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BILLIARD OR POOL HALLS AND PINBALL ARCADES

Section 1004.1 of the Los Angeles Building Code requires the number of persons occupying a building or portion thereof at any time to be determined by dividing the floor area assigned to that use by the occupant load factor (square feet per occupant) as set forth in Table 1004.1.2. Table 1004.1.2 does not include the specific use of pool halls or pinball arcades. These uses shall be interpreted as being similar to "unconcentrated assembly without fixed seats". Therefore, the occupant load for such areas shall be determined by dividing the superficial floor area (the area determined by deducting the area occupied by pool tables, billiard tables, or pinball machines from the total floor area) by 15 square feet (1.4 m²) per occupant. The number of pool tables shall be included on the permit and/or certificate of occupancy.