

AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

AMENDMENT OF THE CANBERRA SEWERAGE AND WATER SUPPLY
REGULATIONS.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

No. 8 of 1962

The Canberra Sewerage and Water Supply Regulations provide in sub-regulation (3) of regulation 80 for the water closets and urinals to be provided in buildings used for warehouses, factories, shops, offices or other business premises.

It has become the practice to follow the requirements of the Victorian Uniform Building Regulations but the provisions in the Australian Capital Territory Regulations relating to the number of water closets to be provided in factory and warehouse types of buildings differ from the Victorian Regulations. As a consequence many buildings erected in the Australian Capital Territory which were designed outside the Australian Capital Territory do not comply with the Canberra Sewerage and Water Supply Regulations. The regulation has been amended by substituting the provisions of the Victorian Regulations.

The following tables show the water closet and urinal accommodation prescribed for such buildings, with reference to the number of persons ordinarily working in them, and the requirements of the Regulations before the amendment :

Water Closets.

<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Previous Requirements.</u>
1 for each 20.	1 for each 15.	1 for each 10 males 1 for each 10 females

Urinals.

<u>No.of Males.</u>	<u>No.of Urinals.</u>	<u>Previous Requirements.</u>
9 -25	1.)
26-50	2.)

Over 51 2, plus 1 for each) 1 for each 15 men.
50 men more than 50)

A new sub-regulation (3B) has been inserted under which the Engineer is to estimate the number of persons who are likely ordinarily to have their place of work in the building having regard to the nature of the building or the purposes for which the building is to be used. From these estimates the number of water closets and urinals to be provided in the building can be calculated.

Regulations (1) and (3) amend the standards of form and area of urinals prescribed by definitions in regulation 4 of the principal Regulations and by regulation 81 of the principal Regulations, and will make those standards apply to all buildings.