

## Paul Ingram From Mesa On The Alphabet Of Plumbing

MESA, AR, UNITED STATES, June 26, 2018 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Most people will require a plumber in their home at some point, and usually as an emergency. This is why <u>Paul Ingram from</u> <u>Mesa</u> believes that it is important to help people understand the different terminologies used within the world of plumbing. He points out that to understand the terminologies, homeowners can minimize the impact of the emergency, while at the same time being able to explain what is going on.

Paul Ingram Highlights the Alphabet of Plumbing

A is for automatic emergency water shut off valve, which all homeowners should be able to locate so that they can shut down the water supply if there is a problem in their plumbing system.

B is for a backflow preventer, which stops dirty water from contaminating drinking water.

C is for checking for leaks, as even the smallest one can cause big problems.

D is for drains, which should be covered with strainers to prevent them from clogging.

E is for an emergency sump pump, which should be battery powered so that it can still operate during power outages.

F is for a flush valve, which can waste a lot of water if it doesn't function properly.

G is for garbage disposal. Paul Ingram explains that people need to be careful about what they put in there and that they should turn the disposal off before they try to dislodge anything that got stuck.

H is for the hot water heater, which can have a big impact on overall energy costs.

I is for insulating pipes during the winter. Paul Ingram explains that, as a plumber, winter is the busiest time of the year for him as pipes usually freeze over and then burst. A simple foam insulation cover can prevent this from happening.

J is for the J-hook water pipe hanger, which prevents pipes from sagging and reduces noise.

K is for kitchen sink drain chemicals, which people often use without thinking. If they have plastic pipes, the chemicals can literally eat through them. Metal pipes are not immune either.

L is for lift stations, which pump dirty water to higher elevations. Paul Ingram wants to encourage people to have this checked regularly.

M is for magnesium anode rods, which screw into the water heater to stop the water from rusting the heater. They should regularly be checked and replaced when necessary.

N is for needle valve, which is used for controlling the water flow. When it breaks, blockages or

leakages are generally found.

O is for older appliances, which often waste both water and energy. <u>According to Paul Ingram</u>, they can also cause big problems when they break down.

P is for the plunger, which continues to be the best household tool for rapidly dislodging small to medium clogs.

Q is for quick connect ball valves, which often don't require tools to be installed and should be regularly replaced, something a homeowner can do as a DIY job.

R is for relief valve, which is part of the plumbing safety installation. It stops water heaters from building up too much pressure, essentially ensuring that the water heater doesn't rupture or even explode.

S is for septic tank, which should be pumped every few years. Septic systems should be regularly maintained. Chemicals should be limited and people should try to conserve as much water as possible.

T is for a toilet, which could be replaced with a low flow model, thereby saving a lot of water in the long run. Low flow toilets are far more sustainable and green.

U is for under sink shut off valve, which homeowners should be able to locate and operate. This valve can switch the water off while continuing to allow bathroom and kitchen water supply.

V is for vents, which stop the bathroom from developing mold.

W is for the washing machine shut off valve, which people should be able to locate should they find their washing machine is looking.

X is for Xtra care, meaning that homeowners should have a plumber in their address book so they can call someone out immediately if there is an emergency.

Y is for yard faucets and irrigation systems, which should be periodically examined.

Z is for plumbing zones, which should regularly be checked within the home.

According to Paul Ingram, being aware of the above-mentioned basics of plumbing will ensure people have fewer issues with their plumbing in future, while at the same time minimizing any damage should an issue occur. Plumbing is a complex technological undertaking, but there are plenty of things that homeowners can and should know about that could have a big impact on how much work a professional plumber needs to do for their home.

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