An exception to California Building Code Section 1003.2.2.2.1 allows the occupant load of accessory use areas to be excluded from the occupant load calculation. These accessory areas are used only by persons who occupy the main areas of the space in consideration.

For the purpose of determining the occupant load, bathrooms, lunch rooms, copy rooms and other miscellaneous spaces when their use clearly identified and dictated by the space configuration may be considered as accessory use areas.