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Jay Mizer,

Owner, Jay's Plumbing Service, Brick, NJ

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Rusty Kleiburg,

Inspector (retired), Neptune Township, NJ

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Dick Wagner,

NSPC Code Committee Chair and ASPE Representative

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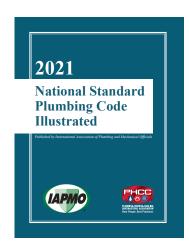
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IAPMO History

Founded more than 90 years ago, the International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials (IAPMO) has provided jurisdictions everywhere with plumbing codes that protect the health and safety of each and every citizen.

The National Standard Plumbing Code (NSPC) was first published by the Plumbing-Heating-Cooling-Contractors Association (PHCC) in 1933 as the Standard Plumbing Code. The International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials (IAPMO), developer of the Uniform Plumbing Code (UPC), an American National Standard, acquired the NSPC in 2017 and has dutifully continued its development and administration in New Jersey and other adopting jurisdictions.

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Basic Principles

The NSPC is based on 22 principles. Here are the first seven.

Principle 1

All occupied premises shall have potable water.

Principle 2

Adequate water required.

Principle 3

Hot water required.

Principle 4

Water conservation.

Principle 5

Safety devices. (e.g., devices for heating or storing water) shall be so designed and installed as to guard against dangers from explosions or overheating.

Principle 6

Use public sewer where available.

Principle 7

Required plumbing fixtures to meet basic requirements of sanitation and personal hygiene.

Illustrated

Many support documents for codes have illustrated versions, but for many years the NSPC has incorporated that into the body of the code. Illustrations provide visual guidance to the designer, installer, and inspector alike. Illustrations and codes appearing together in one book simplifies the life of anyone needing the information within the NSPC.

Green

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Mike Baker,

Wayne Township, NJ, Past President of New Jersey Plumbing Inspectors Association