

Family Cubicles in Washroom Layouts

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Epcot Cubicles Report

Exploring the Inclusion of a Family Cubicle in Washroom Layouts

Introduction

As a leading provider of bespoke washroom solutions across the UK, Epcot Cubicles continues to support evolving needs in modern washroom design. One key trend gaining momentum is the integration of family cubicles — enhanced spaces that accommodate parents or guardians with young children in a private, functional environment.

This report outlines the benefits, practical design considerations, and sector-specific relevance of incorporating a family cubicle into toilet cubicle areas.

1. What is a Family Cubicle?

A family cubicle is a larger-than-standard toilet cubicle designed to allow:

- A parent or guardian to assist a child.
- Space for pushchairs or prams.
- Greater comfort and privacy for multiple users.
- Access to baby-changing facilities in a secure, enclosed space.

2. Benefits for Clients and End Users

Benefit	Description
Improved Experience	Families can use the facilities together in privacy, making public washrooms more convenient.
Accessibility & Inclusion	Supports a wide range of users, including single parents, carers, and children with additional needs.
Added Value to Facilities	A modern expectation in high-footfall venues such as shopping centres, attractions, and transport hubs.
Brand & Reputation Boost	Demonstrates a family-friendly, inclusive ethos that resonates with today’s users.

3. Epcot Design Recommendations

To ensure a functional and durable family cubicle, Epcot Cubicles recommends:

- Increased footprint: Typically 1.5 to 2 times a standard cubicle size.
- Durable finishes: Use of Compact Grade Laminate (CGL) for hygiene, longevity, and easy cleaning.

- Fixtures:
 - Wall-mounted fold-away baby changing unit
 - Child-height toilet or dual pan configuration
 - Optional integrated hand wash basin
 - Low-level hooks and shelves for family use
- Accessibility features: Wide door opening, low thresholds, and good manoeuvrability for pushchairs.

All layouts can be designed to align with Building Regulations Part M and BS8300 best practices.

4. Sector Suitability

Sector	Suitability	Comments
Retail Parks & Shopping Centres	<div> <div>✓</div> <div>✓</div> <div>✓</div> <div>✓</div> </div>	High user demand.
Leisure Centres & Attractions	<div> <div>✓</div> <div>✓</div> <div>✓</div> <div>✓</div> <div>✓</div> </div>	Strong case for multiple family-friendly options.
Healthcare & GP Practices	<div> <div>✓</div> <div>✓</div> <div>✓</div> </div>	Ideal for outpatient areas with families.
Primary Education Facilities	<div> <div>✓</div> <div>✓</div> </div>	Particularly relevant for nursery or infant school settings.
Modular Buildings	<div> <div>✓</div> <div>✓</div> </div>	Feasible in larger public-facing modules, especially in leisure or retail.

5. Epcot Implementation Advice

Epcot Cubicles can work with architects, facility managers, and contractors to create bespoke family cubicles that complement the rest of the washroom layout. Key tips include:

- Strategic placement near accessible or baby change areas.
- Inclusive signage with clear family-friendly icons.
- Robust hardware and privacy locks for security and ease of use.
- Weekly UK-wide delivery ensures timely installation even on tight project schedules.

Conclusion

The inclusion of a family cubicle demonstrates a forward-thinking, user-first approach to washroom design. As part of Epcot Cubicles’ commitment to quality, flexibility, and reliability, we are well-placed to deliver tailored solutions for clients seeking to enhance accessibility and usability in their washroom spaces.

Whether for modular builds, public facilities, or leisure sectors, a family cubicle is a smart, inclusive addition to modern toilet cubicle layouts.