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Preface

This is the seventh edition of IAPMO IGC 128, Water Heater Supply Shut-off Valves with Thermal Expansion Control Valves. This Standard supersedes IAPMO IGC 128-2008, Water Heater Supply Shut-off Valve with a Thermal Expansion Control Valve. The previous editions of this standard are: January 2008, December 2006, October 2006, April 2002, January 2000, June 1998.

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1 Scope

1.1 Scope

This standard covers water heater supply shutoff valves with thermal expansion control valves for use on closed plumbing systems and specifies requirements for materials, physical characteristics, performance testing, and markings.

1.2 Alternative Materials

The provisions of this standard are not intended to prevent the use alternative materials or methods of construction provided such alternatives meet the intent and requirements of this standard.

1.3 Terminology

In this Standard,

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SI units are the primary units of record in global commerce. In this Standard, the inch/pound units are shown in parentheses. The values stated in each measurement system are equivalent in application, but each unit system is to be used independently. All references to gallons are to U.S. gallons.