

Texas Administrative Code Definitions

Applicable to School Pipe Testing

As per Texas Administrative Code (TAC) Title 16 Part 1 Chapter 8 Subchapter A, Rule §8.5 entitled Definitions, the following Definitions apply to the Texas Utilities Code.

“ (4) Charter school--An elementary or secondary school operated by an entity created pursuant to Texas Education Code, Chapter 12.”

“ (19) Natural gas supplier--The entity selling and delivering the natural gas to a school facility or a master metered system. If more than one entity sells and delivers natural gas to a school facility or master metered system, each entity is a natural gas supplier for purposes of this chapter.”

“ (21) Person--Any individual, firm, joint venture, partnership, corporation, association, cooperative association, joint stock association, trust, or any other business entity, including any trustee, receiver, assignee, or personal representative thereof, a state agency or institution, a county, a municipality, or school district or any other governmental subdivision of this state.”

“ (22) Person responsible for a school facility--In the case of a public school, the superintendent of the school district as defined in Texas Education Code, §11.201, or the superintendent's designee previously specified in writing to the natural gas supplier. In the case of charter and private schools, the principal of the school or the principal's designee previously specified in writing to the natural gas supplier.”

“ (25) Private school--A school that: (A) offers a course of instruction for students in one or more grades from kindergarten through grade 12; (B) is not operated by a governmental entity; and (C) is not a home school.

“ (26) Public school--An elementary or secondary school operated by an entity created in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas and accredited by the Texas Education Agency pursuant to Texas Education Code, Chapter 39, Subchapter D. The term does not include programs and facilities under the jurisdiction of the Texas Juvenile Justice Department, the Texas Health and Human Services Commission, the Texas Department of Criminal Justice or any probation agency, the Texas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired, the Texas School for the Deaf and Regional Day Schools for the Deaf, the Texas Academy of Mathematics & Science, the Texas Academy of Leadership in the Humanities, and home schools or proprietary schools as defined in Texas Education Code, § RSA 132.001.”

“ (27) School facility--All piping, buildings and structures operated by a public, charter, or private school that are downstream of a meter measuring natural gas service in which students receive instruction or participate in school sponsored extracurricular activities, excluding maintenance or bus facilities, administrative offices, and similar facilities not regularly utilized by students.”