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NOTICE

Effective of this date – August 1, 2011 and relating to gas piping interior to one-two family residences, residential townhouses, and residential apartment buildings.

- Only Steel and Wrought Iron pipe of standard weight and/or corrugated stainless steel tubing (CSST) are allowed to be installed within the residence. Cast Iron pipe shall not be used. Other steel, copper, brass, aluminum or aluminum alloys are not recommended. Gas piping shall not be installed within a chimney or cleanout of any type.
 - Copper tubing may be used as a repair practice to existing copper tubing but may not be used for new installations, expansions or extensions. If inadequate the existing system shall be replaced with Wrought-iron or CSST.
- CSST must be bonded.
- Plastic piping, joints, and fittings shall be used outside underground only. Anodeless risers are required at both the tank end and at the termination.
- Installation, testing and replacement of gas piping, gas utilization equipment, or accessories and repair and servicing of equipment, shall be performed only by a qualified agency. (directly from NFPA 54 - 4.1). NH requires that only licensed gasfitters/installers install and maintain gas systems.
- When CSST is the primary method of installation a distribution manifold at the point of delivery with parallel branch line installations is the preferred practice (manifold). For residential installations no short leads or unnecessary couplings are allowed; in most all instances direct feeds are obtainable. For residential installations no couplings are allowed in concealed locations (or areas likely to become concealed). A shut-off at each manifold distribution provides the greatest flexibility of use.
- Metallic pipe used outside must be protected by a corrosive resistive material.
- A gas piping plan showing the proposed location, size of branches, various loads demands, and the location of the point of delivery may be required.