



# Underground Plumbing Materials

**REFERENCE: CBC 701.1.2.2**

This Directive is intended to clarify the implementation of Section 701.0, and subsection 701.1 of the 2010 California Plumbing Code:

“701.0 Materials for drainage piping shall be in accordance with one of the referenced standards in Table 7-1 except that:

701.1.2 ABS and PVC DWV piping installations shall be installed in accordance with applicable standards referenced in Table 14-1.”

And the California amendment which states:

“701.1.2.2 [HCD 1 & HCD 2] ABS and PVC installations are limited to not more than two stories of areas of residential accommodation.”

The proposed installation shall comply with these Code sections and all other applicable sections of the Code with the exception that where drainage piping is installed underground below a concrete slab, the appropriate piping material compatible with the localized soils condition may be allowed, with prior approval.

All plastic pipe installations below grade must be installed with proper bedding and backfill in accordance with ASTM D2321 standard and the manufacturers' installation instructions.

This directive shall be effective immediately.