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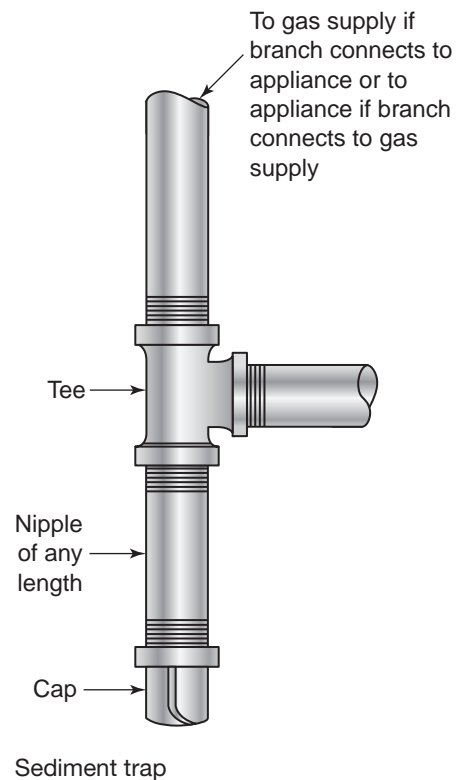
Sediment Traps

CHANGE TYPE: Modification

CHANGE SUMMARY: An illustration of a sediment trap is now included within the IFGC in order to clarify the intent of the provisions.

2012 CODE: 408.4 Sediment Trap. Where a sediment trap is not incorporated as part of the appliance, a sediment trap shall be installed downstream of the appliance shutoff valve as close to the inlet of the appliance as practical. The sediment trap shall be either a tee fitting having a capped nipple of any length installed vertically in the bottommost opening of the tee as illustrated in Figure 408.4 or other device approved as an effective sediment trap. Illuminating appliances, ranges, clothes dryers, decorative vented appliances for installation in vented fireplaces, gas fireplaces and outdoor grills need not be so equipped.

CHANGE SIGNIFICANCE: Because of misunderstandings as to how a sediment trap is to be constructed, an illustration has been added to the code text to clarify the intended installation method. In addition, decorative vented gas appliances and gas fireplaces are no longer required to be installed with a sediment trap. Although these appliances are susceptible to harm from debris, they are also manually operated; therefore, the user would be in attendance and aware of any problem.



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