



BULLETIN RB06-009

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WASHROOM FACILITIES FOR FOOD ESTABLISHMENTS IN SHOPPING MALLS

Reference: Sentence 7.2.2.5.(1) and Sentence 7.2.2.5.(3)

Sentence 7.2.2.5.(1) "Except as permitted by Sentence (4), the number of water closets required for dining rooms, restaurants, banquet rooms, lounges, taverns and clubs shall be

- a) one for each 2 females, and
- b) one for each 35 males."

Sentence 7.2.2.5.(3) "The requirements of Sentence (1) are permitted to be waived for a food establishment located in a shopping mall, provided sanitary facilities are provided and maintained by the owner of the shopping mall outside the food establishment."

Question:

Could this relaxation of washroom requirements be extended to small, separate, food establishments having their own designated seating areas inside shopping malls?

Commentary / Relevant Facts / Conclusion:

Independent and separate food establishments such as coffee shops, delis and donut shops with no full cooking facilities and with a maximum seating capacity of 20 persons may be allowed to have the washroom facilities provided and maintained by the owner of the mall outside the food establishment but in the mall with the following conditions:

1. Signage indicating the location of the designated washroom facilities shall be posted in a conspicuous location in the food establishment.
2. Adequate washroom facilities shall be provided in accordance with **Sentence 7.2.2.5.(1)** and be available at all times that the food establishment is open for business.

Chief Building Inspector

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