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### **2021 UPC, UMC Technical Committee Meetings to be Held Virtually**

**Ontario, Calif. (Feb. 1, 2021)** — As a result of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the IAPMO Board of Directors has determined this year the Spring Technical Committee Meetings will be held as two weeklong virtual events. Attendees will still be required to register in order to participate. Meeting registration information will be provided soon.

The *Uniform Plumbing Code (UPC)* Technical Committee virtual meeting is scheduled for May 3-7, starting at 8 a.m. PDT and ending at noon each day, Monday-Friday. The *Uniform Mechanical Code (UMC)* Technical Committee virtual meeting is scheduled for May 17-21, starting at 8 a.m. PDT and ending at noon each day, Monday-Friday.

The *UPC* and *UMC* Technical Committees will be discussing proposals submitted for the development of the 2024 *UPC* and 2024 *UMC*. All proposals received will be available by April 1 and can be downloaded from the IAPMO Code Development webpage: <https://www.iapmo.org/code-development>

Introduced in Los Angeles in 1928 and formally published as the *Uniform Plumbing Code* in 1945, the *UPC* is developed to govern the installation and inspection of plumbing systems as a means of promoting the public's health, safety and welfare. Later published by IAPMO in 1967, the *UMC* provides the same governance for mechanical (HVAC, combustion, exhaust, refrigeration) systems. Developed and subsequently republished at the conclusion of each three-year code cycle, the *UPC* and *UMC* are designed to provide consumers with plumbing, heating, and mechanical systems that meet all applicable standards while, at the same time, allowing latitude for innovation and new technologies.

IAPMO employs a consensus development process accredited by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI), gathering the largest assembly of plumbing and mechanical experts in the world at its annual education and business conference and technical committee meetings, enabling anyone - members and nonmembers alike - to lend their voice to proposed changes to the code. The 2024 editions of the *UPC* and *UMC* will mark the eighth time these codes have been developed in this manner.

IAPMO urges its members and other interested parties to get involved in the process to ensure effectiveness in preserving the public's health, safety and welfare through fair and balanced

development of its codes and standards. Installers, plumbing and mechanical officials, the construction industry, engineers and manufacturers all benefit from a cooperative effort in developing codes.

In accordance with the [\*IAPMO Regulations Governing Committee Projects\*](#), anybody interested may register for the *UPC* and *UMC* virtual meetings. For further information, please contact Alma Ramos at (909) 230-5528 or [alma.ramos@iapmo.org](mailto:alma.ramos@iapmo.org).