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**Comm 62.2900 Additional criteria for toilets.** These are department rules in addition to the requirements in IBC chapter 29:

**(1) PLUMBING FIXTURE ALTERNATIVES.** (a) *Water closets.* 1. Systems or devices recognized under ss. Comm 91.10 and 91.11 may be substituted for water closets required under IBC chapter 29.

2. Privies recognized under ch. Comm 91 may be substituted for water closets required under IBC chapter 29 in any of the following situations:

a. A building accommodating a seasonal occupancy when occupancy of the building does not extend for more than 3 of the 4 seasons.

b. A building accommodating a school or a assembly that is operated by and for members of a bona fide religious denomination in accordance with the teachings and beliefs of the denomination.

c. As approved by the department.

3. Portable restrooms recognized under ch. Comm 91 may be substituted for water closets required under IBC chapter 29 for buildings accommodating events or temporary occupancies not exceeding 12 consecutive days or as approved by the department.

(b) *Lavatories.* Waterless antiseptic cleansing provisions may be substituted for lavatories required under IBC chapter 29 where systems or devices under par. (a) 2. are substituted for water closets. Where water-based water closets or urinals are used, water-based lavatories shall be provided in numbers to accommodate the number of people served by the water closets and urinals.

**(2) PERMANENT OUTDOOR TOILETS.** (a) A permanent outdoor toilet room shall be provided with a suitable approach such as a concrete, gravel or cinder walk.

(b) All windows, ventilators, and other openings for a permanent outdoor toilet room shall be screened to limit the entrance of flies, and all doors shall be self closing.

**(3) ENCLOSURE OF FIXTURES.** (a) Water closets and urinals within a toilet room shall be arranged to ensure privacy. Except as provided in par. (b), each water closet shall occupy a separate compartment with walls or partitions and a door enclosing the fixtures to ensure privacy. Urinals shall be placed against walls at least 6 feet 8 inches high and arranged individually with or without partitions.

(b) 1. Water closet compartments may be omitted in a single-occupant toilet room having a door with a privacy lock.

2. Toilet rooms located in day-care and child-care facilities and containing 2 or more water closets may have one water closet without an enclosing compartment.

3. Compartments are not required for water closets in prison or jail cells.

**Comm 62.2901 Plumbing code.** This is a department informational note to be used under IBC section 2901.1:

**Note:** As defined in s. Comm 61.04 (12) and (13), "IPC and International Plumbing Code" and "IPSC and International Private Sewage Code" mean chs. Comm 81 to 87.

**Comm 62.2902 Plumbing fixtures. (1) MINIMUM NUMBER OF FIXTURES.**

(a) *Exceptions.* These are department exceptions to the requirements in IBC section 2902.1:

1. Where more than one water closet is required for males, urinals may be substituted for up to 50 percent of the required number of water closets.
2. Where water is served in restaurants or where other acceptable arrangements are made to provide drinking water, drinking fountains are not required.
3. For child day care facilities, bathtubs or showers are not required where other personal hygiene washing arrangements are provided that satisfy the licensing requirements of the Wisconsin department of health services.
4. For day nurseries and child day care facilities, children under the age of 30 months need not be considered as a part of the occupant load used to determine the minimum number of water closets.

**Comm 62.2902 Plumbing fixtures. (b) Additional fixtures.** These are department informational notes to be used under IBC sections 2902.1 and 2902.2:

**Note: Additional plumbing fixtures may be required for employees by the U.S. department of labor, occupational safety and health act (OSHA) regulations.**

**Note: Additional plumbing fixtures may be required by the department of health and family services for restaurants, mobile home parks, camping grounds, camping resorts, recreational camps and educational camps.**

**Note: Chapter Comm 90 also has requirements for minimum numbers of sanitary fixtures for a public swimming pool, as based on the pool area. For some buildings, the minimum number of sanitary fixtures determined in that manner may be larger than the minimum number determined in accordance with this section. Compliance with this section does not relieve an owner from complying with ch. Comm 90.**

**Note: Chapter Comm 91 has requirements for equal speed of access to toilets for each gender, at facilities where the public congregates that do not fall under the scope of this chapter.**

(c) *Substitutions in IBC Table 2902.1.*

1. Substitute the following wording for the water closets heading in IBC Table 2902.1: Water closets<sup>e</sup> (see s. Comm 62.2902 (1) (a) 1. for urinals).
2. Substitute the following wording for the drinking fountains heading in IBC Table 2902.1: Drinking fountains (see s. Comm 62.2902 (1) (a) 2.).
3. In IBC Table 2902.1, substitute the following wording for the required minimum number of water closets for females in type A-4 and A-5 occupancies: 1 per 37 for the first 1,500 and 1 per 60 for the remainder exceeding 1,500.
4. Substitute the following wording for the required number of bathtubs or showers in storage occupancies in IBC Table 2902.1: See the International Plumbing Code.
5. Substitute the following wording for the required number of bathtubs or showers in factory and industrial occupancies in IBC Table 2902.1: See the International Plumbing Code.

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(d) *Addition to IBC Table 2902.1.* This is an additional department footnote for IBC Table 2902.1: Footnote e. Wherever more than 500 people congregate and more than the required minimum number of water closets or urinals are provided for males, twice as many of those additional toilet facilities shall be provided for females.

**(2) LAVATORIES FOR TOILET ROOMS.** This is a department rule in addition to the requirements in IBC section 2902.1: At least one lavatory shall be provided in each toilet room or in a gender-designated lounge adjacent to the toilet room. If a multiple-use lavatory is provided, 24 lineal inches of wash sink, or 20 inches measured along the edge of a circular basin will be considered equivalent to one lavatory.