

COMPARISON OF PLUMBING FIXTURE FLOW RATES

Plumbing Fixture	Before 1992	Energy Policy Act of 1992	UPC & IPC*** Current Standards
Water Closets	4 to 7 gpf*	1.6 gpf	1.6 gpf
Urinal	3.5 to 5 gpf	1.0 gpf	1.0 gpf
Faucet (aerator)	5 to 7 gpm**	2.2 gpm	0.5 gpm
Shower head	4.5 to 8 gpm	2.5 gpm	2.5 gpm

***gallons per flush; **gallons per minute; ***Uniform Plumbing Code, International Plumbing Code**

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