

HOUSING MORE THAN FIVE SALES OR RENTAL ESTABLISHMENTS IN WHICH A MAJORITY OF THE TENANTS HAVE A MAIN ENTRANCE FROM THE COMMON PEDESTRIAN AREA.

(2) THIS SUBSECTION APPLIES TO A SHOPPING FACILITY THAT:

(I) PROVIDES A TOTAL NUMBER OF FOUR OR MORE PUBLIC PAY TELEPHONES AT THE FACILITY OF WHICH AT LEAST ONE IS LOCATED IN THE COMMON PEDESTRIAN AREA; AND

(II) IS LARGER THAN 500,000 SQUARE FEET.

(3) IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STANDARDS AND REGULATIONS ESTABLISHED BY THE DEPARTMENT, THE OWNER, OPERATOR, MANAGER, OR OTHER PERSON HAVING CONTROL OF A SHOPPING FACILITY SHALL ACQUIRE AND INSTALL AT LEAST ONE SPECIALIZED COMMUNICATIONS DEVICE DESIGNED TO ENABLE CUSTOMERS WITH HEARING OR SPEECH DISABILITIES TO ACCESS A TELEPHONE OR WIRELESS SERVICE PROVIDERS NETWORK.

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(A) THE DEPARTMENT, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE BOARD AND THE DEPARTMENT OF DISABILITIES, SHALL:

(1) PROVIDE A SYSTEM FOR ELIGIBLE PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS TO OBTAIN EQUIPMENT, BUT NO SINGLE ELIGIBLE PARTICIPANT SHALL RECEIVE MORE THAN \$6,000;

(2) ESTABLISH AN INFORMATION AND REFERRAL SERVICE, INCLUDING THE TOLL-FREE NUMBERS FOR THE VARIOUS ACCESS MODES FOR THE MARYLAND RELAY SERVICE AND PROVIDE INFORMATION ABOUT THE AVAILABILITY OF THE EQUIPMENT;

(3) CONTRACT WITH PRIVATE VENDORS OR NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS TO PROVIDE THE INFORMATION AND REFERRAL SERVICE AND OTHER AUXILIARY SERVICES;

(4) AS NECESSARY, ESTABLISH INTERAGENCY AGREEMENTS WITH OTHER STATE AGENCIES THAT PROVIDE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOR DISABLED INDIVIDUALS TO PREVENT DUPLICATIVE PROGRAMS; AND

(5) APPOINT APPROPRIATE STAFF TO ASSIST THE BOARD IN CARRYING OUT ITS ACTIVITIES UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.