9.9.10.1. Egress Windows or Doors for Bedrooms

- **1)** Except where the *suite* is *sprinklered*, each bedroom or combination bedroom shall have at least one outside window or exterior door openable from the inside without the use of keys, tools or special knowledge and without the removal of sashed or hardware. (See Article 9.5.1.2. and Appendix A.)
- 2) The window referred to in Sentence (1) shall
 - a) provide an unobstructed opening of not less than 0.35 m² (**542 sq inches**) in area with no dimension less than 380 mm (**15**"), and
 - b) maintain the required opening during an emergency without the need for additional support. (See Appendix A.)
- **3)** Where a window required in Sentence (1) opens into a window well, a clearance of not less than 760 mm (**30**") shall be provided in front of the window (See Appendix A)
- **4)** Where the sash of a window referred to in Sentence (3) swings towards the window well, the operation of the sash shall not reduce the clearance in the manner that would restrict escape in an emergency.
- **5)** Where a protective enclosure is installed over the window well referred to in Sentence (3), the enclosure shall be openable from the inside without the use of keys, tools or special knowledge of the opening mechanism.

A-9.9.10.1.(2) Bedroom Window Opening Areas and Dimensions

Although the minimum opening dimensions required for height and width are 380 mm (**15**"), a window opening that is 380 mm by 380 mm (**15**"**X15**") would not comply with the minimum area requirements. (See Figure A-9.9.10.1.(2))



