## When installing replacement windows, at least one window in each bedroom shall meet the 2003 International Residential Code requirements for emergency escape openings. Following are the code sections for these requirements:

**R102.7.1** – Additions, alterations or repairs to any structure shall conform to that required for a new structure without requiring the existing structure to comply with all of the requirements of this code, unless otherwise stated.

**(2003 CT. Amd.) R310.1.1 Minimum opening area**. All emergency escape and rescue openings shall have a minimum net clear opening of 5.7 square feet.
**Exception**: Openings whose bottom edge is within 44 inches of exterior grade shall have a minimum net clear opening of 5 square feet.

**R310.1.2 Minimum opening height**. The minimum net clear opening height shall be 24 inches (610 mm).

**R310.1.3 Minimum opening width**. The minimum net clear opening width shall be 20 inches (508 mm).

**(2003 CT Amd.) R310.1.4 Operational constraints**. Emergency escape and rescue openings shall be operational from the inside of the room without the use of a key or tool and the net clear opening dimensions shall be obtained by the normal operation of the opening from the inside.
**Exception: <u>Existing buildings undergoing alterations or installation of replacement windows shall be permitted to utilize removable sash to achieve the required minimum net clear openings.</u> Such removable sash shall be capable of being removed without the use of a key or tool.**

I have read and understand the requirements for installing replacement windows.

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Signature – Owner/Applicant