

JURISDICTIONS ARE ADOPTING A GREATER AWARENESS TO ASSURE THE USE OF A PROPER VENTING SYSTEM

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PVC Technical Bulletin (NFPA 54 - 12.5.3 Amendment)**

This Technical Bulletin is designed to clarify the recent amendment to NFPA 54 (2009) Section 12.5.3 The New Hampshire Board of Fire Control has amended this section of the National Fuel Gas Code - 2009, Section 12.5.3 to read as follows;

12.5.3 Plastic Vent Joints. Plastic piping and fittings used to vent appliances shall be installed in accordance with the appliance manufacturer's installation instructions, provided the maximum set point of a fixed or adjustable, water and/or flue gas, high limit setting of the appliance, does not exceed the safe operating temperature of the venting material selected. Where primer is required, it shall be of a contrasting color.

This amendment language became effective on January 1, 2016 and requires installers of category IV venting systems to select their venting materials based on the set point of a high limit and how it affects the exhaust gas temperatures. This document, along with the amendment language change, should be used in conjunction with the venting material recommendations from the appliance manufacturer.

NEW YORK (PROPOSED NYC BUILDING CODE CHANGES):

503.4 Type of venting system to be used.

- 503.4.1 Plastic piping. Plastic piping used for venting equipment appliances listed for use with such venting materials shall be permitted when approved by the commissioner listed and installed in accordance with the terms of its listing and the manufacturers' instructions. Installation shall be in accordance with the New York City Building Code. PVC shall not be permitted.

- 503.4.2 Special gas vent. Special gas vent shall be listed and installed in accordance with the terms of the special gas vent listing and the manufacturers' instructions.