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DRAINAGE REQUIREMENT FOR POOL/SPAS

PURPOSE: To Specify Minimum Drainage Requirements for Pool/Spa Installations

REFERENCES: California Building Code Section 3109, California Plumbing Code

Section 813.0

Pipes carrying wastewater from pool/spa drainage and backwash from filters shall be installed as an indirect waste. Such drainage shall connect to the sanitary sewer system by means of an approved engineered system, or by an air gap to an approved 3" p-trap, or equivalent device with flood level rim at least 6" above ground. If filters are not connected to the sanitary sewer system, or an approved separation tank is used to receive backwash from filters, the p-trap will not be required.