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The 2012 edition of the National Construction Code (NCC) previously the BCA will include the Plumbing Code of Australia (PCA) as Volume 3.

Draft changes to Volume 3 have been placed on the Australian Building Codes Website for public comment at

NCC 2012 Volume Three - PCA Draft Proposals Available for Comment

Or go to www.abcb.gov.au for more information.

The public comment closes 1 August 2011 and comments to be forwarded to PCA2012@innovation.gov.au

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**National Skills Week
October 1-8 2011**

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A letter from SkillsOne, if you are interested in training and skills recognition follow the link in the letter below:

skillsone™ tv

Hundreds of Videos About Getting A Trade or Skill

June 24, 2011

Dear Friend,

SkillsOne launches National Skills Week website

This week the SkillsOne launched the website for **National Skills Week October 1-8, 2011**. National Skills Week is a new initiative, a collaborative approach dedicated to raising the status

of practical and vocational learning. Importantly, the concept of National Skills Week will provide focus to Vocational Education & Training (VET), its achievements, the contribution, the career pathways, the opportunities and the success stories. This concept has been developed by SkillsOne and endorsed by Skills Australia and DEEWR.

In 2011, the International WorldSkills Competition, often referred to as the Skills Olympics takes place in London (October 5t – 8t). Over 50 nations will be competing against the team of 27 of Australia's elite skilled champions, the Skillaroos. National Skills Week will use the success and focus of the WorldSkills International Competition in London, by linking to National Skills Week in Australia.

Activities are being planned nationwide to celebrate the week, and welcomes all ideas. It provides a great opportunity to showcase your training organisation, skill or trade area, and to raise awareness about VET in your community. To see how you can get involved, register your interest or for ideas on events your organisation could host, please visit www.nationalskillsweek.com.au.

News Limited has agreed to actively support and promote National Skills Week as the official media partner. This will provide considerable media opportunity and leverage for the community, VET, stakeholders and equity groups. SkillsOne Television will also broadcast special programming for the week to be aired via Foxtel & Austar nationally. Broader media coverage will also be evident to include radio, press and free to air television networks.

Stakeholders to include Industry Skills Councils, Group Training Organisations, TAFE Directors Association, ACPET, Industry Groups (ACCI, AI Group, NFF), Skills Australia, WorldSkills Australia, Federal Government (DEEWR), Skills Australia, Local Councils, TAFE, Polytechnics and VET Institutes, Schools, Dual Sector Universities, Relevant Indigenous Associations and Rotary.

SkillsOne can provide collateral (logos, flyers, information sheets) for use, please email info@skillsone.com.au with your requests.

Selection and Sizing of Copper Tubes for Water Piping Systems

[Selection and Sizing of Copper Tubes for Water Piping Systems by Barrie Smith](#) (the blue book) is now available in both DVD and E-Book download, visit www.plumbing.org.au and follow the links.

NOTE:

Companion Spreadsheet now available, see www.plumbing.org.au for details and FREE Download. (follow the button links or click on **Technical Book Sales and scroll to bottom of page for **Spreadsheet Files****

Your input into this Newsletter and other IPA matters is always welcome and in fact sort after.

If you are not already a member why not join and really help us provide a voice for plumbers and plumbing. Simply email the Secretary below.

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