

**Summary of AAAASF physical facility requirements for sedation and general anesthesia (as of 3/04):**

1. Adequate waiting room and administrative area
- ✓ 2. Medical records must be kept secure and confidential as per HIPAA regulations.
3. Adequate storage space for office supplies, separate from medical supplies
4. Appropriate lighting throughout.
- M&E 5. Separate thermostats for administrative areas and surgical suite (68-72 degrees in OR)
6. There must be at least one exam room outside of the surgical suite
7. There must be one ADA bathroom in the facility or on the hall of a multi-office building
8. A single bathroom can serve as staff and patients' bathroom
9. OR suite (OR, scrub area, clean/dirty utility room(s) and separate, adequately-sized recovery room) is physically separate (a door) from the General Office area (waiting room, exam room, administrative area, physician office, staff lounge)
10. Reliable means of communication between OR suite and the rest of the facility
11. OR whose function is separate and distinct as an OR
12. All major surgery done in the OR
13. OR storage space (closed cabinets in the OR +/- or adjacent storage room) for necessary procedure supplies stored away from potential contaminants
14. Must have 4 feet of space free from any side of the OR table to any fixed wall or cabinet
- M&E 15. Adequate wiring/wall outlets for procedural needs.
- M&E 16. Grounded outlets connected to emergency power supplies.
- M&E 17. Back up power (generator or battery inverter which is up and generating power within 30 seconds) for 2 hours for each OR
18. Unauthorized lay people deterred from entering OR suite (door, signage and layout – locks and alarms optional)
19. Strict segregation of clean and soiled utility (functions can occur in same room as long as they are on opposite sides of the room or if there is one counter, there must be an 18" high divider to separate the functions). If there is one utility room for the facility, it must be situated in the OR suite but can be accessed from the OR suite and the general office/exam room area with two separate doors.
20. NO SINK OR DRAINS IN THE OR (except for endoscopy). Pre-existing sink must be disconnected from water and pipes must be capped off (remove when remodeling). You can have the sink just outside of the OR in a little alcove or in a separate room. You do need a scrub sink that serves for washing hands before and after the procedure – hands free would be optimal (sensor, knee or foot pedal). If minor procedure room is in surgical suite, must comply with all major OR standards.
- SEE # 9 ABOVE 21. OR ceiling and ceiling above scrub sink (entire scrub room and along the path to the OR) must be smooth, washable and free of particulate matter that could fall and contaminate areas below. Can be drop in tiles, but cannot be acoustic.
22. Walls, countertops, and floors must be covered with smooth, easy to clean material, which is free from tears and cracks.
23. Floor seams must be sealed with polyurethane or other appropriate sealant (single sheet – no tiles).
24. Floors in the OR must wrap up the wall or any permanent cabinetry 4" (no 90 degree angles where the floor meets the wall or cabinet for cleaning purposes). Armstrong Medintech is suggested.
- M&E 25. If you have a central source of piped oxygen, it must meet all applicable codes.
- M&E 26. Compressed gas must be stored and handled safely as per NFPA fire codes.
- M&E 27. Facility must have either smoke detectors or sprinklers/heat sensors. Facility must be compliant with applicable NFPA fire codes, OSHA, and local, state, and federal regulations.
- M&E 28. There must be emergency lights (egress 90 minutes) in hallway, the procedure room(s), recovery room, etc.
29. Hallways, stairways and elevators must be wide enough to accommodate emergency personnel and equipment. All openings to outside must be protected against entrance of insects, animals, etc.
- M&E 30. For Level C using inhalation agents, you must have a waste anesthesia gas evacuation system

**31. VENT REQUIRE FOR SOILED ROOM**

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