

**INTERPRETATIONS & APPLICATIONS
OF BUILDING CODES & REGULATIONS 13-8**

CODE SECTION : 2015 IPC SECTION 417.4

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SUBJECT: SHOWER COMPARTMENTS WITHOUT A THRESHOLD

Thresholds are required in standard shower compartments to protect the bathroom from flooding. However, standard shower compartments are being constructed without thresholds, similar to accessible shower compartments.

Bathroom floors, walls, furniture and cabinets are now subjected to water well in excess of drippings.

To counter excess water leaving the shower compartment, ALL shower compartments designed without a threshold shall install a trench drain at the threshold location. The trench drain shall be connected to the drainage system at the shower tailpiece between the shower drain inlet and the trap.

The trough drain shall have a drain cover.