

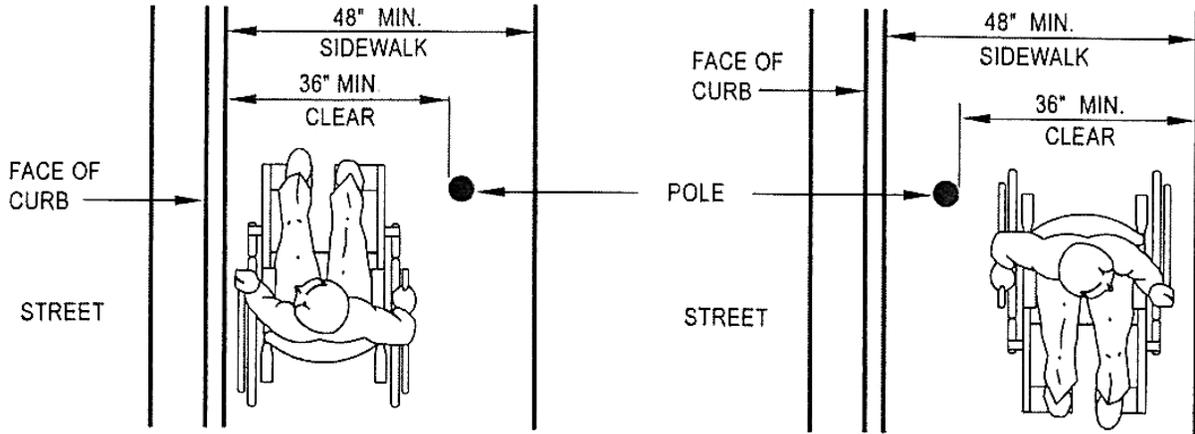


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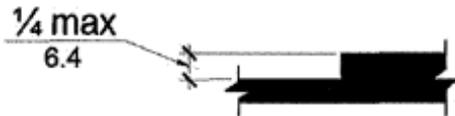
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 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR WALKS & SIDEWALKS**

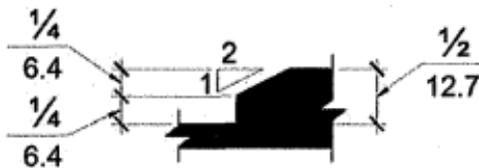
- ❖ **Width:** 48" minimum (CBC 11B-403.5.1 Exception 3)  
Exception: The clear width can be reduced to 36" for right-of-way restrictions, natural barriers or other existing conditions.



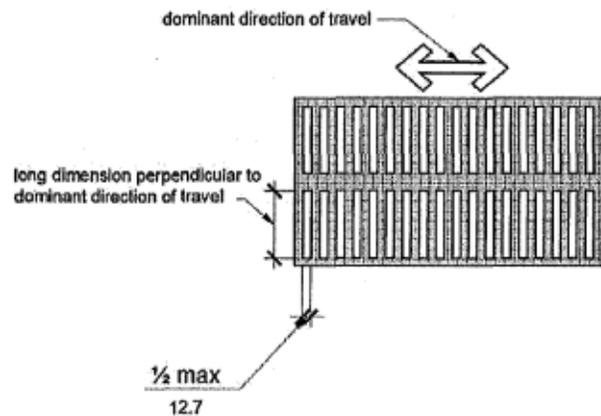
- ❖ **Walking Surface:** Shall be stable, firm, and slip resistant (CBC 11B-302)
- ❖ **Slope:** does not exceed 1:20 slope (5%) in the direction of travel. Cross slope shall not be steeper than 1:48 (2.1%). CBC 11B-403.3
- ❖ **Change in Level:** (CBC 11B-303.3)
  - Vertical changes in level do not exceed 1/4".
  - Level change between 1/4"-1/2" are beveled with a maximum slope of 1:2
- ❖ **Opening in Floor or Ground Surfaces:** (CBC 11B-302.3)  
 Shall not allow passage of a sphere more than 1/2" diameter. Elongated openings shall be placed so that the long dimension is perpendicular to the direction of travel.



**FIGURE 11B-303.2  
 VERTICAL CHANGE IN LEVEL**



**FIGURE 11B-303.3  
 BEVELED CHANGE IN LEVEL**



**FIGURE 11B-302.3  
 ELONGATED OPENINGS IN FLOOR OR GROUND SURFACES**



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❖ **Passing Spaces:** (CBC 11B-403.5.3)

Accessible routes with less than 60" of clear width shall provide a min 60" x 60" or T-shaped passing space at least every 200' maximum.

❖ **Resting Areas:** (CBC 11B-403.7)

All walks with continuous gradients shall have resting areas, 60" in length, at intervals of 400' maximum. The resting area shall be at least as wide as the walk with 1:48 max. slope in all directions.

