INSPECTION REQUIREMENTS:
ROOF DRAINAGE AND ROOF DRAINS

INSPECTION CODE: 802, 805, 808
SCOPE: RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL
CODES ENFORCED: CURRENT CA. CODES OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 24, AND RELATED CPA MUNICIPAL CODES

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ROOF DRAINAGE

PRIMARY ROOF DRAINS
☐ Primary drain(s) shall be properly sized per CPC 1101.12.1.

SECONDARY ROOF DRAINS
☐ Secondary roof drains shall be provided by:
  o An open-sided roof or scuppers where the roof perimeter construction extends above the roof in such manner that the water will be entrapped. An open-sided roof or scupper shall be sized to prevent the depth of ponding water from exceeding that for which the roof was designed. Scupper openings shall not be less than 4 inches high and shall have a width equal to the circumference of the roof drain required for the area served, sized in accordance with Table 1101.12. (CPC 1101.12.2.1)
  o The secondary roof drains shall be located not less than 2” above the roof surface. The maximum height of the roof drains shall be a height to prevent the depth of ponding from exceeding that for which the roof was designed. (CPC 1101.12.2.2)
  o The secondary roof drain shall connect to the piping system (separate or combined). (CPC 1101.12.2.2)

SLOPE REQUIREMENTS
☐ See the “Roofing Requirements – Summary” sheet for additional information.

ROOF DRAINS

DOMED STRAINERS
☐ Roof drains shall have domed strainers. (CPC 1102.2)

FLAT ROOFS/DECKS
☐ Drain strainers shall be level with the deck. (CPC 1102.2 Exc.)
Figure 11-2
Area of Scuppers

Cross-Sectional Area
Scuppers shall be 3 times the size of the
roof drain, per the Building Code.