

Designing Spaces for Independet Living

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1. What is the recommended maximum distance from the front edge of a basin to the tapware controls to ensure accessibility for all users?
2. What type of tap handle is recommended for users with limited grip strength or dexterity?
3. In accessible bathroom design, where should the hot tap be positioned in a horizontal configuration with separate hot and cold taps?
4. What diameter range is required for compliant grabrails under AS 1428.1?
5. What is the minimum required clearance between a grabrail and any adjacent surface to allow for proper hand grip?
6. How does colour contrast improve grabrail usability for people with vision impairment?

By the end of this session you should understand:

- Translate universal design principles into functional outcomes for occupants.
- Interpret and implement AS 1428.1 and NCC requirements in residential and community settings.
- Understand how to select and position tapware and grabrails to support user safety and independence.
- Understand how to future-proof designs by incorporating subtle, adaptable features that accommodate ageing in place and changing mobility needs.



1 Formal CPD point

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