Definition of Bedroom

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Section: R202

Question:
When does a room have to be treated as a bedroom?

Answer:
When it meets the definition provided in Section 202 of the code. The definition for “Bedroom” is “Sleeping Room”. The definition for “Sleeping Room” is:

“A room designated as sleeping or bedroom on the plans.”

A room with a closet and/or a room with a window properly sized for an emergency escape opening does not constitute a bedroom. Only a room meeting the definition in the code is considered a bedroom.

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Single family dwelling, house, smoke detector