

A. Exterior

- a. Motion detector lights – provides lighting of pathways/entryway along with providing security for the homeowner.
- b. Zero-entry step – allows for easy entry, reduced risk of injury and convenient access.
- c. Widen entry to 36” – allows wheelchair entry and easy access to home.
- d. Widen walkways – allows for wheelchair access and safe entry to home.
- e. Handrails on steps – allows homeowner to safely enter the home.
- f. Entry doors open inward – prevents homeowner potentially falling on the front steps.

B. Interior

- a. Levered door handles – helps homeowners with limited hand mobility to open/close doors.
- b. Paddle-style light switch – makes it easier for homeowner to turn on/off lights.
- c. Electrical outlets 18” above baseboard – allows homeowners to safely reach outlets without falling.
- d. Casement windows – requires less strength to open windows.
- e. Front loading washer and dryer – makes loading and unloading laundry easier for the homeowner.

C. Bathroom

- a. Grab handles/rail – allows homeowner to safely enter and exit the bathtub.
- b. No step shower or walk-in shower – prevents potential slips and falls entering the shower.
- c. Pedestal or wall-mounted sink – provides access for those in a wheelchair.
- d. Raised toilet – makes it easier for an aging homeowner to use the toilet.
- e. Hand-held showerhead – allows for aging homeowners to safely bath.
- f. Design bathrooms with 5’x5’ clear floor space – allows homeowners to move freely within the space to prevent potential falls.

D. Kitchen

- a. Pullout drawers – allows aging homeowner to easily access home items in kitchen.
- b. Freezer drawers (lower level) – homeowner will not have to reach to access freezer items.
- c. Hands-free faucet – homeowner can easily turn on water without having to grab handles knobs.
- d. Lower upper cabinets – aging homeowner will have easier access to kitchen items, which can prevent potential falls.
- e. Microwave on counter – allows homeowner to easily access appliance preventing potential falls.
- f. Sink close to stove – makes cooking easier by preventing potential dropping of pans/pots and falls.

- g. Front-mounted controls on cooktops – allows the homeowner to reach cooking knobs without the potential to get burned.
- h. Under counter lighting – provides additional lighting for the homeowner to see items on the counter.