

BASEMENT CONSIDERATIONS

Minimum ceiling height

84" (living space)

72" (bathroom)

Utilities may extend no more than
6" below min. ceiling height,
and no closer than 48" from
each other

Stairs

6'8" min. height at all points

30" min. tread width

11" min. tread depth

4-7³/₄" riser height

36" min. bottom clearance

Bedroom

125 sq ft min. for double bed

150 sq ft min. for twin beds

Emergency egress

Safety requirement for bedrooms

5.7 sq ft min. size


44" max. height from floor

Utilities

24-36" clearance for access

Drop ceiling

adds 3-8" to existing

 = 12"