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Identification of Single-User Toilet Facilities as All-Gender Toilet Facilities

The purpose of this information bulletin is to serve as an aid to assist business establishments, places of public accommodation, and City agency in complying with Assembly Bill 1732 (Ting, Chapter 818, Statutes of 2016) that was signed into law on September 29, 2016, to create California Health and Safety Code Section 118600, relating to the identification of single-user toilet facilities as all-gender toilet facilities. Commencing March 1, 2017, Assembly Bill 1732 ("AB1732") require all single-user toilet facilities in any business establishment, place of public accommodation, or City agency to be identified as all-gender toilet facilities by signage that complies with Title 24 of the California Code of Regulations, and designated for use by no more than one occupant at a time or for family or assisted use. For the purposes of this bill, "single-user toilet facility" means a toilet facility with no more than one water closet and one urinal with a locking mechanism controlled by the user. All projects submitted to the City for permitting through the plan review and inspection process will be verified for compliance with AB 1732.

The required signage that complies with Title 24 of the California Code of Regulations shall be accomplished by the use of the unisex geometric symbol pursuant to the 2016 Edition of the California Building Code Sections 11B-703.7.2.6 and 11B-703.7.2.6.3. Geometric symbols at entrances to toilet facilities shall be mounted at 58 inches minimum and 60 inches maximum above the finished floor or ground surface measured from the centerline of the symbol. Where a door is provided, the symbol shall be mounted within one-inch (1") of the vertical centerline of the door. A circle, 1/4-inch (1/4") thick and 12-inches (12") in diameter with a 1/4-inch (1/4") thick triangle with a vertex pointing upward, superimposed on and geometrically inscribed within the circle and within the 12-inch (12") diameter, shall be provided at entrances to toilet facilities. The vertices of the triangle shall be located 1/4-inch (1/4") maximum from the edge of the circle. The triangle symbol shall contrast with the circle symbol, either light on a dark background or dark on a light background. The circle symbol shall contrast with the door, either light on a dark background or dark on a light background. No pictogram, text, or Braille is required on the symbol. See the figure below for an example of the image that represent the required geometric symbol.

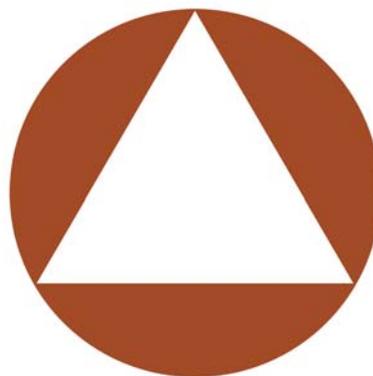


FIGURE: UNISEX GEOMETRIC SYMBOL

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Designation signs are not required. If provided, a designation sign adjacent to the door must comply with the scoping requirements of CBC 11B-216.2, and the technical requirements for raised characters (CBC 11B-703.2), braille (CBC 11B-703.3), visual characters (CBC 11B-703.5), and requirements for installation height and location (CBC 11B-703.4). No pictogram is required.

This bulletin intends to clarify only the State of California's requirement for All-Gender Toilet Facilities. All Federal ADA requirements are still applicable including the signage adjacent to the toilet facility entrance.