

BATH PLANNING GUIDELINES & ACCESS STANDARDS

FOR REFERENCE ONLY

- _____ 1. Door Entry: The clear opening of a doorway should be at least 34" wide. This requires a minimum 3' door.
- _____ 2. Door Interference: No door interference with other doors, fixtures and/or cabinets.
- _____ 3. Ceiling Height: Minimum 80" over/in front of fixtures and shower control areas.
- _____ 4. Clear Space: 30" of space in front of all fixtures (21" min. except 24" in front of shower doors).
- _____ 5. Lavatory Placement: 24" from center of lavatory to any obstacle and 4" between the wall and edge of freestanding/wall vanity and edge of two freestanding/wall hung lavatories.
- _____ 6. Double Lavatory Placement: 36" between the center of two lavatories (min. 30" and 4" min. between two freestanding/wall).
- _____ 7. Lavatory/Vanity Height: Lavatory height to fit the user between 30" and 42".
- _____ 8. Counter: Clip or radius corners.
- _____ 9. Shower Size: Minimum 36" x 36" shower interior or 32" x 42".
- _____ 10. Tub/Shower Controls: Shower controls accessible inside and outside of the shower spray. Locate controls between 36" to 48" above floor based on user's height. Tub controls accessible inside and outside of the bathtub. Locate controls between 36" and 48" AFF and within 15" From the front edge.
- _____ 11. Shower/Tub Control Valves: Shower or tub/shower valve must be pressure balanced, thermostatic mixing or combination.
- _____ 12. Shower/Tub Seat: 15" deep seat placed 17" to 19" above shower floor. Seat must not infringe on min. 900 Sq. In. floor space.
- _____ 13. Tub/Shower Surround: Waterproof material extends 3" above rough-in of showerhead. (Min. 72" above shower floor).
- _____ 14. Grab Bars: Prepare walls for grab bars with a 300 lb. static load in bathtub and shower areas. Grab bars should be placed 33"-36" above floor and must be 1 ¼"-2" in diameter. They must extend 1.5" from wall.
- _____ 15. Glazing: Shower or tub enclosure must be marked tempered glass or approved equal. Walls or windows around showers or tubs must be marked tempered glass or approved equal if within 60" of standing surface. Any glazing within 18" of the floor must be tempered glass or approved equal.
- _____ 16. Tub/Shower Door: Hinged shower doors shall open in-and-out of the shower. Door minimum 24" wide to a maximum of 60" wide.

- _____ 17. Steps: Steps should not be placed outside of tub but if used, a grab bar/handrail is mandatory.
- _____ 18. Flooring: Slip resistant flooring should be specified for the general flooring, shower flooring and tub/shower bottoms.
- _____ 19. Equipment Access: Equipment and access panels installed per manufacturers specifications. Instructions available for installers and inspectors and left for homeowner.
- _____ 20. Toilet/Bidet Placement: 18" of space from the center of any toilet or bidet to any other bath fixture or obstacle.
- _____ 21. Toilet Compartment: minimum of 42" wide to accommodate the recommended doorway width, the depth of the compartment should be the depth of the fixture plus clear floor space.
- _____ 22. Storage: Adequate storage at point of use.
- _____ 23. Accessories: Place a mirror at user's height at or near lavatory. Toilet paper holder 7" to 9" in front of edge of toilet and within 15" and 48" AFF above finished floor. Towel holders, soap dishes, etc. conveniently located.
- _____ 24. Electrical Receptacles: GFCI receptacles at point of use for appliances. GFCI within 36" of sink edge. GFCI protected receptacles. No switches within tub or shower area unless listed as part of fixture.
- _____ 25. Lighting: General and task lighting at each functional area. One wall switch at entrance to bath. Fixtures for tub/shower rated for damp location.
Hanging fixtures are outside of zone that is 36" horizontal and 96" vertical from top of bathtub rim.
- _____ 26. Ventilation: Mechanical exhaust system vented to the outside. (Min. 50% of 3 sq. ft. window must open, or a mechanical ventilation unit must be installed with a min. 50 cfm fan).
- _____ 27. Heat: Plan a supplemental heat source.