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CLEANABILITY OF INTERIOR SURFACES

Cleanability: Building construction and finish details are important to cleaning operations since specific designs and finishes lend themselves very well to a productive, efficient, well-managed and successful cleaning effort while others have the opposite impact. As a result, the following comments are offered to promote "cleanability" within new and remodeled buildings. The following types of surfaces often serve as dust catchers and are extremely hard to clean.

Rough - Textured Surfaces: Exposed rough-textured surfaces, such as exposed brick, within buildings should be minimized.

Wood Trim: Wood trim and chair rail shall be installed in moderation and only where needed.

Exposed Pipes and Raceways: Exposed pipes, raceways, etc. (especially horizontal ones), as well as visible, but inaccessible, horizontal flat surfaces should be avoided.

Filler Panels: Filler panels shall be provided at the ends of base cabinets and wall cabinets to close off narrow inaccessible spaces between them and adjacent walls.