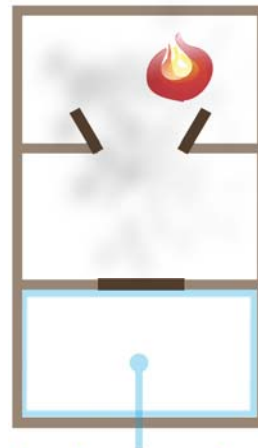


Alcohol Based Hand Rub (ABHR): Life Safety Code 101 Basics

LS.02.01.30 EP 25: The hospital maintains building features to protect individuals from the hazards of fire and smoke.

The Joint Commission & CMS allows ABHR dispensers in corridors, provided the following conditions are met:

- The corridor width is 6 feet or greater and dispensers are at least **4 feet apart**.
- The dispensers are not installed over or directly adjacent to an ignition source such as an electrical outlet or switch. **Adjacent** is defined as at least **6 inches** from the center of the dispenser to an ignition source.
- Each smoke compartment may contain a maximum aggregate of 10 gallons or approximately 50 ABHR dispensers (assuming 750 ml canister) in use and a maximum of 5 gallons in storage (i.e. supply or hospitality closet). Smoke compartments are typically separated by fire rated doors that close upon activation of the fire alarm system.



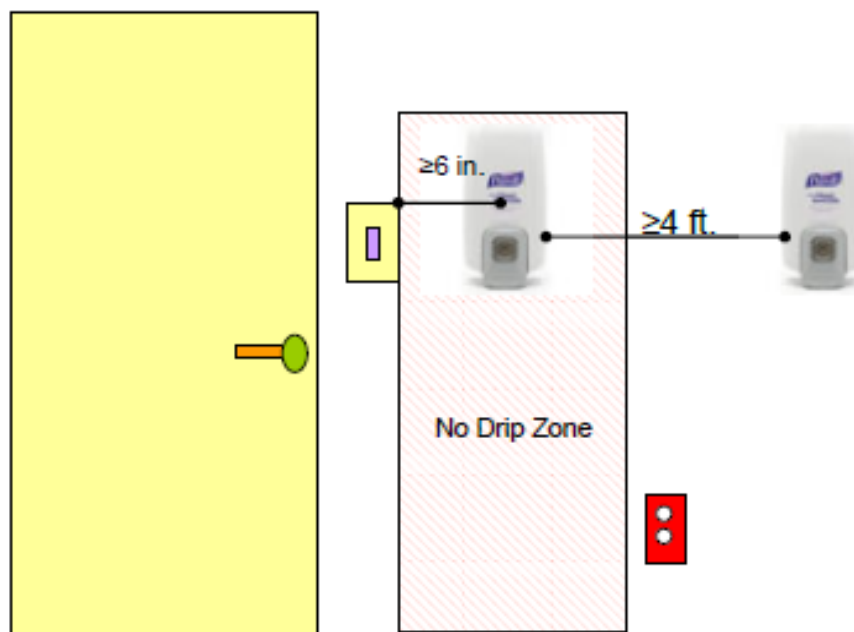
Smoke compartment

Closing the double-doors prevents smoke from spreading

More detailed information can be found at the following link:

<http://www.jointcommission.org/AccreditationPrograms/Life+Safety+Code/>

Please call Facilities Management for installation, removal or for re-locating existing dispensers at 353-1120.



Please contact the Medical Center Safety Officer, Matt Carlson (885-3538), with any questions.