



Tentative Interim Amendment

**NFPA 101<sup>®</sup>**  
**Life Safety Code<sup>®</sup>**  
**2012 Edition**

**Reference:** 19.2.2.2.5.2

**TIA 12-4**

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Pursuant to Section 5 of the NFPA *Regulations Governing the Development of NFPA Standards*, the National Fire Protection Association has issued the following Tentative Interim Amendment to NFPA 101, *Life Safety Code<sup>®</sup>*, 2012 edition. The TIA was processed by the Technical Committee on Health Care Occupancies and the Correlating Committee on Safety to Life, and was issued by the Standards Council on October 22, 2013, with an effective date of November 11, 2013.

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*1. Revise 19.2.2.2.5.2 to read as follows:*

**19.2.2.2.5.2\*** Door-locking arrangements shall be permitted where patient special needs require specialized protective measures for their safety, provided that all of the following are met:

- (1) Staff can readily unlock doors at all times in accordance with 19.2.2.2.6.
- (2) A total (complete) smoke detection system is provided throughout the locked space in accordance with 9.6.2.9, or locked doors can be remotely unlocked at an approved, constantly attended location within the locked space.
- (3)\* The building is protected throughout by an approved, supervised automatic sprinkler system in accordance with 19.3.5.7.
- (4) The locks are electrical locks that fail safely so as to release upon loss of power to the device.
- (5) The locks release by independent activation of each of the following:
  - (a) Activation of the smoke detection system required by 19.2.2.2.5.2(2)
  - (b) Waterflow in the automatic sprinkler system required by 19.2.2.2.5.2(3)

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