

# **Interior Design**

## **Floor Plan Considerations**

### **Floor Plans**

- **Two-dimensional layout of rooms**
- **A scaled (1/4 inch = 1 foot) drawing showing less detail than the blueprints**
- **Used by all tradespeople**
- **Drawn for each floor level of a structure**
- **Shows:**
  - **Exterior and interior walls**
  - **Size and location of windows and doors**
  - **Built-in cabinets and appliances**
  - **Permanent fixtures**
  - **Stairs and fireplaces**
  - **Porches, patios, and decks**
  - **Room names and approximate sizes**
- **Used to:**
  - **Judge space dimensions in a room**
  - **Determine architectural detail placement in a room**
  - **Study suitability to lifestyles**
  - **Create a decorating plan**

### **Three Main Areas of the Home**

- **Living—including the living room, dining room, family or recreation room, hobby rooms, study, library, etc...**
- **Sleeping—including bedrooms, bathrooms and dressing areas**
- **Service—including kitchen, clothes care center, utility room, basement, and garage**

## **Storage Considerations**

- **Storage space needs to be adequate—10-15% of the home**
- **Should be convenient and easily accessible**
- **Should be incorporated throughout the entire home**
- **Storage Types:**
  - **Built-in—cannot be moved around the room, an architectural detail of the room**
    - **Cupboards, closets, pantries, etc....**
  - **Furniture—can be moved from one room to another**
    - **Desks, chests, dressers, trunks, armoires, etc...**