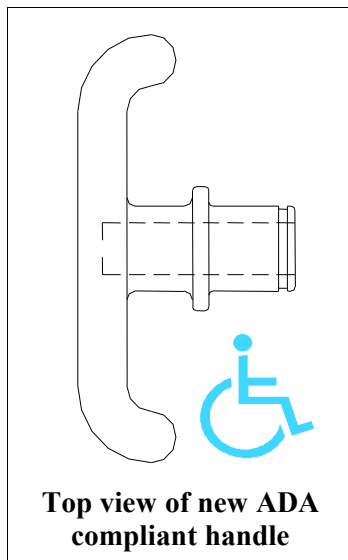




Nik-O-Lok Token/Coin Operated lock – ADA Compliance

In August of 2000 the Nik-O-Lok, Company redesigned the access handle of our token and coin operated restroom locks to comply with ADA and/or California Title 24 requirements. The new handle is U-shaped as specified in the ADA regulations as an acceptable design alternative. This new design eliminates the need to tightly grasp the handle and can be operated in a lever fashion by either pushing down or pulling up on the ends of the handle. Furthermore, our internal mechanism only requires 2.5 – 3lbf of force to operate, which is well below the ADA maximum of 5lbf.

The handle and mechanism used in our token/coin operated restroom security lock meet current ADA and/or California Title 24 requirements. These requirements are based upon the most current regulation as stated in 28CFR part 36 (revised July 1, 1994) published by the Department of Justice.



The applicable ADA regulations are quoted below:

4.13 Doors.

4.13.9* Door Hardware. Handles, pulls, latches, locks, and other operating devices on accessible doors shall have a shape that is easy to grasp with one hand and does not require tight grasping, tight pinching, or twisting of the wrist to operate. Lever-operated mechanisms, push-type mechanisms, and U-shaped handles are acceptable designs. When sliding doors are fully open, operating hardware shall be exposed and usable from both sides. Hardware required for accessible door passage shall be mounted no higher than 48 in (1220 mm) above finished floor.

4.27 Controls and Operating Mechanisms.

4.27.4 Operation. Controls and operating mechanisms shall be operable with one hand and shall not require tight grasping, pinching, or twisting of the wrist. The force required to activate controls shall be no greater than 5 lbf (22.2 N).

Nik-O-Lok is not responsible for any ADA compliance issues related to items other than the operation of our Token & Coin operated restroom locks. Please contact your local building inspector to check for compliance of all other ADA regulations.