

## Standards for the provision of Sanitary Accommodation in Catering Premises

The following standards are relevant to the provision of sanitary accommodation in place where the sale of food and non-alcoholic drinks provided to members of the public for consumption on the premises.

1. With the exception of these premises providing less than 50 seats for customers, all catering premises must provide separate sanitary accommodation including hand washing facilities for both male & female customers within the premises, in accordance with Building Regulations & British Standards Regulations (BS) 6465-1:2006.
2. In the case of premises providing between 25 & 50 seats for customers where the physical dimensions of the premises are such that it would be impossible to comply with BS 6465-1:2006, the minimum standard required will be one WC with wash hand basin for male customers and one WC with wash hand basin for female customers. The wash hand basin must have a supply of hot water, which may be from central source or from a unit water heater, and piped supply of cold water. The WCs are to be accessible to all customers. One of the WCs should be wheelchair accessible.
3. In the absence of more reliable information, it will be assumed that the customers will be 50% male and 50% female. Where this is not the case the number of facilities required may be varied accordingly.
4. Where there are less than 25 seats and the physical dimensions are such that it would be impossible to house separate accommodation for each sex, the minimum standard will be one wheelchair accessible unisex W.C plus wash hand basin with a supply of hot water. Which may be from a central source or from a unit water heater, and piped supply of cold water. The W.C is to be accessible to all customers.
5. When considering the above, there will be a presumption that separate provision will be made for staff for their exclusive use. Where this is not possible, compliance with the work place health and safety and food safety legislation will be taken in to account as regards the adequacy and suitability of shared facilities.
6. It will be expected that provision will be made to accommodate the disabled in accordance with Part M of the Building Control Regulations and the Disability Discrimination Act.

**Advice may be sought from Building Control Section regarding the requirements of the Building Regulations.**

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*Minimum Provision of sanitary appliances for restaurants and other places where seating is provided for eating and drinking*

Sanitary appliance	For male customers	For female customers
WC	2 for up to 150 males; Plus 1 for every additional 250 Males or thereof 2 for up to 50 males if urinals are not provided	2 for up to 30 females; Plus 1 for every additional 30 females up to 120, plus one for every additional 60 females of part thereof
Urinal	1 per 60 males or part thereof up to 120 males; Plus 1 for every additional 100 males or part thereof	-
Washbasin	1 per WC, plus 1 per 5 urinals or part thereof	1 per WC