

INTERPRETATIONS/MATERIALS:

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Some provisions of the New Code will require interpretations. These interpretations will begin to be posted on DOB's website after July 1. The first interpretation involving plumbing, though, has already been issued.

As noted in the May 2008 edition of the *Pipecaster*, (item 9 in handout) under the New Code section 709.1, the minimum size of a floor drain would be 2" and minimum size of a trap for a kitchen sink (domestic use) would be 1.5". Now, DOB has determined that Code section 709.1 is sometimes in conflict with section 704.2 which prohibits the reduction of the drainage piping in the direction of flow.

Therefore, notwithstanding 709.1, DOB has determined the following:

(This is only portion of the interpretation, the full version will be on DOB's website after July 1)

Fixture Type	2008 Code Interpretation Minimum Trap Size
Floor drain	3"
Kitchen sink, domestic	2"
Kitchen sink, domestic with food waste grinder and/or dishwasher	2"
Shower	2"
Sink	2"