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Standard Specification for Cast Iron Couplings Used for Joining Hubless Cast Iron Soil Pipe and Fittings¹

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1. Scope

1.1 This specification covers the materials and testing of cast iron couplings for joining hubless cast iron soil pipe and fittings for sizes 1½ to 10 in.

1.2 It is the purpose of this specification to furnish information as to the characteristics of a particular sleeve type coupling when applied to cast iron soil pipe and fittings manufactured in accordance with Specification **A888**, latest revision, and CISPI Designation 301, latest revision.

1.3 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.

1.4 The following precautionary caveat pertains only to the test method portion, Section 8, 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:²

A48/A48M Specification for Gray Iron Castings

A644 Terminology Relating to Iron Castings

A888 Specification for Hubless Cast Iron Soil Pipe and Fittings for Sanitary and Storm Drain, Waste, and Vent Piping Applications

C564 Specification for Rubber Gaskets for Cast Iron Soil Pipe and Fittings

D2240 Test Method for Rubber Property—Durometer Hardness

E8 Test Methods for Tension Testing of Metallic Materials [A1056-12](#)

2.2 **ANSI/ASME Standards:**³ [catalog/standards/sist/331389a6-8eb9-4b2b-a1ad-c9d60d00b61f/astm-a1056-12](#)

ANSI/ASME B18.2.1 Square and Hex Bolt and Screws Inch Series

ANSI/ASME B18.1.2 Square and Hex Nuts (Inch Series)

2.3 CISPI Standard:⁴

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

3. Terminology

3.1 Definitions:

3.1.1 Definitions of the following terms used in this specification are found in Terminology **A644**: elastomeric, durometer and dynamic.

3.2 Definitions of Terms Specific to This Standard:

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² For referenced ASTM standards, visit the ASTM website, www.astm.org, or contact ASTM Customer Service at service@astm.org. For *Annual Book of ASTM Standards* volume information, refer to the standard's Document Summary page on the ASTM website.

³ Available from American National Standards Institute (ANSI), 25 W. 43rd St., 4th Floor, Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME), ASME International Headquarters, Three Park Ave., New York, NY 10036, <http://www.ansi.org>, 10016-5990, <http://www.asme.org>.

⁴ Available from Cast Iron Soil Pipe Institute (CISPI), 5959 Shallowford Rd., Suite 419, Chattanooga, TN 37421, <http://www.cispi.org>.

- 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 and/or fitting to be coupled.
- 3.2.2 *clamp assembly, n*—that portion of the coupling excluding the gasket, nuts and bolts.
- 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 *joint, n*—the point of assembly consisting of the coupling and the joined pipes or fittings, or both.
- 3.2.7 *manufacturer of the clamp assembly, n*— the entity that casts the clamp assembly.
- 3.2.8 *manufacturer of the coupling, n*—the entity that assembles the components of the coupling such as the gasket and the clamp assembly.
- 3.2.9 *manufacturer of the gasket, n*—the entity that produces the elastomeric portion of the coupling.

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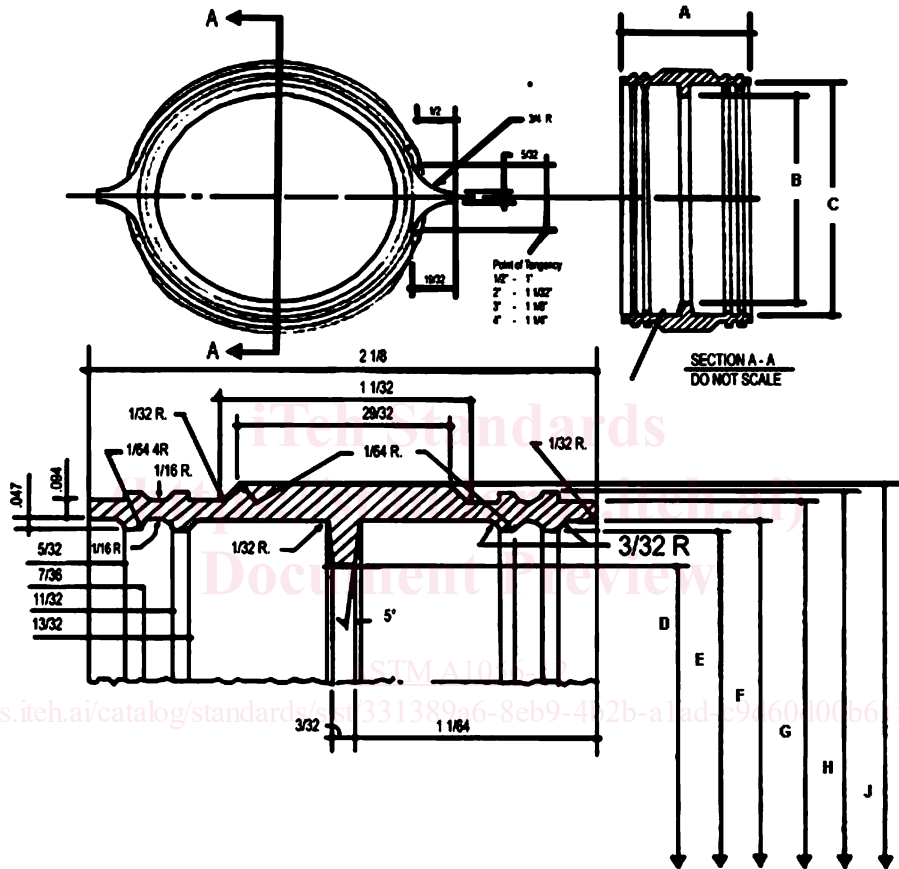
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4. Materials and Manufacture

4.1 Physical properties of gaskets shall comply with Specification C564 and the dimensions, material specifications, physical and chemical properties as shown in Fig. 1, Fig. 2, Table 1, and Table 2.

4.2 All cast iron parts shall be made of a minimum class 25 cast iron and shall show compliance to this requirement using test methods contained in Specification A48/A48M.

4.2.1 The manufacturer of the clamp assembly shall perform tests to determine mechanical properties of the iron used in the manufacture of iron soil couplings. Tension test specimens shall be employed. The manufacturer of the clamp assembly shall maintain a record of mechanical tests for a minimum of 7 years.

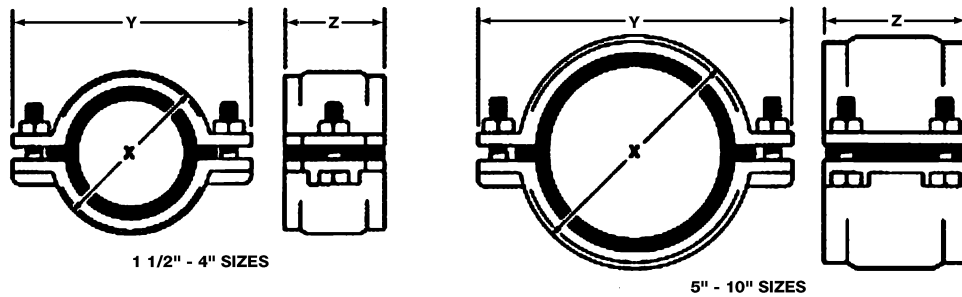


Dimensions in. (mm)

	1½ (38.100)	2 (50.800)	3 (76.200)	4 (101.600)	5 (127.000)	6 (152.400)	8 (203.200)	10 (254.000)
A	2.125 (53.975)	2.125 (53.975)	2.125 (53.975)	2.125 (53.975)	3.000 (76.200)	3.000 (76.200)	4.000 (101.600)	4.000 (101.600)
B	1.531 (38.887)	1.969 (50.013)	2.969 (75.413)	4.000 (101.600)	4.969 (126.213)	5.969 (151.613)	7.969 (202.413)	10.085 (256.159)
C	1.937 (49.200)	2.344 (59.538)	3.344 (84.938)	4.406 (111.912)	5.344 (135.737)	6.344 (161.138)	8.344 (211.938)	10.460 (265.684)
D	1.531 (38.887)	1.969 (50.013)	2.969 (75.413)	4.000 (101.600)	4.969 (126.213)	5.969 (151.613)	7.969 (202.413)	10.085 (256.159)
E	1.037 (26.340)	2.250 (57.150)	3.250 (82.550)	4.313 (109.550)	5.250 (133.350)	6.250 (158.750)	8.250 (209.550)	10.366 (263.296)
F	1.937 (49.200)	2.344 (59.538)	3.344 (84.938)	4.406 (111.912)	5.344 (135.737)	6.344 (161.138)	8.344 (211.938)	10.460 (265.684)
G	2.125 (53.975)	2.531 (64.287)	3.531 (89.687)	4.594 (116.688)	5.532 (140.513)	6.532 (165.913)	8.532 (216.713)	10.650 (270.510)
H	2.219 (56.363)	2.625 (66.675)	3.625 (92.075)	4.684 (118.974)	5.626 (142.900)	6.626 (168.300)	8.626 (219.100)	10.744 (272.898)
J	2.313 (58.750)	2.719 (69.063)	3.719 (94.463)	4.781 (121.437)	5.720 (145.288)	6.720 (170.688)	8.720 (221.488)	10.838 (275.285)

NOTE 1—Dimensional Tolerances to be RMA Class 3 (see Table 1).

FIG. 1 Rubber Gasket



Coupling Size	Nominal Size – in. (mm)		Coupling Size – in. (mm)			Bolt Size – in. (mm)	
	Pipe Diameter	Height X	Width Y	Depth Z	No.	Size × Length	
1½ (38)	1.90 ±.06 (48.26 ±1.52)	2.875 (73.025)	4.50 (114.300)	2.125 (53.975)	2	0.375 × 1.50	
2 (50)	2.35 ±.09 (59.69 ± 2.29)	3.375 (85.725)	4.875 (123.825)	2.125 (53.975)	2	0.375 × 1.50	
3 (76)	3.35 ±.09 (85.09 ± 2.229)	4.25 (107.950)	6 (152.400)	2.125 (53.975)	2	0.375 × 1.50	
4 (101)	4.38 +.09/-.05 (111.252 + 2.286 – 1.270)	5.25 (133.350)	7 (177.800)	2.125 (53.975)	2	0.375 × 1.50	
5 (127)	5.30 +.09/-.05 (111.25 + 2.229 – 1.27)	6.25 (158.750)	8.625 (219.075)	3.125 (79.375)	4	0.375 × 1.50	
6 (152)	6.30 +.09/-.05 (160.02 + 2.229 – 1.270)	7.50 (190.500)	9.25 (234.950)	3.125 (79.375)	4	0.375 × 1.50	
8 (203)	8.38 +.09/-.09 (212.85 + 3.3 – 2.29)	9.50 (241.300)	11.75 (298.450)	4 (101.600)	4	0.375 × 2	
10 (254)	10.56 ±.09 (268.22 ±2.29)	11.813 (300.203)	14.33 (364.058)	4 (101.600)	4	0.375 × 2 .25	

4.2.2 *Tensile Strength Test*—Test bars shall be cast in accordance with the requirements of Specification **A48/A48M**. The machined test bar dimensions and drawing and dimensions of as cast test bars are found in Fig. 1 of Specification **A888**. The tensile strength shall be determined in accordance with Test Methods **E8**. The tensile strength shall be not less than 25 000 psi (145 MPa).

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

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

4.3 Nuts and bolts shall be stainless steel Grade 304, shall conform to the requirements of **ANSI/ASME** Specification B18.2.1 and B18.2.2, and shall not have screwdriver slots.

5. Elastomeric Gasket Requirements

5.1 The elastomeric gasket shall consist of one piece conforming to the physical requirements of Specification **C564** with hardness (nominal durometer ± 5) 70 as tested in accordance with Specification **D2240**.

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 material shall be class 25 cast iron and comply with 4.2.2 of this specification.

6.1.1 The clamp assembly shall comply with dimension specifications, as are given in Fig. 2, Fig. 3, and Fig. 4. The clamp assembly shall consist of two sections that interlock using a nut and bolt. The clamp assembly shall have the minimum wall thickness along the ring wall and the minimum wall thickness along the ear wall with tapered ends as shown on Fig. 4.

6.1.2 Clamp assemblies shall be tested to withstand no less than 125 % of manufacturer of the coupling's stated installation torque or a minimum of 175 lbf-in. (19.77 N-m) of applied torque, whichever is greater, without visible signs of failure. The clamp assembly shall be tested over a steel mandrel of the appropriate diameter and torqued as required.

6.1.3 The clamp assembly shall be designed to accommodate maximum and minimum OD's of pipe and fittings as shown in Table 3.

7. Sampling

7.1 The manufacturer of the coupling shall, upon receipt of a shipment of clamp assemblies from the manufacturer of the clamp assemblies, take a random sampling of couplings manufactured therefrom and subject them to the tests specified in Section 8. If a coupling fails any of the tests, then the entire shipment of clamp assemblies of that size shall be rejected and returned to the manufacturer of the clamp assemblies. The manufacturer of the coupling shall retain the test results and related documentation for not less than 7 years.

8. Coupling Requirements and Test Methods

8.1 Assemble each coupling tested according to the manufacturer of the coupling's instructions between two sections of randomly selected hubless cast iron soil pipe meeting the requirements of CISPI-301 or Specification **A888** or one section of

NOTE 1—Tolerance shall be ± 0.125 in. (0.975) unless otherwise specified.

randomly selected hubless cast iron soil pipe meeting the requirements of CISPI-301 or Specification A888 and a fitting and conduct the following tests: deflection and shear. In addition, an unrestrained hydrostatic test will be performed between two sections of machined steel pipe.

8.1.1 *Deflection Test:*

8.1.1.1 A test apparatus such as the one shown in Fig. 5 is suggested. Other testing apparatuses that provide restraint to the assembly shall also be permitted. Close the outboard ends of the pipe with test plugs.

8.1.1.2 Fill the assembly with water, expel all air, and hydrostatically pressurize to 4.3 psi (29.6 kPa) for the duration of the test. One pipe shall be rigidly supported and while the assembly is under pressure, raise the opposite end of the other pipe $\frac{1}{2}$ in. (12.7 mm) per lineal foot of pipe. Maintain the pressure for 5 min. Any leakage shall mean failure.

8.1.2 *Shear Test:*

8.1.2.1 Support two joined lengths of randomly selected hubless cast iron soil pipe on blocks, a minimum of $1\frac{1}{2}$ in. (38.1 mm) high, at three locations. One length shall be a minimum of 24 in. (609.6 mm) in length, supported on blocks, one near the uncoupled end, and the other immediately adjacent to the coupling. Firmly restrain this length in position as shown in Fig. 6. The other coupled length shall be a minimum of 5 ft (1.52 m) in length and supported by a single block 6 in. (152.4 mm) from the end of the pipe.

8.1.2.2 Fill the assembly with water and expel all air. Apply a load of 50 lb/in. of nominal diameter at a point 6 in. (152.4 mm) from the edge of the coupling upon a 12 in. (304.8 mm) length of (3 by 3) angle iron or load distribution pad located on the top of the pipe immediately adjacent to the coupling of the pipe having one support only. Under this loading there shall be no visible leakage or displacement of more than $\frac{3}{8}$ in. (9.53 mm) from true alignment adjacent to the coupling, when an internal pressure equivalent to a 10 ft (3.05 m) head of water. 4.3 psi (29.6 kPa) is applied. Maintain the load and internal pressure for 15 min.

8.1.3 *Unrestrained Hydrostatic Test :*

8.1.3.1 Assemble each coupling tested according to the manufacturer's instruction between two sections of pipe and conduct the unrestrained hydrostatic test.

8.1.3.2 The assembly shall consist of a maximum outside diameter pipe connected to a minimum outside diameter pipe with diameters as referenced in Table 3 and lengths as shown in Fig. 7. Machine the plain ends of the pipe to be used for the unrestrained hydrostatic test to the correct diameters. Plain ends shall have 0.015 in. (0.38 mm) deep grooves machined circumferentially around them at $\frac{1}{8}$ in. (3.18 mm) intervals down the pipe section for a distance equal to that covered by the elastomeric sleeve of the coupling being tested. The tool used to machine the grooves shall have a 60° included angle and cut into the pipe from a perpendicular position. The surface between the grooves shall be a lathe turned surface of 125 RMS.

8.1.3.3 The plain ends of the pipe for the unrestrained hydrostatic test shall be uncoated and cleaned with acetone and thoroughly dried before each assembly.

8.1.3.4 *Test Method:*

(1) Support the pipe assemblies in a manner that does not restrain joint movement as shown in Fig. 7.

(2) Fill the pipe assembly (as required in 8.1.3) with water, expelling all air. Increase the hydrostatic pressure at a rate of 1 psi (6.9 kPa) every 30 s until the specified test pressure is reached. The specified test pressure shall be 20 psi (206.8 kPa) for $1\frac{1}{2}$ in. (38.1 mm) through 5 in. (127 mm), 18 psi (186 kPa) for 6 in. (152.4 mm), 10 psi (103.4 kPa) for 8 in. (203.2 mm), and 9 psi (62 kPa) for 10 in. (254 mm) pipe. When the specified test pressure is reached, hold it for ± 5 min. Any leakage or axial joint movement of more than 0.150 in. (3.81 mm) shall mean failure.

FIG. 2 Clamp Assembly Dimensions
TABLE 1 Dimensional Tolerances for Rubber—Standard Dimensional Tolerances RMA CLASS 3

NOTE 1—8.000 and over—multiplied by 0.0050. These are commercial tolerances.

Size in. (mm)	Fixed, ± in. (mm)	Closure, ± (in. (mm)
0 to 0.499 (0 to 12.675)	0.010 (0.254)	0.015 (0.381)
0.500 to 0.999 (12.700 to 25.375)	0.010 (0.254)	0.018 (0.457)
1.000 to 1.999 (25.400 to 50.744)	0.015 (0.381)	0.020 (0.508)
2.000 to 2.999 (50.800 to 76.175)	0.020 (0.508)	0.025 (0.635)
3.000 to 3.999 (76.200 to 101.575)	0.025 (0.635)	0.030 (0.762)
4.000 to 4.999 (101.600 to 126.975)	0.030 (0.762)	0.035 (0.889)
5.000 to 7.999 (127.000 to 203.175)	0.035 (0.889)	0.050 (1.270)

9. Coating

9.1 The clamp assemblies shall be furnished coated. The clamp assemblies shall be uniformly coated with a material suitable for the purpose that is adherent, not brittle, and without a tendency to scale. The coating shall not contain asbestos above current MSDS reportable levels. Material 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.

10. Certification

10.1 Upon request the purchaser shall be furnished certification by the manufacturer of the clamp assembly and the manufacturer of the gasket with the legal name and address of the manufacturer of each and a certification from the manufacturer of the coupling stating samples representing each lot have been tested and inspected as indicated in this specification and the requirements have been met. If required by the purchaser, certification shall be accompanied by test reports and shall include breaking load machined diameters of test bars and calculated tensile strength.

11. Markings and Identification

11.1 *Marking*—The gasket shall be marked with raised letters. This marking shall plainly show the country of origin and the name or registered trademark of the manufacturer of the gasket by which the manufacturer of the gasket can be readily identified. The marking shall be adequate identification of the manufacturer of the gasket if it readily identifies the manufacturer to the end user of the product, and consist of pipe size, country of origin, manufacturer's identifying mark, and Specification C564, latest revision. Such marking shall not exceed 0.02 in. in relief.

11.2 The clamp assembly shall be marked with raised letters. This marking shall be plainly marked with the country of origin and the name or registered trademark of the manufacturer of the clamp assembly by which the manufacturer of the clamp assembly can be readily identified after installation. The marking shall be adequate identification of the manufacturer of the clamp assembly if it readily identifies the manufacturer to the end user of the product. The marking shall also show the seller of the completed assembly. Marking on the clamp shall show the pipe size and the amount of torque size. The product shall also have any other markings required by law and shall have the option to include this designation.

12. Keywords

12.1 cast iron; couplings; drainage; gasket; gray cast; hubless; sewer