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# FOREWORD

Nonwater urinals were introduced into the United States plumbing fixture marketplace in 1991. A national standard was developed by the International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials (IAPMO) for the fiberglass version of the product, which was the only version available at that time. That standard, ANSI Z124.9, Plastic Urinal Fixtures, remains as a national standard.

Later in the decade, another manufacturer introduced a nonwater urinal of vitreous china manufacture. No ANSI standard existed for that product. In 2002, Project Initiation Request (PIR) 02-22 was submitted to the ASME A112 Committee requesting that a standard be developed for the vitreous china product. On July 29, 2003, at its meeting in San Diego, California, the A112 Standards Committee formed a new Project Team 19.19 to address the request in PIR 02-22. The Project Team immediately began its work on the standard, which was created at that time and reaffirmed in 2006 and 2011. The current 2016 action revises the standard to add an option for a drain-cleansing feature.

This Standard is similar in many respects to that portion of ANSI Z124.9 for plastic nonwater urinals. However, considerable discussion was given to incorporating a test for odors that would be more objective than that contained within the Z124.9 standard. As a result, the test method for odors that became a part of this Standard relied upon instrumentation to detect odors, if any, rather than the human nose.

Suggestions for the improvement of this Standard will be welcome. They should be sent to The American Society of Mechanical Engineers, Attn: Secretary, A112 Standards Committee, Two Park Avenue, New York, NY 10016-5990.

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# VITREOUS CHINA NONWATER URINALS

## 1 GENERAL

### 1.1 Scope

This Standard establishes requirements and test methods pertaining to materials, significant dimensions, and functional performance for vitreous china nonwater urinals, including those with an optional drain-cleansing feature as defined in this Standard. The sanitary performance requirements and test procedures apply to all types of nonwater urinals that discharge into gravity waste systems in permanent buildings and structures independent of occupancy.

### 1.2 Units of Measure

Where values are stated in U.S. Customary units and the International System of Units (SI), the U.S. Customary units shall be considered as the standard.

### 1.3 References

The following documents form a part of this Standard to the extent specified herein. Unless otherwise specified, the latest edition shall apply:

ANSI/ICC A117.1, Standard Specification for Accessible and Usable Buildings and Facilities

Publisher: International Code Council (ICC), 500 New Jersey Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20001 ([www.icc-safe.org](http://www.icc-safe.org))

ASME A112.1.3, Air Gap Fitting for Use with Plumbing Fixtures

ASME A112.6.1M, Floor-Affixed Supports for Off-the-Floor Plumbing Fixtures for Public Use

ASME A112.6.2, Framing-Affixed Supports for Off-the-Floor Water Closets With Concealed Tanks

ASME A112.19.2/CSA B45.1, Ceramic Plumbing Fixtures

ASME A112.19.5/CSA B45.15, Flush Valves and Spuds for Water Closets, Urinals, and Tanks

Publisher: The American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME), Two Park Avenue, New York, NY 10016-5990; Order Department: 150 Clove Road, Little Falls, NJ 07424-2139 ([www.asme.org](http://www.asme.org))

ASSE 1001, Performance Requirements for Atmospheric Vacuum Breakers

ASSE 1011, Performance Requirements for Hose Connection Vacuum Breakers

ASSE 1018, Performance Requirements for Trap Seal Primer Valves — Potable Water Supplied

ASSE 1044, Performance Requirements for Trap Seal Primer — Drainage Types and Electric Design Types

ASSE 1052, Performance Requirements for Hose Connection Backflow Preventers

ASSE 1056, Performance Requirements for Spill Resistant Vacuum Breakers

Publisher: The American Society of Safety Engineers (ASSE), 520 N. Northwest Hwy, Park Ridge, IL 60068 ([www.asse.org](http://www.asse.org))

CSA B64.1.4, Vacuum breaker, air space type

Publisher: Canadian Standards Association (CSA), 178 Rexdale Boulevard, Toronto, Ontario M9W 1R3, Canada ([www.csagroup.org](http://www.csagroup.org))

UL 969, Marking and Labeling Systems

Publisher: Underwriters Laboratories, Inc. (UL), 333 Pfingsten Road, Northbrook, IL 60062-2096; Order Department: Comm 2000, 151 Eastern Avenue, Bensenville, IL 60106 ([www.ul.com](http://www.ul.com))

### 1.4 Definitions

*blister*: a raised portion of the surface not greater than  $\frac{1}{8}$  in. (3 mm) in maximum dimension.

*blister, large*: a raised portion of the surface greater than  $\frac{1}{8}$  in. (3 mm) in maximum dimension.

*bubble*: a raised portion of the surface or a sand speck smaller than  $\frac{1}{32}$  in. (1 mm) in maximum dimension.

*crack*: a fracture in either the glaze or the body, but neither a dunt nor a craze.

*craze*: fine cracks in the glaze.

*discoloration*: a colored spot over  $\frac{1}{4}$  in. (6 mm) in maximum dimension or a sufficient number of specks or spots to give the effect of a change in color.

*drain-cleansing action*: the process of introducing a volume of water, in the form of a stream or spray, to rinse drain pipes and assist in carrying residue downstream through the drainage system. The feature is not required for the nonwater urinal to maintain the required trap seal.

*dull or eggshell finish*: dead or flat finish, undeveloped glaze, or a semi-glazed finish with numerous very fine pinholes or slightly matted in appearance, not glossy; not to be confused with a satin or matte finish used for decorative purposes.

*dunt*: a hairline fracture extending through the body and caused by strains set up in the process of manufacture.