

## Abbreviations

<b>ABS</b>	Acrylonitrile Butadiene Styrene
<b>AGA</b>	American Gas Association
<b>ANSI</b>	American National Standards Institute, (formerly USASI, formerly ASA)
<b>ASA</b>	American Standards Association (see ANSI)
<b>ASME</b>	American Society of Mechanical Engineers
<b>ASTM</b>	American Society for Testing and Materials; now just ASTM International.
<b>AWWA</b>	American Water Works Association
<b>CPPA</b>	Corrugated Plastic Pipe Association
<b>CTS</b>	Copper Tubing Size
<b>DIPS</b>	Ductile Iron Pipe Size
<b>DOT</b>	Department of Transportation, a bureau of the Federal Government
<b>DR</b>	Dimension Ratio
<b>ESC</b>	Environmental Stress Cracking
<b>ESCR</b>	Environmental Stress Cracking Resistance
<b>HDB</b>	Hydrostatic Design Basis
<b>HDBC</b>	Hydrostatic Design Basis Category
<b>HDPE</b>	High Density Polyethylene
<b>HDS</b>	Hydrostatic Design Stress
<b>IPS</b>	Iron Pipe Size
<b>ISO</b>	International Standards Association
<b>LPG</b>	Liquefied Petroleum Gas
<b>LTHS</b>	Long-Term Hydrostatic Strength
<b>MDPE</b>	Medium Density Polyethylene
<b>MRS</b>	Minimum Required Strength
<b>MSS</b>	Manufacturers Standardization Society of the Valve and Fitting Industry
<b>NFPA</b>	National Fire Protection Association
<b>NPGA</b>	National Propane Gas Association
<b>NSF</b>	National Sanitation Foundation
<b>NTSB</b>	National Transportation Safety Board
<b>OPS</b>	Office of Pipeline Safety, a branch of the U.S. Department of Transportation
<b>PA</b>	Polyamide (nylon)
<b>PB</b>	Polybutylene
<b>PE</b>	Polyethylene
<b>PEX</b>	Crosslinked Polyethylene
<b>PPI</b>	Plastics Pipe Institute
<b>RCP</b>	Rapid Crack Propagation
<b>RTRP</b>	Reinforced Thermosetting Resin Pipe
<b>SCG</b>	Slow Crack Growth
<b>SDR</b>	Standard Dimension Ratio
<b>SPE</b>	Society of Plastic Engineers
<b>SPI</b>	Society of the Plastics Industry, Inc.
<b>TSI</b>	Transportation Safety Institute