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Drain Pipe and Sleeve Sizes

Code: 2012 Plumbing Code

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Sections: 305.5 and 202

Question:

What pipe sizes may be used when the code requires the pipe sleeve to be two pipe sizes larger than the drain pipe?

Answer:

We presume the "pipe sizes" as addressed in the definitions may be used when the sleeve is required to be increased two pipe diameters. When the drainage pipe is 3", the pipe sleeve may be 4", which is using 3 ½" and 4".