

ANSI ACCREDITED STANDARDS COMMITTEE A117 PROPOSAL FORM

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- 4) Revision to: Section 603.3 Table _____ Figure _____

- 5) **PROPOSAL** Revise as follows (check BOX and state proposed change to A117.1-1998):
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603.3 Mirrors. Mirrors located above lavatories, sinks or counters shall be mounted with the bottom edge of the reflecting surface 40 inches (1015 mm) maximum above the floor or ground. Mirrors not located above lavatories, sinks or counters shall be mounted with the bottom edge of the reflecting surface 35 inches (890 mm) maximum above the floor or ground.

PROPOSAL Continued (Attach additional sheets as necessary)

- 6) **SUPPORTING INFORMATION** (State purpose and reason, and provide substantiation to support proposed change):

1. The Task Group recommends the revised text in 603.3 to the ANSI Committee for the following reasons:
 - a. The mirror over the sink cannot be lowered without interfering with the 4-inch back splash and mirror frame above the 34 inch counter height.
 - b. However, there is no reason why mirrors not over the sink should be as high as 40 inches and inaccessible to Little People.

2. Commentary language should be written to explain the value of having a lower, separate mirror in another location.

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- 4) Revision to: Section 606.7 (new) Table _____ Figure _____
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606.7. Lavatory faucets and soap dispenser controls shall have a maximum reach depth of 11 inches (280 mm) or, if automatic, shall be activated within a maximum reach depth of 11 inches. Water and soap flow shall be provided with a maximum reach depth of 11 inches.

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6) **SUPPORTING INFORMATION** (State purpose and reason, and provide substantiation to support proposed change):

The Task Group recommends this proposal to the ANSI Committee for the following reasons:

1. 606.x is broken out as a separate section in 606 to facilitate the scoping of this provision by the administrative authority. For example, the administrative authority may decide that the technical criteria provided in this section will only be required where there are multiple elements.
2. Patrick Higgins and Dan Bartz advise that it is preferable to locate the faucet within a reachable position and advised against modifying lavatory dimensions.
3. Patrick Higgins and Dan Bartz advise that it is technically feasible for lavatory faucets, soap dispenser controls, and water and soap flow to meet a maximum reach depth of 11 inches.
4. Dan Bartz advised that electronic faucets are plentiful and many have sensory devices that act in proximity to the faucet. The proximity ranges go anywhere from 1 to 8 inches and some may be adjusted to a greater distance.

5. Patrick Higgins and Dan Bartz advise that a second approach involves the relocation of the faucet on the counter:
- (a) Faucets could be mounted on sidewalls.
 - (b) Widespread faucet designs separate the spout from the operating controls, which allows installation flexibility.
 - (c) The installation of a faucet on the side of the bowl within the counter-top is not prohibited by code and it would allow greater accessibility for all users.
 - (d) The side-mounted installation could still be piped to provide the required knee and toe clearance.
 - (e) Single control non-electronic faucets would serve the purpose well. They are easy to turn on/off and control the flow and temperature.

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606.8. Operable parts on towel dispensers and air blowing units shall comply with the following table:

	<u>inches</u> (mm)	<u>inches</u> (mm)	<u>inches</u> (mm)	<u>inches</u> (mm)	<u>inches</u> (mm)	<u>inches</u> (mm)
<u>Reach depth</u>	<u>¼(15)</u>	<u>2 (50)</u>	<u>5 (130)</u>	<u>6 (155)</u>	<u>9 (230)</u>	<u>11 (280)</u>
<u>Reach height</u>	<u>48 (1220)</u>	<u>46 (1170)</u>	<u>42 (1065)</u>	<u>40 (1015)</u>	<u>36 (915)</u>	<u>34 (865)</u>

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2. There are a wide variety of towel dispenser designs that can fit above a counter and meet these obstructed reach dimensions. For example, the arm on a towel dispenser unit can be adjusted to a 6-inch throw instead of the usual 12 inches.

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