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Accessible Restroom Requirements

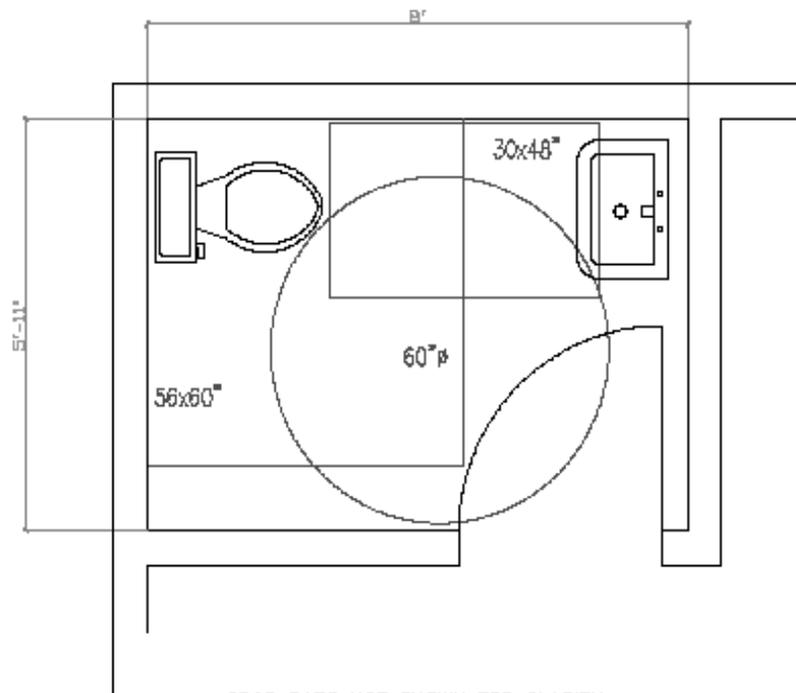
This information bulletin outlines requirements for accessible restrooms under the 2012 International Building Code (IBC) Chapter 11 and ICC A117.1-2009.

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 diagram on reverse for illustration of the following requirements:

1. Clearance around a toilet must be 60" minimum measured perpendicular from the sidewall and 56" minimum measured perpendicular from the rear wall.
(ICC A117.1-2009 604.3)
2. Clear floor space in front of all fixtures must be 30"x48" minimum, and may overlap with other required clearances.
(ICC A117.1-2009 305)
3. Turning space is required within the restroom. Either a 60" circular turning space is permitted or T-shaped turning space sized to comply with Section 304.3 is permitted.
(ICC A117.1-2009 304)
4. Maneuvering clearance at doorways must be maintained.
(ICC A117.1-2009 404.2.3)
5. Door swing may be permitted into turning space, clear floor space or clearance for any fixture, unless otherwise specified in the code.
(ICC A117.1-2009 304.4)
6. Grab bars are required in all accessible toilet and bathing rooms:
(ICC A117.1-2009 604.5)
 - Rear Wall (horizontal): 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. Horizontal grab bars shall be 33" minimum and 36" maximum above the floor measured to the top of the gripping surface.
 - Fixed Side Wall (horizontal): 42" minimum in length, extending to 12" maximum from the rear wall, and 54" minimum from the rear wall. Horizontal grab bars shall be 33" minimum and 36" maximum above the floor measured to the top of the gripping surface.
 - 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.
7. *As a general rule, 7'X7'* is the minimum room size to meet all requirements for an accessible restroom.



GRAB BARS NOT SHOWN FOR CLARITY

