



January 15, 2008

**2008 Oregon Plumbing Specialty Code
Adoption rule**

Opportunity for public input:

Those who would like to provide public testimony may attend a public hearing on January 15, 2008 at 9:30 a.m. at the Building Codes Division, Conference Room A. Written comments may also be submitted to the contact below. The last day to submit written comments is 5:00 p.m. January 18, 2008.

Purpose of the rule:

This proposed rule adopts the 2008 Oregon Plumbing Specialty Code (OPSC) for non-Low-Rise construction.

This proposed rule would be effective April 1, 2008.

Citation:

Amend: OAR 918-750-0110.

To view the amended code language click the following:

[Proposed amendments to the 2006 Uniform Plumbing Code.](#)

History:

From February 15 to April 2, 2007, the division received code amendment proposals. The Plumbing Code Review Committee met six times from May to November 2007. At these meetings, the committee reviewed model code changes from the 2003 Uniform Plumbing Code (UPC) to the 2006 UPC, existing Oregon amendments, new code amendment proposals, and existing statewide code interpretations and alternate method rulings.

The Oregon State Plumbing Board reviewed the code amendments on October 12 and December 7, 2007. At the December meeting, the board approved the committee's recommendation to go public hearing and subsequent adoption.

Contact:

If you have questions or need further information, please contact Hearing Officer Terry Swisher at (503) 373-7488, or Terry.L.Swisher@state.or.us.



Secretary of State
NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING HEARING*

A Statement of Need and Fiscal Impact accompanies this form.

Department of Consumer and Business Services, Building Codes Division	918	
Agency and Division	Administrative Rules Chapter Number	
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Rules Coordinator	Address	Telephone

RULE CAPTION

Adopts 2008 Oregon Plumbing Specialty Code (OPSC) for non low-rise construction.

Not more than 15 words that reasonably identifies the subject matter of the agency's intended action.

January 15, 2008	9:30 a.m.	1535 Edgewater Street NW, Salem, Oregon	Terry Swisher
Hearing Date	Time	Location	Hearings Officer

Auxiliary aids for persons with disabilities are available upon advance request.

RULEMAKING ACTION

Secure approval of new rule numbers (Adopted or Renumbered rules) with the Administrative Rules Unit prior to filing.

ADOPT:

AMEND: OAR 918-750-0110

REPEAL:

RENUMBER:

AMEND & RENUMBER:

Stat. Auth.: ORS 447.020, 455.020, 455.030 & 455.110

Other Auth.:

Stats. Implemented: ORS 447.020, 455.020, 455.030 & 455.110

RULE SUMMARY

The proposed rule adopts the 2006 edition of the Uniform Plumbing Code (UPC), Chapters 2-11, 13, 14, 15 and 16, Appendices A, B, D, E and I with amendments and will be known as the 2008 Oregon Plumbing Specialty Code (OPSC) for non low-rise construction.

The Agency requests public comment on whether other options should be considered for achieving the rule's substantive goals while reducing the negative economic impact of the rule on business.

January 18, 2008 at 5:00 p.m.

Last Day for Public Comment (Last day to submit written comments to the Rules Coordinator)

Signature	Mark Long	Date
	Printed name	

*Hearing Notices published in the Oregon Bulletin must be submitted by 5:00 pm on the 15th day of the preceding month unless this deadline falls on a weekend or legal holiday, upon which the deadline is 5:00 pm the preceding workday. ARC 920-2005

STATEMENT OF NEED AND FISCAL IMPACT

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Administrative Rules Chapter Number

In the Matter of: Amending OAR 918-750-0110

Rule Caption: (Not more than 15 words that reasonably identifies the subject matter of the agency's intended action.)
Adopts 2008 Oregon Plumbing Specialty Code (OPSC) for non low-rise construction.

Statutory Authority: ORS 447.020, 455.020, 455.030 & 455.110

Other Authority:

Stats. Implemented: ORS 447.020, 455.020, 455.030 & 455.110

Need for the Rule(s): ORS 447.020, 455.020 and 455.110 requires the department to adopt a state building code to govern the construction, reconstruction, alteration and repair of buildings and other structures. The law further requires the building code to establish uniform performance standards providing reasonable safeguards for health, safety, welfare, comfort and security of the residents of Oregon who are occupants and users of buildings and to provide for the use of modern methods, materials and maximum energy conservation. The department, with the approval of the Oregon State Plumbing Board, may amend such codes provided it conforms, insofar as it is practicable, to model building codes generally accepted and in use throughout the United States.

The current Oregon Plumbing Specialty Code (OPSC) adopted is the 2003 edition of the Uniform Plumbing Code (UPC) with Oregon amendments. This proposed rule is needed to update the code and adopt the 2006 edition of the UPC with Oregon amendments.

Documents Relied Upon, and where they are available: Draft rules, Plumbing Code Review Committee meeting minutes from May through November 2007 and the October 19 and December 7, 2007 Oregon State Plumbing Board meeting minutes are available from the division's rules coordinator located at 1535 NW Edgewater, Salem, Oregon.

Fiscal and Economic Impact, including Statement of Cost of Compliance: The Plumbing Code Review Committee ("Committee") discussed the fiscal and economic impact of each code change proposal. Based on the information available at this time, the division has determined that state agencies, units of local government and members of the public who inspect, construct, remodel, alter or repair buildings and other structures could realize some cost savings as a result of the proposed code changes.

The division has also determined that the state agencies, units of local government and members of the public, mentioned above, could incur cost increases as a result of the following code changes: 1) backflow device costs and testing; 2) certain floor drains relating to water heater relief valves; 3) requiring access panels in some installations; and 4) additional costs for installing cleanout fittings in some installations.

The division estimates that State agencies, cities and counties will also incur typical costs for the purchase of new code books for certified staff. The division is unable to determine the cost of code change training. Based on available information, the division is unable to quantify any additional fiscal or economic impact on state agencies, cities and counties for changes in construction practices or use of new materials.

The division licenses approximately 6,000 licensed plumbing contractors, installers, inspectors and plans reviewers. Many of these contractors are small businesses and will be impacted by changes to the Plumbing Specialty Code. The division is unable to determine the cost of training on code changes for these licensees. The proposed rules impose no additional reporting, record keeping, or administrative requirements on small businesses. These proposed rules impose no new equipment, supplies, labor and administrative requirements and no additional professional services are required to comply with these rules. No other impacts can be determined or quantified at this time based on information available to the division.

The Oregon State Plumbing Board made the specific finding that the added cost is necessary for the health and safety of the occupants and the public, or is necessary to conserve scarce resources.

How were small businesses involved in the development of this rule? Small businesses were represented on the Plumbing Code Review Committee and on the Oregon State Plumbing Board.

Administrative Rule Advisory Committee consulted?: Yes.

If not, why?:

Mark Long

Signature

Printed name

Date

Administrative Rules Unit, Archives Division, Secretary of State, 800 Summer Street NE, Salem, Oregon 97310. ARC 925-2005

2008 OREGON PLUMBING SPECIALTY CODE ADOPTION RULE

Draft 1
October 24, 2007

Division 750
Codes

OAR 918-750-0110

Oregon Plumbing Specialty Code

(1) Effective April 1, 2005~~8~~, the **Oregon Plumbing Specialty Code** is the **2003~~6~~** Edition of the **Uniform Plumbing Code, Fourth Second Printing, Chapters 2-11, 13, 14, and 15 and 16, Appendices A, B, D, E, and I and J** published by the International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials, with errata through December 15~~4~~, 2004~~7~~, except for the following additions, amendments and deletions:

(a) **Appendices F, G, H, K, and L and M** are not adopted as part of the **Oregon Plumbing Specialty Code**;

(b) Useful tables, **include the following Oregon Installation Standards** and IAPMO Installation Standards in the Uniform Plumbing Code, "**IS-1A-042007**," "**IS-1-912003**," "**IS-2-902003**," "**IS-3-002003**," "**IS-4-962003**," "**IS-5-922003**," "**IS-6-002003**," "**IS-7-902003**," "**IS-8-952003**," "**IS-9-952003**," "**IS-11-872003**," "**IS-15-822003**," "**IS-16-84**," "**IS-18-852003**," "**IS-20-002005**," "**IS-21-892003**," "**IS-26-022003**," "**IS-27-012003**," "**IS-28-022005**," and "**IS-29-042007**" are adopted;

(c) Oregon amendments by the Division, through December 15~~4~~, 2004~~7~~, are adopted;

(d) Medical Gas and Vacuum Systems **Standard NFPA 99C-2002** Edition as published by the National Fire Protection Association.

(2) If any of the publications adopted by reference in this rule adopt other references:

(a) The adoption date of the references shall be the date stated in the publication; or

(b) If no adoption date is shown, or if reference is made to further dates the references are adopted as of April 1, 2005~~8~~.

[Publications: Publications **are available for review at the division. See division Web site for information on purchasing publications** referenced are available from the agency.]

Stat. Auth.: ORS 447.020, **455.020**, 455.030 & 455.110

Stats. Implemented: ORS 447.020, **455.020**, 455.030 & 455.110

Hist.: DC 40, f. 1-6-75, ef. 2-1-75; DC 99, f. 9-2-77, ef. 11-1-77; DC 15-1979(Temp), f. 12-21-79, ef. 1-1-80; DC 2-1980, f. 2-14-80, ef. 3-1-80; DC 3-1980, f. & ef. 2-14-80; DC 4-1981, f. 5-15-81, ef. 7-1-81; DC 9-1981, f. & ef. 7-6-81; DC 14-1981(Temp), f. 10-30-81, ef. 11-6-81; DC 15-1982(Temp) f. & ef. 5-5-82; DC 1-1983, f. & ef. 1-3-83; DC 28-1984, f. 9-5-84, ef. 10-15-84; DC 10-1985, f. & ef. 4-1-85; DC 4-1987, f. & ef. 3-4-87; DC 11-1987, f. & ef. 4-21-87; Renumbered from 814-021-0005; BCA 27-1989, f. 12-5-89, cert. ef. 1-1-90; BCA 14-1990, f. & cert. ef. 6-13-90; BCA 42-1991, f. & cert. ef. 12-23-91; BCA 19-1993(Temp), f. 8-26-93, cert. ef. 9-1-93; BCA 26-1993, f. 10-22-93, cert. ef. 11-1-93; BCD 4-1996, f. 2-29-96, cert. ef. 4-1-96; BCD 6-1998, f. 3-2-98, cert. ef. 4-1-98, Renumbered from 918-750-0010; BCD 7-1999, f. 6-21-99, cert. ef. 4-1-2000; BCD 6-2000, f. 3-15-00, cert. ef. 4-1-00; BCD 27-2000, f. 10-13-00 cert. ef. 10-01-01; BCD 24-2004, f. 12-15-04, cert. ef. 4-1-05