

## STREAMING VIDEO TEXT

### PEX Pipe

PEX pipes are ideal for hot and cold water plumbing systems. PEX pipes are not new – they've been around for more than 30 years, and were originally developed in Europe for heating systems and very quickly were adapted for potable water systems. Nowadays in North America, there are more than eight manufacturers making cross-linked polyethylene plumbing systems. And that's what PEX stands for: polyethylene that's cross-linked. What that means is it's a flexible plastic piping, making it easy to install, fast, eliminating many of the fittings, but it also means it's a high temperature, high pressure plastic. It can take the high temperatures that are often seen in hot water plumbing systems and the high pressures that you see in residential and commercial plumbing systems.