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Building Code Reference(s): 9.5.3.1., Table 9.5.3.1.

Question:

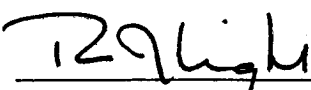
In Table 9.5.3.1. for residential occupancy the minimum heights of bathroom, water-closet room or laundry area above grade is 2.1 m. What is the minimum height of a bathroom located below grade?

Interpretation:

The minimum room height of a bathroom located below grade is 2.1 m.

Sentence 9.5.3.1.(1) states that heights of rooms in residential occupancies shall conform to Table 9.5.3.1.

Table 9.5.3.1. requires a bathroom above grade to have a minimum height of 2.1 m., however, the last item of Table 9.5.3.1. also states that finished rooms not specifically mentioned above to have a minimum height of 2.1 m.



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