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### Scope

The scope of this Acceptable Solution is restricted to risk group CA. This covers buildings, or parts of buildings, where people congregate, participate in group activities, or where personal services are provided. These include the following, provided they are no more than 20 storeys high (from ground level):

- a) Halls, theatres, cinemas
- b) Early childhood centres
- c) Shops and shopping malls
- d) Recreation and event centres (with tiered seating for up to 2000 people and with any primary egress for more than 100 people at the level of the playing surface)
- e) Churches and other places of worship
- f) Libraries with less than 2.4 m storage height
- g) Education institutions without sleeping, and

- h) Personal services eg, dentists and doctors (where not included in risk group SI), beauty therapists and hair salons.

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