

EverTUFF® CPVC CTS Piping System Installation Training

Spears[®] produces a CPVC CTS Piping System under the EverTUFF_® trade name which is suitable for use with other manufacturers' CPVC CTS Piping System products. From the beginning, Spears[®] has adamantly insisted that installing contractors be adequately trained in the proper installation of these products and in new products developed. To that end, Spears[®] personnel have conducted thousands of classes for plumbing contractors across the country, and around the globe. Installers are issued training ID cards recognizing their participation and successful completion of these classes. Authorities Having Jurisdiction (AHJ's) have come to acknowledge the value of this training and frequently require that installers be able to verify their training by producing these cards on jobsites. Some manufacturers have taken a similar approach to Spears[®] and conducted suitable in-depth training classes; others have been less diligent.

Spears[®] continues to offer "on demand" training to installers. Technical representatives are available to schedule training classes at contractors' shops, or other suitable facilities. A phone call or email to Spears[®], or to one of our distributors, is all that's needed. A typical class will include a limited number of installers, often from a single company, and requires 2 to 3 hours to complete. "Hands on" participation and testing are required for completion. While there are no recognized industry requirements, Spears[®] has always recommended "refresher" training every two years to review possible changes in codes, new products, methods, etc.

Each manufacturer is responsible for the products they produce, in terms of their warranties, compatibility, recommended practices, etc., Spears[®] EverTUFF_® fittings, pipe and solvent cement products can be mixed and used interchangeably according to product listing limitations, without any warranty issues as long as the products of other manufacturers conform to applicable ASTM standards and are NSF_® Certified. As a result, Spears[®] installation training is also compatible with all other manufacturers' products that are made to the same ASTM standards and subject to the same listings and approvals as the EverTUFF_® CPVC CTS Piping System. We have never seen an instance where an AHJ has disagreed with this position.

Most current CPVC CTS Piping System product manufacturers have now come to recognize the importance of proper training for installers as provided by Spears[®].