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The Standard is primarily intended for the general water industry and for use in the interpretation of terminology used in the various parts of the National Plumbing and Drainage Code and covers water supply from the reticulation main into the premises, including hot water service systems, sanitary fixtures, drainage and their associated water and waste fittings, pipe systems and associated components.

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Term Definition

ablution trough See trough.

absorber See solar water heater—terms.

absorption pit A pit, trench or well dug into permeable ground, filled with broken

stone, bricks or large granular material and usually covered with earth, where liquid may soak away into the ground. Also called

soakaway.

absorption test See test.

access chamber See chamber.

access cover See cover.

access fitting See fitting.

access opening An opening in a building element, fitted with a cover which is

removable to allow maintenance of a concealed pipe, fixture or

other apparatus.

access pipe See pipe.

access point A place where access may be made to a drain for inspection,

cleaning or maintenance; and may include an inspection point,

rodding point, inspection chamber or access chamber.

accessible Capable of being reached for the purposes of inspection,

maintenance, repair, or replacement, but may first require removal

of an access panel, cover, door or similar obstruction.

adaptor fitting See fitting.

aeration systems Systems designed to treat liquid waste by the processes of air

injection.

aerator A device to introduce air into the flow of a liquid as part of a

treatment process.



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