### AWS D1.1 Interpretation

**Subject:** Groove Depth  
**Code Edition:** D1.1-90  
**Code Provision:** None  
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**Inquiry:**
1. Is a joint design (in D1.1) in which the shallow groove equals 1/16 in. or less technically still identified as a double-V-groove?
2. What is the reason for limiting the shallow groove depth to “no less than T/4”?

**Response:**
1. No. Code requires S₂ to be >T/4.
2. See. Foreword of D1.1 (“History of Satisfactory Performance”).