

## Plumbing Fixture Standards

The purpose of this bulletin is to inform owners, designers, contractors and developers about the requirements of new Plumbing Fixture Standards in the B.C. Building Code.

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On 2011 February 01, Part 10 of the B.C. Building Code was amended requiring high-efficiency toilets and urinals and becomes effective on 2011 October 03..

Effective for all building permit applications submitted on or after **2011 October 03** all installations of:

- new toilets for residential (Group C) buildings, such as houses, townhouses, apartments, hotels, etc., shall be high-efficiency toilets having a maximum flush volume of **4.8 litres** or less. Dual-flush toilets providing a dual flush cycle option of both 4.1 litres or less and 6.0 litres are also acceptable. The requirement for toilets with a maximum flush volume of 6.0 litres in buildings other than residential will remain unchanged.
- new urinals for all buildings shall be high-efficiency urinals with a flush volume of **1.9 liters** or less.

For more information visit: [www.housing.gov.bc.ca/building/consultation/het/index.htm](http://www.housing.gov.bc.ca/building/consultation/het/index.htm).

If you have any questions, please contact the Building Department at 604-294-7130.