

## TECHNICAL SEMINAR ON NEW PLUMBING CODE

On August 26th the Plumbing Foundation held a seminar on the New Plumbing Code attended by 110 plumbers. Since the New Code is a modified version of the International Plumbing Code the Foundation obtained an expert in the Code, Mr. Dan O’Gorman, to conduct the course. Mr. O’Gorman’s services were obtained due to his knowledge of the plumbing codes. Along with other qualifications, Mr. Dan O’Gorman is a certified plumbing designer, and licensed master plumber in New Jersey. Mr. O’Gorman has been conducting New Plumbing Code classes for the Department of Buildings’ Plumbing Division. Mr. O’Gorman instructed the attendees on the notable changes to the NYC Plumbing Code.

Although the New Plumbing Code maintains the bulk of the Old Code, there are some notable changes (see Pipecaster , May edition, listing the 19 major changes).The seminar addressed plumbing changes and raised many questions and topics which need further attention. It was important that industry members workshopped together on the new plumbing code. Hopefully, Mr. O’Gorman’s course is the start of a dialog, within the industry and DOB, to address these concerns. These concerns and issues will be discussed with DOB for clarification and/or resolution. Final decisions will be provided on DOB’s website and printed in the Pipecaster.