



2011 Oregon Plumbing Specialty Code Advisory Committee

Goals and Outcomes

In preparation for the adoption of the *2011 Oregon Plumbing Specialty Code (OPSC)* please consider the following division priorities:

- **Oregon Amendments:** The division works with the boards to reduce the number of Oregon amendments to each of the model codes adopted by the division. This will continue this cycle as the division attempts to align Oregon's specialty codes closely with the model code.
- **Appropriate Issues:** The codes in Oregon are designated by statute to set the uniform and statewide standard for *construction, reconstruction, alteration, and repair* of buildings in Oregon. The division tries to remove any issues from the model code that are outside those parameters such as maintenance, licensing or certification issues as well as issues covered by other agencies or beyond statute authority.

Procedures

In preparation for the adoption of the *2011 Oregon Plumbing Specialty Code (OPSC)*, please consider the following division procedures. Because the committee will make recommendations to the Oregon State Plumbing Board and the division, it is important to have a quorum at every meeting. Under the Public Meetings Law, the committee cannot take official action without at least 4 members being present. If you cannot attend a meeting please let division's staff know as soon as possible.

For the Code:

- The division has selected the 2009 Uniform Plumbing Code (UPC) to serve as the base model code. The division opened up a 45 day period for code amendment proposals. The period ended April 26, 2010.
- The committee has been given the proposals and will vote to accept them or not.
- Code amendments can be brought forth at individual meetings up until the time an item is discussed by the committee. A subject not on the agenda should be postponed until notice of the discussion can be posted.
- There are only 7 meetings scheduled to review and make recommendations for the entire code. The committee may chose to limit the time spent on any

one item. The committee may chose to come back to an item at the last meeting if there is time.

For the Committee:

- The committee will have a Chair, to assist with the procedure, draft agendas, and serve as a contact point.
- The division generally utilizes Sturgis Rules of Order.
- The committee must make a motion on each code provision; though a single group motion can be made to address several items at once if the committee chooses.
- Once a motion is made, a second is not required; the item is open for discussion. An amendment to the motion can be proposed and if accepted by the member who made the motion it becomes the amended motion.
- Until a vote is taken or the motion is withdrawn no other motion can be made.
- Once an item is voted upon it can be reconsidered upon a motion for reconsideration at the same meeting. At a subsequent meeting an item may be re-opened if the committee wishes to consider it further once a vote has been taken.