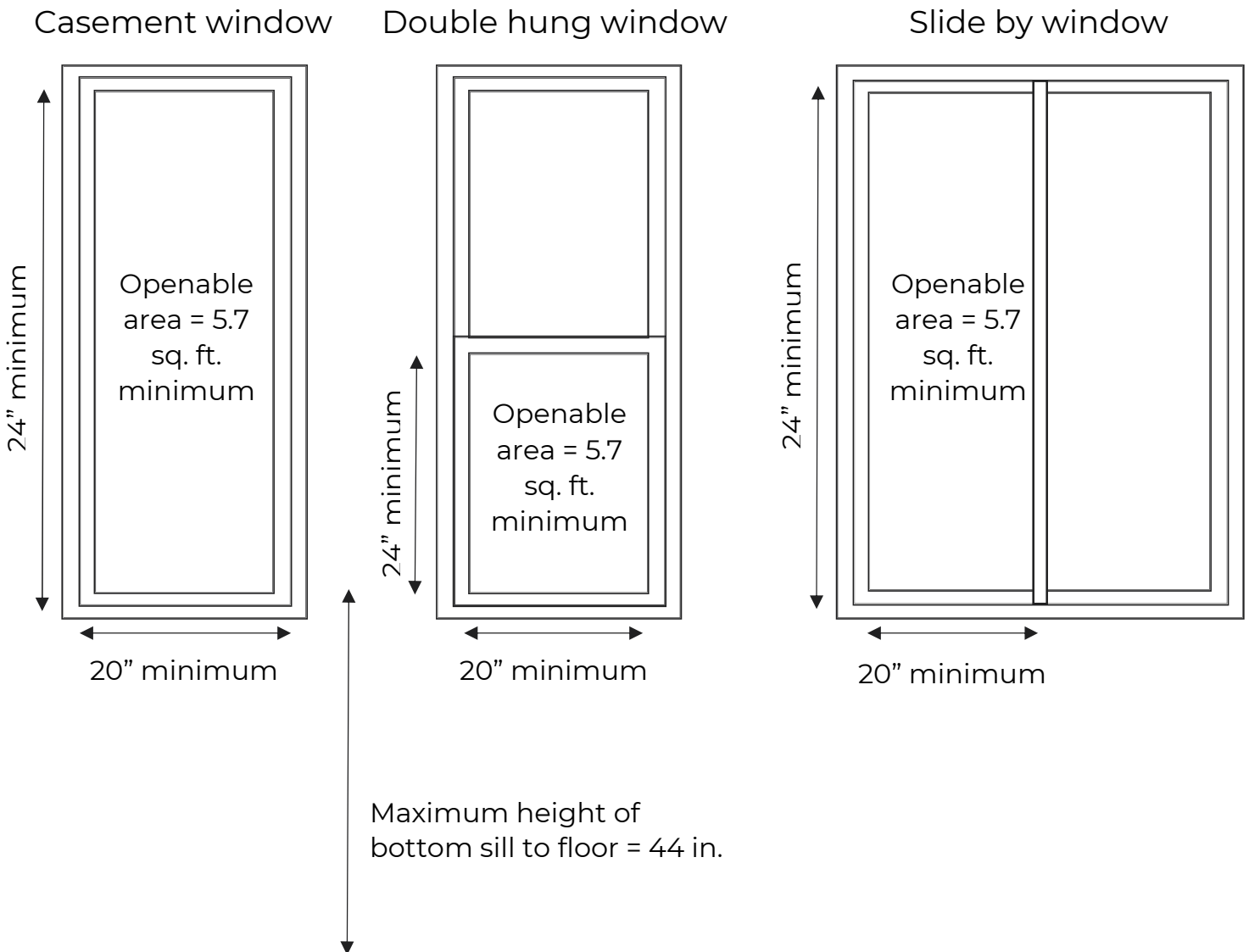


# PERMIT ESSENTIALS: EGRESS WINDOW REQUIREMENTS

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## BUILDING CODE REQUIREMENTS

- Must be in common spaces
- Must be in each bedroom
- Dimensions:
  - Minimum openable area - 5.7 sq. ft.
    - An opening may be 5 sq. ft., contact the building official for more information
  - Minimum clear opening height - 24 in.
  - Minimum clear width - 20 in.
  - Maximum height of bottom sill from floor - 44 in.



Turn over for more information

- If below grade, a window well must be installed:
  - Minimum width - 3 ft.
  - Minimum area - 9 sq. ft.
  - Permanent ladder needed if window well is deeper than 44 in.
    - Cannot encroach into required dimensions of window well by more than 6 in.

