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Performance Requirements for

# **Individual and Branch Type Air Admittance Valves for Chemical Waste Systems**

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ASSE standards are developed in the interest of consumer safety.

ASSE considers product performance standards to be of great value in the development of improved plumbing systems.

This standard focuses on devices known as AAVCs. These devices are intended as an alternative to vents for individual fixtures and branches in the chemical waste systems only.

The working group which developed this standard revision was set up within the framework of the Product Standards Committee of the American Society of Sanitary Engineering.

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It is recommended that these devices be installed consistent with local codes by qualified and trained professionals.

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# Performance Requirements for Individual and Branch Type Air Admittance Valves for Chemical Waste Systems (AAVC's)

## Section I

### 1.0 General

#### 1.1 Application

Individual and Branch Type Air Admittance Valves for Chemical Waste Systems (AAVCs) (herein referred to as "device") are devices used in chemical waste systems to prevent the siphonage of trap seals. These devices do not relieve back pressure; they only allow air to enter the system. These devices are designed to be used for individual fixtures or for a horizontal branch serving multiple fixtures. When the devices are installed in a building, there shall be at least one (1) open vent terminal to relieve positive pressure which extends to the atmosphere outside of the building serving the same building drain on which these devices are installed. These devices shall not be installed in an area with a constant air pressure differential greater than  $\pm 0.3$  inches (7.6 mm) WC.

#### 1.2 Scope

##### 1.2.1 Description

These devices consist of a one-way valve designed to allow air to enter the plumbing drainage system when a pressure less than atmospheric develops. The device closes and seals by gravity under (0) differential pressure (static condition) and under positive pressure. These devices prevent sewer gases from entering the building. The device consists of a hooded or shielded body which contains a movable sealing assembly that seats and seals air flow when closed and allows air to enter when open.

##### 1.2.2 Temperature Range

These devices shall function at temperatures from  $-40.0^{\circ}\text{F}$  to  $212.0^{\circ}\text{F}$  ( $-40.0^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $100.0^{\circ}\text{C}$ ).

##### 1.2.3 Rating

These devices shall be rated to pass the air rate indicated in Table 1 without exceeding a pressure drop greater than 1.0 inch (25.4 mm) of water column.