

TITLE: GRAB BAR  
VERSION: V2.2  
DATE PUBLISHED: 06/23/22

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DEFINITION: Safety device designed to be grasped and enable a person to maintain balance.

PURPOSE: To assist a person when maneuvering or transferring their weight.

COMMON COMPONENTS: Handle; Bar; Mounting hardware

LOCATION:  Unit Bathroom  
 Inside Bathroom  
 Outside None

MORE INFORMATION: For the purposes of this inspection, “grab bar” is the term used for handrails located in a bathroom. All other handrails must be inspected using the Handrail standard.

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DEFICIENCY 1: Grab bar is not secure.

LOCATION:  Unit  Inside

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DEFICIENCY I — UNIT: GRAB BAR IS NOT SECURE.

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DEFICIENCY CRITERIA: Any movement whatsoever is detected in the grab bar.

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HEALTH AND SAFETY DETERMINATION: Moderate      The Moderate Health and Safety category includes deficiencies that, if evident in the home or on the property, present a moderate risk of an adverse medical event requiring a healthcare visit; cause temporary harm; or if left untreated, cause or worsen a chronic condition that may have long-lasting adverse health effects; or that the physical security or safety of a resident or their property could be compromised.

CORRECTION TIMEFRAME: 30 days

HCV PASS / FAIL: Fail

HCV CORRECTION TIMEFRAME: 30 days

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INSPECTION PROCESS:

OBSERVATION: - None

REQUEST FOR HELP: - None

ACTION: - If present, grab the bar in the middle and apply moderate force back and forth.

MORE INFORMATION: - None

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DEFICIENCY I — INSIDE GRAB BAR IS NOT SECURE.

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DEFICIENCY CRITERIA: Any movement whatsoever is detected in the grab bar.

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**SUMMARY OF CHANGES**

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FIELD	CHANGE	VERSION	DATE
----	<b>Abbreviated published version</b>	V2.2	2022-06-23
Name Variants	Removed from published version		
Common Materials	Removed from published version		
Rationale	Removed from published version		
Tools or Equipment	Removed from published version		
<b>Deficiency I</b>		V2.2	2022-06-23
Health and Safety Determination	Unit: Relabeled from "Standard" to "Moderate" Inside: Relabeled from "Standard" to "Moderate"		
----	<b>Copyedits</b>	V2.1	2021-04-02
<b>Deficiency I</b>		V2.0	2020-10-28
Health and Safety Determination	Added standardized description		
HCV Pass / Fail	Field added; response input as "Fail"		
Rationale	Copyedits		
<b>Overall Formatting</b>	<b>Complete rework of document format and layout</b>	V1.3	2020-07-31
<b>Definition</b>	<b>Revised definition</b>	V1.3	2020-07-31
<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Field added</b>	V1.3	2020-07-31
<b>Common Components</b>	<b>Revised common components</b>	V1.3	2020-07-31
<b>More Information</b>	<b>Field added</b>	V1.3	2020-07-31
<b>Deficiency I</b>	<b>Separated by inspectable locations – Unit and Inside</b>	V1.3	2020-07-31
Title	Added inspectable locations		
Health and Safety Determination	Added standardized description		

Correction Timeframe	Field added; response input as "Within 30 days"
HCV – Correction Timeframe	Field added; response input as "Within 30 days"
Rationale	Revised rationale categories, types, and explanations; added standardized codes and descriptions
Inspection Process	Revised observation, request for help, action, and more information
Tools or Equipment	Field added to deficiency