

No fixed rule as to whether women should clean men's toilets

REFER to the letter, "No place for a woman" (The Sunday Times, Jan 25), Mr Ralph Lesslar on the essence of women cleaners men's toilets.

There is no hard and fast

rule as to whether women should clean men's toilets. On the other hand, to avoid controversy, male cleaners are not deployed to clean women's toilets, unless the toilets are closed for cleaning.

The issue is one of privacy. While men may feel offended, the women cleaners may also feel awkward.

Cleaners should do the cleaning when there are no users around, and put up

"Cleaning in Progress" signs before entering the toilet.

This way, at least those who use the men's toilet would have been forewarned.

If a man really needs to use the toilet while it is being

cleaned, he could always use one of the cubicles.

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