

Quick Reference Checklist

Here's a simple checklist for designers or permit applicants working on toilet installations under the OBC: You can print the information and use it as a reference during your project.

- 1. Calculate the occupancy and determine how many fixtures are required, including water closets, urinals, and lavatories.
- 2. Decide whether the washrooms will be sex-separated or shared unisex toilets and confirm that this meets OBC thresholds.
- 3. Select fixtures that comply with the maximum permitted flush volumes of 6.0 L per flush, or 4.8 L where required.
- 4. Lay out stalls with adequate depth, width, door swing, and clearances, at least 1,500 mm deep for ambulatory stalls.
- 5. Ensure accessible water closets have seat heights between 430 mm and 485 mm above the finished floor.
- 6. Install grab bars and support rails at the proper height, with sufficient strength and a slip-resistant surface.
- 7. Position flush controls within reach and ensure they require no more than 22.2 N of force to operate.
- 8. Mount accessories such as soap dispensers, towel holders, and mirrors within the required reach range.
- 9. Verify that clear floor spaces and turning zones meet barrier-free circulation standards.
- 10. Review any "impracticable" situations and obtain approvals before deviating from standard requirements.
- 11. Document all drawings and specifications with references to the Ontario Building Code and barrier-free guidelines.
- 12. Conduct a field inspection to confirm that installed heights, clearances, and operating forces meet compliance.