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Material Identification and Third-Party Certification

CHANGE TYPE: Clarification

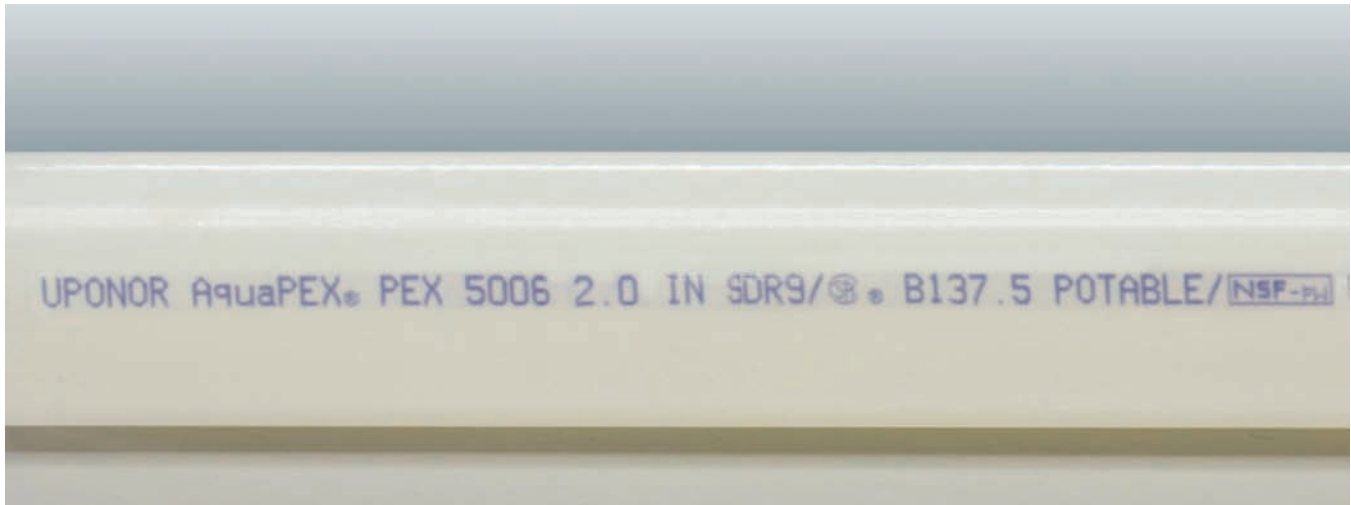
CHANGE SUMMARY: The identification requirements for plumbing products and materials have been clarified.

2012 CODE: 303.1 Identification. Each length of pipe and each pipe fitting, trap, fixture, material, and device utilized in a plumbing system shall bear the identification of the manufacturer and any markings required by the applicable referenced standards.

303.4 Third-Party Testing and Certification. All plumbing products and materials shall comply be listed by a third-party certification agency as complying with the referenced standards, specifications and performance criteria of this code. and shall be identified in accordance with Section 303.1. When required by Table 303.4, plumbing products and materials shall either be tested by an approved third-party testing agency or certified by an approved third-party certification agency. Products and materials shall be identified in accordance with Section 303.1.

TABLE 303.4 Products and Materials Requiring Third-Party Testing and Third-Party Certification

| Product or Material | Third-Party Certified | Third-Party Tested |
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| Potable water supply system components and potable water fixture fittings | Required | – |
| Sanitary drainage and vent system components | Plastic pipe, fittings and pipe-related components | All Others |
| Waste fixture fittings | Plastic pipe, fittings and pipe-related components | All Others |
| Storm drainage system components | Plastic pipe, fittings and pipe-related components | All Others |
| Plumbing fixtures | – | Required |
| Plumbing appliances | Required | – |
| Backflow prevention devices | Required | – |
| Water distribution system safety devices | Required | – |
| Special waste system components | – | Required |
| Subsoil drainage system components | – | Required |



PEX tubing label with complete identification and conformance information *(Courtesy of Uponor Corporation)*

CHANGE SIGNIFICANCE: The modification to the identification provisions of Section 303.1 clarifies the intent of the code that products and materials shall bear the identification of the manufacturer, as well as the identification requirements that are referenced by the applicable standard. As a result of the modifications made to Section 303.4, all plumbing products and materials must now be listed by a third-party certification agency. Table 303.4 was deleted as a result of the modifications made to Section 303.4.