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Dear Sir/Madam,

CODE ON ACCESSIBILITY IN THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT 2025

Objective

This circular announces the launch of the Code on Accessibility in the Built Environment 2025.

Background

2 To ensure our built environment standards remain current and responsive to community needs, a tripartite working committee has reviewed the Code on Accessibility in the Built Environment (“the Code”). This 15-member committee brought together diverse perspectives from government agencies, industry stakeholders, academic institutions and social services agencies. The composition of the committee is detailed in **Annex A**.

Revisions to the Code

3 This sixth revision enhances the Code's clarity and streamlines design requirements whilst fostering a deeper understanding of their underlying principles and intent. The updates include enhanced provisions for persons with disabilities, the elderly and nursing mothers, alongside carefully considered relaxations that offer greater design flexibility without compromising essential accessibility standards. A list of the key changes is provided in **Annex B**.

4 The Code on Accessibility in the Built Environment 2025 is available for viewing and download from BCA's website (<https://go.gov.sg/bca-coa2025>). To support industry adoption, BCA will conduct an industry seminar to familiarise Qualified Persons with the revised standards.

Effective Date

5 The Code on Accessibility in the Built Environment 2025 will take effect from 1 November 2025. Its provisions will apply to:

- a) building works for which the first set of plans is submitted to the Commissioner of Building Control (CBC) for approval; or
- b) building works for which plans would have been required to be submitted to CBC for approval,
on or after 1 November 2025.

For Clarification

6 Please share the contents of this circular with members of your organisation. For any clarifications, please contact us at 1800-3425222 or submit your enquiry through our online feedback form at www.bca.gov.sg/feedbackform.

Yours faithfully



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MEMBERS OF THE CODE REVIEW COMMITTEE

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- 1) Building and Construction Authority (BCA) – Chair
- 2) Housing and Development Board (HDB)
- 3) Land Transport Authority (LTA)
- 4) National Parks Board (NParks)
- 5) Urban Redevelopment Authority (URA)

Industry Associations

- 6) Real Estate Developers Association of Singapore (REDAS)
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Institutions

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- 9) Singapore University of Technology and Design (SUTD)
- 10) Singapore Association for Occupational Therapists (SAOT)

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- 11) Disabled People's Association (DPA)
- 12) Handicaps Welfare Association (HWA)
- 13) Muscular Dystrophy Association (Singapore) (MDAS)
- 14) Singapore Association of the Visually Handicapped (SAVH)
- 15) SPD

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REVISIONS IN CODE ON ACCESSIBILITY IN THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

S/N	Revisions in Code 2025	Provisions in Code 2019	Remarks
1.0	General		
a	Functional Intent statements are introduced at the start of each section or chapter.	-	New addition. Functional Intent statements articulate the purpose and intended function of accessibility features and building facilities. These statements help designers understand the expected accessibility performance requirements while offering guidance on design compliance and potential alternative solutions.
b	Notes are incorporated within specific clauses.	-	New addition. Notes describe situations where requirements need not apply or may be varied.
c	Advisories are introduced in various sections.	-	New addition. Advisories outline best practices that, whilst not mandatory, are strongly recommended by the disability community.
d	Chapter 6 - Consolidation of topics: Family Car Parking; Diaper Changing Station; Child Protection Seat; Child-Sized Wash Basin and Water Closet; Child-Friendly Urinal; Individual Family Washroom; Lactation Room.	Clause 6.9; Appendix A; Appendix C	Reorganisation. Requirements for family-friendly provisions have been consolidated into a single chapter for ease of reference.
e	Chapter 7 - Consolidation of topics: Accessible Rooms, Guestrooms and Serviced Apartments; Student Hostels, Halls of Residences and Dormitories; Purpose-built Workers Dormitories.	Clauses 2.2, 2.3.3, 2.3.4 and 2.3.6; Clause 6.10	Reorganisation. Requirements for dwelling and accommodation facilities have been consolidated into a single chapter for ease of reference.
f	Chapter 9 - Consolidation of topics: Illumination; Controls and Operating Devices; Handrails; Grab bars; Seating and Eating Spaces for Wheelchair Users; Hearing Enhancement Systems; Warning Tactile Ground Surface Indicators.	Clause 4.7; Clauses 6.1, 6.2, 6.3, 6.7 and 6.8; Appendix D	Reorganisation. Requirements for various building components and devices have been consolidated into a single chapter for ease of reference.

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2.0	Accessibility in the Built Environment		
a	Clause 2.1 Definitions	Clause 2.1	
	New definitions: “commuter facilities”, “hearing enhancement system”, “place of worship”, “slip-resistant”, “warning TGSi”.	-	New addition of definitions to improve clarity.
	Updated terminology for “ person with ambulant mobility impairment ” and “ water closet cubicle ”.	“ambulant disabled”; “water closet compartment”	Revised terminology for clarity and consistency with local usage.
	“Tactile ground surface indicator” (TGSi) consists of warning TGSi and directional TGSi .	“Tactile ground surface indicator”	Revised terminology to differentiate warning and directional TGSi.
b	Clause 1.3 Anthropometrics - Enhancement of anthropometrics data .	Chapter 8 Anthropometrics and Signage Basic anthropometrics data.	Enhanced anthropometric information on reach ranges, clearances and manoeuvring spaces of different user groups, for ease of reference.
3.0	Provisions for Accessibility		
a	Table 1 - Provision of Key Facilities and Accessible Features	Table 1	Expanded Table 1 to include more detailed building types and additional information.
b	Clause 2.1.1 - Accessibility required for all areas/levels, with specific requirements for purpose-built workers' dormitories and vehicle parks .	Clause 2.1.1	Improved clarity on accessibility requirements to provide better guidance on their application.
c	Clause 2.3 Temporary Obstructions During Pandemic or Crisis - Provision of alternatives when existing accessible approach, entrance, route or feature is temporarily closed, obstructed or altered during a pandemic/crisis.	-	New addition. New requirement to ensure persons with disabilities have continued access and use of a building and its facilities.

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4.0	Arriving at the Building		
a	Clause 3.1.2 - Mandatory accessibility for key entrances connecting to adjacent buildings , commuter facilities, park connectors and covered linkways.	Note to Clause 3.1.2	Enhanced requirement to ensure that commonly used entrances in buildings are accessible to persons with disabilities.
b	Clause 3.2.1 (c) - Passenger alighting and boarding points must be connected to accessible routes and have seats .	Clause 3.3.1	Enhanced requirement to support the elderly and persons with ambulant mobility impairment.
c	Clause 3.2.3 - TGSI requirements at alighting and boarding points.	Clause 3.3.3	Improved clarity by providing specific requirements for TGSI, ensuring consistent implementation across buildings.
d	Clause 3.2.4(b) & (c) - Requirements for passenger alighting and boarding point with level difference including permanent contrasting kerb colour band, one kerb ramp for general use, two kerb ramps specifically for taxi shelters .	Clause 3.3.2(b)	Improved clarity by specifying visual safety features and requirements for kerb ramps.
e	Table 3 Accessible Route Widths.	Table 3 Accessible Route Widths.	Improved clarity on the required accessible route widths - 1500 mm for selected buildings, 1800 mm for all others.
5.0	Accessibility Around and Within the Building		
5.1	Horizontal Circulation		
a	Clause 4.1.4 - Cross-fall gradient must not exceed 1:40 for surface water drainage.	Clause 4.6.2.2 - Recommended gradient.	Enhanced requirement to ensure floor surfaces are safe for wheelchair users.
b	Clause 4.2.1.1 - Width of accessible routes , corridors and paths.	Clause 4.2.1.1	Enhanced and standardised requirements. Improved clarity for Table 3 and removed “secondary access routes” to prevent misinterpretation of required widths.

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c	Clause 4.2.2.1 - Expanded scope to include gantries and checkout lanes and increased minimum width of 900 mm for accessible gates.	Clause 4.2.2.1 - Only covers turnstiles with minimum gate width of 850 mm.	Improved clarity and enhanced requirements by including gantries and checkout lanes, and increasing accessible gate width.								
d	Clause 4.2.4.2 & 4.2.4.3 - 50 m maximum intervals for resting areas with seats along accessible routes.	Clause 4.2.5.1	Improved clarity by removing non-mandatory guidelines and standardising requirements for resting area.								
e	Clause 4.2.5.1 - Provision of shelter over accessible routes where sheltered exterior walkways are provided.	Clause 4.2.6.1 - Recommended provision.	New requirement to ensure equitable provision for persons with disabilities.								
f	Clause 4.4.1.1 - Doorways and the required manoeuvring spaces must be level.	Clause 4.4.1.1	Improved clarity by including manoeuvring spaces in the requirement.								
g	Clause 4.4.1.2 - Power-operated doors.	Clause 4.4.1.5; Clause 4.4.4.3	Improved clarity and enhanced requirements by specifying minimum door delay closing period.								
h	Clause 4.4.1.3 - Provision of adjacent door to revolving doors.	Clause 4.4.1.6	Improved clarity on the requirement for revolving doors.								
i	Clause 4.4.5.1 - Provision of motifs on unframed glass doors and adjacent glass walls/screens.	Clause 4.4.5.1 - Motif requirements for unframed full-height glass doors only.	Enhanced requirements to include motifs on adjacent glass walls/screens for safety.								
j	Clause 4.4.6.2 - Door leaf leading edge: 250 mm max on push side , 150 mm max on pull side, from surface of any obstruction.	Clause 4.4.6.3	Relaxation. Distance at leading edge of the door leaf on the push side is increased to 250 mm max to provide design flexibility.								
k	Clause 4.4.9.1 - Mandatory requirements for door handles.	Clause 4.4.9.1 - Recommended features for door handles.	Enhanced requirements to meet the needs of persons with disabilities. Requirements are simplified to improve clarity.								
l	Table 4 Changes in Levels <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Changes in vertical rise (mm)</td> <td>Gradient not steeper than</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Exceeding 175</td> <td>1:12</td> </tr> </table>	Changes in vertical rise (mm)	Gradient not steeper than	Exceeding 175	1:12	Table 4 Changes in Levels <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Changes in vertical rise (mm)</td> <td>Gradient not steeper than</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Exceeding 200</td> <td>1:12</td> </tr> </table>	Changes in vertical rise (mm)	Gradient not steeper than	Exceeding 200	1:12	Improved clarity on allowable gradient in conjunction with requirements under clause 4.5 for ramps.
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5.2	Vertical Circulation																		
a	Ramp																		
i	Clause 4.5.2 - Permanent contrasting colour bands for ramps with vertical rise ≥ 15 mm.	Clause 4.5.2 - Application of colour bands or detectable warning surfaces.	Standardised the use of colour bands at accessible ramps.																
ii	Clause 4.5.3.3 - Specific TGSi requirements for kerb ramps at pedestrian crossings.	Clause 3.6.1.5; Clauses 3.7.1.1 and 3.7.1.2	Improved clarity to ensure application of warning TGSi for kerb ramps along pedestrian crossings to alert the users.																
iii	Clause 4.6.3.1 - Width of ramps; added a note to permit the use of reduced ramp width when an alternative stepped approach is provided.	Clause 4.6.1.2; Clause 4.6.3.1	Improved clarity on the required width of accessible ramp.																
iv	<p>Table 5 Gradient and Length of Ramps.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Gradient of ramp</th> <th>Maximum run of ramp (mm)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1:16</td> <td>12000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1:24</td> <td>18000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1:25 or gentler</td> <td>Non-mandatory</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Gradient of ramp	Maximum run of ramp (mm)	1:16	12000	1:24	18000	1:25 or gentler	Non-mandatory	<p>Table 5 Gradient and Length of Ramps</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Gradient of ramp</th> <th>Intervals (metres)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1:14</td> <td>9</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1:15</td> <td>11</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Not gentler than 1:25</td> <td>18</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Gradient of ramp	Intervals (metres)	1:14	9	1:15	11	Not gentler than 1:25	18	Improved clarity. Adjusted reference points for clarity.
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v	Clause 4.6.8.1 - Requirements for curved ramps.	Clause 4.6.2.3 - Recommends avoiding curved ramps, with suggested 1:16 gradient.	New requirements to address design trends and define accessibility standards for curved ramps.																
b	Stairs																		
i	Clause 4.7.1.1 - Consolidated stairs requirements including step profile, handrails, warning TGSi, and tactile and Braille signs. Standardised the application of warning TGSi for all stairs.	Clauses 4.11.1.1 and 4.11.2; Clause 8.5.5.3 - Application of detectable warning surfaces.	Improved clarity. Consolidated requirements for stairs into a single section, standardised the application of TGSi for safety, and improved clarity of requirements through a more structured format.																

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ii	Clause 4.7.2.2 - Slip-resistant nosing strips 50 - 75 mm width.	Clause 4.11.2.2	Consistent with Approved Document's nosing requirements.
iii	Clause 4.7.4.1 - Standardised warning TGSi requirements.	Clause 4.11.3 - Application of detectable warning surfaces.	Enhanced requirements by standardising warning TGSi use in place of detectable warning surfaces for safety and consistency.
c	Passenger Lifts		
i	Clause 4.8.1.2 - At least one lift designated for wheelchair users.	-	Improved clarity on the provision of wheelchair-accessible lift.
ii	Clauses 4.8.1.4 and 4.8.1.5 - Audio and visual feedback requirements for lift lobby and lift car.	Clauses 4.8.2.6 and 4.8.2.7	Improved clarity by detailing audio and visual feedback requirements at lift lobby and lift car.
iii	Clause 4.8.2.2 - Lift landing and call buttons.	Clause 4.8.2.5	Editorial edits and improved clarity on requirements for audible signals, contrasting colours, and tactile/Braille markings.
iv	Clause 4.8.2.3 - Differentiated requirements for force/pressure activated lift buttons and non-force activated lift buttons (touch/touchless).	Clauses 4.8.2.1 and 4.8.2.2 - Specified 3.5 N force requirement for pressure activation buttons.	Relaxation and improved clarity. Provided a range of acceptable button activation force (2.5 N - 5.0 N); Differentiation between force/pressure and non-force/pressure lift buttons; and Placement of tactile and Braille on the left side of buttons is acceptable.
v	Clause 4.8.2.4 - Tactile markings height range 15 - 40 mm.	Clause 4.8.2.3 - Tactile markings height range 15 - 20 mm.	Relaxation by increasing maximum height from 20 mm to 40 mm to align with international standards.
vi	Clause 4.8.2.6 and Figure 38 - Standardised arrangement for lift buttons.	-	New addition to ensure consistency in lift button design to facilitate access and use by persons with visual impairments.

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vii	Clause 4.8.2.7 - New requirements for destination control systems (DCS) .	-	New addition to ensure lift accessibility when using destination control systems.
viii	Clause 4.8.2.8 - Keypad requirements for DCS .	Clause 4.9.5.2.1 - General keypad requirements.	
d	Lifts Designated for Wheelchair Users		
i	Clause 4.9.1.3 - Clear floor space requirements in accordance with Table 3 (1500 x 1500 mm or 1800 x 1800 mm based on building type) with Note stating that lift door and call button spaces may overlap .	Clause 4.9.1.3 - Clear floor space requirement of 1200 x 1500 mm.	Revised and simplified the lift lobby clear floor space requirements to provide greater design flexibility. Relaxation by allowing clear floor spaces for lift door and lift landing call button to overlap.
ii	Clause 4.9.2.1 - Minimum internal lift car size: 1200 mm wide by 1500 mm deep .	Clause 4.9.2.1 - Minimum internal lift car size: 1200 mm wide by 1400 mm deep .	Enhanced requirement by increasing lift car depth to accommodate larger personal mobility aids.
iii	Clause 4.9.2.2 - Revised requirements for mirror surfaces in lift with exemption for through-car lift serving two landings .	Clause 4.9.2.2 - Mirror requirements of 1000 mm max height from floor.	Enhanced requirement by lowering mirror height and specifying minimum top height to facilitate safer wheelchair access, and new clarification for through-car lifts.
iv	Clause 4.9.5.1 - Lift control buttons must be located ≥ 350 mm from corners and complied with Clause 9.2 for other control devices.	Clause 4.9.5.1	Improved clarity by referencing requirements under Clause 9.2 Controls and Operating Devices.
v	Clause 4.9.5.2 - When two control panels are provided: one must serve wheelchair user and the other must serve person with visual impairment .	Clause 4.9.5.2.1 - Allows keypad option for wheelchair users in high-rise buildings when two panels are difficult to provide.	Improved clarity by clarifying the usage of the control panels.
e	Platform Lifts and Wheelchair Stairlifts		
i	Clause 4.10.1.1 - Passenger lifts, platform lifts and wheelchair stairlifts .	Clauses 4.10.1.1 and 4.10.1.2	Improved clarity on the use of platform lift and wheelchair stairlift in exceptional circumstances.

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ii	Clause 4.10.2.2 - Platform lift size and access.	Clause 4.10.2.3	Enhanced requirements now specify straight wheelchair entry and exit paths to ensure easier access for wheelchair users.
iii	Clause 4.10.2.3 - Platform lift enclosure must comply with EN81-41 safety standards.	Clauses 4.10.2.4 and 4.10.2.5 - Basic requirements for partition height (1000 mm) and barrier/flip-up ramp.	Improved clarity by referencing international safety standards.
iv	Clauses 4.10.2.4 and 4.10.2.5 - Door handle and landing call and lift control buttons of platform lift.	Clause 4.10.2.6 - Platform lift control button requirements.	New addition. New requirements for door handle specifications and landing call and lift control buttons.
v	Clause 4.10.3.1 - Wheelchair stairlift is permitted in existing buildings only when other vertical access options are impractical, and its use is limited to a single storey.	Clause 4.10.3.1 - Wheelchair stairlift is allowed in existing buildings when other options are impractical, no height limit specified.	Enhanced requirements to limit the vertical travel distance for wheelchair stairlifts.
vi	Clauses 4.10.3.2 to 4.10.3.4 - Requirements for wheelchair stairlifts.	Clause 4.10.3.2	New addition. Introduced requirements for wheelchair stairlift platform size (800 x 1250 mm), landing space (1200 x 1200 mm), signage, and other considerations to ensure safe use.
6.0	Sanitary Provisions		
a	Clause 5.1.5 - One ambulant water closet cubicle required for every four cubicles or part thereof.	Clause 5.1.5 (a) - One ambulant water closet required for first five cubicles and each subsequent five cubicles.	Enhanced requirements for ambulant accessible toilet cubicles to support ageing population.
b	Clauses 5.1.8 and 5.1.9 - Requirements for accessible showers.	-	New addition to ensure that persons with disabilities have access to shower facilities in various building types.
c	Clause 5.1.11 - Requirements for tactile and Braille signs at male/female toilet entrances.	Clause 5.1.7 and 5.1.8	Improved clarity by clarifying the requirements for tactile and Braille signs at toilet entrances.

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d	Note to Clause 5.1.7 - An accessible changing room may be provided in-lieu of an accessible individual washroom.	Clause 5.8.1.2	Relaxation of requirement to provide design flexibility.
e	Clause 5.3.2 - Load capacity for height-adjustable bench/bed in accessible changing room.	Clause 5.8.1.3	Improved clarity by specifying 200 kg safe working load specification for height-adjustable bench/bed.
f	Clause 5.4.1 - Requirements for grab bars in WC cubicles for persons with ambulant mobility impairment.	Clause 5.4.1 - Basic requirement for grab bars on both sides.	Improved clarity by providing detailed requirements for grab bar and flip-up grab bar.
g	Clause 5.4.3 - Requirements for doors for WC cubicles for persons with ambulant mobility impairment.	Clause 5.4.3	Improved clarity by indicating the minimum clear space requirement between water closet and door.
h	Clause 5.5.3 - Height range of flush controls.	Clause 5.5.4 - Flush controls located at max height of 1200 mm from the floor.	Improved clarity by specifying the acceptable height range (900-1200 mm from floor).
i	Clause 5.7.2.4 - Requirement for bathtub grab bars.	-	Improved clarity by referencing the relevant requirements for grab bars.
j	Clause 5.7.2.5 - Emergency system must be reachable from bathtub.	Clause 5.7.2.6	Improved clarity to ensure the emergency assistance alarm system provided is within reach.
k	Clause 5.8.4 - "Emergency Assistance Alarm System".	Clause 5.6.4 - "Emergency Call Bells"	Revised terminology to encompass the range of assistance alarm systems.
l	Clauses 5.8.6.2 and 5.8.6.3 - Requirements for built-up wall for WC and emergency push-button/pull-cord.	-	Improved clarity by specifying the extent of built-up wall for WC and the positioning of emergency push-button/pull-cord.

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m	Clauses 5.8.11.1 to 5.8.11.3 - Consolidated requirements for sanitary facility signs .	Clause 8.4.1; Clauses 8.5.4.2 and 8.5.4.3; Clause 8.5.5.3	Improved clarity by consolidating requirements and clarifying the signage requirements for various sanitary facilities such as mounting height and tactile/Braille provisions.
7.0	Chapter 6 Family-friendly Provisions		
a	Clause 6.1.3 - Lactation room required in more building types with revised GFA thresholds in accordance with Table 6.	Clause 6.9.1.3	Enhanced requirements to better support nursing mothers.
b	Clause 6.1.4 - Requirements for directional and service identification signs for family-friendly and lactation facilities , with recommended symbols.	-	New addition to enhance wayfinding to family-friendly facilities and lactation rooms.
c	Clause 6.2.1 - Requirement for minimum one family car parking lot near accessible entrance/lift lobby.	Note (2) to Clause 6.9.5 - recommended location for family parking lot.	Enhanced requirements to ensure safe and convenient access.
d	Clause 6.3.2 - Requirements for diaper changing stations .	-	New addition. Requirements for safety features and weight capacity for diaper changing stations.
e	Clause 6.4.2 - Requirements for child protection seats .	-	New addition. Requirements for safety features and weight capacity for child protection seats.
f	Clause 6.5.2 - Requirements for child-sized wash basins with revised tap reach (≤ 350 mm).	Appendix C.6.6.2 - Recommended guidelines for ambulant wash basin height.	New addition. Child-sized wash basin requirements taken from Appendix C of Code 2019.
g	Clause 6.5.3 - Requirements for child-sized water closets .	Appendix C.6.2.1 - Recommended guidelines referencing Table C3.	New addition and relaxation. Child-sized water closet requirements taken from Appendix C of Code 2019, with added Note to permit the use of child-adaptor seat in existing buildings with space constraints.

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h	Clause 6.6.1 - Requirements for child-friendly urinal location .	Clause 6.9.4.1(b)	Improved clarity of the child-friendly urinal provision and its location.
i	Clause 6.6.2 - Requirements for child-friendly urinal rim height (≤ 400 mm).	Appendix C.6.5.1 - Recommended guidelines for child urinal height.	New addition. Child-sized urinal requirements taken from Appendix C of Code 2019.
j	Clause 6.7.1 - Requirements for family washroom with Note discouraging its integration with wheelchair-accessible facilities.	Appendix A.3.4.1 - Advisory guidelines for family washroom equipment	New Addition. Family washroom requirements taken from Appendix A of Code 2019.
k	Clause 6.7.2 - Exception clause for existing buildings allowing combined family/accessible washroom with minimum dimensions (2500 x 2300 mm).	-	Relaxation to provide design flexibility for existing buildings.
l	Clauses 6.8.1 and 6.8.2 - Definition of lactation room and requirement for its location .	Appendix A.3.5.1 and A.3.5.3 - Recommended guidelines for lactation room definition and location.	New addition. Lactation room requirements taken from Appendix A of Code 2019.
m	Clause 6.8.3 and Table 6 - Requirements for lactation rooms based on building types .	Clauses 6.9.1.1, 6.9.1.2 and Appendix A.3.5.2 - Requirement for single lactation room in some building types.	Enhanced requirements for higher quantity and provision of lactation rooms in more building types.
n	Clause 6.8.4 - Requirements for single-user lactation room : minimum room size (1200 x 1500 mm), privacy consideration and supporting amenities.	Appendix A.3.5.3-A.3.5.5 - Recommended features for lactation room.	New Addition. Lactation room requirements taken from Appendix A of Code 2019.
8.0	Chapter 7 Residential, Serviced Apartments, Hotels, Hostels and Dormitories		
a	Clause 7.1.1 - Requirement for accessible passenger point with seating provision and direct sheltered access to every block of residential development.	Clause 7.1.1	Enhanced requirements to provide seating at accessible passenger points and improved clarity on providing sheltered access.

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b	Clause 7.1.2 - Requirement for accessible route width connecting to common facilities .	Clause 7.1.2	Improved clarity for accessible routes.
c	Clause 7.1.3 – Open scupper drain (≤150 mm width, ≤50mm depth) along accessible corridors.	-	Relaxation to permit an open scupper drain within the required clear width of accessible corridors for water drainage purposes.
d	Clauses 7.1.5, 7.1.7 and 7.1.8 - Requirements for residential units: accessible entrance, 1000 mm clear route width to bathroom, and switch/socket outlets .	-	Enhanced requirements and improved clarity to enhance accessibility.
e	Clause 7.3.3 and Table 7 - Requirements for bathroom for future retrofitting : simplified requirements for doorway and clear floor space .	Clause 7.3 and Table 6	Revised and simplified requirements . Simplified wheelchair manoeuvring space requirement to provide greater design flexibility.
f	Clause 7.3.4(d) - Requirement for 450 mm clear space beside water closet for future grab bar installation.	-	Improved clarity to facilitate future accessibility modifications, supporting ageing-in-place.
g	Clauses 7.5.1, 7.6.1 and 7.7.1 - Standardised accessible route width requirements for all facilities.	-	Enhanced requirements for Accessible Rooms, Guestrooms and Serviced Apartments; Student Hostels, Halls of Residence and Dormitories; Purpose-built Workers' Dormitories.
h	Clause 7.7.2 - Requirements for accessible room and common facilities in purpose-built workers' dormitories .	-	
i	Clauses 7.5.7, 7.6.3 and 7.7.3 - requirements for switch/socket outlet in accessible rooms .	-	
9.0	Chapter 8 Signage and Wayfinding		

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a	Clause 8.1.2.1 - Symbol of Access must be displayed to identify accessible features and facilities designed for persons with disabilities.	Clause 8.2.2.1	Enhanced requirements for signage provision to facilitate wayfinding and easy identification of accessible facilities.
b	Clause 8.1.2.2(b) and Figure 70 - Symbol of Access requirements with specific minimum size (≥60 mm along shorter dimension).	Clause 8.2.2.2(b)	Improved clarity on the required size of accessibility symbols to ensure clear visibility.
c	Clause 8.2.1 - Locations and facilities that require the display of sign incorporating Symbol of Access.	Clause 8.2.2.4	Enhanced requirements by specifying locations where Symbol of Access must be displayed to aid wayfinding for persons with disabilities.
d	Clause 8.3.1 - Directional signs must include Symbol of Access with indication of facility .	Clause 8.3.1	Enhanced requirements for directional signs to aid wayfinding.
e	Clause 8.6.1 - Service counters must have at least one counter for wheelchair users (writing surface max 800mm with knee space, non-writing max 860 mm) and hearing enhancement system .	Clause 6.4.1 & 6.4.2 - Service counters max 800mm height. Display counters 700-800mm with 30-45° tilt.	Improved clarity on requirements for wheelchair user and provision of hearing enhancement system at service counters.
f	Clause 8.6.3 - Forward approach requires clear knee space of min 900 mm width, 480 mm depth, and 700 mm height. Allows 480 mm overlap with clear floor space.	-	Improved clarity by providing detailed dimensions for knee space clearance to ensure wheelchair access at service counters.
10.0	Chapter 9 Components of a Building		
a	Clause 9.1.2 - Requirements for lighting .	Clause 6.1.2 - Acceptable brightness without glare or shadows.	Improved clarity on the requirements for lighting to ensure safe navigation.
b	Clause 9.2.2 - Requirements for operable parts of controls : min 350 mm from corners, height 450 -	Clauses 6.2.1.1, 6.2.2.3, 6.2.2.5, 6.2.3.2	Improved clarity . Streamlined and consolidated related clauses into a single section.

Annex B

S/N	Revisions in Code 2025	Provisions in Code 2019	Remarks
	1200 mm, 900 x 1200 mm clear space, max 22N force, one-hand operation without tight grasp/pinch/twist.		
c	Clauses 9.5.1.1 to 9.5.1.3 - New requirements for wheelchair seating spaces .	-	New additions to enhance access to seating areas through dedicated wheelchair spaces, unobstructed access, and improved wayfinding.
d	Clause 9.5.3.5 - Access route in front of stalls at eating establishments .	Clause 6.7.3.1 - Circulation path minimum 1200 mm wide in front of stalls.	Enhanced requirements to align width requirement with Table 3.
e	Clause 9.6.1 - Requirements for Hearing enhancement system (HES) .	Clause 6.8.1 - HES required in halls/auditoriums and at least one counter in specified facilities. Note to Clause 6.8 - recommendations for HES types and coverage.	Enhanced requirements and improved clarity by introducing size threshold and coverage as well as clarifying the affected building types. Added exemptions for residential, educational, industrial, and F&B facilities.
f	Clause 9.6.3 and Figure 80 - Requirement for the display of International Symbol for hard-of-hearing .	Clause 6.8.2 and Figure 77 - Display of International Symbol for hearing loss	Editorial update to align terminology with international standards. Enhanced requirements to display signage for HES that operates with telecoil to inform persons who are hard-of-hearing.
g	Clause 9.7.1 - Requirements for warning TGSI : dimensions for truncated domes (35 mm base, 25 mm top, 5 mm height, 50 mm spacing) with slip-resistance requirement.	Clause D.3.8.2 - Basic reference to warning indicator dimensions in Figure D5.	New additions of the specifications on TGSI.
11.0	Others		
a	Non-mandatory guidelines are removed.	Appendix A to Appendix G	

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