Board Interpretation - PVC for Mixed Use Installation Scenarios
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Example 1: A building is 9 levels above grade and 2 levels of parking below grade. The Building Permit lists the building as 11 stories. **NOTE:** No PVC may be used.

Example 2: In the same scenario as above, the Building Permits lists the building as 9 stories. **NOTE:** PVC is allowed

PVC piping is allowed in buildings 10 stories or less. The number of stories as determined on the Building Permit / Card

**FYI:** All piping must be fire stopped/rated per 780 CMR. This requirement will be regulated/enforced by the Building Inspector, not the Plumbing Inspector.

**KEY**

- **Cast Iron/Copper:**
- **PVC:**

Residential Level
- May include commercial also
  - PVC Stack through the roof
  - Cast Iron Stack through the roof

Commercial Level
  - PVC waste line servicing residential areas only
  - Cast Iron waste line servicing an office on the 2nd floor

2nd FLOOR
  - Branch feeding an office on the 2nd floor
  - Residential bathroom group on the 2nd floor

SLAB ON GRADE
  - Residential bathroom group on the 2nd floor
  - May transition to PVC here
  - Under slab waste line servicing commercial
  - No commercial waste shall enter into PVC

Foundation Wall

Main Cleanout

PVC Stack through the roof