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**Question:**

Does Sentence 7.5.9.2. (1) allow an island sink in a new dwelling unit as well as a renovation in a dwelling unit to be vented by means of an air admittance valve, provided that the installation of the valve conforms to Sentence 7.5.9.2. (2) and Subsection 7.5.9.3. ?

**Interpretation:**

Yes

A fixture located within an island counter may be vented by means of an air admittance valve in accordance with Clause 7.5.9.2. (1) (a). Clauses 7.5.9.2. (1) (a) through (d) specifies locations where air admittance valves may be used in conjunction with a conventional venting system. Each of the conditions described in Clauses (a) through (d) is to be considered on its own merit and is deemed to be an acceptable location for the installation of an air admittance valve.

It should be noted that air admittance valves may only be used to terminate an individual vent in accordance with Sentence 7.5.9.1. (1) and must be installed in conformance with the conditions as stated in Subsection 7.5.9.3..

Also, BCIC Interpretation # 98-0021 contains another method of island sink venting that has been widely accepted for many years.



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