

WATER AND HEALTH- THE ROLE OF PLUMBING

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WORLD PLUMBING COUNCIL

- Established in 1990
- Meets twice a year
- 31 Full Members
- 61 Affiliate Members
- 21 Countries and 6 Continents



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WPC MISSION

“to unite the world plumbing industry to promote the role of plumbing in improving public health and safeguarding the environment.”



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WHAT IS PLUMBING?

“THE PIPING, FIXTURES AND APPLIANCES WITHIN A PROPERTY AND ALSO ALL OF THE WORK ASSOCIATED WITH THE DESIGN, INSTALLATION, REMOVAL, ALTERATION OR REPAIR OF PIPING, FIXTURES AND APPLIANCES IN CONNECTION WITH DRINKING WATER SUPPLY, NON-DRINKING WATER SUPPLY AND DRAINAGE SYSTEMS, WHICH FLOW IN AND OUT OF BUILDINGS AND BETWEEN GIVEN CONNECTION POINTS TO POINTS OF USE AND/OR DISPOSAL”



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OBJECTIVE RELATING TO WATER AND HEALTH:

“To promote the industry’s role in improving public health through the provision and protection of safe water and sanitation”.

- NGO RECOGNITION BY WHO**
- JOINT PUBLICATION OF HEALTH ASPECTS OF PLUMBING**

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4 STEPS TOWARDS IMPROVED HEALTH THROUGH PLUMBING

- 1. RECOGNISE THAT PLUMBING IS IMPORTANT**
- 2. SET APPROPRIATE STANDARDS**
- 3. TRAIN THE PLUMBERS**
- 4. MAINTAIN PLUMBING SYSTEMS**



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ADVANCE NOTICE

FIRST WORLD PLUMBING DAY

11 MARCH 2010

CELEBRATE AND PROMOTE PLUMBING



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**PLUMBING IS AN ESSENTIAL PLAYER IN
THE LINK BETWEEN WATER AND HEALTH**

