UNHCR WASH SaTo Pan Pour Flush Toilet

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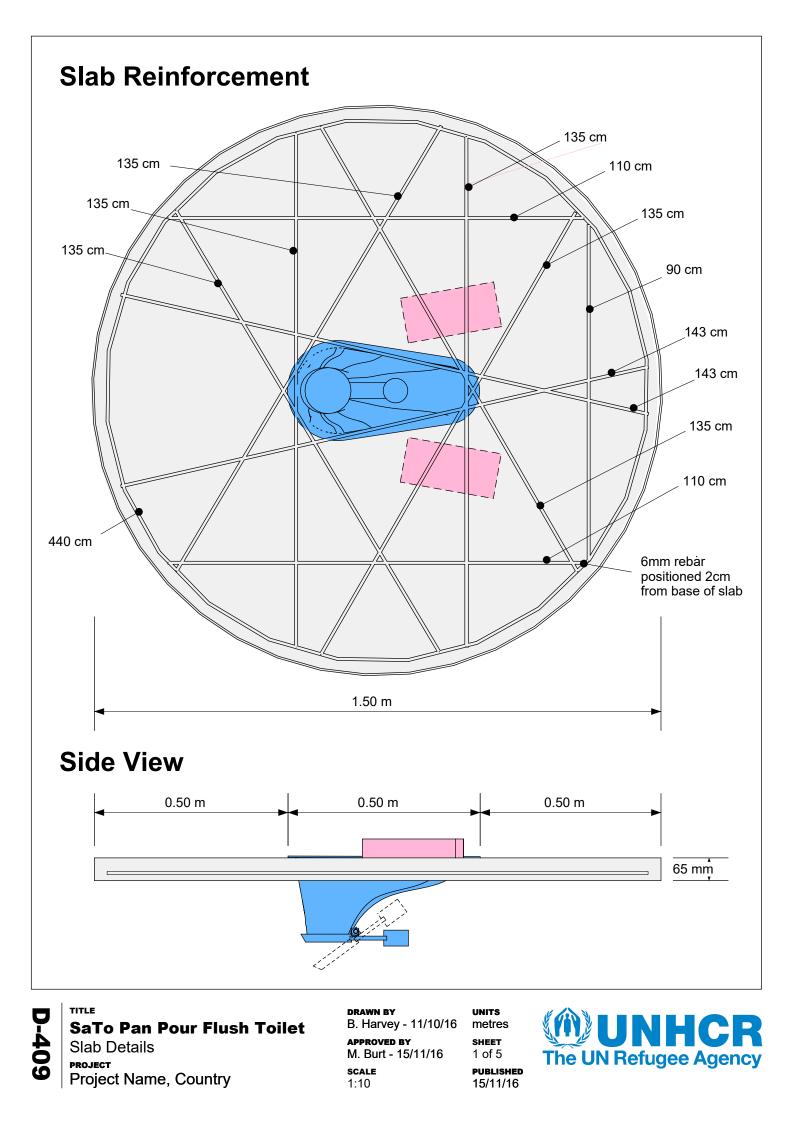


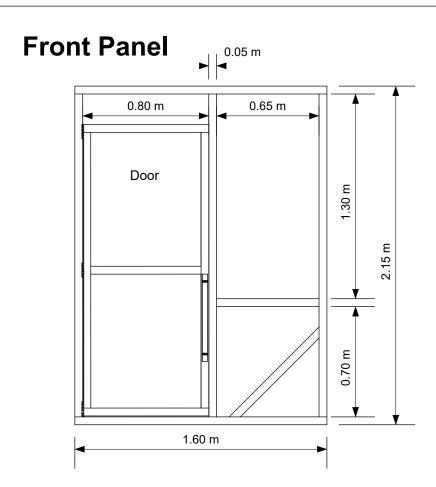
UNHCR Standardized WASH Designs SaTo Pan Household Pour Flush Toilet

FOREWORD

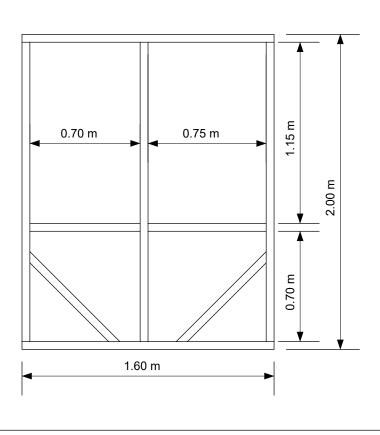
These household toilet designs form part of UNHCR's series of Standardized WASH Design Guidelines for Refugee Settings which are the result of an extensive review process with WASH actors active in refugee settings. It is recognized that the Standardized WASH Designs will require continuous review and amendment in response to changes in engineering best-practice and feedback from the field. Therefore further review will be managed by a Technical Review Committee which will meet regularly to discuss issues related to the use of the design and an annual review will be reported back to the WASH community. More urgent amendments will be reported as, and when, required. Note that the SaTo Pan slab is based on a design used by WaterAid Nepal.

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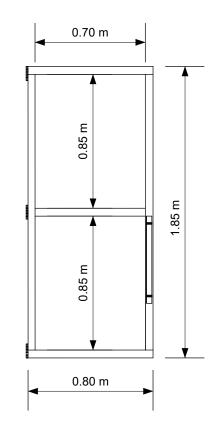




Rear Panel



Door Detail



NOTES

1. All WASH infrastructure to be located at least 30m from water sources.

2. Distances to be increased when excavating infiltration pits in fissured rock.

3. The base of all latrine pits and infiltration pits must be at least 1.5m higher than maximum annual groundwater table.

4. Site to be adequately cleared and levelled before starting construction.

5. All doors hung straight and level.

6. All doors equipped with three (3) hinges at least 50cm long. All screw holes filled with screws. Nails not permitted.

Maximum gap between door and frame 3mm.
Maximum gap between door and floor 10mm.
All doors to be equipped with a long child friendly handle of at least 50cm length on both the inside and outside door faces.

9. All doors to be equipped with a child friendly and secure locking mechanism.

10. Superstructure construction materials to be harmonized with household shelter materials taking into account local culture and context. Options for the superstructure material include plastic sheeting, elephant grass, wood planks, wood panels, adobe, or corrugated iron sheeting.

11. In some settings the provision of materials for the superstructure may be the responsibility of the household.

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Toilet Cubicle Framing

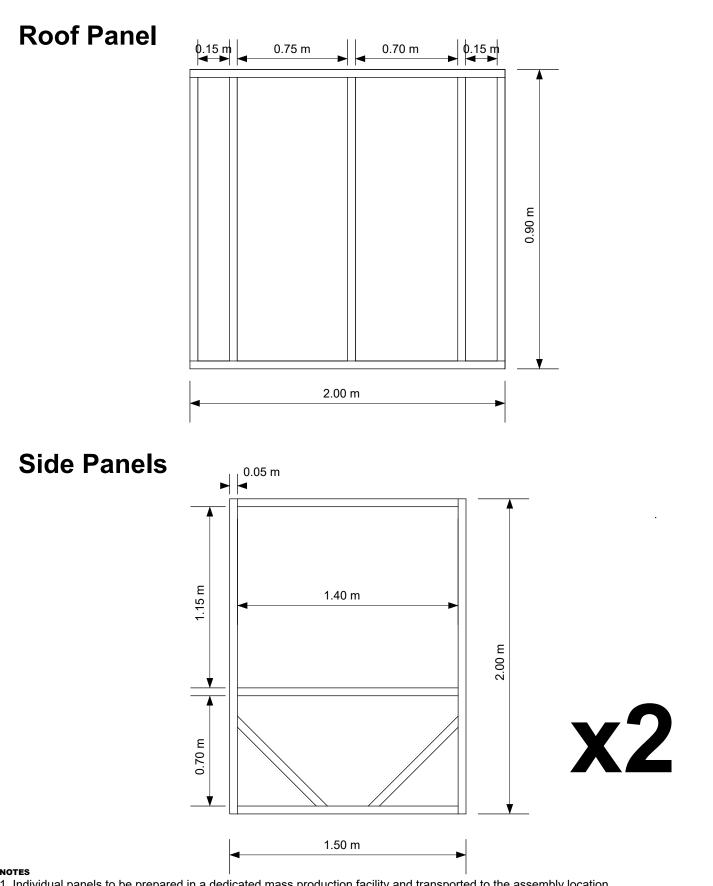
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- NOTES
- 1. Individual panels to be prepared in a dedicated mass production facility and transported to the assembly location.
- 2. Panels timbers to be joined either using galvanized screws or at least two (2) galvanized skewed nails at each connection location. 3. Panel-to-panel connections to be made using M10 bolts for ease of dissassembly or movement to new locations.
- 4. All plastic sheeting to meet UN humanitarian standards (i.e. 200g/m2 700N tensile strength, UV stabilized laminated woven or
- braided mesh of black high density polyethylene between two white layers of low density polyethylene).

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Alternating Pit Philosophy

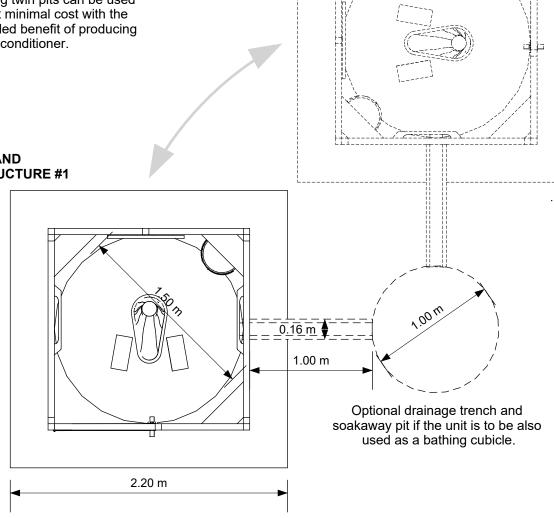
When the first pit is full (50cm from surface) a second pit may be constructed by the household close to the first pit.

The first pit should be backfilled with soil and approximately 10kg of lime added to help neutralise the pH and help with decomposition.

Every 2/3 years the superstructure can be alternated between the two pits. This period is sufficient for natural predators in the soil to neutralize any pathogens and to process the contents into nutrient rich soil.

The alternating twin pits can be used indefinately at minimal cost with the additional added benefit of producing nutritious soil conditioner.

PIT AND SUPERSTRUCTURE #1



PIT AND

SUPERSTRUCTURE #2

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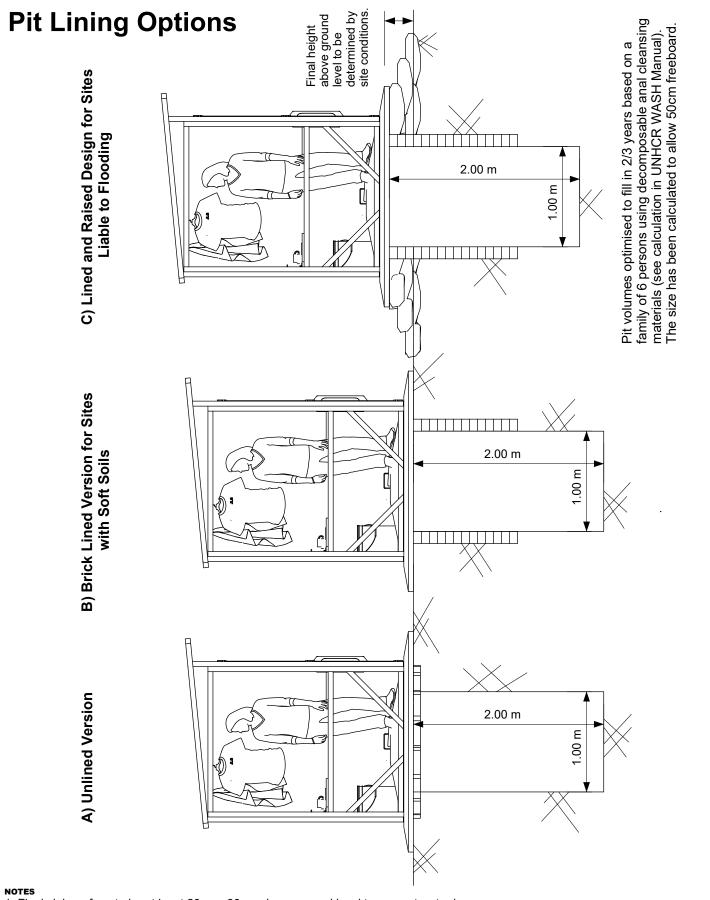
- 1. Drainage depth to be determined based on number of users and soil infiltration capacity (see Appendix 20 of Engineering in Emergencies or page 213 of UNHCR WASH Manual).
- 2. In cold climates, pit depth should be deeper than maximum permafrost level.

TITLE **SaTo Pan Pour Flush Toilet** Alternating Pit Philosophy PROJECT Project Name, Country

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1. Final slab surface to be at least 20cm - 30cm above ground level to prevent water ingress.

2. In soft soils, pits to be lined with appropriate locally available materials e.g. brick masonry, sandbags, blocks, bamboo, branches, to at least 1.0m depth or more if required.

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SaTo Pan Pour Flush Toilet Pit Lining Options - Soft Soils

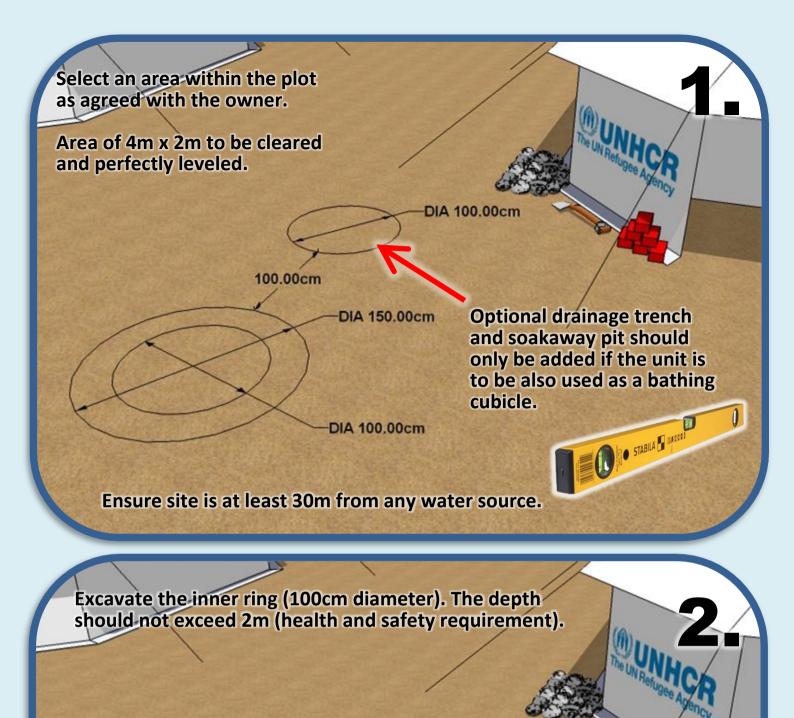
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Pit size optimised to fill in 3 years based on a family of 6 persons using decomposable anal cleansing materials and water flushing (see calculation in UNHCR WASH Manual). The size has been calculated to allow 50cm space for backfilling.

In areas of high groundwater, ensure the pit base is always at least 1.5m above the highest average annual groundwater level.

Construct the slab support ring of at least two brick courses thick (min 30cm). In soft soils this brick lining depth may need to be increased to at least 1m or more if required.

STABILA DI BETTET

30 litres of mortar (1 part cement to 3 parts coarse sand). Soak bricks in water before placement.

Alternative lining materials include sandbags, cement blocks, bamboo lattice, branches, or GI sheeting.

Ensure the top of the slab support ring is perfectly level. The brick mortar ring should finish 10cm above ground level.

Prepare the 65mm thick SatoPan concrete slab from 6mm Ø reinforcement consisting of 11 straight sections attached to a 140cm diameter ring (refer to detailed technical drawing for dimensions). The straight sections may be bound in place using 1mm Ø tying wire.

The reinforcement should be positioned so that it is 2cm from the lower face of the installed slab.

65mm thick concrete slab 1:2:4 (min cement dosage 320kg/m³) 0.12m³. Due to thinness of slab ensure correct aggregate size (12-25mm).

Fill the SatoPan counterweight up to the fill line with concrete slurry.

Keep slab covered and damp out of direct sunlight for at least 7 days before installing on top of pit.

150.00cm

200.00cm

70.00cm

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Ideally panels to be mass produced in a dedicated all weather facility and transported to target location.

160.00cm

Identical side panels used in communal toilet and shower designs D401, D403 and D700.

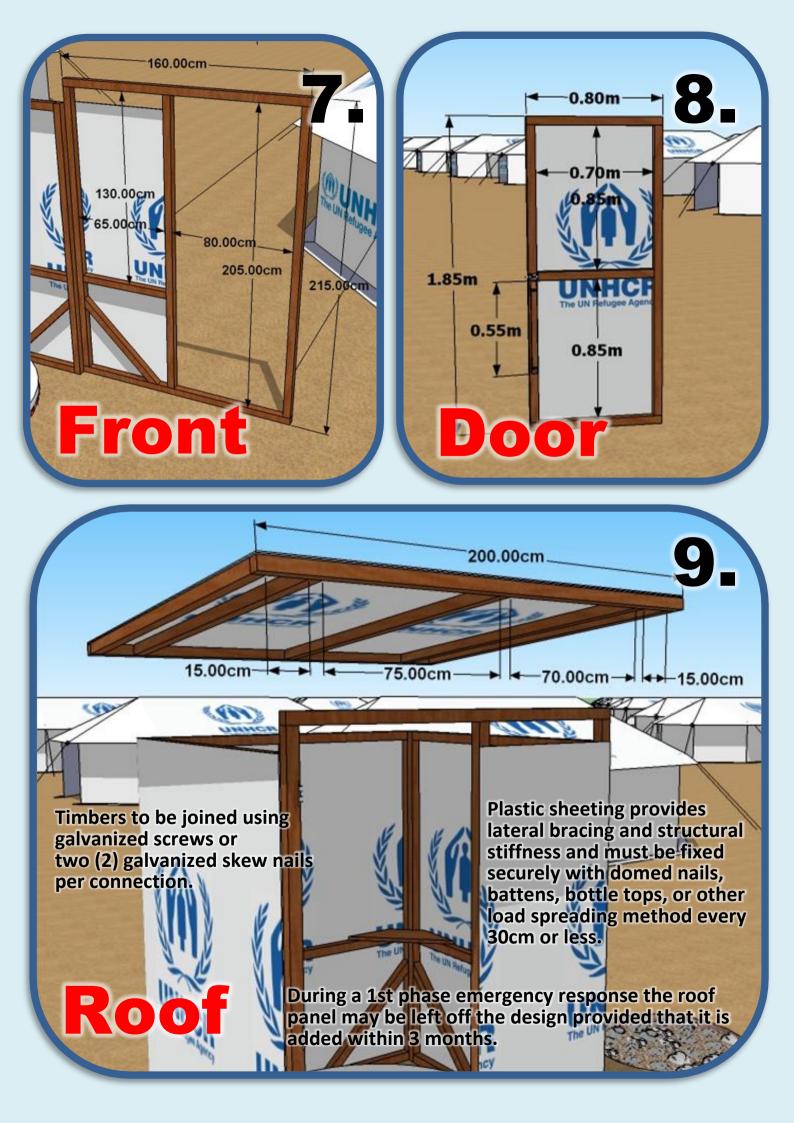
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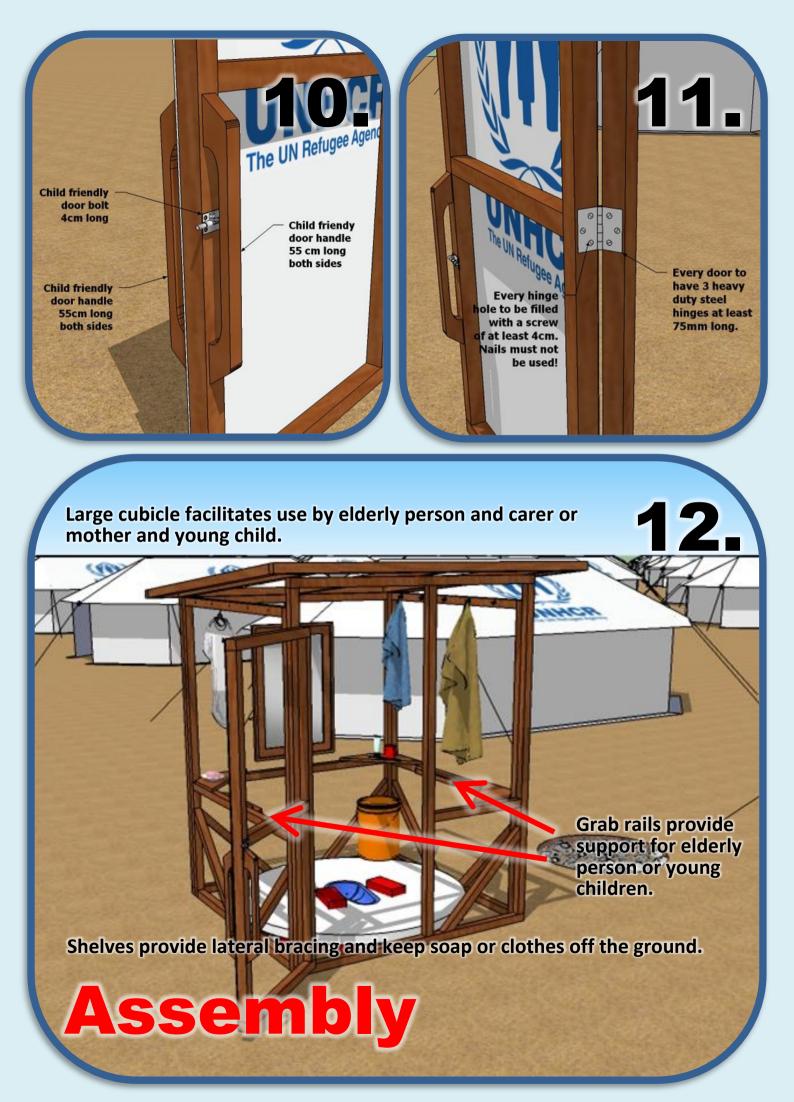
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emergency contingency supplies.

200.00cm

Panels to be **BOLTED** together for ease of storage, assembly, disassembly, moving and reuse in new locations





Concrete Mix 1 part cement: 2 parts coarse sand 4 parts coarse gravel

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220.00cm

0.43m³ of 25cm thick outward sloped concrete (dosage 320 kg/m³) or tamped clay seal to prevent water ingress.

105.00cm

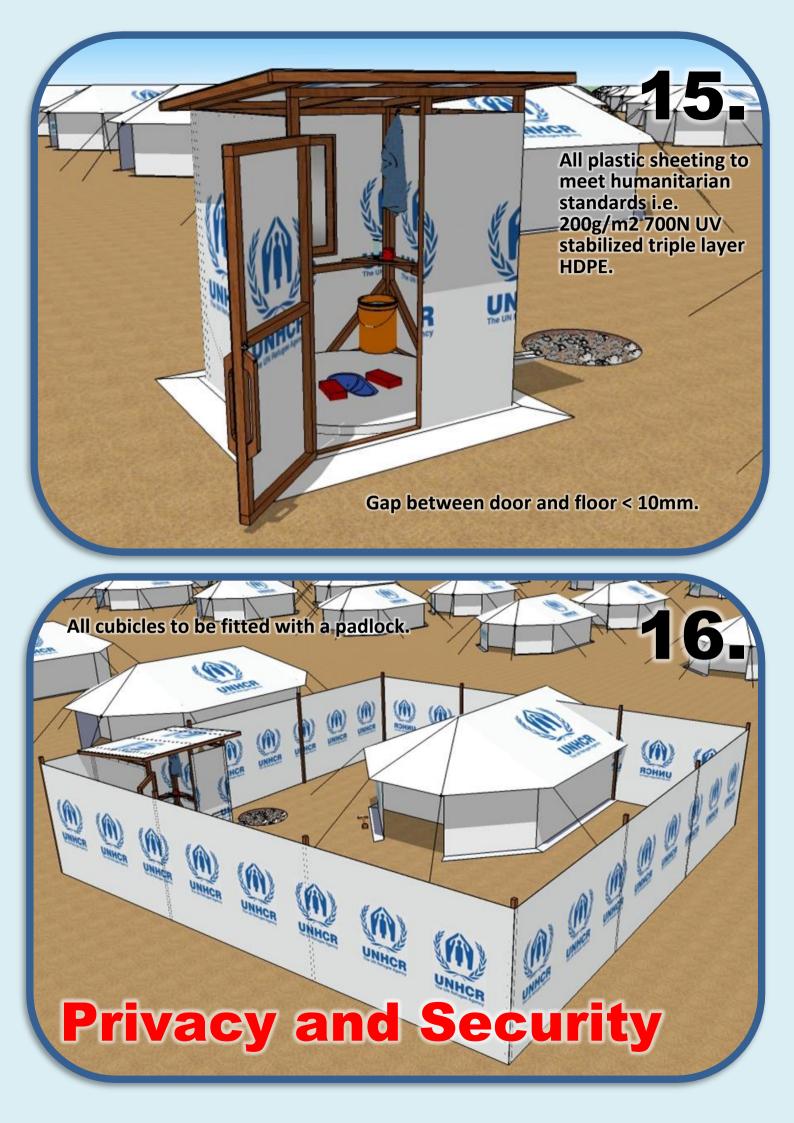
16.00cm

220.00cm

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If the structure is to be also used as a bathing unit the undertake a soil permeability test using an upright steel cylinder and following the procedure in Appendix 20 of Engineering in Emergencies . Alternatively refer to the table of typical soil infiltration rates on page 213 of the UNHCR WASH Manual.

The infiltration trench depth and size may need to be increased based on the number of users and soil infiltration capacity.



Superstructure construction materials to be harmonized with household shelter materials taking into account local culture and context. Options for the superstructure material include plastic sheeting, elephant grass, wood planks, wood panels, adobe, or corrugated iron sheeting. In some settings the provision of materials for the superstructure may be the responsibility of the household.

grades



BILL OF QUANTITIES

Description	QTY
Wooden Posts (4m x 5cm x 5cm)	16 pcs
Wooden Planks (4m x 20cm x 2.5cm)	½ pc
Nails (10cm Galvanized)	1∕₂ kg
Domed Head Nails (4cm Galvanized)	1∕₂ kg
Domed Latrine Slab (150cm dia x 5cm)	1 pc
Bricks (8cm x 12cm x 25cm)	54 pcs
Plastic Sheeting	16 m ²
Metal Bolts and Washers (M10 x 12cm)	12 pcs
Metallic Door Bolt (4cm Galvanized)	1 pc
Metallic Padlock with 4 Sets of Keys	1 pc
Metallic Door Hinge (4cm x 8cm x 2mm Galvanized)	3 pcs
Wooden Grab Rails and Door Handles (Minimum 50cm Length)	4 pcs
Mirror (80cm x 60cm)	1 pc
Coarse Sand	0.4 m ³
Coarse Gravel (6mm – 10mm)	0.8 m ³
Cement (50kg sacks)	6 sack







SPECIFICATIONS FOR WASH INFRASTRUCTURE IN REFUGEE SETTINGS

400 SCOPE

400.1 These design guidelines specifically define the quality of materials and workmanship to be used when constructing WASH infrastructure in refugee settings. A description of principles of WASH interventions in addition to technical options and their advantages and disadvantages can be found in the UNHCR WASH Manual.

401 SITE SELECTION

401.1 A basic requirement is that the site selected for the WASH facility is free from the risk of high winds, flooding, subsidence, or erosion.

402 PREVENTION OF SURFACE OR GROUND WATER CONTAMINATION

- 402.1 UNHCR and WASH actors must ensure that all WASH infrastructure including any pits, tanks, lagoons, sewerage or soakaway do not contaminate surface water or shallow groundwater sources.
- 402.2 All WASH infrastructure should be located at least 30 metres away from groundwater sources. The bottom of any pit or soak-away must be at least 1.5m above the highest average groundwater table level. These distances should be increased for fissured rocks and limestone.
- In some situations temporary groundwater contamination from on-site WASH systems may not be of immediate concern if the groundwater is non-potable. An example of this can be found in coastal areas where groundwater is heavily saline beyond drinking water health limits of 1,500µS/cm². In all cases, local legislation should be respected.

403 GUIDELINES FOR PIT REINFORCEMENT

- 403.1 All toilet pits should have an upper reinforcement ring of either: wooden beams, wooden trunks, brick masonry or concrete to evenly spread the load of the superstructure and raise it above ground level by at least 20 - 30cm to avoid water entering the pit.
- 403.2 Any toilet built on soft, sandy or collapsing soils should have a brick or concrete lined pit to at least 1m below the ground surface or greater if the soil is still unstable. Any desludgable toilet should have a fully lined pit that is able to withstand repeated evacuation. Safety should be of the utmost consideration when manually excavating pits. In soft soils, pit walls should be adequately cross-braced and excavation must never exceed 2.0m depth.





404 GUIDELINES FOR TOILET SLAB STRENGTH

- 404.1 The toilet slab and supporting beams must be sufficiently strong to support the weight of users and should not flex of give the user reason to doubt its strength. Support beams should span at least 50cm into each of the pit walls.
- 404.2 Wooden, concrete or plastic slabs should be tested with the weight of 4 persons before use. Concrete slabs should be reinforced regardless of their type. Wooden planks, trunks and beams should be free from insect attack of any kind with no other defects which would affect its strength. Wooden structures in contact with the ground should be treated with used engine oil or diesel to deter termites.

405 GUIDELINES FOR TOILET SLAB ANCHORAGE

405.1 Latrine slabs should be firmly anchored in place. If plastic latrine slabs are used they should be firmly attached to the support structure either through the use of sufficiently long nails, bolts with washers, metal stakes, or heavy gauge wire.

406 GUIDELINES FOR SANITARY SEALING

406.1 In all toilet installations there should be no visible gaps between the squat plate and the pit walls either through the use of at least 30cm of tamped clay soil or 30cm of concrete sanitary seal.

407 GUIDELINES FOR THE USE OF PLASTIC SHEETING

- 407.1 Plastic sheeting used in WASH infrastructure should meet the international minimum humanitarian standards (i.e. 200g/m² 700N tensile strength, UV stabilized laminated woven or braided mesh of black high density polyethylene between two white layers of low density polyethylene). Plastic sheeting is typically supplied as sheets 6m x 4m or in rolls 4m x 50m long. Before using plastic sheeting consider if there are more suitable durable materials available locally.
- 407.2 Plastic sheeting should be attached to wooden frames using domed head nails, or standard nails with either wooden battens or some other form of load spreading structure (e.g. bottle tops). The most effective way of attaching plastic sheeting to a wooden frame is to wrap it around a wooden batten and then nail the batten to the support structure. Nails spacing should be no more than every 30cm. Some humanitarian plastic sheeting contains reinforcing bands of grey colour and nails should pass through these bands.
- 407.3 Plastic sheeting should be securely fixed to the ground by wrapping the edge in a wooden post and burying it to at least 40cm deep. If rope is attached to plastic sheeting it should either be attached through a reinforced eyelet or it should be tightly tied around a knot in the plastic sheeting itself.





407.4 The use of plastic sheeting for WASH superstructures is an emergency solution and must be phased out after the first six months of any response. Flaps of plastic sheeting may be used in the initial first phase response provided they are adequately weighted at the bottom of the flap and they are phased out within 3 months. Female blocks with plastic flap doors should be equipped with a privacy screen.

408 GUIDELINES FOR WASH FACILITY DOORS

- 408.1 Every door should be hung straight and vertical with no more than 3mm gap between both sides of the door and the door frame and a maximum 10-20mm gap between the door and floor. All doors should open and close properly without fouling on the floor or door frame.
- 408.2 Each door should have at least three hinges of good quality heavy duty steel at least 50mm long, and every hole in the hinges should be filled with a screw of at least 4cm length.
- 408.3 All doors should be fitted with a long upright handle of at least 50cm length on the inside and the outside that allows both children from 3 years of age and adults to open and close the toilet. A simple to use yet secure internal locking device should be installed that is positioned for use by children and adults (such as a metal bolt).

409 GUIDELINES FOR COMMUNAL PRIVACY WALLS

409.1 Privacy walls should be installed completely around all female WASH facilities. Solid wooden fencing posts of at least 3m length should be installed every 4m to a depth of at least 1m. Wooden braces should be used every 5 posts and at corners. Small holes of 2 or 3cm should be cut in the plastic sheeting every 20cm to reduce wind load and deter theft. A double privacy screen with a small gap may be required in some cultures and contexts where there is a risk of people creating peep holes. Care should be taken on steep ground and a privacy roofing structure may be required to prevent onlookers.

410 GUIDELINES FOR LIGHTING

410.1 Ideally all WASH facilities should be adequately illuminated to at least 50 lumens per square metre (this can be easily verified using a smart

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phone light meter app). However, lighting should not be provided solely at WASH blocks as there is a risk that men will congregate at these locations. Lighting for WASH blocks should be planned in consultation with users in particular women and girls.

411 GUIDELINES FOR VECTOR CONTROL MEASURES

411.1 UNHCR and WASH actors should ensure that the design of toilets eliminates fly and mosquito breeding. All vent pipes should be fitted with galvanized metal fly screens. Toilet cubicles should be kept shaded with lightly sprung self-closing doors. If the toilet is not of the VIP design, tightly fitting closable lids should be used.



412 GUIDELINES FOR RAIN AND STORMWATER PROTECTION

412.1 The ground directly around the outside of the WASH facilities should be backfilled and compacted to slope outwards and prevent surface water entering or eroding the toilet facilities. A drainage ditch at least 30cm deep should be installed around the WASH services to minimize external surface water entering the block.

413 GUIDELINES FOR ADDITIONAL WASH BLOCK ACCESSORIES

413.1 Small modifications to WASH facilities can greatly increase the dignity of users. UNHCR and WASH actors should ensure that all toilet and shower cubicles are equipped with either hooks or shelves so that users are able to hang additional clothes or possessions off the floor when using the facilities. If possible, the relatively cheap addition of a mirror can greatly improve the experience of using WASH facilities.

414 COLLECTION OF ANAL CLEANSING AND SANITARY MATERIALS

414.1 UNHCR and WASH actors should ensure that provision is made for the separate collection and disposal of used anal cleaning materials or women's sanitary material if there is a risk they may block or damage the toilet infrastructure or any desludging equipment. This also has the added advantage of extending the life of the system.





415 SPECIFICATIONS OF COMMON CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS

- 415.1 <u>Gravel</u> used for constructing concrete footings and slabs must be clean and free from mud, dust and plant material. Rounded aggregates are preferred. If crushed stone aggregates are used then additional cement should be added (see table below). UNHCR and WASH actors must ensure that only aggregates between 12mm and 25mm are be used to prevent inter granular crack propagation across load bearing concrete structures (e.g. tapstand floor slabs, water reservoir roof slabs, and columns used in reinforced concrete water towers) and to ensure an adequate covering of steel reinforcement bars.
- 415.2 <u>Sand</u> used for water supply related concrete works should be coarse (no fines), clean and free from mud, dust and plant material.
- 415.3 <u>Water should be non-saline and free from organic matter.</u>
- 415.4 Cement must be fresh (manufactured in the last three months) dry, and should be stored in a safe, dry, place at least 15cm off the ground.
- 415.5 <u>Reinforcement bars</u> should be free from rust and of the correct type and size for concrete construction work (typically a characteristic yield stress of at least 210 N/mm²). Steel reinforcement should be placed as per the designs (typically 7/8 of the slab or wall thickness) to ensure the bars function correctly in tension. All bars should have at least 12mm concrete covering under every bar. All laps should be a minimum of 25cm.
- 415.6 Concrete mix strengths Mass concrete footings should be cast with a 1:3:6 concrete mixture with a minimum cement dosage of 240 kg/m3. Concrete slabs and drainage channels should be cast as single continuous structures using a 1:2:4 concrete mixture with a minimum cement dosage of 320kg/m3. Water retaining structures (reservoir walls and bases) should be cast using a waterproof 1:1.5:3 concrete mixture (note that 1:2:4 is not waterproof) with a minimum cement dosage of 380kg/m3. Additional cement should be added if hand mixing (see table below). Care should be taken to ensure that concrete mixtures are not over watered (bucket slump test should show no greater than 1/4 reduction in the slump height). Cast concrete works should be immediately covered with plastic sheeting, straw, cement bags, sacking or leaves to keep the concrete moist and cool during the full curing period. All concrete should be well rodded (ideally vibrated) to remove air voids. The concrete should be cured with frequent watering at least twice daily for at least 10 days before use. The quantities of cement, sand and aggregate for 1m3 of concrete can be found in the table below.





	Quantity of Cement in Kg					
Concrete	Machine	e Mixing	Hand	Mixing	Coarse	Aggregate
Mix	Gravel	Broken	Gravel	Broken	Dry Sand	12mm –
		Stone		Stone	(m ³)	25mm (m ³)
1:1.5:3	370	390	380	400	0.42	0.84
1:2:4	290	310	300	320	0.45	0.90
1:3:6	190	210	200	220	0.46	0.92

Source: Indian Civil Engineer's Handbook (Khanna, 2001)

415.7 <u>Cement plasters</u> Interior and exterior plasters should be applied as three layers as follows:

6mm 1:4 splatterdash 10mm 1:3 rough finish 10mm 1:2 smooth float

Each layer should preferably be applied when the previously layer is still 'green' (not fully cured). Each layer should be thoroughly wetted and the previously layer keyed (scratched) to ensure proper bonding. Interior plasters of water retaining structures should be mixed with sikalite waterproofing compound (1kg per 50kg cement). The quantities of cement and sand for a $100m^2$ of plaster can be found in the table below.

	100m ² 6m	nm thick	100m ² 12mm thick		
	Cement (kg)	Sand (m3)	Cement (kg)	Sand (m3)	
1:4 splatterdash	274	0.766			
1:3 rough finish			734	1.541	
1:2 smooth float			979	1.371	

Source: Indian Civil Engineer's Handbook (Khanna, 2001)

415.8 <u>Brick mortar strengths</u> Above ground general purpose load bearing brick walls used in normal building construction, exposed to weather and heat, should be laid with a 1:6 mortar mixture with a minimum cement dosage of 250 kg/m³. Below ground brick walls subject to soil pressure or seismic conditions should be laid with a 1:4 mortar mixture with a minimum cement dosage of 380 kg/m³. Joint thickness should be 8mm - 12mm. The quantity of mortar required can be calculated as 0.23 to 0.25 of the brick wall volume. The quantities of cement and sand for 1m³ of wet mortar can be found in the table below.

	1:4	1:5	1:6	1:7
Cement (kg)	380	312	250	220
Sand (m3)	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1

Source: Indian Civil Engineer's Handbook (Khanna, 2001)





416 SOAKAGE HANDWASHING STATIONS DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS

- 416.1 UNHCR and WASH actors must plan for at least one functional hand washing dispenser per communal or public toilet block, ensuring at least one handwashing dispenser for every five toilet cubicles. Handwashing dispensers should be conveniently located within 10m of each toilet exit and their use should be actively promoted. The water dispensing device and soap must be located within easy reach of all users, especially children. Liquid soap, or bars attached to string, may be used if there is soap theft. All handwashing units that use bars of soap should have a fixed self-draining dish where the soap can be placed between use without getting dirty or becoming mislaid.
- 416.2 Hand-washing water storage containers should be sized to hold at least half a day of hand-washing water. To conserve water and avoid wastage, the hand-washing taps may need to be restricted with orifice plates to flows of 50 cubic centimetres per second (0.05 litres per second). Calculation of the total volume of hand-washing water required should be based on 0.5 to 1.0 litre of water per person per day. Hand washing reservoirs must be covered to prevent contamination or vector breeding.

417 SOAKAGE PIT SIZING BASED ON SOIL INFILTRATION RATES

417.1 The sizing of soakage pits, trenches and drain fields is dependent upon local site soil infiltration rates, the number of users and the quantity of waste water that is expected to be generated per person. Soakage pit dimensions should be determined by on-site soil infiltration tests (see Appendix 20 of Engineering in Emergencies. Alternatively refer to the table of typical soil infiltration rates on page 213 of the UNHCR WASH Manual). Soakage pits for wastewater from showers or septic tanks are likely to be much bigger than those for wastage from tapstands (see table below). In some cases communal shower blocks and septic tank installations may require drain fields rather than soakage pits.

	Clean Water (litres/m2/day)	Wastewater (Sewage and Sullage) (litres/m2/day)
Sand	720 – 2,400	33 - 50
Sandy Loam	480 – 720	24
Silt Loam	240 - 480	18
Clay Loam	120 - 240	8
Clay	24 - 120	Unsuitable

Source: Engineering in Emergencies (RedR, 2010)





418 ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS FOR SOURCING WOOD

418.1 Ensure that all supplies of wood for household latrine slabs, latrine superstructures, privacy screens, and latrine brick production has been procured from sustainable sources outside of the refugee camp environment.

419 DECOMMISSIONING

419.1 The toilet should be decommissioned when the level of excreta is within 50cm of the surface (DO NOT WAIT FOR THE PIT TO FILL TO THE SURFACE OF THE LATRINE SLAB). The superstructure should be removed and the pit should be back-filled with earth to a height of approximately 50cm to allow for settlement. Approximately 10 kg of lime may be used per cubicle to help neutralize the pH of the pit and assist in decomposition and drying. Where possible, quick growing plants or trees should be planted on the site to assist with drying of the pit.



UNHCR STANDARD DESIGNS FOR REFUGEE SETTINGS

The following drawings should be used in conjunction with these technical design guidelines.

D-400/2015a	Communal Trench Latrine (Poles + Plastic) – EMERGENCY
D-401/2015a	Communal Trench Latrine (Wood + Plastic) – EMERGENCY
D-402/2015a	Household Domed Slab Mass Fabrication
D-403/2015a	Household Toilet / Bathing Unit (1 Family, Dome Slab, Alternating)
D-404/2015a	Household Toilet / Bathing Unit (Septic Tank and Drain Field)
D-405/2015a	Raised Storage Latrine (Holding Tanks) - EMERGENCY
D-406/2015a	Urine Diverting Dry Toilet (UDDT)
D-407/2015a	Institutional Latrine (Desludgable with Raised Option)
D-408/2015a	Institutional Latrine (Septic Tanks and Drain Field)
D-409/2015a	Household Pour Flush Toilet (SaTo Pan) and Bathing Unit
D-700/2015a	Emergency Communal Shower Block (Wood and Plastic)
D-701/2015a	Post Emergency Laundry Area (Washing Sinks and Drying Lines)
D-702/2015a	WASH Block Shipping Container (Sinks and Drain Field)
D-703/2015a	Laundry Block Shipping Container (Washing Machines, Dryers and Drain Field)



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