

SECTION 8: APPENDIX

9A - Uses

The table below lists various uses and the suggested BOMA measurement standards to apply to measure the floor area of a building or part thereof (such as a parcel) that contains each use component.

The indicated standards are only suggestions and there may be good reasons to apply another standard. For instance, when an occupancy constitutes an ancillary use in a building, it should generally be measured using the standard appropriate for the primary use in the building. Any applicable governing document will govern which measurement standard to apply to any use.

Table A – Uses and Measurement Standards

USE	BOMA STANDARD
Agricultural (barns, stables, etc.)	Gross – ANSI 65.3
Auditoriums & theatres	Gross – ANSI 65.3
Automobile dealerships & service stations)	Retail – ANSI Z65.5
Call Center	Office – ANSI Z65.1
Data Center	Industrial – ANSI Z65.2
Distribution centers	Industrial – ANSI Z65.2
Entertainment (casino, bowling alley, etc.)	Retail – ANSI Z65.5
Factories – manufacturing & assembly	Industrial – ANSI Z65.2
Financial Institutions, retail	Retail – ANSI Z65.5
Financial Institutions, office	Office – ANSI Z65.1
Flex Space	Industrial – ANSI Z65.2
Health Club	Retail – ANSI Z65.5
Hospitals	Gross (see note 2)
Hotels, motels & resorts	Gross – ANSI 65.3
Laboratory	Industrial – ANSI Z65.2
Library	Retail – ANSI Z65.5
Maintenance buildings, physical plants	Industrial – ANSI Z65.2
Medical Offices	Office – ANSI Z65.1

USE	BOMA STANDARD
Municipal (courthouse, jail, etc.)	Gross – ANSI 65.3
Museum	Gross – ANSI 65.3
Offices (including government)	Office – ANSI Z65.1
Parking garage	Gross – ANSI 65.3
Religious (church, temple, etc.)	Gross – ANSI 65.3
Residential, Apartments (>4 units)	Multi-Unit Residential – ANSI Z65.4
Residential, Condominiums (>4 units)	Multi-Unit Residential – ANSI Z65.4
Residential, houses (< 4 units)	ANSI Z765.1 – See note 1 below
Restaurant	Retail – ANSI Z65.5
Retail stores & shops	Retail – ANSI Z65.5
Schools	Gross – ANSI 65.3 (see note 2)
Stadiums	Gross – ANSI 65.3
Transportation (train/bus station, etc.)	Gross – ANSI 65.3
Warehouse & Storage	Industrial – ANSI Z65.2

Note 1: Single family homes, duplex and triplex homes and row houses are not addressed by BOMA standards. They are measured by ANSI Z765.1 published by the National Association of Home Builders.

Note 2: There are many other organizations who publish measurement standards specific to certain uses, such as NCEC pertaining to schools and the Joint Commission on Health Care Organizations pertaining to hospitals.