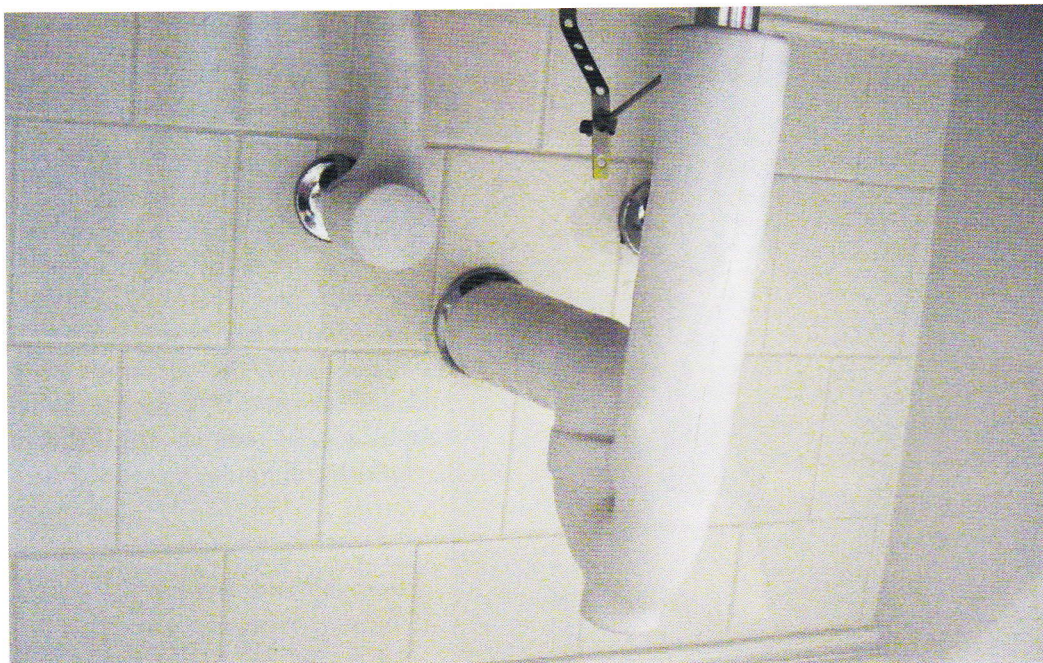


ADA ACCESSIBILITY

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Picture one shows an ADA style of cabinet. Notice how easily accessible is it to roll a wheel chair underneath these. Also if you will play close attention to the corner of the edge, you will notice it is rounded in case of falls or slips. In this picture you can also see a mirror in the background. Mirrors need to be at approximately 38–40" elevation so a person in a wheel chair can view themselves. Faucets need to have individual handles to be easily turned.



Picture two shows the pipes. Notice the drain pipe is running straight out. Also the pipe and supply lines are wrapped with a soft full surround cushion in case of leg or knee bump against it. This is an ADA standard installation.

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Picture three shows a place where a bathtub used to be. The bathtub was taken out and replaced with a shower. The drain was moved to the center and the floor slopes directly to the drain with a 1x1 sheet tile. Also there is a solid mortar bench seat with a rounded bullnose edge. Notice too the placement of the grab bars. ADA mandates 34 – 36" elevation for these. After a tub is taken out during demolition the contractor should put 2x8 or 2x10 blocking running horizontal at 36" center for support of the grab bars. This picture also shows a toilet being 17 inches tall, the standard height for ADA. Even if you don't need an ADA toilet, they are more comfortable for an adult to get up and down off of. Also you will see a grab bar against the cabinet for support. Notice too that on the toilet everything is rounded. There are no sharp corners.



Above also shows the bench seat with two grab bars. This is so that you will have two ways to lift yourself back off of it and easier to support and lift your body weight. Handle of fixture should always be the handle style as shown – also to meet true ADA compliance you'll need a 5 foot turning radius for a wheelchair – all doors need to be 3 feet wide – most homes will not allow a true ADA compliance but we set up this layout for the individual homeowners' needs.