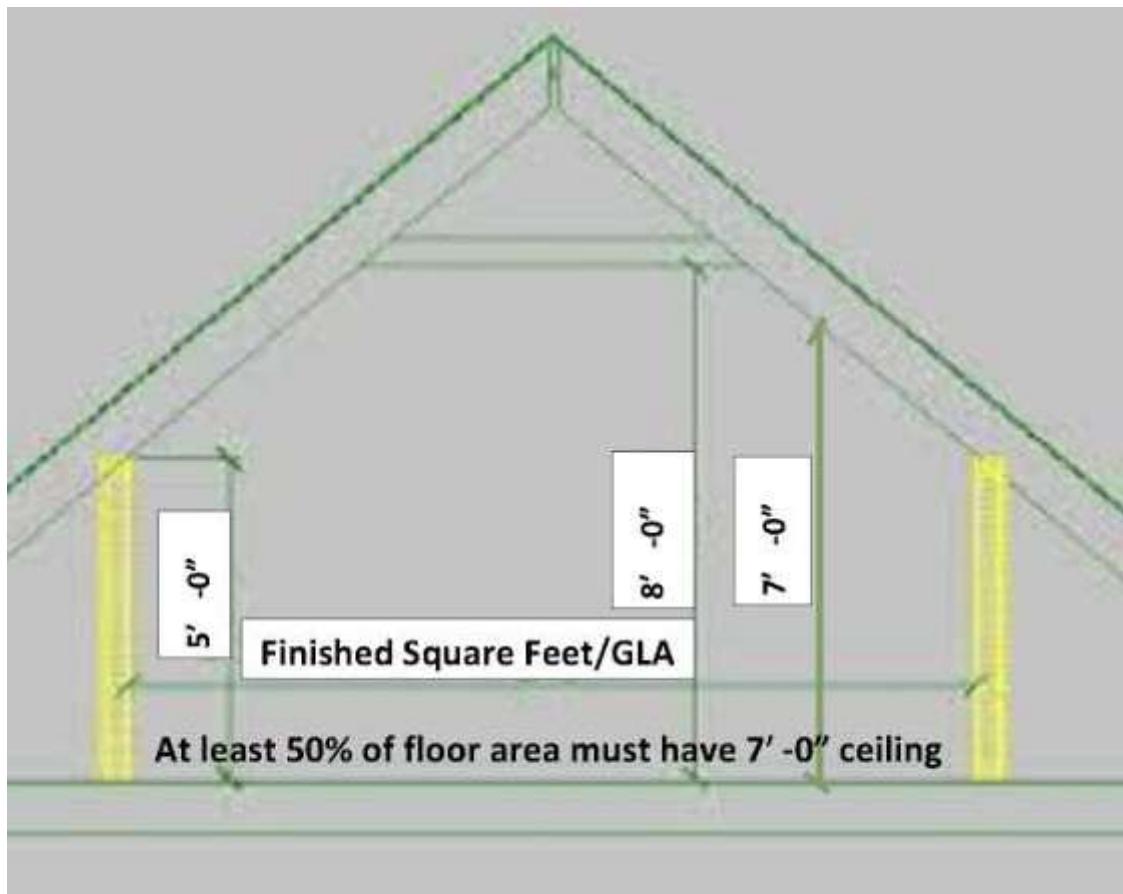


interior wall (five feet on both sides).



I know what you must be thinking as professionals: “Just like I do with all upper level measurements to calculate interior dimensions, do I add the width of the exterior wall?” Honestly, the answer is “it depends.” Most say the rules dictate to include exterior walls’ width when it comes to all finished areas. This is correct. If you include the width of the exterior walls when you measure the ground level, you should do the same on the upper level, and sloped ceilings are no exception.

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6.4.17 Sloped Still Requires Equal Comparisons of Space

Rooms with sloped ceilings should have the same function, or “utility,” as the main living area. Remember, the end game here is to create equal comparisons of space. Sloped ceiling rooms also need to be accessible by a safe and sufficient staircase.