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# Standard Specification for Hubless Cast Iron Soil Pipe and Fittings for Sanitary and Storm Drain, Waste, and Vent Piping Applications<sup>1</sup>

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## 1. Scope

1.1 This specification covers hubless cast iron soil pipe and fittings for use in gravity flow applications. It establishes standards covering material, manufacture, mechanical and chemical properties, dimensions, coating, test methods, inspection, certification, and product marking for hubless cast iron soil pipe and fittings. These pipe and fittings are intended for non-pressure applications, as the selection of the proper size for sanitary drain, waste, vent, and storm drain systems allows free air space for gravity drainage.

1.2 The EDP/ASA numbers indicated in this section represent a Uniform Industry Code adopted by the American Supply Association (ASA). A group designation prefix, 022, is assigned to hubless products, followed by the four-digit identification assigned to individual items and a check digit. This system has been instituted to facilitate EDP control through distribution channels, and is to be used universally in ordering and specifying product items. Those items with no EDP numbers are either new, special, or transitory and will be assigned numbers on subsequent prints of this specification.

1.3 This specification covers pipe and fittings of the following patterns and applies to any other patterns that conform with the dimensions found in Tables 1 and 2 and all other applicable requirements given in this specification.<sup>2</sup>

### 1.3.1 Lengths:

EDP/ASA Identification Numbers  
for Hubless Pipe  
10 ft (3.0 m) in sizes and 5 ft. (1.5 m)  
1½, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8,  
10, 12, and 15 in.  
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1.4 The values stated in inch-pound units are to be regarded as standard. The values given in parentheses are mathematical conversions to SI units that are provided for information only and are not considered standard.

1.5 The committee with jurisdiction over this standard is aware of another comparable standard published by the Cast Iron Soil Pipe Institute, CISPI 301.

NOTE 1—The text of this standard references notes and footnotes that provide explanatory material. These notes and footnotes (excluding those in tables and figures) shall not be considered as requirements of the standard.

1.6 *This international standard was developed in accordance with internationally recognized principles on standardization established in the Decision on Principles for the Development of International Standards, Guides and Recommendations issued by the World Trade Organization Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT) Committee.*

## 2. Referenced Documents

### 2.1 ASTM Standards:<sup>3</sup>

- A48/A48M Specification for Gray Iron Castings
- A644 Terminology Relating to Iron Castings
- D1248 Specification for Polyethylene Plastics Extrusion Materials for Wire and Cable
- D3960 Practice for Determining Volatile Organic Compound (VOC) Content of Paints and Related Coatings
- E8/E8M Test Methods for Tension Testing of Metallic Materials
- E1645 Practice for Preparation of Dried Paint Samples by Hotplate or Microwave Digestion for Subsequent Lead Analysis
- E2349 Practice for Safety Requirements in Metal Casting Operations: Sand Preparation, Molding, and Core Making; Melting and Pouring; and Cleaning and Finishing

### 2.2 Federal Standard:<sup>4</sup>

- Fed. Std. No. 123 Marking for Shipment (Civil Agencies)

### 2.3 Military Standard:<sup>4</sup>

- MIL-STD-129 Military Marking for Shipment and Storage

### 2.4 ANSI/ASME Standard:<sup>5</sup>

- B1.20 Pipe Threads

## 2.5 Other Documents:

- Uniform Freight Classification Rules<sup>6</sup>
- National Motor Freight Classification Rules<sup>7</sup>
- Cast Iron Soil Pipe Institute (CISPI) Specification 301<sup>8</sup>

## 3. Terminology

### 3.1 Abbreviations:

- 3.1.1 AC—above center
- 3.1.2 ADAPTR—adapter
- 3.1.3 &—and
- 3.1.4 ASA—American Supply Association
- 3.1.5 ASSY—assembly
- 3.1.6 BD—bend
- 3.1.7 CARL—Carlson
- 3.1.8 CF—Carlson fitting
- 3.1.9 CLO—closet
- 3.1.10 CO—cleanout
- 3.1.11 COMB—combination
- 3.1.12 CRS—cross
- 3.1.13 DB—double
- 3.1.14 DBL—double
- 3.1.15 EDP—electronic data processing
- 3.1.16 EXT—extended, extension
- 3.1.17 F—figure
- 3.1.18 FER—ferrule
- 3.1.19 FLNG—flange
- 3.1.20 FTG—fitting
- 3.1.21 HI—high
- 3.1.22 HOR—horizontal
- 3.1.23 INC—increaser, increasing
- 3.1.24 L—left hand
- 3.1.25 L/—less
- 3.1.26 LG—long
- 3.1.27 LH—left hand
- 3.1.28 LNG—long
- 3.1.29 /MAIN—on main
- 3.1.30 MN—on main
- 3.1.31 NO—New Orleans
- 3.1.32 R—right hand
- 3.1.33 RAD—radius
- 3.1.34 RED—reducer, reducing
- 3.1.35 REV—revent
- 3.1.36 RH—right hand

<sup>3</sup> For referenced ASTM standards, visit the ASTM website, [www.astm.org](http://www.astm.org), or contact ASTM Customer Service at [service@astm.org](mailto:service@astm.org). For *Annual Book of ASTM Standards* volume information, refer to the standard's Document Summary page on the ASTM website.

<sup>4</sup> Available from Standardization Documents Order Desk, DODSSP, Bldg. 4, Section D, 700 Robbins Ave., Philadelphia, PA 19111-5098, <http://www.dodssp.daps.dla.mil>.

<sup>5</sup> Available from American National Standards Institute (ANSI), 25 W. 43rd St., 4th Floor, New York, NY 10036, <http://www.ansi.org>.

<sup>6</sup> Available from the Uniform Classification Commission, Room 1106, 222 S. Riverside Plaza, Chicago, IL 60606.

<sup>7</sup> Available from National Motor Freight Traffic Association, Inc. (NMFTA), 1001 N. Fairfax St., Suite 600, Alexandria, VA 22314-1798, <http://www.nmfta.org>.

<sup>8</sup> Available from Cast Iron Soil Pipe Institute (CISPI), 2401 Fieldcrest Dr., Mundelein, IL 60060, <http://www.cispi.org>.

- 3.1.37 *SAN*—sanitary
- 3.1.38 *SD*—side
- 3.1.39 *SL & NOTCH*—slotted and notched
- 3.1.40 *SO*—side openings
- 3.1.41 *ST*—sanitary tap
- 3.1.42 *T*—tee
- 3.1.43 *TAP*—tap, tapped
- 3.1.44 *TOT*—tap on top
- 3.1.45 *TP*—tap, tapped
- 3.1.46 *V*—vent
- 3.1.47 *VERT*—vertical
- 3.1.48 *W*—with
- 3.1.49 *Y*—wye

### 3.2 Definitions of Terms Specific to This Standard:

3.2.1 *manufacturer*—the entity that casts the pipe and fittings covered by this standard.

## 4. Materials and Manufacture

4.1 The pipe and fittings shall be iron castings suitable for installation and service for sanitary, storm drain, waste, and vent piping applications. The pipe and fittings shall meet all applicable requirements and tests given in this specification.

4.2 The castings shall be made of cast iron, produced by an established commercial method that provides control over chemical and mechanical properties. “Cast iron” is a generic term for a series of alloys as defined in Terminology **A644** and includes gray iron as well as ductile iron. The castings shall be sound, true to pattern, and of compact close grain that permits drilling and cutting by ordinary methods. The interior surface shall be reasonably smooth and free from defects that would make the castings unfit for the use for which they are intended.

4.3 To minimize the possibility of introducing radioactive material to a melting operation, ferrous scrap, pig iron, and any recycled ferrous material shall be screened by the manufacturer for radioactivity with detection devices operated in accordance with the detection manufacturer’s instructions. Written operating, calibration, and maintenance procedures for the detection equipment shall be provided to the purchaser for review when requested. Records shall be maintained by load of these tests for a period of seven years.

4.3.1 Only radiation devices designed specifically for the purpose of screening ferrous material shipments shall be used for the purpose of conforming to this requirement. Handheld radiation detectors (Geiger counters) are not appropriate and shall not be used for the purpose of conforming to this requirement.

4.3.2 Material that is found contaminated with radioactivity shall not be used to produce products covered by this specification.

4.3.3 Analysis of castings after the time of production shall not be used to determine compliance to this specification.

4.4 Foundries manufacturing products to this specification shall comply with all local, provincial, state, and national safety laws and regulations, and with the requirements of Practice **E2349**.

4.5 Pipe and fittings shall not be patched, filled, or welded by the manufacturer to repair cosmetic or material defects that occur during the course of manufacturing.

## 5. Mechanical Properties

5.1 *Mechanical Tests for Gray Iron*—The manufacturer shall perform tests to determine mechanical properties of the gray iron used in the manufacture of gray iron soil pipe and fittings. Tension test specimens shall be employed. The manufacturer shall maintain a record of mechanical tests for a minimum of seven years.

5.1.1 *Tensile Strength Test*—The tensile strength shall be not less than 21 000 psi (145 MPa).

5.1.2 Tension test reports shall include breaking load of test bars, machined diameter of test bars, and calculated tensile strength.

5.1.3 Analysis of castings or test bars after the time of production shall not be used as evidence of compliance to this specification.

## 6. Chemical Test for Gray Iron

6.1 The manufacturer shall perform tests to determine the significant chemical constituents of the gray iron used in the manufacture of gray iron soil pipe and fittings. Analysis shall be performed at the minimum of once per lot as defined in this specification. The manufacturer shall maintain a record of chemical tests performed for a minimum of seven years. The test results shall conform to the following requirements as to chemical composition:

Phosphorous (P)	0.38 % Maximum
Sulfur (S)	0.15 % Maximum
Chromium (Cr)	0.50 % Maximum
Titanium (Ti)	0.10 % Maximum
Aluminum (Al)	0.50 % Maximum
Lead (Pb)	0.015 % Maximum
Carbon Equivalent	4.10 % Minimum by mass

Note: Carbon equivalent for gray iron =  $\%C + \%Si/3 + \%P/3$ .

6.1.1 Chemical tests shall be performed at the time of production of the castings covered by this specification.

6.1.2 Analysis of castings after the time of production shall not be used as evidence of compliance to this specification.

## 7. Dimensions and Permissible Variations

### 7.1 Pipe:

7.1.1 *Ends of Pipe*—The end of pipe shall be cast with or without a spigot bead. The pipe shall be cast in one piece.

7.1.2 *Dimensions of Pipe*—Pipe shall be 10 ft (3 m) long or 5 ft (1.5 m) long with the dimensions and tolerances specified in Figs. 1 and 2. (The laying length of pipe is the same as actual length.)

7.1.3 *Straightness of Pipe*—Pipe shall be straight to the extent that for 10 ft (3 m) lengths, deflections in the barrel shall not exceed  $\frac{5}{8}$  in. (16 mm). For 5 ft (1.5 m) lengths, deflections in the barrel shall not exceed  $\frac{5}{16}$  in. (8 mm).

## 7.2 Fittings:

**7.2.1 Dimensions of Fittings**—All fittings shall conform to the dimensions and tolerances specified in Figs. 1 and 2 as applicable. Fittings of the patterns specified in this specification shall conform to the applicable dimensions in Figs. 6–65, inclusive. Fittings not listed shall conform to Fig. 1 for wall thickness and dimension *R* for the minimum radius of any drain inlets that any such fittings provide.

**7.2.2** All bends, sanitary tees, stack fittings, and special fittings that perform the function of a sanitary tee, designed for the conveyance of soil, waste, or both, affluent, shall have a radius not less than the following:

Nominal Size of Run or Branch (in.)	Minimum Radius
1½–2	125 % of the smaller run or branch
3–4	100 % of the smaller run or branch
5–6	80 % of the smaller run or branch
8–10	70 % of the smaller run or branch
12–15	60 % of the smaller run or branch

**7.2.3 Ends of Fittings**—Ends shall have spigot beads as shown in Figs. 1 and 2. Positioning lugs are optional on all fittings. Positioning lugs on fittings when used by the manufacturer shall be cast as described in Fig. 2 or continuous around circumference of the fitting. It is permissible to increase the wall thickness on the inside surface of fitting ends. The increased thickness shall not reduce the minimum *B* dimension in Table 1 in excess of 0.06 in. and shall not extend more than 4¼ in. from the plain end. The increased thickness shall be tapered and shall offer no obstruction to flow.

**7.2.4 Pipe Threads**—Screw plugs and tapped openings in fittings shall have taper pipe threads in accordance with ANSI/ASME Standard B1.20.

**7.2.5** Internal threads shall be chamfered at the entering end approximately to the major diameter of the thread, at an angle of approximately 45° with the axis of the thread for easy entrance in making a joint and for protection of the thread. The chamfer shall be concentric with the thread and shall be included in the measurement of the thread length.

## 8. Methods of Specifying Fittings

**8.1 Method of Specifying Sizes of Fittings of More Than One Size**—The sizes shall be designated by the order of listing, as follows:

**TABLE 1 EDP Identification Numbers for Hubless Pipe**

NOTE 1—When ordering by these EDP numbers, be sure to include the check (✓) digit following the item number (022 0126 7). This check digit is verification of the group and item number you select.

Manufacturer's Item	Code			Description <sup>A</sup>
	Group	Item No.	✓	
Hubless pipe (see Fig. 1)	022	0156	4	10 ft (3 m) length 1½
		0158	0	2½
		0160	6	3
		0162	2	4
		0164	8	5
		0168	9	6
		0170	5	8
		0171	3	10
		0172	7	12
		0173	1	15

<sup>A</sup> EDP numbers for fittings will appear in each of the respective tables.

### 8.1.1 Branch and Tapped Fittings:

**8.1.1.1 Size of Run**—The run shall be that portion of the fitting that forms part of the main pipe line.

#### 8.1.1.2 Size of Branch:

**8.2 Methods of Specifying Hand of Fittings with Side Inlets**—When placed in the position described below, if the side inlet appears on the right, it shall be a right-hand fitting; if on the left, it shall be a left-hand fitting.

**8.2.1 Branch Fittings**—The branch shall be placed toward the observer and the outlet end of the run lower than the branch.

**8.3** The fitting illustrated in Fig. 3 has a right-hand inlet. Left-hand fittings have these openings on the side opposite to that shown. Inlets on fittings shall be made with or without spigot bead and positioning lug.

## 9. Coating

**9.1** The pipe and fittings shall be uniformly coated with a material suitable for the purpose that is adherent and not brittle. The coating shall be applied in accordance with the coating manufacturer's requirements. External touch marks from points of contact during the coating process are permitted. The coating shall not contain asbestos above current SDS reportable levels.<sup>9</sup> Safety data sheets shall be furnished by the coating manufacturer when requested. The coating shall be evenly and smoothly applied to all surfaces, except in threaded openings, unless the coating is specifically designed for threaded openings.

**9.2** Pipe and fittings coatings shall not contain lead which exceeds levels above 0.06 % (600 ppm).

**9.2.1** The manufacturer shall annually prepare and submit samples to a qualified laboratory for test in accordance with Practice E1645. The manufacturer shall prepare and submit samples when changing sources of supply or the coating manufacturer changes formulations for the coating.

**9.3** Pipe and fittings coatings shall not contain levels of volatile organic hazardous air pollutants (VOHAPs) which exceed levels of 2.6 lb (0.31 kg/L) of VOHAPs per gallon of solids in accordance with Practice D3960.

**9.3.1** The manufacturer shall annually certify that the coating meets the VOHAP requirement. It is permissible for the coating manufacturer to provide the certification.

**9.4** Records shall be maintained for a period of seven years.

**9.5** Copies of the coating certification shall be furnished when requested.

## 10. Sampling

**10.1** Chemical and mechanical tests shall be made regularly and at sufficiently close intervals for adequate determinations of the significant chemical constituents and properties of the cast iron. A specimen taken from a finished product often does not produce the same results as a specimen formed by the

<sup>9</sup> The Global Harmonized System of classification and labeling of chemicals sets the same rules for classifying hazards, and mandates the same format and content for labels and Safety Data Sheets for use around the world.