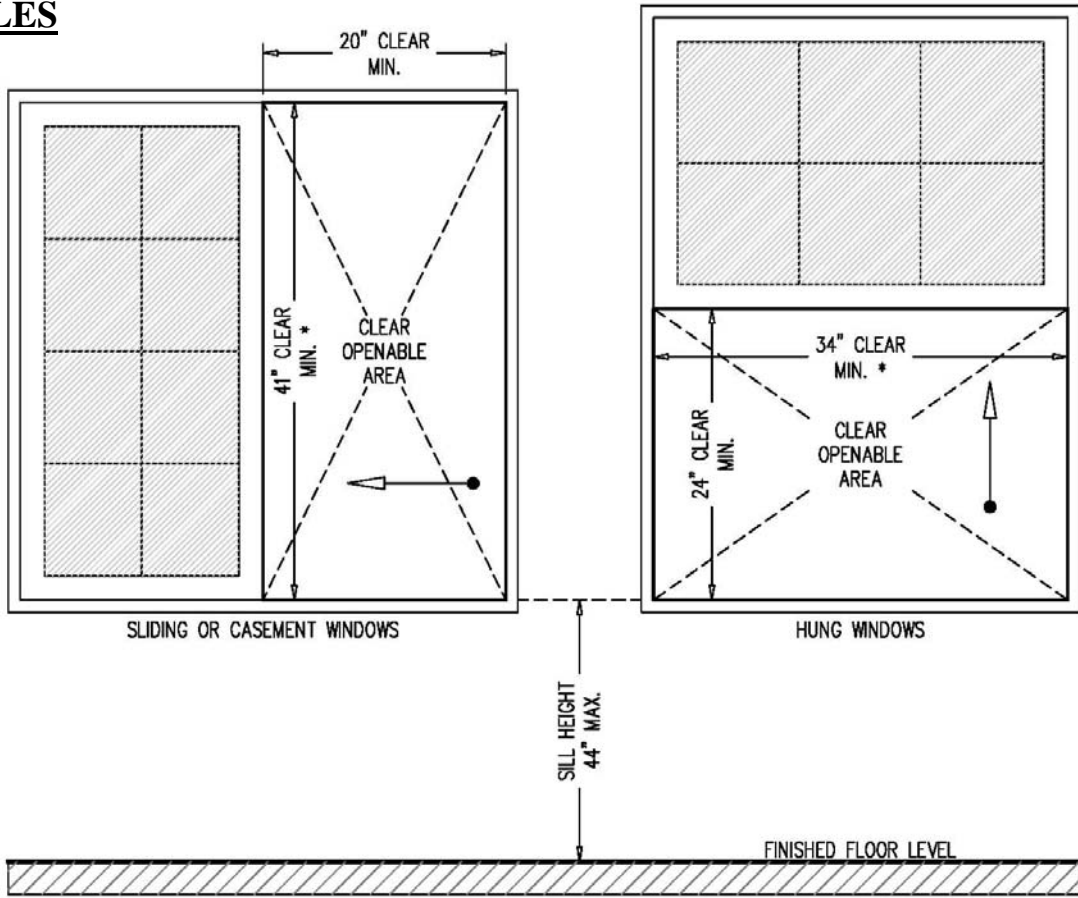




**EGRESS WINDOWS FROM SLEEPING ROOMS**

**CBC §1026 & CRC §R310.** - Basements and habitable attics in dwelling units and every sleeping room below the fourth story shall have at least one operable window or door approved for emergency escape or rescue which shall open directly to a street, alley, yard or exit court. The window (or door) shall be openable from the inside without the use of separate tools. Escape openings shall have a minimum net clear openable area of 5.7 square feet (5.0 S/F on ground floor). The minimum net clear openable height dimension shall be 24" (inches). The minimum net clear openable width dimension shall be 20" (inches). Windows shall have a finished sill height not to exceed 44" above the floor.

**EXAMPLES**



**Notes**  
The egress opening required is a net, clear opening. The actual clear opening is always less than the call-out size or rough opening dimensions due to the size of the window frame. For example, a 4-foot (48") high single-hung window will not provide the required 24" net clear height due to the width of the window frame.  
\* = Indicates the minimum dimension required to meet the minimum area requirement of 5.7 square feet for the specific case shown. (5.7 S.F. = 820.8 Sq. In.)

**Permits Required - A building permit is required to remove, replace, or alter any window in any building. A floor plan showing the size of all rooms and windows are required.**