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Accessible Restroom Requirements

This information bulletin outlines requirements for accessible restrooms under the 2006 International Building Code (IBC) Chapter 11 and ICC/ANSI A117.1-2003.

Accessible toilet facilities must be provided in all new, enlarged or remodeled commercial and multi-family buildings. Multi family and business requirements vary. Please contact the Building Services Division staff for specific requirements related to your project.

The attached details illustrate common configurations which provide a complying restroom. The code provides for additional options, and it is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure that all requirements are met.

See attached diagrams for illustration of the following requirements:

1. Clear floor space around a toilet must be 60" minimum, measured perpendicular from the sidewall and 56" minimum, measured perpendicular from the rear wall. (ICC/ANSI/117-1-2003 603.3)
2. Clear floor space in front of fixtures must be 30"x48" minimum, and may overlap with other required clearances. (ICC/ANSI/117-1-2003 305)
3. Maneuvering clearance at doorways must be maintained (ICC/ANSI 117-1-2003 404.2.3)
4. Door swing may not encroach into a 60" circle of clear space or clearance for any fixture (see staff for exception information for single use restroom).
5. Grab bars are required in all accessible toilet and bathing rooms: (ICC/ANSI/117-1-2003 604.5)
 - Rear Wall: 36" minimum in length, mounted to extend at least 12" from the centerline of the toilet on the side closest to the wall, and 24" minimum on the transfer side
 - Fixed Side Wall: 42" minimum in length, extending to 12" maximum from the rear wall, and 54" minimum from the rear wall
 - Vertical Side Wall: 18" minimum in length, with the centerline of the bar located 39" to 41" from the rear wall, mounted with the bottom of the bar located 39" to 41" above the floor
6. As a general rule, 7'X7' is the minimum room size to meet all requirements for an accessible restroom.

