

# Changing Places

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## What is Changing Places?

According to Changing Places Design Specifications Handbook 2020, "Changing Places provide suitable facilities for people who cannot use standard accessible toilets. A Changing Places facility allows people with high support needs to fully participate in the community. This may include people with an acquired brain injury, spinal cord injury, cerebral palsy, multiple sclerosis, spina bifida, and motor neurone disease, as well as many other people with a disability".



Changing Places facilities provide:

- a height-adjustable adult-sized change table
- a constant-charging ceiling track hoist system
- a centrally-located peninsula toilet
- circulation spaces as defined in the design specifications
- an automatic door with a clear opening of 950mm at a minimum (1100mm for beach and lake locations)
- a privacy screen.

In addition to satisfying the requirements of the National Construction Code, providing a Changing Places facility is a great step towards meeting the intent of the Disability Discrimination Act 1992 (Cth) by creating an inclusive built environment for all people with disability".

Metlam Australia is a passionate supporter of Changing Places and has a range of suitable products for the Design Layouts detailed within the Changing Places Specification Manual 2020.

View our Changing Places Packages:

**Changing Places Design 1 A, B & C without Shower**

**Changing Places Design 2: With shower rectangular**

Changing Places advocates are celebrating the National Construction Code (NCC) adopting a new class of public toilets. The Changing Places design is the inspiration behind this class of toilet. From May 1st, 2019, specified public buildings across Australia such as large shopping centres, sports stadiums, aquatic centres, museums, art galleries and airports must include an 'accessible adult change facility'. Toilets built to the Changing Places design specifications meet the requirements mandated by the NCC.

There are four recommended Changing Places design options. If you would like your facility to bear the Changing Places logo, you must design according to these specifications or according to a variation which has been approved by the Technical Advisory team. [\*\*Download the Changing Places Information Guide & Technical Standard\*\*](#) for detailed information on Changing Places features and design elements.

Metlam Australia is a passionate supporter of the Changing Places Initiative and has developed Standard Specifications for the four recommended Changing Place design options. See Design options [here](#).

For more information on Changing Places visit: [changingplaces.org.au](http://changingplaces.org.au)

***\*Please note that Metlam does not provide all the items listed in these 4 recommended design options, as such we have only documented the product with which we have available.***

***\*Where Metlam Australia does not have the exact product specification as recommended by the Changes Places design specifications 2020, we have proposed the closest possible equivalent.***