Base Theater. FAC: 7431

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1.1. **Description.** The theater has three basic functions. It is used to show moving pictures and to present live stage productions. It is also used as an auditorium where commanders can assemble their personnel for group instruction. Such activities as graduation exercises, organizational meetings, character guidance lectures, troop information programs, officer and airmen calls, and general meetings of clubs are held regularly in this facility.

1.2. **Requirements Determination.** Space allowances for theaters are given in Table 1. All theaters include a stage.

1.3. **Scope Determination.** Designs have been developed by AAFES for a snack stand to be located in the Base Theater. Drawings for site adaptation can be obtained from AAFES.

1.4. **Design Considerations.** Seating capacity is influenced by the number of military families living on or near base; the distance to, and availability of, adequate off- base recreational facilities; and the base military strength.

Military Strength	Number of Theaters	Capacity
Up to 300	Accommodate in other facilities	
301 to 1,000	1	$325.2 \text{ m}^2 (3,500 \text{ ft}^2)$
1,001 to 2,000	1	350 seat w/dressing room
2,001 to 3,000	1	500 seat w/dressing room
3,001 to 7,000	1	1,000 seat w/dressing room
7,001 to 10,000	1	500 seat w/o dressing room
	1	1,000 seat w/dressing room
10,001 to 15,000	2	500 seat w/o dressing room
	1	1,000 seat w/dressing room
15,001 to 20,000	3	500 seat w/o dressing room
	1	1,000 seat w/dressing room
20,001 to 25,000	2	500 seat w/o dressing room
	1	1,000 seat w/dressing room

Table 1. Facility Requirements for Theaters.