



Ohio Revised Code

Section 1563.23 Bathing facilities, clothing change rooms, and sanitary toilet facilities to be provided.

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Each operator of an underground coal mine shall provide bathing facilities, clothing change rooms, and sanitary toilet facilities in a location at each mine convenient for the use of all mine employees. All such bathing facilities, change rooms, and sanitary toilet facilities shall be constructed and equipped so as to comply with applicable building codes. If no building code is applicable, such facilities shall be constructed and equipped so as to meet the minimum construction requirements of the national building code, and the minimum plumbing requirements of the U.S.A. standard plumbing code, ASA A40.8-1955.

Bathing facilities, change rooms, and sanitary toilet facilities shall meet the following minimum requirements:

- (A) Showers shall be provided with both hot and cold water.
- (B) At least one shower head shall be provided where five or fewer miners use such showers.
- (C) Where five or more miners use such showers, sufficient additional showers shall be furnished to provide approximately one shower head for each five miners.
- (D) A suitable cleansing agent shall be provided for use at each shower.
- (E) At least one sanitary flush toilet shall be provided where ten or fewer miners use such facilities.
- (F) Where ten or more miners use such sanitary toilet facilities, sufficient toilets shall be furnished to provide approximately one sanitary flush toilet for each ten miners.
- (G) Where thirty or more miners use sanitary toilet facilities, one urinal may be substituted for one sanitary flush toilet, however, where such substitutions are made they shall not reduce the number of



toilets below a ratio of two toilets to one urinal.

(H) An adequate supply of toilet paper shall be provided with each toilet.

(I) Adequate handwashing facilities or hand lavatories shall be provided in or adjacent to each toilet facility.

(J) Individual clothes storage containers or lockers shall be provided for storage of miners' clothing and other incidental personal belongings during and between shifts.

(K) Change rooms shall be provided with ample space to permit the use of such facilities by all miners changing clothes prior to and after each shift.

No operator of a mine shall refuse or neglect to comply with this section.