## 1994 Texas Accessibility Standards Technical Memorandum

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## **Toilet Rooms and Bathrooms**

Both TAS 4.22.2 and TAS 4.23.2 state that "doors shall not swing into the clear floor space required for any fixture". This provision is intended to apply to all doors in a toilet room or bathroom including toilet stall doors; however, the reference to clear floor space only applies to the accessible fixtures. Doors are not prohibited from swinging into the floor area at inaccessible fixtures in a toilet room or bathroom.

The above referenced TAS requirements also apply to single user toilet rooms and bathrooms. However, as allowed by TAS 2.2 Equivalent Facilitation, TDLR will permit doors to encroach into the clear floor space at accessible fixtures in single user toilet rooms and bathrooms provided there is 30" x 48" of clear floor space beyond the arc of the door swing that allows someone in a wheelchair to travel clear of the entry door. This alternative design provides substantially equivalent usability and is acceptable as an equivalent facilitation, but a Variance Application is no longer required.