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# INTRODUCTION

This study companion provides practical learning assignments for independent study of the provisions of the 2018 *International Plumbing Code*<sup>®</sup> (IPC<sup>®</sup>). The independent study format affords a method for the student to complete the program in an unregulated time period. Progressing through the workbook, the learner can measure his or her level of knowledge by using the exercises and quizzes provided for each study session.

The workbook is also valuable for instructor-led programs. In jurisdictional training sessions, community college classes, vocational training programs and other structured educational offerings, the study guide and the IPC can be the basis for classroom instruction.

All study sessions begin with a general learning objective specific to the session, the specific code sections or chapter under consideration and a list of questions summarizing the key points of study. Each session addresses selected topics from the IPC and includes code text, a commentary on the code provisions, illustrations representing the provisions under discussion and multiple choice questions that can be used to evaluate the student's knowledge. Before beginning the quizzes, the student should thoroughly review the IPC, focusing on the key points identified at the beginning of each study session.

The workbook is structured so that after every question the student has an opportunity to record his or her response and the corresponding code reference. The correct answers are found in the back of the workbook in the answer key.

Although this study companion is primarily focused on those subjects of specific interest to plumbing inspectors and contractors, it is a valuable resource to any individuals who would like to learn more about the IPC provisions. The information presented may be of importance to many building officials, plans examiners and combination inspectors.

The 2018 *International Plumbing Code Study Companion* has been completely revised and updated from previous editions. Steve Van Note of ICC was responsible for developing the updated content with assistance from ICC staff member Fred Grable, P.E.

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