

Ergonomic Housekeeping Standards

	Preferred	Required*
Floor sink: Floor lip 6"-8" max height; leave at least 2' on each side to allow easy access		X
Hand washing sinks at 34" located in easily accessible area with towel and soap dispensers within close proximity		X
Eyewash station		X
Door width at least 48" to accommodate trash containers		X
Automated door opener where appropriate		X
All trash containers on large casters		X
Power outlets at 36" from the finished floor		X
Automated lifts for central waste containers	X	X
Covered central waste containers	X	
Carts to have appropriate-sized casters to decrease push force		X
Washers and dryers positioned on elevated surface to place opening at waist height; 36" floor to bottom of door		X
If laundry chute is being used, please contact ergonomics for further recommendations (314-747-5851)	X	
Storage shelves to accommodate heavier items at waist level, lighter items at shoulder level and knee level; storage with adjustable-height shelving		X
Automated cleaning agent dispenser	X	
Cleaning carts with appropriate mop holders and removable trash bin		X

Consider the following equipment:

Steerable ride-on floor cleaning system with seat and retractable steering column for hallways and floor

Self-propelled scrubbers and vacuums

Dry mop system/backpack system

Tug for linen carts

Extension handles on dusters and mirror cleaners; flexible duster handles

Mop and broom handles height-adjustable and consider S-shape

Hydraulic lift for bio tubs and for supply storage

Supplies: Pop-up tents, magnetic wet floor signs, mobile barriers, over-the-spill pads, closed for cleaning door threshold poles

Safety shoes - non-slip

Housekeeping Closet on Floors		
	Preferred	Required*
Size of closet at least 8' by 10'	X	
Automated door opener	X	
Automated cleaning agent dispenser	X	
Automated overhead lighting	X	
Adjustable supply shelving	X	
Floor sink with lip no higher than 6"-8" inches	X	
Soiled Utility Room		
Room size must accommodate both linen cart and trash containers		X
Automated door	X	
Wheeled bin for biohazard container	X	

All Design and Construction projects should comply with any applicable Federal and/or State code, ADA requirements or any other requirement in order to accommodate conditions unique to the project. BJC Ergonomic Standards reflect the 5th–95th percentile population.

*Requirement exceptions must be approved by BJC Ergonomics.