

MechSE WELLness

C14 Bathroom Accommodations

Intent: Provide restrooms that support the needs of all individuals.

Unfortunately, many buildings do not provide equity in restroom access to those of all abilities and genders. Women often struggle to receive adequate accommodation and sanitary materials. Caregivers to small children, older adults, or others who require assistance frequently lack access to facilities that support their needs.

Impact: Inclusive restrooms can accommodate the various needs of diverse populations, promote gender equality, and support the health of all individuals.

What are the requirements to earn this credit?

1. Provide essential accommodations that include ADA accessibility, of sufficient quantity to meet code, toilet paper, trash receptacles in stalls, sanitary pads or tampons at no cost or subsidized by 50%, syringe drop box, and infant changing tables.
2. Provide single-user restrooms that include ADA accessibility, of sufficient quantity to meet code, signage indicating room is inclusive of all genders, toilet paper, trash receptacle, and sanitary pads or tampons at no cost or subsidized by 50%.

How is MechSE accomplishing these requirements?

Our facility was designed with sufficient restrooms to meet the state plumbing code and the accessibility code, which provides for specific sink height, toilet height, hand dryer height, mirror height, faucet type, and grab bars. Lu MEB has two dedicated single user restrooms for all genders to use, both located on the first floor. Special effort was made to include at no cost necessary feminine products in women's and single-user restrooms, as well as the additional amenities listed above in every restroom.

