exit lights. (1) **EXIT DOORS.** Exit doors shall be at least 3 feet 0 inches wide. FP

(2) **EXIT LIGHTS.** Illuminated exit lights are not required for mobile training units.

History: Cr. Register, December, 1978, No. 276, eff. 1-1-79.

ILHR 56.44 Barrier-free requirements. Access to, interior circulation and toilet facilities for the physically disabled need not be provided for

the mobile training units if the course taught in the mobile training units are available in accessible facilities at the same school site.

History: Cr. Register, December, 1978, No. 276, eff. 1-1-79.

ILHR 56.45 Sanitary fixtures. (1) **GENERAL EXEMPTION.** Sanitary fixtures are not required in the mobile training units provided the sanitary fixtures in the main school building are available for use.

(2) **GENERAL REQUIREMENTS.** Toilet rooms within the mobile training unit shall comply with the requirements of ss. ILHR 52.50 through 52.64 and 56.16.

(a) *Exceptions.* 1. The requirements specified in s. ILHR 52.59 are not applicable provided the toilet room door is equipped with a privacy lock.

2. Accessible toilet facilities for the physically disabled need not be provided if accessible toilet facilities in the main school building are made available.

History: Cr. Register, December, 1978, No. 276, eff. 1-1-79.

FP ILHR 56.46 Fire alarms. Mobile training units used individually are exempt from the provisions of s. ILHR 56.19.

History: Cr. Register, December, 1978, No. 276, eff. 1-1-79.

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