

Glossary

Absorption Field: A leaching or seeping field engineered to receive septic tank effluent.

Bushing: A fitting that's threaded inside and outside that joins pipes of different sizes.

Collar: A galvanized sheet metal restricting device used in conjunction with plastic pipe. Its function is to direct and control the intumescent action of the fire stopping material.

Coupling: A short fitting used to join two pieces of pipe.

Cowl: A short fitting used to join two pieces of pipe.

Nipple: A short piece of pipe installed between couplings or other fittings.

Plumber's Putty: A dough-like putty that seals joints between fixture surfaces and metal pieces, such as the drain.

Soft Water: Water that has been treated so that it has low mineral content.

Wet Vent: A pipe that both drains wastewater and vents air into the drains. Connects two or more fixtures.