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Hotel entrances, lobbies and circulations

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Entrance

1- Signage

Signs and symbols are an important aspect of merchandising service to identify the hotel, provide information and direct visitors to the various facilities.

Identification graphic symbols may be incorporated in the building facade. The hotel name and insignia are usually located at side of door or port and at the road entrance.

Directions

clear directions to the guest entrance, disabled access, function areas, recreation club and service areas.



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Illumination

External lighting improves merchandising, security and visibility and safety. Systems include:-

- **floodlighting and feature lighting of buildings and gardens**
- **colonnade lighting of access roads, paths, parking**
- **direct or self-illumination of signs**
- **soft lighting of entrances, windows, interiors.**

2- Landscaping

Landscaping softens the appearance of the building, provides screening and shelter for car parking and service areas, and an improved outlook for public areas and guestrooms.



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In larger sites the landscape plan encompasses recreational attractions (pools, tennis courts, golf courses, etc) as well as terraces for extension of hotel functions.

Generally, the landscape design provides a balance of natural and planted areas with hard paving and features (water fountains, pools, sculptures) to provide focuses of interest.

Interior landscaping may range from contemplative compositions (rock and sand gardens) to specific focuses (water features) and planted arrangements providing a neutral background or a conversation piece.



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3- Main entrance

The entrance must be clearly defined and provide a good view of the interior.

The main features are:-

Pedestrians (director from car park)

Distinctive paths (separated from traffic), signs and lighting (shadows avoided). Video cameras may be mounted for security.

Taxis, cars

Traffic intensity and car parking. Circulation to car park. Provisions for taxi ranks, valet parking, waiting bays

Coaches

Minimum 1 parking bay:200 rooms. May lead to separate entrance for tour Groups.



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Disabled

Signed routes with ramp inclines (maximum 1:10). Easily operated doors, wide corridors.

Shelter

Canopy over main entrance and banquet entrances.

Clearance may be required for coaches (minimum 3.85 m) and emergency vehicles.

Lighting

Soft lighting with recessed lamps in the underside of the canopy.



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Security

Entrance visible from front desk. Video cameras, infra-red controls and automatic locking.

Luggage

A separate luggage entrance (at street level) may be provided with luggage storage, porter desk and elevator(s) adjacent.

Separate entrances may be required for:-

1-Banquets

For large numbers of conference and function users, with direct access to the foyer.

2-Leisure club

Individual entrance for club reception, access to changing rooms also from Hotel.



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3-Restaurants/shops

Additional street entrances for popular bars, cafes, restaurants (e.g. bistro style, English pubs).

4-Apartments

Serviced apartments, residential suites, offices, etc., with private foyer and elevators.

5-Employees

Separated from guest areas, leading to control areas.

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Space relationships [Resident guests]

