

ADA Guidelines for Installation

REACH RANGES AND MOUNTING HEIGHTS for restroom accessories may vary within a facility depending on the location of individual accessories and the direction of reach required for their use. To allow use by people with limited reach range, it is required that accessories be mounted with their “operable parts” – dispensing mechanisms, start buttons, coin slots, or dispenser openings – located no more than 48 inches (1220mm) above the finish floor (Fig. 1a.). Where accessories are mounted over obstructions such as counters, depending on the nature and depth of the obstruction it is required that they be located between 44 inches and 48 inches (1120 and 1220mm) maximum above the finish floor. The operable portions of any accessory should be mounted no lower than 15 inches (380mm) above the floor. However, the 2009 ICC/ANSI Standards limit the operable portions of dispensers in toilet compartments to no lower than 18 inches (455mm). When determining the mounting location of restroom accessories, make sure to account for side and forward approaches.

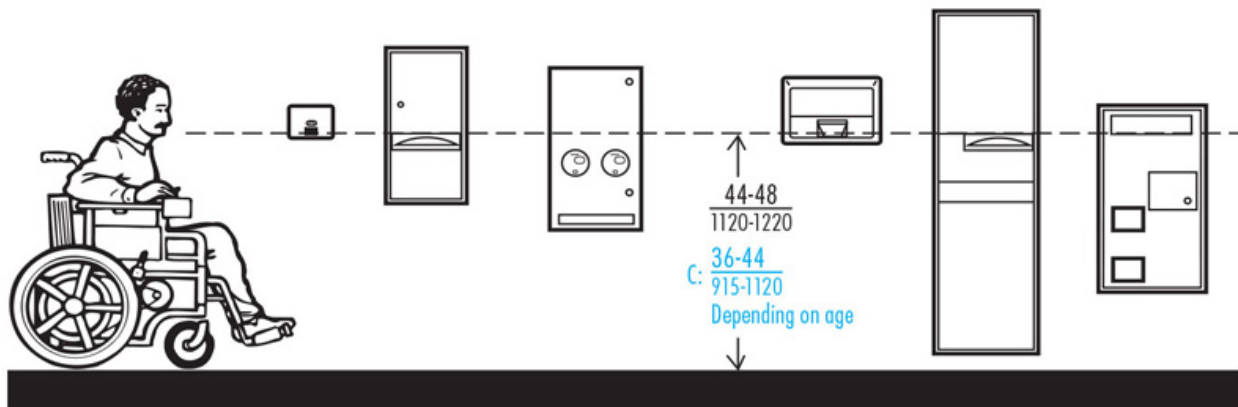


Fig. 1a Upper Range of Mounting Heights for Restroom Accessories with Operable Parts.