



Cooling and Air Temperature Requirements for LTCH's

June 2022 – Revised September 2022

In accordance with Ontario Regulation 246/22 under the Fixing Long-Term Care Act, 2021 (FLTCA),

“Every licensee of a long-term care home shall ensure that on or before June 22, 2022, all resident bedrooms are served by air conditioning.”

To provide further clarity, definitions in this regulation include:

“air conditioning’ includes any mechanical cooling system that is capable of maintaining the temperature at a comfortable level for residents during periods of hot weather”.

FIDDICK STATEMENT OF NON-COMPLIANCE

According to the Ministry of Long-Term Care, our tempered air system currently in place providing cooling to resident rooms requires modification. We are working with our Engineering Firm to assess the feasibility of providing alternate air conditioning to resident rooms that will comply with the Ministry of Long-Term Care's legislation. More information will follow to residents and families as we move forward with this retrofit.

Our common areas and lounges continue to be serviced by air-conditioning. Resident Room temperatures continue to be monitored 3 times per day to ensure that they are between 22-26 degrees as legislated by the MOLTC.

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