

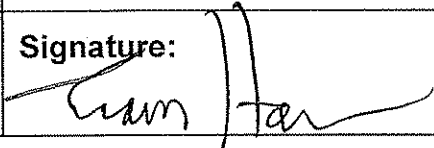


## **DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING INSPECTION**

City and County of San Francisco  
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### **Building Code Interpretation Disabled Access 005**

### ***Housing Shower Size***

<b>Subject:</b> Allowable shower sizes for housing applications	<b>Date:</b> May 22, 2008
<b>San Francisco Building Code Sections:</b> 1127A.5.3, 1134A.6; Figures 11A-9H, 9I, & 9K	<b>Code Year:</b> 2007
<b>Approved By:</b> Isam Hasenin, P.E., C.B.O., Director	<b>Signature:</b> 
<b>Question:</b> What are allowable shower sizes that can be used by the disabled in housing applications (Chapter 11A)?	

<b>Answer:</b> Section 1134A.6 requires a 42" by 48" shower to be provided to accommodate persons with disabilities. Other sections of the California Building Code (Sections 1127A.5.3 and 1115B.4.4) allow other alternative dimensions (30" by 60" and 36" by 60") to be used to accommodate persons with disabilities. Based upon the variety of dimensions allowed under the CBC, the Department of Building Inspection will consider other shower dimensions listed in the CBC as providing equivalent facilitation, except that a 36" by 36" shower size will not be considered as providing equivalent facilitation for access purposes.
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