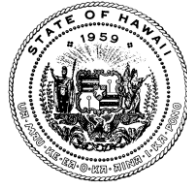


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### **Hawai'i Administrative Rules, Section 11-62-03 "Bedroom" Wastewater Branch Guidance**

Hawai'i Administrative Rules §11-62-03 provides that a room that might reasonably be used as a sleeping room is presumed to be a bedroom if it meets certain physical criteria. This presumption, however, may be rebutted by the property owner or the owner's representative.

Rebuttals should include a credible representation made to the Hawai'i State Department of Health Wastewater Branch that the room is not a bedroom. Examples of credible representations could include, but are not limited to:

- An engineer or architect's design plans; or
- An owner's statement that a room will not be used as a bedroom.

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