

## **Environmental Health Services**

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## WATER HEATER SIZING CALCULATIONS

(per NSF Standard #5)

**Directions**: Complete this form to verify the adequacy of the proposed hot water heater for the hot water demands proposed in the food facility plans.

Type of Fixture	Gallons per Hour (GPH) per Compartment	Number of Compartments	GPH Totals
Utensil Wash			
Dishwasher	Refer to manufacturer specs for the GPH		
Pre-rinse units	45		
18" X 18" compartments	14		
24" X 24" compartments	25		
Custom sink	Length x Width x Depth x 7.5 = gals/compartment		
Bar sink compartments	10		
Food Preparation			
Food preparation sink	5*		
Handwash			
Handwash sink	5		
Janitorial			
Janitorial Sink	15		
Miscellaneous			
Employee shower	20		
Clothes washer (9-12lb.)	45		
Clothes washer (16 lb.)	60		
Other:			
		TOTAL GPH:	
Gas Water Heater, BTU is: Total GPH x 666		x 666.4 =	BTU
Electric Water Heater, KW is: Total GPH x 0.147		x 0.147 =	KW

Tankless (assume 60 ° F. rise in water temperature to 120 ° F) Water heaters: 20% reduction if using single use utensils only

\* Per CCDEH Guidelines-Sept 1995

## Sizing Requirements for Instantaneous Water Heaters (Tankless)

One of the advantages of an instantaneous water heater is its ability to provide a continuous supply of hot water. However, since the water passes through a heat exchanger, the water must flow through the unit slowly to ensure proper heat transfer. Therefore, the quantity, or rate, at which the hot water is delivered can be significantly less than that provided by a storage water heater. When hot water is utilized at several locations of the food facility at the same time the flow of hot water to each fixture can be severely restricted. As a result of the restricted output of instantaneous water heaters, more than one unit may be required, depending on the numbers and types of sinks and equipment present. Instantaneous water heaters must be sized to provide hot water of at least 120° Fahrenheit. The average temperature of tap water varies throughout the State depending upon the location, elevation, and time of year. In order to properly size the water heater, provide a specification sheet for the proposed water heater which includes a graph of GPM vs. temperature rise. In this instance, a tap water temperature of 60° Fahrenheit will be used. Therefore, to achieve a temperature of 120° Fahrenheit at the faucet, the proposed water heater would need to provide the required GPM at a 60° F rise in temperature.

Type of Fixture	Gallons per Minute (GPM)	X (Number of fixtures) =	GPM Totals
Three compartment sink	2		
Hand lavatories	1/2		
Janitorial sink	2		
Prep sink	1/2		
Automatic Warewasher*	Per ANSI standards	N/A	

\*Food facilities that install an automatic warewashing machine that utilizes a large quantity of hot water may be required to provide an instantaneous water heater exclusively for the warewashing machine. NSF International listings or listings established by other nationally recognized testing laboratories are used to determine the minimum GPM hot water demand for automatic warewashing machines.