

Pour flush latrines with water-seal pans

One style of toilet uses a pan that is flushed with water. The 'U' bend keeps smells in the pit as it traps water, so sealing the connection. This also prevents flies bred in the pit from escaping into the toilet cubicle. If the latrine pan is made from smooth porcelain or plastic, only about 1 to 3 litres of water are needed. Clearly, this type of toilet is only suitable where there is a sufficient amount of water for flushing readily available.

