

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF BRAMPTON

BY-LAW

Number ______ 65-83_____

To amend By-Law #87-77 (The Mininum Maintenance By-Law) in respect to Group Homes

The Council of The Corporation of the City of Brampton ENACTS as follows:

- 1. By-Law #87-77, as amended by By-Law #39-78, 225-80 and 277-81 is hereby further amended:
 - (1) by adding to PART I (Definition) the following subsection 1 (10A)
 - 10. (A) GROUP HOME:

A group home is defined as a residential care facility in a dwelling unit occupied by 3 to 10 persons inclusive of staff and receiving family, used for the accommodation of persons, who, by reason of their emotional, mental, social or physical condition, or legal status, require a supervised living arrangement for their well being.

- (2) by renumbering IX (Date of Effect) to be PART X
 (Date of Effect).
- (3) by renumbering Section 150, to be Section 151.
- (4) by adding thereto, as PART IX Group Home and as Section 150, the following:

PART IX

GROUP HOMES

This part describes the standards for certain group homes within the City of Brampton:

- 150. Every Group Home shall comply with the following (standards in addition to requirements of residential properties:
 - 1. (A) Every applicant for registration to establish, operate or maintain a group home shall provide a copy of the site plan of the residence and a drawing to scale of the floor plan of the residence, showing windows, doors, exits and stairways and the proposed uses of each room in the residence.

1. (B) Basement:

- (i) where two or more rooms or suites of a group home are below finished grade, either individual exits for each room or suite shall be provided, or, where a common quarter is utilized, two means of egress shall be provided.
- (ii) casement windows not less than 42 inches high and 22 inches wide with a sill height not more than 36 inches above the inside floor, and so located and constructed as to provide direct access to the exterior grade, maybe considered a second means of egress.
- (C) The first and second floor above the basement may be served by one exit provided that:
- (i) such exit is an exterior door located at or near ground level, and access to such an exit is not through a garage or through a room not under the immediate control of the occupants of the dwelling unit for which the exit is required, and
- (D) All rooms above the second floor shall have free access to a second interior stairway or exterior fire escape, and, where approved, access to an exterior flat roof or balcony will be accepted.
- 2. The following shall be provided and maintained in every group home:
 - (A) a listed products of combustion detector or detectors of the single alarm type, audible within bedrooms when intervening doors are closed, to be installed between bedrooms or the sleeping areas and the remainder of the dwelling unit, such as in a hallway or corridor serving such bedrooms or sleeping area, or where a single room is occupied as a dwelling unit, located immediately inside the door leading to the room.
 - (B) all products of combustion detectors and alarms shall be equipped with visual indication that they are in operating condition, shall be permanently mounted on a standard outlet box on the ceiling or the walls between six and twelve inches below the ceiling, and shall not have a switch between the products of combustion detector and the main distribution panel, except that the detectors located within the dwelling unit may be connected to an existing circuit that is not switched.
 - (C) A 2A 10 B.C. rated fire extinguisher for the kitchen that is listed by Underwriters' Laboratories of Canada.

READ a FIRST, SECOND and THIRD TIME and PASSED in Open Council this 7th day of March 1983.

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