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## 2015 Uniform Plumbing Code Illustrated Training Manual Available Sooner Than Ever Before

Ontario, Calif. (June 19, 2015) – The International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials (IAPMO<sup>®</sup>) has released the hardcopy and eBook versions of its 2015 edition of the *Uniform Plumbing Code Illustrated Training Manual (UPC-ITM)* with unprecedented speed. This edition is available just two months after the release of the 2015 *UPC*.

Both the hardcopy and eBook versions, viewable on computers, tablets and smart phones, can be purchased and downloaded via the IAPMO web store at <u>www.iapmo.org</u>.

The *UPC-ITM* contains the entire 2015 *UPC* text as it was developed and published using an ANSI consensus process. Featuring hundreds of full-color photos and graphics, the *UPC-ITM* includes a narrative discussion for most sections of the code. Each commentary narrative is tagged with a "wrench" icon underneath the applicable code section serving as a pointer to direct the reader toward important information. These narratives make the *UPC-ITM* a living document that continues to grow and mature beyond its previous edition.

Equally useful as a reference document for the seasoned code user or as a training document for those just learning the *UPC*, the 2015 *UPC-ITM* features significant commentary updates in Chapters 15 and 16 for alternate water sources and nonpotable rainwater catchment systems.

The IAPMO Standards Council issued the 2015 edition of the *UPC*, which has been designated as an American National Standard for the fifth time. IAPMO's ANSI-accredited process brings together volunteers representing a variety of viewpoints and interests to achieve consensus on plumbing practices.

Introduced in Los Angeles in 1928 and formally published as the *Uniform Plumbing Code* in 1945, the *UPC* is developed to govern the installation and inspection of plumbing systems as a means of promoting the public's health, safety and welfare. Developed and subsequently republished at the conclusion of each three-year code cycle, the *UPC* is designed to provide consumers with safe plumbing systems while, at the same time, allowing latitude for innovation and new technologies.

The public at large is encouraged and invited to participate in IAPMO's open consensus code development process. A code development timeline and other relevant information are available at IAPMO's website, www.iapmo.org.

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