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IAPMO Solicits Proposals for 2027 UPC, UMC

Ontario, Calif. (July 5, 2023) — The International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials (IAPMO®), publisher of the *Uniform Plumbing Code (UPC)* and *Uniform Mechanical Code (UMC)*, is calling for formal code proposals toward the development of the 2027 editions of these prospective American National Standard designated model codes. All proposals recommending new text, revised text or the deletion of text must be written in legislative format and clearly state the reason behind the recommendation.

Proposals can be submitted using the new IAPMO Codes Portal at the following URL: https://codeproposals.iapmo.org/

An account must be created to submit a proposal. Instructions on how to submit code changes through the IAPMO Codes Portal can be obtained at the following URL: https://codes.iapmo.org/docs/IAPMO Codes Portal Tutorial.pdf

Please contact Alma Ramos at alma.ramos@iapmo.org or by phone at (909) 230-5528 for any assistance or questions on how to use the IAPMO Codes Portal.

No proposals will be accepted after Jan. 2, 2024.

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. Later published by IAPMO in 1967, the *UMC* provides the same governance for mechanical systems. Developed and subsequently republished at the conclusion of each three-year code cycle, the *UPC* and *UMC* are designed to provide consumers with safe plumbing, heating, and mechanical systems while, at the same time, allowing latitude for innovation and new technologies.

IAPMO employs a voluntary consensus development process accredited by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI), gathering the largest assembly of plumbing and mechanical experts in the world at its annual education and business conference and technical committee meetings, enabling anyone — members and non-members alike — to have a voice on proposed changes to the code. The 2027 editions of the *UPC* and *UMC* will mark the ninth time these codes have been developed in this manner and the sixth time developed pursuant to IAPMO's status as an ANSI Audited Designator.

IAPMO urges its members and other interested parties to get involved in the code development process to ensure effectiveness in preserving the public health, safety, and welfare through fair and balanced development of the *Uniform Codes*. Installers, plumbing and mechanical officials, the construction industry, engineers, and manufacturers all benefit from a cooperative effort in developing codes.

For questions about submitting proposals for the *UPC*, please contact Enrique Gonzalez at (909) 230-5535 or by email at enrique.gonzalez@iapmo.org. For the *UMC*, contact Taylor Duran at (909) 218-8126 or email at taylor.duran@iapmo.org.

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