City of Newport Beach - Building Department

PLUMBING CODE POLICY

Effective Date	Subject	Policy No.
October 7, 1999	ABS, PVC Drain, Waist and Vent (DWV) Pipe in Three- Stories Buildings	701.1.2

Section 701.1.2a of the 1998 California Plumbing Code prohibits the use of ABS, PVC DWV pipe in buildings exceeding two stories in height. The code also allows this material to be used for a basement like level below the first floor level used for vehicle parking.

Where this situation occurs, it is the policy of the City of Newport Beach Building Department that the lowest level of the building shall be cast iron or DWV Copper, and the remaining two floors may be ABS, PVC DWV.

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