

determining the total row length. If the row length in the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> quartile of a row is insufficient to accommodate the required number of companion seats and *wheelchair spaces*, the additional companion seats and *wheelchair spaces* shall be permitted to be located in the 1<sup>st</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> quartile of the row.

2. In row seating, two *wheelchair spaces* shall be permitted to be located side-by-side.

**Advisory F221.2.3.1 Horizontal Dispersion.** Horizontal dispersion of wheelchair spaces is the placement of spaces in an assembly facility seating area from side-to-side or, in the case of an arena or stadium, around the field of play or performance area.

**F221.2.3.2 Vertical Dispersion.** *Wheelchair spaces* shall be dispersed vertically at varying distances from the screen, performance area, or playing field. In addition, *wheelchair spaces* shall be located in each balcony or *mezzanine* that is located on an *accessible* route.

**EXCEPTIONS:** 1. Vertical dispersion shall not be required in *assembly areas* with 300 or fewer seats if the *wheelchair spaces* provide viewing angles that are equivalent to, or better than, the average viewing angle provided in the *facility*.

2. In bleachers, *wheelchair spaces* shall not be required to be provided in rows other than rows at points of entry to bleacher seating.

**Advisory F221.2.3.2 Vertical Dispersion.** When wheelchair spaces are dispersed vertically in an assembly facility they are placed at different locations within the seating area from front-to-back so that the distance from the screen, stage, playing field, area of sports activity, or other focal point is varied among wheelchair spaces.

**Advisory F221.2.3.2 Vertical Dispersion Exception 2.** Points of entry to bleacher seating may include, but are not limited to, cross aisles, concourses, vomitories, and entrance ramps and stairs. Vertical, center, or side aisles adjoining bleacher seating that are stepped or tiered are not considered entry points.

**F221.3 Companion Seats.** At least one companion seat complying with 802.3 shall be provided for each *wheelchair space* required by F221.2.1.

**F221.4 Designated Aisle Seats.** At least 5 percent of the total number of aisle seats provided shall comply with 802.4 and shall be the aisle seats located closest to *accessible* routes.

**EXCEPTION:** Team or player seating areas serving *areas of sport activity* shall not be required to comply with F221.4.

**Advisory F221.4 Designated Aisle Seats.** When selecting which aisle seats will meet the requirements of 802.4, those aisle seats which are closest to, not necessarily on, accessible routes must be selected first. For example, an assembly area has two aisles (A and B) serving seating areas with an accessible route connecting to the top and bottom of Aisle A only. The aisle seats chosen to meet 802.4 must be those at the top and bottom of Aisle A, working toward the middle. Only when all seats on Aisle A would not meet the five percent minimum would seats on Aisle B be designated.