



BULLETIN RB06-053

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FINISHES AROUND URINALS

Reference: Sentence 7.2.2.4.(1)

Sentence 7.2.2.4.(1) "Wall and floor surfaces below the uppermost surfaces of a urinal shall be protected from deterioration by impervious and durable material for a distance from the urinal to a point not less than 900 mm from the projected outline of the urinal on to the wall or floor."

Questions:

a) Is the horizontal dimension of 900 mm mentioned in the above Article measured from the centre or the edge of the urinal?

b) Is it the intention of this Article to measure the vertical dimension of 900 mm from the top of the urinal partition?

Commentary / Relevant Facts / Conclusions:

a) The horizontal dimension of 900 mm shall be measured from the centre of the urinal. This will provide the level of protection intended by the Code.

b) It is not the intent of the Code to have the impervious finish reach 900 mm above the partition, which itself may reach up to 1500 mm above the floor level, as it would not serve any useful purpose. A more reasonable height for the finish is 1500 mm above the floor level and the Division shall enforce this dimension.

Chief Building Inspector

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