

Questions for DFW ASPE Inspectors Round Table
April 24 in Fort Worth and April 25 in Dallas

1. Is your city using the 2015 IPC & IMC.
2. Do you use GOG amendments, or do you adopt your own amendments?
3. If you adopt your own amendments any special requirements for commercial construction.
4. Is there any minimum requirements for sizing storm drains?
5. Do any cities allow Siphonic drainage systems.
6. Are there any special requirements for Vent a Hood installations in commercial construction?
7. Any special requirements for sizing Grease Interceptors.
8. How long does the process take for a commercial plan review before a permit can be issued?
9. What Types of venting systems are allowed in commercial construction. Does four stories or less require a stack vent.
10. Why does the IPC not require vent stacks for horizontal offsets where there are less than 5 branch intervals above the offset?
11. For a combination waste and vent system, do we need to increase the downstream horizontal branch one pipe size from the fixture served? The IPC has table 912.3 for sizing a combination drain and vent pipe, which would allow a 3" floor drain to be served by a 3" horizontal drain and vent branch.
12. What is your preference for dealing with a situation where the downstream pipe from a floor drain has to pass under a structural member, so that the vertical distance from the fixture outlet to the trap weir would exceed 24"?
13. Do you have any concerns with circuit venting a line of water closets?
14. Gang toilet rooms to be stacked is asking the impossible. None of the codes discuss "vertical offsets" in "horizontal drain lines". Does the offsets need venting . . . but just don't know?
15. How are local jurisdictions handling (2015 IBC 3007.3 Water Protection) requirements to prevent water from entering fire service access elevator shafts?
 - a. Do inspectors see trench drains or curbed and gasketed elevator doors used more often?
16. Are local jurisdictions allowing oil sensors on hydraulic elevator sump pumps in lieu of oil interceptors?

Please contact James with any questions that you'd like to have answered at the round table.

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