



Requirements for on-site sewer manholes

This note is to explain the Australian Capital Territory requirements for the location of sewer manholes on-site and was prepared to reflect changes to legislation made in April 1999. These amendments called up the latest version of the National Plumbing and Drainage Code (AS 3500.2.2:1996) (referred to as the Code).

What is required?

Clause 4.7 of part 2.2 of the Code states the requirements for the location of inspection openings including manholes and clause 4.8 gives the construction requirements for manholes.

The existing local industry practice and requirements will continue to apply for the location of sewer manholes. These are that sewer manholes shall be installed at the following locations:

1. at the beginning and end of any line DN 150 or larger;
2. at any change in direction on a line DN 150 or larger;
3. at the junction of two pipes both of which are DN 150 or larger;
4. at the confluence of three or more pipes where any of the pipes is DN 150 or larger; and
5. at intervals of not more than 100m on any line that is DN 150 or larger.

Further information

For further information please phone (02) 6207, 6505, 6207 6162 or 6207 7907.

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