



Why Are There Gaps Between Toilet Stalls & Doors?



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The screenshot displays the Newton Distributing Company website. At the top, the navigation bar includes the company logo, 'Our Approach', 'Architects, Electricians, & Installers', 'Hand Dryers', 'Toilet Partitions & Stalls', 'Industries', 'News', 'Contact (877) 837-7745', and a 'Shop Now' button. The main header features a large image of a modern restroom with the text 'All Styles and Materials of Toilet Partitions Available' and 'Build Your Quote NOW!'. Below this, there are two prominent buttons: 'Use the Toilet Partition Quote Builder! Get Pricing in REAL Time!' and 'Upload Drawings for a Quote'. A secondary banner reads 'Get Your Toilet Partition Quote Now | Call 877-837-7745'. The content area is divided into two columns. The left column, titled 'View Materials & Colors', describes common materials like powder coated steel, stainless steel, laminate, phenolic, and solid plastic, and offers a 'BUILD A REAL TIME QUOTE' button. The right column, titled 'Send Your Layout Here', explains the quote process and provides a video player titled 'The Newton Toilet Part...'. A footer section titled 'How Do We Serve Your State for Bathroom Stalls? Find Out Here!' is also visible. Below the main content, there is a section titled 'Common Stall Materials and Colors' which includes a list of materials and a video player showing various toilet partitions.

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View Materials & Colors

The most common material for toilet partitions is powder coated steel. However, other types like stainless steel, laminate, phenolic, and solid plastic are available. Receive a quote by selecting the toilet stall material that's best for your job. Choose your material and the bracing type. Once chosen, you provide your restroom measurements to get a fast quote!

Send Your Layout Here

Honestly, the easiest way to get a toilet partitions quote is to draw a rough layout of your restroom. Add your measurements to the drawing and send it to us! Call us at 877-837-7745 for more information. You can also fax us your drawings directly. This will save time, but ensure your contact info is accurate. After, we send your toilet partition quote ASAP.

BUILD A REAL TIME QUOTE

How Do We Serve Your State for Bathroom Stalls? Find Out Here!

Common Stall Materials and Colors

< Learn About the Variations of Toilet Partitions by Scrolling Through the Tabs to the LEFT!

\$\$\$ Stall Price Comparison

- Powder Coated Steel
- Plastic Laminate
- Solid Plastic (HDPE)
- Black-Core Phenolic
- Color-Thru Phenolic
- Stainless Steel

The video player shows a variety of toilet partitions in a modern restroom setting.

Who is Newton Distributing Company?

Newton Distributing Company is the premier supplier of Division 9 & 10 products. For over 20 years, we have been supplying everything from XLERATOR hand dryers to custom toilet partitions. Our strong team of experts continue to supply and educate the public on eco-friendly and ADA compliant products across the nation.



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Intro

Tired of making awkward eye contact with other restroom patrons from within the stall?

It happens every day; you try to sneak away to the restroom to do your business in a private atmosphere. Unfortunately, here in the U.S., our standard toilet partitions are designed with slight gaps between each panel. Are the gaps big? No, but they are big enough to catch awkward eye contact when someone tries to barge in. It's not fun to be disturbed when using a public restroom, so what can companies do to fix this?

Before we discuss that, let's discover why these gaps exist in the first place.



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Occupied?

Toilet partition manufacturers across the U.S. design their product to have a slight gap at the bottom of each stall. This large “gap” simply allows others to recognize if the stall is occupied. The concept works in theory. As we all know, work every time? Not quite.

A prime example of this concept failing are rest stops across major highways. Have you ever noticed how many feature narrow restroom designs. In a narrow restroom with multiple compartments, it is nearly impossible to see if the stall is occupied. What tends to happen is someone tries to enter the stall you are currently occupying, forcing you to awkwardly clear your throat or say something. I’m sure most of us are all too familiar with these instances, and quite frankly , we could all do without them!



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Cleanliness

Okay, so we know that having the bottom open doesn't always keep people out. What other reasons are there for this bottom gap? Well, having the bottom area open allows janitorial staff to have an easier time to mop up floors and clean up messes. This part makes sense, even if it costs you a little bit of privacy. Custodians are an important part of a functioning restroom. They replace soap, paper towels, maintain hand dryers, clean and sanitize fixtures and doors. So, leaving space for custodians and janitorial staff is a must have.

These openings also allow for air circulation in the restroom. With all the chemicals in cleaning products, it makes sense to leave some gaps for ventilation. Also, after mopping the floors, this extra space allows things to air out and dry faster. Air circulation also means those nasty smells air out faster too.

Fun Side Note:

In standard stalls, there needs to be one side with a clearance of at least 9" above the floor. For stalls with more than 60" of depth, no clearance is needed.

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Safety

Before we discuss the solutions to removing gaps in toilet partitions, let's quickly discuss safety. Having gaps and open spaces in a toilet stall allow for quick access if someone happens to collapse in the restroom. There are over 40,000 toilet-related injuries in the U.S. each year according to Wiki Answers. With all the hard surfaces in a toilet stall, it makes sense to be able to see if someone gets hurt. If something happened and you call 911, EMS can quickly find and save that person.

Lastly, having toilet partition gaps may deter someone from doing illegal activities. I'm going to let your mind figure out some of those "activities". Let's move on.

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Money

What's the main reason toilet stalls have so many gaps? Cost.

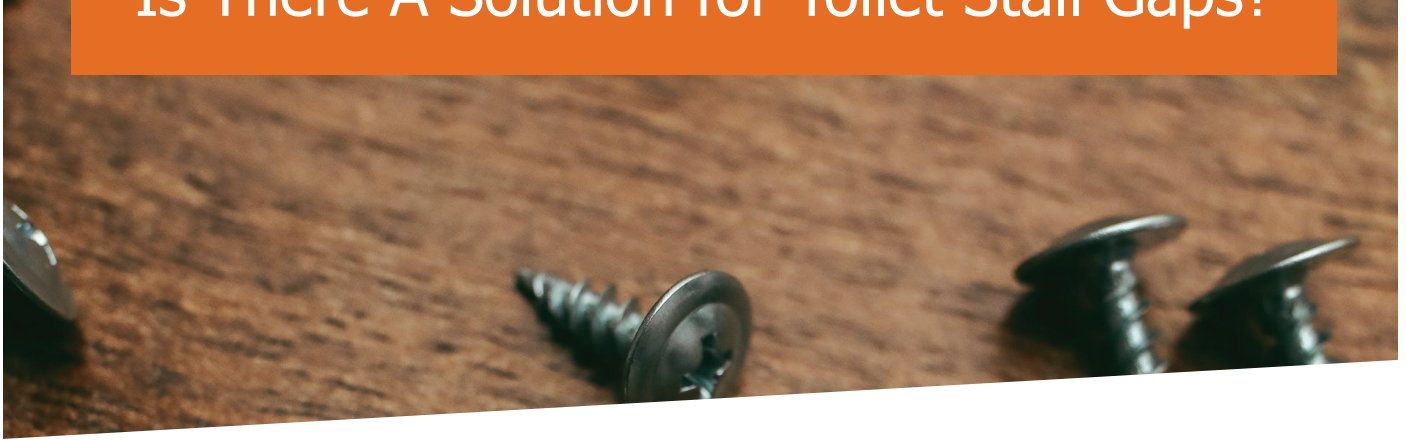
Yup, you get to have those awkward eye-to-eye moments because it is cheaper. Sorry, but every inch of material used in manufacturing a toilet partition panel costs money. Therefore, keeping small gaps allow for cost savings. I know it sounds frustrating to hear, but materials and installation are expensive.



Fun Side Note:

Different toilet partition materials have different values. Powder coated steel stalls will cost less versus stainless steel. So, do your research and see what works best for your restroom. Not sure? Then call Newton directly for the answer.

Is There A Solution for Toilet Stall Gaps?



Sure. Are you a business owner or in charge of your facility? If so, then you may ask “how can I block the gaps in my toilet partitions”? There are the quick fixes popping up online, but they aren’t aesthetically pleasing.

Besides these quick fix items, your best bet for an aesthetically pleasing restroom design is to wait until a remodel. If you are researching these gaps and the lack of privacy now, that’s a good first step to ensure you buy the right product eliminating the need for people to complain after installation. So, if you have a remodel coming up, good news, Hadrian toilet partitions offer Elite and Elite Plus stalls. The Elite series automatically COME WITH gap channels to eradicate those awkward eye-to-eye moments.

If you are doing a new restroom project, same deal. The Elite series come with gap coverage and various heights to allow for more privacy.



Is There a Price Difference for the Elite Series?

Yes... But it's not much!

If you know your employer is going to be updating the restroom in your building, then definitely get them to consider the Elite Series toilet partitions from Hadrian. They seal up those gaps between the stall doors and panels. You can also choose taller stall panels. This means that the gaps are gone, and the stalls are taller to provide more privacy. It's a win-win.

So let's recap:

- No More Gaps!
- Taller Panels = More Privacy
- And what was the last thing?
Oh right, they are affordable!



How Affordable are Elite Toilet Partitions?

How affordable? **VERY!**

Yes, buying a standard toilet partition will be cheaper than the Elite series. But for a slightly higher price, you get all these things to provide your staff and customers more privacy.

Guess who else gets more privacy beside the staff and customers? YOU DO! Whoever you are, why live in a world where you get stuck making awkward eye contact when you poop in public? Enough of our lives are on display these days. Add some privacy to your restroom with the best products at the best prices. And how do you do that? Simple, you come to Newton Distributing Company where we offer all the materials, privacy options, colors, and mounting types for toilet partitions.

We are people serving people.
Work with us to see for yourself.



Educational Side Note:

Do you have measurements for your restroom project and prefer to skip the phone call to get a price? Well, then use our do-it-yourself bathroom stall quote builder. No gimmicks or delayed emails. You get your pricing in real time with free, insured shipping. Lastly, it features more customization than any other quoting tool on the market!

See for yourself: www.NewtonDistributing.com

In Conclusion

Newton Distributing Company has devoted twenty years to being the experts on all restroom products. We sell a large selection of Division 9 and Division 10 products across the globe. These continuous efforts in our field have allowed us to continue to learn and grow.

Our team members are experts on the majority of our product offerings. This means that we write these articles to help showcase our

knowledge for others to learn from. So, we appreciate you taking the time to learn more about our industry and Newton Distributing.

Next time you use a public restroom, we hope you look at the toilet partitions with a different mindset. Now you know the reason toilet partitions have gaps between the doors and panels!



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