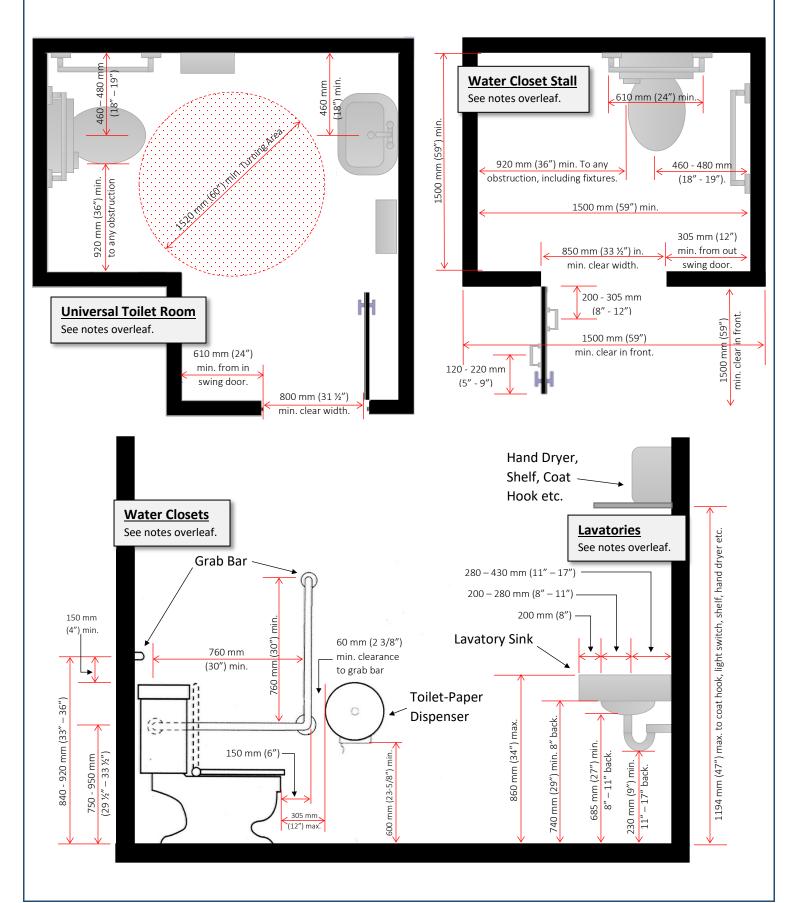


# Barrier Free Washroom for Non-Residential Occupancies As required by the 2022 Neva Scatia Building Code Regulations (Accessibility Sc

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# ACCESSIBLE / BARRIER FREE WASHROOMS For Non-Residential Occupancies

Listed below are the minimum acceptable Barrier Free design requirements for washrooms in Non-Residential occupancies. For full details please refer to Schedule "C" Accessibility of the 2022 Nova Scotia Building Code Regulations, specifically Section 3.8 Accessibility.

#### WATER CLOSET STALL

- The interior dimensions of the stall shall be a minimum of 1500 mm (59") between walls.
- The door to the stall is to be self-closing and will be no more than 50 mm (2") ajar when at rest.
- The stall door shall swing outwards unless there is sufficient room within the stall to permit the door to close without interfering with a wheelchair.
- There will be a minimum clear width of 1500 mm (59") in front of the stall, and a minimum depth of 1500 mm (59") from the front of the stall to any other fixture, obstruction or wall.
- The stall will be equipped with an 'L' shaped grab-bar installed on the wall to the side of the water closet. The grab-bar shall have a minimum length & height of 760 mm (30") and shall be installed between 750-950 mm (29  $\frac{1}{2}$ " 33  $\frac{1}{2}$ ") above the floor.
- The stall shall also have a grab bar installed at a height of 840-920 mm (33'' 36'') on the wall behind the water closet. The grab bar shall have a width of not less than 610 mm (24'').

# **UNIVERSAL TOILET ROOM**

- The room shall have an unobstructed turning area a minimum of 1520 mm (60") in diameter.
- Coat hooks, light switches, shelves, soap dispensers, hand dryers etc. shall be installed no more than 1194 mm (47") above floor level.

### **WATER CLOSETS**

- Water closets will be equipped with an 'L' shaped grab-bar installed on the wall to the side of the water closet. The grab-bar shall have a minimum length & height of 760 mm (30") and shall be installed between 750-950 mm (29 ½" 33 ½") above the floor.
- Water closets shall also have a grab bar installed at a height of 840-920 mm (33" 36") on the wall behind the water closet. The grab bar shall have a width of not less than 610 mm (24").

## **LAVATORIES**

All clearances underneath the lavatory sink shall be a minimum of 760 mm (30") wide.

#### **CONTACT US**

**Applicants may contact HRM** to obtain the required Building Permit, or to speak to a Building Official for advice and clarification of any of the requirements outlined above, by visiting the Customer Service Center located at **5251 Duke St, 3rd Floor, Suite 300, Duke Tower, Halifax**, or by calling 311.

