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BUILDING REGULATIONS (PART G AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS
2008.

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The Minister for the Environment, Heritage and Local Government, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by Sections 3 and 18 of the Building Control Act 1990 (No. 3 of 1990) hereby makes the following Regulations—

Citation

1. (1) These Regulations may be cited as the Building Regulations (Part G Amendment) Regulations 2008.

(2) These Regulations and the Building Regulations 1997 (S.I. No. 497 of 1997) shall be construed as one and cited together as the Building Regulations 1997 to 2008.

Commencement

2. These Regulations shall come into operation on 1 November 2008.

Application

3. These Regulations shall apply to works, or buildings in which a material alteration or change of use takes place, where the works, material alteration or change of use commence or take place, as the case may be, on or after 1 November 2008.

Definition

5. In these Regulations “the Principal Regulations” means the Building Regulations, 1997 (S.I. No. 497 of 1997)

Amendment of Regulations

6. The Second Schedule to the Principal Regulations is hereby amended by the insertion of the following for Part G

*Notice of the making of this Statutory Instrument was published in
“Iris Oifigiúil” of 22nd August, 2008.*

“Part G

HYGIENE

Bathrooms and kitchens.	G1	<p>A dwelling shall be provided with—</p> <p>(a) a bathroom containing either a fixed bath or a shower bath, and a washbasin, and</p> <p>(b) a kitchen containing a sink of adequate size and a draining board, and</p> <p>(c) a suitable installation for the provision of hot and cold water to the bath or shower bath, washbasin and sink.</p>
Sanitary conveniences and washing facilities.	G2	<p>(1) Adequate sanitary conveniences shall be provided in a building in rooms provided for that purpose, or in bathrooms, and every room or bathroom which contains a sanitary convenience shall be adequately separated from any place where food is prepared or cooked.</p> <p>(2) Adequate washbasins shall be provided in—</p> <p>(a) rooms containing sanitary conveniences; or</p> <p>(b) rooms or spaces adjacent to rooms containing sanitary conveniences.</p> <p>(3) There shall be a suitable installation for the provision of hot and cold water to washbasins provided in accordance with subparagraph (2).</p> <p>(4) Sanitary conveniences shall be of such design as to facilitate efficient use of water for flushing.</p> <p>(5) Sanitary conveniences and washbasins shall be of such design and be so installed as to allow for effective cleaning.</p>
Definition for this Part.	G3	In this Part, “sanitary convenience” means a water closet or a urinal.

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Given under the Official Seal of the Minister for the Environment,
Heritage and Local Government,
19 August 2008

JOHN GORMLEY
Minister for the Environment, Heritage and Local Government.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Instrument and does not purport to be a legal interpretation).

These Regulations amend Part G (Hygiene) of the Second Schedule to the Building Regulations 1997, to make dual flush toilets mandatory in new buildings and in existing buildings where sanitary conveniences (WCs) are being replaced.

The operative date of the amending regulations is 1 November 2008.

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