

G1 Personal hygiene

Providing sufficient sanitary fixtures (toilets, showers and basins) for sanitation.

This clause confirms facilities for personal hygiene are provided to safeguard from illness caused by infection or contamination. Its requirements protect against loss of amenity and allow people with disabilities to carry out normal activities.

It sets requirements about privacy and the numbers and location of sanitary fixtures. Discharge to a plumbing and drainage system is required by Clause G13 Foul Water for water-borne disposal, and to a healthy safe disposal system when non-water-borne disposal is used.

[Record of amendments \(https://www.building.govt.nz/building-code-compliance/how-the-building-code-works/different-ways-to-comply/acceptable-solutions-and-verification-methods/record-of-amendments/\)](https://www.building.govt.nz/building-code-compliance/how-the-building-code-works/different-ways-to-comply/acceptable-solutions-and-verification-methods/record-of-amendments/) is a record of changes to the Acceptable Solutions, Verification Methods and handbooks.

Updates

MBIE to consult twice yearly on changes to the Building Code System

10 AUGUST 2018

MBIE will now consult twice yearly to ensure Acceptable Solutions and Verification Methods are up to date.

[\(https://www.building.govt.nz/about-building-performance/news-and-updates/all-news-and-updates/bc-update-237/\)](https://www.building.govt.nz/about-building-performance/news-and-updates/all-news-and-updates/bc-update-237/)

Consultation on amending Acceptable Solutions and Verification Methods 2018

8 AUGUST 2018

We want your feedback by 21 September on proposals to amend Acceptable Solutions and Verification Methods.

[\(https://www.building.govt.nz/about-building-performance/news-and-updates/all-news-and-updates/bc-update-236/\)](https://www.building.govt.nz/about-building-performance/news-and-updates/all-news-and-updates/bc-update-236/)

View all related news and updates [\(https://www.building.govt.nz/search/?bcc%5B%5D=g1-personal-hygiene&area=news-and-updates&show=all&action_doSearch=Search&sort=recent#results\)](https://www.building.govt.nz/search/?bcc%5B%5D=g1-personal-hygiene&area=news-and-updates&show=all&action_doSearch=Search&sort=recent#results)

Acceptable Solutions and Verification Methods

Current version

Previous versions

These are issued by MBIE to provide one way of complying with the Building Code and must be accepted by BCAs as demonstrating compliance with the related clauses of the Building Code. Using them is not mandatory.

2nd edition, amendment 6

[PDF 623 KB]

Effective from 10 October 2011

(<https://www.building.govt.nz/assets/Uploads/building-code-compliance/g-services-and-facilities/g1-personal-hygiene/asvm/G1-personal-hygiene-2nd-edition-amendment-6.pdf>)

2nd edition, amendment 6 replacement pages

[PDF 208 KB]

(<https://www.building.govt.nz/assets/Uploads/building-code-compliance/g-services-and-facilities/g1-personal-hygiene/asvm/G1-personal-hygiene-2nd-edition-amendment-6-rp.pdf>)

2nd edition, amendment 5 erratum 1

[PDF 712 KB]

(<https://www.building.govt.nz/assets/Uploads/building-code-compliance/g-services-and-facilities/g1-personal-hygiene/asvm/G1-personal-hygiene-amendment-5-erratum-1.pdf>)

2nd edition, amendment 4

[PDF 682 KB]

(<https://www.building.govt.nz/assets/Uploads/building-code-compliance/g-services-and-facilities/g1-personal-hygiene/asvm/G1-personal-hygiene-amendment-4.pdf>)

Acceptable Solutions and Verification Methods

(<https://www.building.govt.nz/building-code-compliance/how-the-building-code-works/different-ways-to-comply/acceptable-solutions-and-verification-methods/>) (AS and VMs) were called compliance documents. Some still have the "compliance document" title but the AS or VMs they contain are valid and unaffected by the name change.

Version history (<https://www.building.govt.nz/building-code-compliance/g-services-and-facilities/g1-personal-hygiene/acceptable-solutions-and-verification-methods/>)

Standards

Standards are frequently referred to in Acceptable Solutions and Verification Methods. They provide practical information and guidelines for building solutions.

Over 120 building standards used for Building Code compliance are now available for free download.

See the free standards relating to Code Clause G1 (<https://www.standards.govt.nz/sponsored-standards/building-standards/?buildingcode=G1>).

All standards, including the funded ones, can be accessed through the Standards New Zealand website (<https://www.standards.govt.nz/>).

Guidance

These documents are provided for assistance. They are not intended as a means of establishing compliance with the Building Act or Building Code, and they do not have the same status accorded to Acceptable Solutions and Verification Methods under the Act.

Toilets privacy and access for people with disabilities

Onsite disposal of wastewater

1 JUNE 2011

1 JULY 2014

Help for designers and building owners planning commercial building toilet layouts (includes privacy and accessibility).

[\(https://www.building.govt.nz/building-code-compliance/g-services-and-facilities/g1-personal-hygiene/toilets-privacy-and-access-for-people-with-disabilities/\)](https://www.building.govt.nz/building-code-compliance/g-services-and-facilities/g1-personal-hygiene/toilets-privacy-and-access-for-people-with-disabilities/)

Guidance about the design and installation of on-site wastewater treatment and disposal systems.

[\(https://www.building.govt.nz/building-code-compliance/g-services-and-facilities/g13-foul-water/onsite-disposal-of-wastewater/\)](https://www.building.govt.nz/building-code-compliance/g-services-and-facilities/g13-foul-water/onsite-disposal-of-wastewater/)

View all related guidance [\(https://www.building.govt.nz/search/?bcc%5B%5D=g1-personal-hygiene&area=guidance&show=all&action_doSearch=Search&sort=recent#results\)](https://www.building.govt.nz/search/?bcc%5B%5D=g1-personal-hygiene&area=guidance&show=all&action_doSearch=Search&sort=recent#results)

Related Determinations

Determinations are made by MBIE on matters of doubt or dispute to do with building work. Rulings are legally binding in relation to each case. Circumstances in one case may differ to others.

2018/063: Building Code compliance of the proposed location for large toilet paper dispensers in accessible public toilets

This determination considers the code compliance of large toilet paper dispensers installed in prefabricated public toilets - the location of the dispensers differs from that shown in the relevant Acceptable Solution. The prefabricated toilets are built under a consent issued at the point of manufacture and relocated throughout the country using a separate building consent for the site installation.

[\(https://www.building.govt.nz/resolving-problems/resolution-options/determinations/determinations-issued/determination-2018-063/\)](https://www.building.govt.nz/resolving-problems/resolution-options/determinations/determinations-issued/determination-2018-063/)

2018/014: Refusal of a code compliance certificate for alterations to a house

This determination considers the compliance of consented alterations to an existing house where some inspections during the construction had not been completed by the authority. The determination considers the compliance of the as-built work and whether the authority was correct in declining to issue a code compliance certificate for the work.

[\(https://www.building.govt.nz/resolving-problems/resolution-options/determinations/determinations-issued/determination-2018-014/\)](https://www.building.govt.nz/resolving-problems/resolution-options/determinations/determinations-issued/determination-2018-014/)

View 30 Determinations related to Personal hygiene [\(https://www.building.govt.nz/resolving-problems/resolution-options/determinations/determinations-issued/?bcc%5B%5D=g1-personal-hygiene&action_doSearch=Search#results\)](https://www.building.govt.nz/resolving-problems/resolution-options/determinations/determinations-issued/?bcc%5B%5D=g1-personal-hygiene&action_doSearch=Search#results)

Related building products

All products, systems and construction methods that have achieved CodeMark status will be listed here with their most up to date certificate.

View 2 certified building products associated with Personal hygiene [\(https://www.building.govt.nz/building-code-compliance/product-assurance-and-multiproof/codemark/product-certificate-register/?&bcc%5B%5D=g1-personal-hygiene&action_doSearch=Search#results\)](https://www.building.govt.nz/building-code-compliance/product-assurance-and-multiproof/codemark/product-certificate-register/?&bcc%5B%5D=g1-personal-hygiene&action_doSearch=Search#results)