

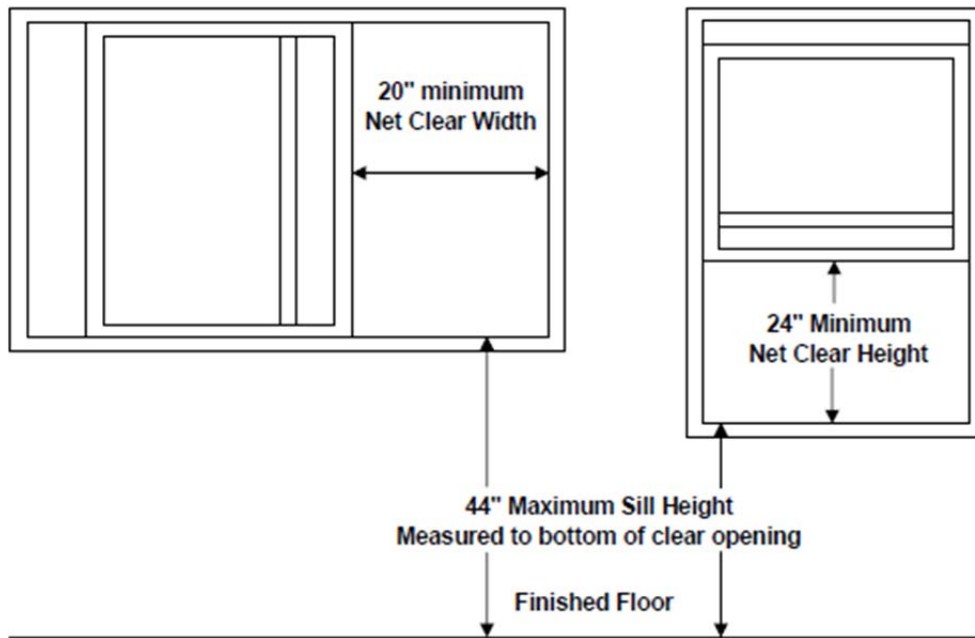
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Emergency Egress Window Requirements

2007 California Building Code, Section 1026



Notes

1. The minimum net clear opening area for emergency escape and rescue windows is 5.7 square feet. CBC 1026.2

Exception: The minimum area for grade floor openings is 5.0 square feet. To qualify as a grade floor opening the maximum sill height can not be more than 44" above or below the finished exterior ground level adjacent to the opening. CBC 202

2. The net clear opening dimensions shall be the result of normal operation of the opening.
3. Casement window openings shall be measured when opened a minimum of 90 degrees.
4. Replacement windows must comply with the current window replacement policy.

The chart below shows some examples of minimum open area dimensions, in inches.

Width	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34
Height	41	39.1	37.3	35.7	34.2	32.8	31.6	30.4	29.3	28.3	27.4	26.5	25.7	24.9	24