Plumbing Piping Insulation

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GENERAL:

1. To provide minimum standards for design and installation of mechanical insulation products for piping that will be durable, functional and reduce failures the life of the facility.

DESIGN GUIDELINES:

- 1. Flame/Smoke Ratings: Provide composite mechanical insulation (insulation, jackets, coverings, sealers, mastics and adhesives) with flame-spread index of 25 or less, and smoke-developed index of 50 or less, as tested by ASTM E 84 (NFPA 255) method.
 - a. Exception: Outdoor mechanical insulation may have flame spread index of 75 and smoke developed index of 150.
- 2. Insulation thickness shall comply with ASHRAE 90.1 or the table below whichever is greater.

PLUMBING SYSTEM INSULATION REQUIREMENTS

System Type	Insulation Material	Jacket*	Run- outs	Branches, Mains, and Loops				
				Pipe Diameter (inches)				
				<1	1-11/4	11/2-3	4-6	8>
				Insulation Thickness (inches)				
Domestic Hot and Cold Water, Mains and branches	3/4" Flexible Elastomeric	Not required	3/4"	3/4"	3/4"	3/4"	3/4"	3/4"
Lavatory traps and drains	3/4" Flexible Elastomeric	Not required	3/4"	3/4"	3/4"	3/4"	3/4"	3/4"
Floor drains near HVAC equipment	3/4" Flexible Elastomeric	Not required	3/4"	3/4"	3/4"	3/4"	3/4"	3/4"

^{*}Jackets are required is some locations. See notes #4 and #5 below.

PIPING INSULATION SYSTEM NOTES TO BE INCLUDED IN THE SPECIFICATION

1. Install insulation products in accordance w

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insulating system being installed (i.e. for Armaflex, use Amafix.)