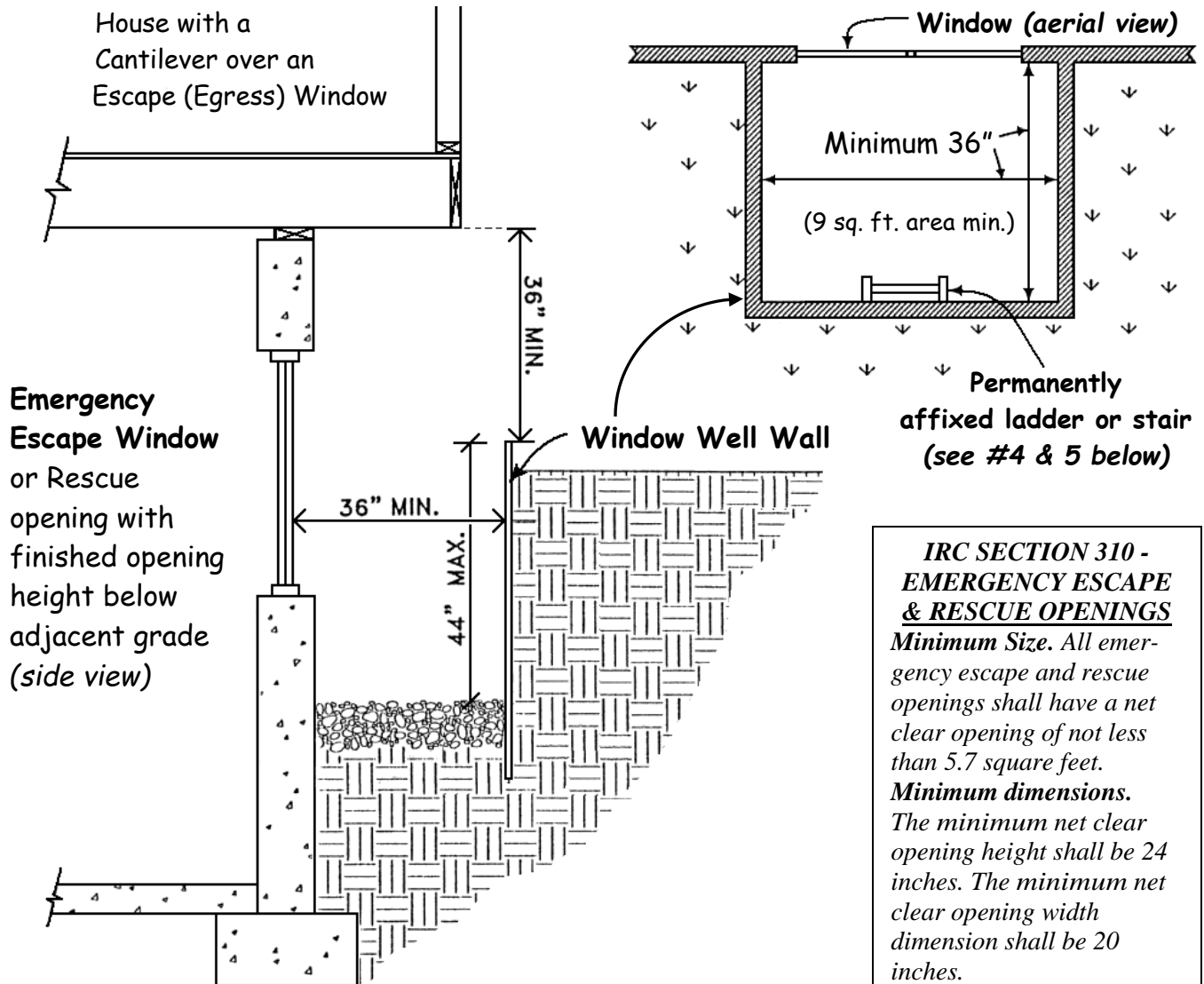


EMERGENCY ESCAPE (EGRESS) WINDOW WITH WINDOW WELL

Net clear window dimensions when fully opened must comply with all Code requirements in the box below.



IRC SECTION 310 - EMERGENCY ESCAPE & RESCUE OPENINGS

Minimum Size. All emergency escape and rescue openings shall have a net clear opening of not less than 5.7 square feet.

Minimum dimensions. The minimum net clear opening height shall be 24 inches. The minimum net clear opening width dimension shall be 20 inches.

Operational constraints and opening control devices. Emergency escape and rescue openings shall be operational from the inside of the room without the use of keys, tools or special knowledge.

Maximum height from floor. Emergency escape and rescue openings shall have the bottom of the clear opening not greater than 44 inches above the floor.

1. Emergency escape and rescue openings under decks, porches & cantilevers shall be fully openable and provide a path not less than **36 inches** in height and 36 inches in width to a yard or court.
2. The horizontal area of the area well shall not be less than **9 square feet**, with a horizontal projection and width of not less than 36 inches.
3. Area wells with a vertical **depth of more than 44 inches** shall be equipped with an approved, permanently affixed ladder or step.
4. Ladders and rungs shall have an inside width of not less than 12 inches, shall project not less than 3 inches from the wall and shall be spaced not more than 18 inches on center vertically for the full height of the area well.
5. Steps shall have an inside width of not less than 12 inches, a minimum tread depth of 5 inches and maximum riser height of 18 inches.
6. Any grate or cover on an area well requires an approved release mechanism.