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## Standard Specification for Heavy Duty Shielded Couplings Joining Hubless Cast Iron Soil Pipe and Fittings<sup>1</sup>

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### 1. Scope

1.1 This specification covers the evaluating of the performance of heavy duty shielded couplings to join hubless cast iron soil pipe and fittings.

1.2 Couplings covered by this standard shall have minimum dimensions as found in Table 1 and Fig. 1 of this standard.

1.3 The values stated in inch-pound units are to be regarded as the standard. The SI units given in parentheses are for information only.

1.4 The committee with jurisdiction over this standard is aware of comparable standards published by other organizations, namely Cast Iron Soil Pipe Institute specification CISPI 310 and Factory Mutual Research standard FM 1680.

1.5 The following precautionary caveat pertains only to the test method portion, Section 7, of this specification. *This standard does not purport to address all of the safety concerns, if any, associated with its use. It is the responsibility of the user of this standard to establish appropriate safety and health practices and determine the applicability of regulatory limitations prior to use.*

### 2. Referenced Documents

#### 2.1 ASTM Standards:

A 240 Specification for Stainless and Heat-Resisting Chromium-Nickel Steel Plate, Sheet, and Strip<sup>2</sup>

A 493 Specification for Stainless Wire and Wire Rods for Cold Heating and Cold Forging<sup>2</sup>

A 888 Specification for Hubless Cast Iron Soil Pipe and Fittings for Sanitary, Storm and Drain, Waste, and Vent Piping Applications<sup>2</sup>

C 564 Specification for Rubber Gaskets for Cast Iron Soil Pipe and Fittings<sup>2</sup>

C 717 Terminology of Building Seals and Sealants<sup>2</sup>

#### 2.2 CISPI Standards:

CISPI-301 Specification for Hubless Cast Iron Soil Pipe and Fittings for Sanitary and Storm Drain, Waste and Vent Piping Applications

TABLE 1

Nominal Pipe Size	Coupling Width
1½ to 4 in. (38 to 100 mm)	3 in. (76 mm) Minimum Width
5 to 10 in. (127 to 254 mm)	4 in. (100 mm) Minimum Width
12 to 15 in. (305 to 381 mm)	5½ in. (140 mm) Minimum Width

CISPI-310 Specification for coupling for use in Connection with Hubless Cast Iron Soil Pipe and Fittings for Sanitary and Storm Drain, Waste and Vent Piping Applications  
FM 1680 Approval Standard Couplings used in Hubless Cast Iron Systems for Drain, Waste or Vent Systems above or below ground Industrial, Commercial, and Residential

### 3. Terminology

#### 3.1 Definitions:

3.1.1 Definitions of the following terms used in this specification are found in Terminology C 717.

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

3.2.1 *center stop, n*—an integral part of the gasket centered on the axial length of the gasket intended to limit the insertion depth of the pipe to be coupled.

3.2.2 *clamp assembly, n*—that portion of the coupling excluding the gasket.

3.2.3 *coupling, n*—the complete assembly.

3.2.4 *fitting, n*—parts of a pipeline other than straight pipes, valves, or couplings.

3.2.5 *gasket, n*—the elastomeric portion of the coupling.

3.2.6 *heavy duty coupling, n*—a shielded coupling that has dimensions not less than those detailed in Table 1 and Fig. 1.

3.2.7 *joint, n*—the point of assembly consisting of the coupling and the joined pipes or fittings, or both.

3.2.8 *shield, n*—an external metallic protective device designed to protect the sealing gasket from external elements that could cause failure of the sealing assembly.

### 4. Materials and Manufacture

4.1 Physical properties of gaskets shall comply with Specification C 564 using the applicable durometer hardness requirement of the column of Table 2 of that document as specified by the manufacturer.

4.2 Clamp assembly screws or bolts shall not have screw-driver slots.

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<sup>2</sup> *Annual Book of ASTM Standards*, Vol

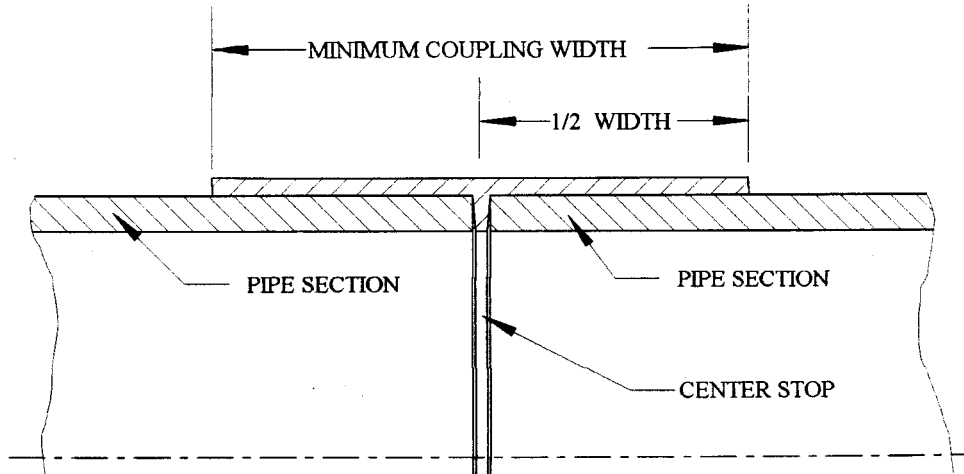


FIG. 1 Typical Center Stop Detail

TABLE 2 Dimensions and Tolerances for Hubless Pipe and Fittings

Size, in. (mm)	Outside Diameter, in. (mm)
1½ (38)	1.90 ± 0.06 (48.26 ± 1.52)
2 (51)	2.35 ± 0.09 (59.69 ± 2.29)
3 (76)	3.35 ± 0.09 (85.09 ± 2.29)
4 (102)	4.38+0.09-0.05 (111.25+2.29/-1.27)
5 (127)	5.30+0.09-0.05 (134.63+2.29/-1.27)
6 (152)	6.30+0.09-0.05 (160.02+2.29/-1.27)
8 (203)	8.38+0.13-0.09 (212.85+3.30/-2.29)
10 (254)	10.56 ± 0.09 (268.22 ± 2.29)
12 (305)	12.50 ± 0.09 (317.5 ± 2.29)
15 (381)	15.83 ± 0.09 (402.08 ± 2.29)

4.3 All stainless steel shall meet the physical requirements of Specification A 240.

5. Elastomeric Gasket Requirements

5.1 The elastomeric gasket shall consist of one piece polychloroprene construction conforming to the physical requirements of Specification C 564.

5.1.1 The elastomeric gasket shall have an inside center stop that does not create an enlargement chamber or recess with a ledge, shoulder, or reduction of pipe area or offer an obstruction to flow.

5.1.2 The elastomeric gasket shall be free of defects that affect the use and serviceability.

6. Clamp Assembly Requirements

6.1 The clamp assembly shall be made of material conforming to the requirements as outlined in Sections 4 and 6.

6.1.1 All metallic parts shall be of 300 series stainless steel and shall conform to the requirements of Specification A 240. All metallic parts made from round stock shall be of 300 series stainless steel and shall conform to the requirements of Specification A 493 (excluding copper bearing alloys).

6.1.2 Clamp assemblies shall be tested to withstand no less than 125 % of the manufacturers stated installation torque without visible signs of failure. The clamp assembly shall be tested over a steel mandrel of the appropriate diameter and torqued as required.

7. Couplings Requirements and Test Methods

7.1 Assemble each coupling to be tested according to the manufacturer's instructions between two sections of randomly selected hubless cast iron soil pipe meeting the requirements of CISPI 301 or Specification A 888 and conduct deflection and shear tests. In addition, unrestrained hydrostatic tests shall be performed as detailed in 7.2.

7.1.1 Deflection Test:

7.1.1.1 A test apparatus such as the one shown in Fig. 2 is suggested. Other testing apparatus that provide restraint to the assembly shall also be permitted. Close the outboard ends of the pipe with test plugs.

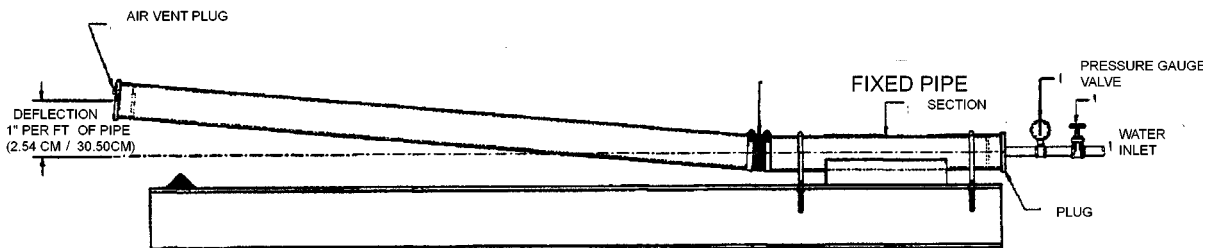


FIG. 2 Deflection Test