NEWS FROM THE PLUMBING INSPECTORS

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QUESTIONS FROM CONTRACTORS?

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QUESTION : In new construction when, where and what type of Building/ Occupancy do I need to install a metering type faucet?

ANSWER : Section 604.4.1 Lavatory faucets. Lavatory faucets shall be of the metering type when located in the following public restrooms:

1. In all occupancies in restrooms which have six or more lavatories.

2. In school occupancies in student-use restrooms.

3. In assembly occupancies in all customer or public-use restrooms.

You may also reference Table 403.1 for classification of the specific type occupancy you are looking for. Be sure to look at footnotes e and l below Table 403.1.

QUESTION : What is the minimum clearance from a toilet to a tub?

ANSWER : Section 405.3.1 specifies on clearances for water closets (toilets). Please see on opposite side for Figure 405.3.1 and Code reference.

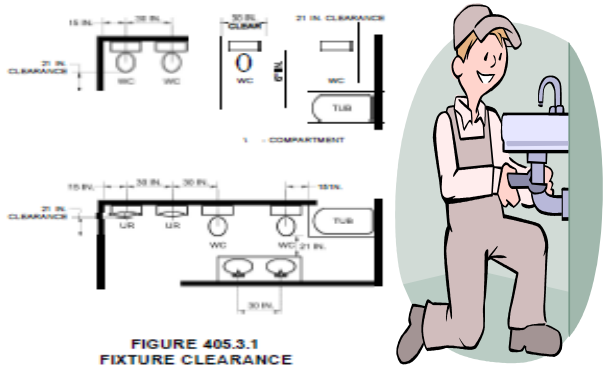

FIGURE 405.3.1
FIXTURE CLEARANCE

405.3.1 Water closets, urinals, lavatories and bidets. A water closet, urinal, lavatory or bidet shall not be set closer than 15 inches (381 mm) from its center to any side wall, partition, vanity or other obstruction, or closer than 30 inches (762 mm) center-to-center between adjacent fixtures. There shall be at least a 21-inch (533 mm) clearance in front of the water closet, urinal, lavatory or bidet to any wall, fixture or door. Water closet compartments shall not be less than 30 inches (762 mm) wide and 60 inches (1524 mm) deep (see Figure 405.3.1).

Exception: For one- and two-family dwellings and townhouses see the *North Carolina Residential Code*.

OFFICE/PERMIT INFO

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Visit our website at www.inspectnet.org for permit information or previous newsletters from the Inspections Department.

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