

Maximum Occupant Loads Based on Use

Unless your building has a valid Certificate of Occupancy with a maximum occupancy limit posted, the maximum occupancy of the building would be limited by Table 1004.1.2 of the Massachusetts State Building Code. Below are some common uses and their maximum occupant load based on the square footage of the spaces. **Please note that COVID-19 restrictions may further limit occupancy to a percentage of the maximum.** Should you have specific questions, you should call or email the Building Inspector.

Function of Space	Floor Area in Square Feet per Occupant
Art Gallery / Exhibit Space / Museum	30 net
Assembly Use / Function Hall / Restaurant / Meeting Rooms	
Chairs Only	7 net
Standing	5 net
Tables and Chairs	15 net
Church Pews	1 person per 18 linear inches of pew
Business / Office Space / Banks	
Barber Shops / Hair Salons / Medical Office	100 gross
Daycare	35 net
Educational Uses	
Classroom Area	20 net
Shop or Vocational Room	50 net
Industrial Uses	100 gross
Libraries	
Reading Rooms	50 net
Stack Area	100 gross
Mercantile / Retail / Markets /	
Drug Stores	60 gross
Storage/Shipping/Stock Areas	300 gross