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The structure of minimal zero-dimensional extensions of rings with Noetherian spectrum in which zero is a primary ideal and with only finitely many prime ideals of height greater than one will be presented. These rings include Dedekind domains and $K[[X; Y]]$ where K is a field, but need not be Noetherian nor integrally closed. We show that for such a ring R there is a one-to-one correspondence between isomorphism classes of minimal zero-dimensional extensions of R and sets \mathcal{M} , where the elements of \mathcal{M} are ideals of R primary for distinct prime ideals of height greater than zero. (Received August 11, 2009)