Restroom facilities shall be provided in compliance with the requirements of this document whenever a permit is issued for any of the following projects:

- Construction of a new building
- Sub-division of any existing building to create additional commercial spaces
- Any change of use of a building or space that results in a new Occupancy Classification as defined in Chapter 3 of the California Building Code

Separate Facilities

Separate toilet facilities shall be provided for each sex, except for the following:

- Residential installations
- In occupancies serving 10 or fewer people, one toilet facility shall be permitted for use by both sexes.
- In business and mercantile occupancies with a total floor area of 1,500 square feet or less, one toilet facility shall satisfy the requirements for serving customers and employees of both sexes.

Customer and Employee-Used Facilities

- Requirements for customers and employees shall be permitted to be met with a single set of restrooms accessible to both groups.
- Fixtures for customer use shall be permitted to be met by providing a centrally located facility accessible to several stores. The maximum distance from entry to any store to this facility shall not exceed 500 feet.

Accessible Toilet Facilities

Any project that includes construction or alteration requiring permits shall include handicap accessible toilet facilities in compliance with Section 11B-601 of the California Building Code. Where separate facilities are provided for persons of each sex, these facilities shall be accessible to persons with disabilities. Where unisex facilities are provided, these facilities shall be accessible to persons with disabilities. Where six or more compartments are provided in a multiple-accommodation toilet room, at least one compartment shall be accessible to persons with disabilities, and at least one additional ambulatory accessible compartment shall be 36 inches wide with an outward swing self-closing door and parallel grab bars.

Unreasonable Hardship Exemption

At existing structures where the cost of alterations necessary to make restrooms fully accessible is disproportionate, that is where it exceeds 20 percent of the cost of the project without these features, access shall be provided to the extent that it can be without incurring disproportionate cost. Reference the Unreasonable Hardship Request form for additional requirements and limitations.
These diagrams illustrate the specific requirements of these regulations and are intended only as an aid for building design and construction.

Figure 11B-IA
**Figure 11B-1B**

**Multiple Accommodation Toilet Facility**

This diagram illustrates the specific requirements of these regulations and is intended only as an aid for building design and construction.
FIGURE 11B-1C
TYPICAL GRAB BAR SECTION

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KNEE CLEARANCE

8" MIN.

TOE CLEARANCE*

6" MAX.

SIDE ELEVATION

17" MIN.

Note: If a minimum 9 inches height of toe clearance is provided, a maximum of 6 inches of the 48 inches of clear floor space required at the fixture may extend into the toe space.

PLAN VIEW

CLEAR FLOOR SPACE

19" MAX.

48" MIN.

18" MIN. TO CENTERLINE

FLOOR SPACE

17" MIN.

18" MIN.

THESE DIAGRAMS ILLUSTRATE THE SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS OF THESE REGULATIONS AND ARE INTENDED ONLY AS AN AID FOR BUILDING DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION.

FIGURE 11B-1C
KNEE CLEARANCE
CBC FIGURE 11B-1E
CLEARANCES AT WATER CLOSETS

NOTE: See Section 11150.3.1, Item 4.5 for compartment door maneuvering space requirements.