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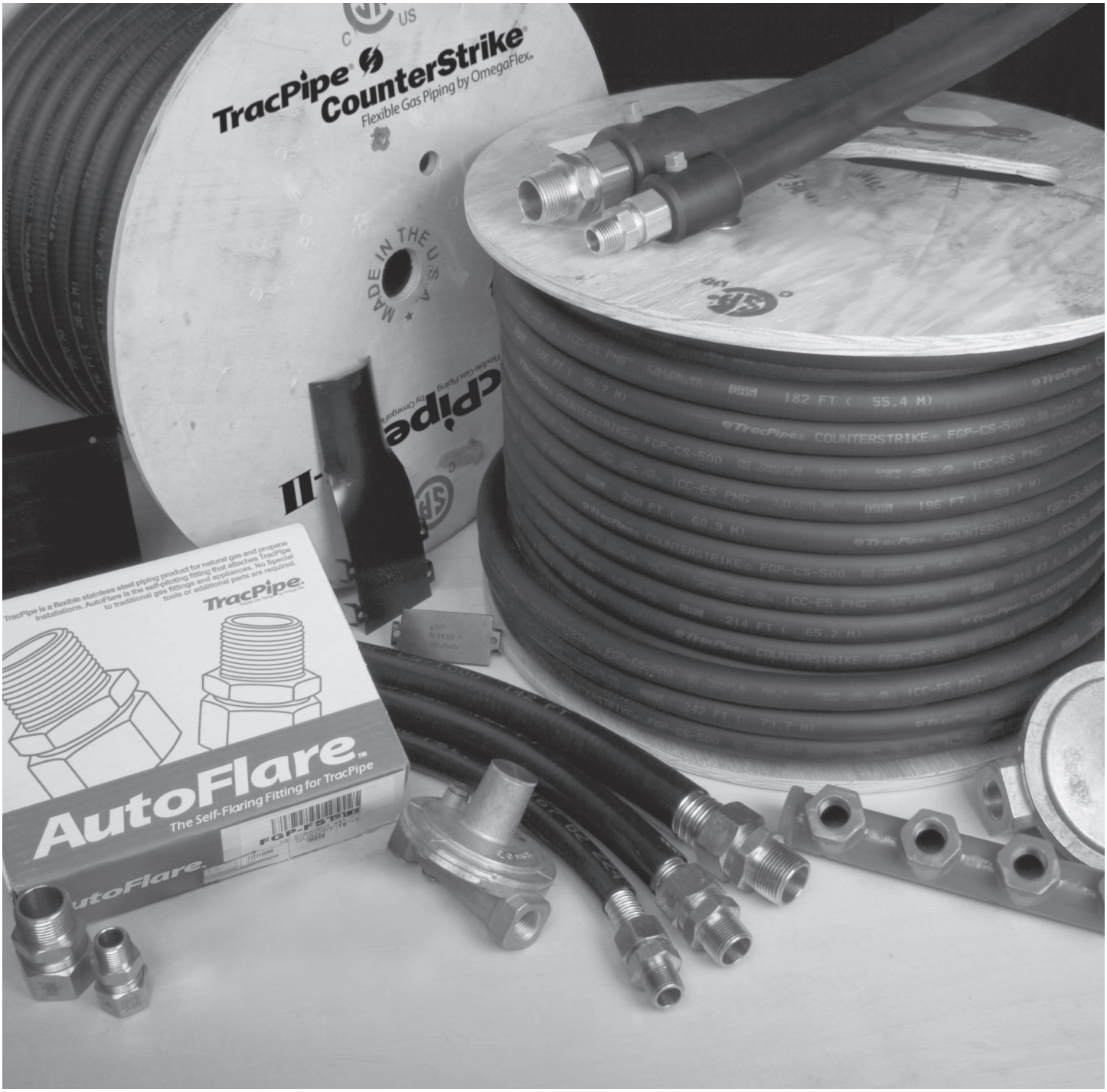
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TracPipe is a flexible stainless steel piping product for natural gas and propane installations. AutoFlare is the self-gasketing fitting that attaches TracPipe to traditional gas fittings and appliances. No Special tools or additional parts are required.
TracPipe
AutoFlare™
The Self-Flaring Fitting for TracPipe
182 FT (55.4 M)
196 FT (59.7 M)
200 FT (60.9 M)
214 FT (65.2 M)
212 FT (73.7 M)
ICC-ES PMG
COUNTERSTRIKE FGP-CS-500

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⚠ WARNINGS

CHAPTER 1 INTRODUCTION

SECTION 1.0 — USER WARNINGS

Each installer must meet applicable qualifications in accordance with state and/or local requirements as established by the administrative authority which enforces the plumbing or mechanical codes where gas piping is installed.

The TracPipe®CounterStrike® CSST (corrugated stainless steel tubing) flexible gas piping material must only be installed by a qualified person who has been sucessfully trained through the TracPipeCounterStrike CSST gas piping installation program.

This guide is updated periodically. Installers must use the most current version of the guide. Copies of updated guides are available for free at locations where The **TracPipeCounterStrike** is sold or online at www.tracpipe.com.

The guide must be used in conjunction with state and local building codes. Local codes will take precedence in the event of a conflict between this guide and the local code. In the absence of local codes, installation must be in accordance with the current edition of one the following codes, National Fuel Gas Code, ANSI Z223.1/NFPA 54, the Uniform Plumbing Code, the International Fuel Gas Code, the Federal Manufactured Home Construction and Safety Standards, ICC/ANSI 2.0 or the Standard on Manufactured Housing, NFPA 501, as applicable.

LIMITED WARRANTY: ALL SALES ARE SUBJECT TO OUR LIMITED WARRANTY, WHICH IS AVAILABLE AT HTTPS://OMEGAFLEXCORP.COM/LEGAL-INFORMATION AND

The jacket on the The **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST shall not be removed, altered or modified in any fashion including full or partial painting or coating of the surface and the mounting of adhesively attached plastic or paper labels without the express consent of **Omega Flex, Inc**.

Sound engineering principles and practices must be exercised for the proper design of fuel gas piping systems, in addition to compliance with local codes. The installation instructions and procedures contained in this Design Guide must be strictly followed. All installations must pass inspections by the local authority having jurisdiction prior to having the gas service turned on.

Only the components provided or specified by **Omega Flex, Inc**. as part of the approved piping system may be used in the installation.

⚠ DANGER

The inter-connection of TracPipeCounterStrike tubing or TracPipe AutoFlare or AutoSnap fittings directly with or on tubing or fittings from other CSST manufacturers is strictly prohibited and may result in a hazardous condition leading to serious bodily injury or property damage.

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SECTION 1.1 – APPLICABLE MODEL CODES AND STANDARDS

MODEL CODES:
NFPA-54 / ANSI Z223.1 - National Fuel Gas Code
NFPA-58 LP Gas Code
NFPA-70 National Electrical Code
NFPA-501 Manufactured Housing Code
ICC- International Fuel Gas Code
ICC- International Mechanical Code
ICC- International Residential Code
IAPMO- Uniform Plumbing Code
IAPMO- Uniform Mechanical Code

STANDARDS:
CSA/ANSI LC-1 / CSA 6.26 Standard for Fuel Gas Piping Systems Using Corrugated Stainless Steel Tubing

ICC- ES LC-1024 PMG Listing Criteria for Stainless Steel Tubing

IAPMO- IGC-201 Polyethylene Sleeved Corrugated Stainless Steel Tubing for use in Fuel Gas Piping Systems

NOTICE:

Installations of **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST in Food Trucks, RV's or any other vehicle is not covered by these installation instructions and any such use of the piping system is not permitted by **Omega Flex, Inc**.

LISTINGS:

CSA Certificate of Compliance #1082441

ICC- PMG 1046

ICC- PMG 1052

ICC- PMG 1058

IAPMO- ES 3682

IAPMO- ES 4665

IAPMO- ER 0227

UL- Through Penetration Firestop Systems

ASTM E84 Compliant

ICC-ESR-4565 Seismic Performance

OTHER:

Massachusetts Product Approval

Michigan Product Approval

City of L.A. Product Approval RR 5495

NOTICE:

TracPipe is the original yellow jacketed CSST gas piping system manufactured by **Omega Flex, Inc**. **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST is the next generation of CSST which includes an arc resistant black jacket. **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST is completely interchangeable with the existing TracPipe installations. The installation must be in compliance with the electrical protection requirements included in Section 4.10 and the fuel gas code.

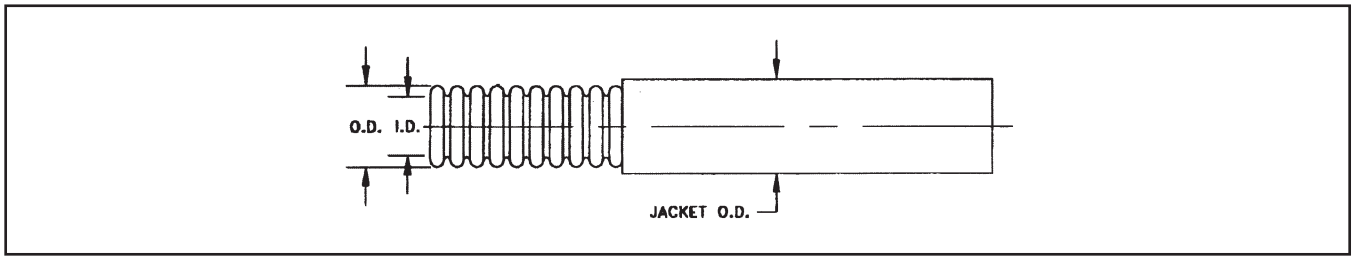
NOTICE:

This Design and Installation Guide has been written in accordance with the most current edition of ANSI LC1 CSA 6.26, Fuel Gas Piping Systems using Corrugated Stainless Steel Tubing (CSST).

NOTICE:

While every effort has been made to prepare this document in accordance with the most current model codes in effect at its printing, **Omega Flex, Inc**. cannot guarantee that the local administrative authority adopts or accepts the most recent edition of these codes. The installer must use the current edition of the **TracPipeCounterStrike** Design Guide and Installation Instructions. The installer is ultimately responsible to determine suitability and acceptance of any building component, including gas piping. **Omega Flex, Inc**. assumes no responsibilty for materials or labor for installations made without prior determination of local code authority acceptance.

TracPipeCounterStrike
SPECIFICATION DATA SHEET

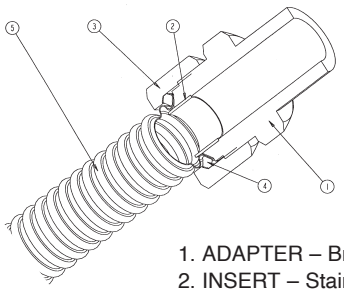


TracPipeCounterStrike

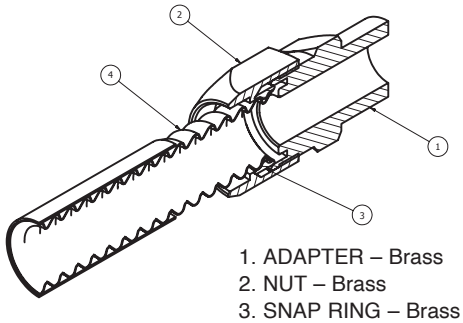
Part No.	FGP-CS-375	FGP-CS-500	FGP-CS-750	FGP-CS-1000	FGP-CS-1250	FGP-CS-1500	FGP-CS-2000
Size (inch)	3/8”	1/2”	3/4”	1”	1-1/4”	1-1/2”	2”
EHD (AGA size)	15	19	25	31	39	46	62
Jacket O.D. (max.)	.700	.888	1.140	1.415	1.700	1.940	2.515
Inside Diameter (nom)	.440	.597	.820	1.040	1.290	1.525	2.060
Wall Thickness (in.)	.01	.01	.01	.01	.012	.012	.012

*EHD (Equivalent Hydraulic Diameter) A relative measure of Flow Capacity; This number is used to compare individual sizes between different manufacturers. The higher the EHD number the greater flow capacity of the piping.

STRAIGHT AUTOFLARE/AUTOSNAP FITTINGS



1. ADAPTER – Brass
2. INSERT – Stainless Steel
3. NUT—Brass
4. SPLIT-RINGS – Brass or Stainless Steel
5. FLEXIBLE PIPE – Stainless Steel

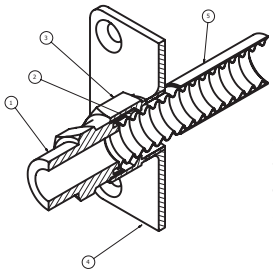


1. ADAPTER – Brass
2. NUT – Brass
3. SNAP RING – Brass
4. FLEXIBLE PIPE – Stainless Steel

AVAILABLE IN SIZES							
Tube size	3/8"	1/2"	3/4"	1"	1-1/4"	1-1/2"	2"
NPT Thread	1/2"or 3/8"	1/2"or 3/4"	3/4"or 1/2"	1"or 3/4"	1-1/4"	1-1/2"	2"

FLANGE MOUNT AUTOFLARE/AUTOSNAP FITTINGS

AVAILABLE IN SIZES					
Tube size	3/8"	1/2"	3/4"	1"	1-1/4"
NPT Thread	1/2"or 3/8"	1/2"	3/4"	1"	1-1/4"



1. ADAPTER – Brass
2. SNAP RING – Brass
3. FLANGE NUT – Brass
4. FLANGE – Steel
5. FLEXIBLE PIPE – Stainless Steel

CONSULT FACTORY FOR OTHER TERMINATION METHODS

CHAPTER 2
DESCRIPTION of SYSTEM and COMPONENTS

SECTION 2.0 — TracPipeCounterStrike CSST FLEXIBLE GAS PIPING MATERIAL DESCRIPTION

1. TUBING

The **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST fuel gas piping system consists of corrugated, flexible, semi-rigid, stainless steel tubing with brass mechanical attachment fittings terminating in NPT pipe threads for easy attachment to traditional black iron pipe systems and direct connections to gas appliances. Tubing is available in sizes 3/8 inch, 1/2 inch, 3/4 inch, 1 inch, 1-1/4 inch, 1-1/2 inch, and 2 inch.

The 300 series stainless steel tubing is jacketed with a non-metallic cover which provides ease of running through joists, studs, and other building components. The jacket is marked at intervals with the amount of tubing left on the reel, for quick measurement (**Figure 2-1**).

Figure: 2-1

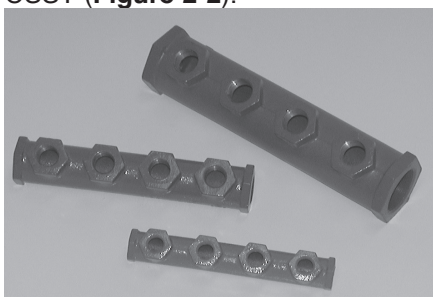
2. FITTINGS

Straight NPT pipe fittings are standard and are available in sizes shown above to fit all tubing. Additional fittings include termination mount and flange-mount straight and 90 degree elbow fittings for termination of gas lines near movable appliances; and meter termination accessories for support of **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST at utility meter sets on building exteriors and roof penetrations. Tee fittings are available for addition of branch lines into tubing runs, reducer tees are available in popular sizes and pipe outlet tees terminate in pipe threads on the outlet leg for size changes utilizing available black iron reducer fittings.

3. ACCESSORIES

Accessories are available for expansion of the flexible piping material and additions to existing fuel gas piping systems. These accessories include:

A. Manifolds: Allows parallel installations with “home runs” to each appliance. 1/2 inch female NPT outlets and 3/4 inch and 1/2 inch female NPT inlets. Large size manifolds are also available for use with commercial size **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST (**Figure 2-2**).



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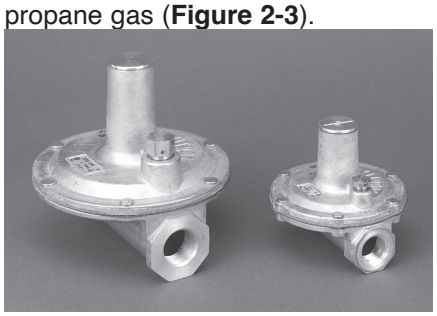
B. Pressure Regulators: Pounds to inches - for use in elevated pressure system installations (over 14 inches water column- one half PSI) to reduce pressure to standard low pressure for appliances. Regulators are available for use with natural and propane gas (**Figure 2-3**).



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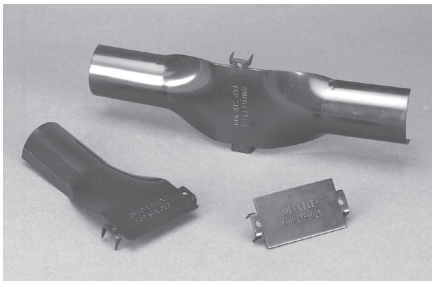
C. Protection Devices: For use where flexible piping passes through studs, joists and other building materials and is restricted from moving to avoid nails, screws and other puncture threats. There are five striker plate configurations made from stamped steel and specially hardened to resist penetration from screws and pneumatic nail guns. These are quarter-striker, half striker, three quarter striker, full-striker and 6 inch X 17 inch flat plate striker. Spiral wound galvanized steel “floppy” conduit is available for use as additional protection (**Figure 2-4**).



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D. Shut-off Valves: For use in elevated pressure installations: 2 PSI up to 5 PSI. (Standard gas cocks should be used at appliance stub outs and other low pressure areas of the piping system.) Brass lever-handle ball valves supplied by **Omega Flex, Inc.** are rated for 5 PSI use and are available in 1/2 inch and 3/4 inch sizes. (**Figure 2-5**).

Figure: 2-5

SECTION 2.1 — MATERIAL USE AND LIMITATIONS

NOTICE:

For additional specifications see submittal sheets on the website at **www.tracpipe.com**.

NOTE: This Design and Installation Guide has been written in accordance with the most current edition of CSA/ANSI LC 1 CSA 6.26, FUEL GAS PIPING SYSTEMS USING CORRUGATED STAINLESS STEEL TUBING (CSST).

This Design Guide is intended to aid the professional gas pipe installer in the design, installation and testing of flexible fuel gas piping systems for residential, commercial and industrial buildings. It is not possible for this guide to anticipate every variation in construction style, building configuration, appliance requirement, or local restriction. This document will not cover every application. The user should either exercise his own engineering judgment on system design and installation, or seek technical input from other qualified sources. Additional information pertaining to gas piping systems is available from your local gas utility or propane supplier. Some of the special usage features of **TracPipeCounterStrike** flexible gas piping are outlined below:

1. Flexible gas piping is used to provide safe, efficient, timely installation of fuel gas piping within buildings, residential, commercial, and industrial, or for outdoor connections to appliances that are attached or in close proximity to the building.

2. Flexible gas piping can be routed in most locations where traditional gas piping materials are installed: inside hollow wall cavities, along or through floor joists in basements, on top of the joists in attics, on roof tops or along soffits or in chases outside of buildings. **TracPipeCounterStrike** gas piping has been tested and is listed by CSA International for both outdoor and indoor use.

3. **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST is listed by CSA International for fuel gas use in the USA and Canada for pressures up to 25 PSI. For local gas utility approved use only, **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST has been tested for use up to 125 PSI for sizes 3/8 inch up to 1-1/4 inch.

4. In North America, the most common pressure for natural gas is 6-7 inches water column, standard low pressure. Elevated pressures of either 2 PSI or one half PSI are also available from utilities in most areas for new residential contruction. 5 PSI systems are commonly installed in commercial or industrial buildings. Elevated pressures allow the use of smaller diameter piping, while providing for increased loads and longer length runs.

5. Flexible gas piping can be used for natural gas and propane (Liquefied petroleum gas) and other fuel gases recognized in NFPA 54 National Fuel Gas Code.

6. **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST with the black polyethylene jacket has been tested by Underwriters Laboratory to ASTM E84 (UL723) Surface Burning Characteristics with flame spread and smoke density ratings meeting the requirements of CSA/ANSI LC-1 CSA 6.26 for use in air ducts and plenums. It is mandatory, however, to follow fire and building code requirements in all installations.

7. For underground or under slab burial the flexible gas piping run must be encased in a sleeve of polyethylene, or other approved water resistant material. See Section 4.9, Underground Installations. Sleeved runs under concrete slabs beneath buildings must be installed as required by local codes. Most codes require venting of the sleeves under buildings. This can be accomplished using pre-sleeved **TracPipe PS-II** piping with available accessories.

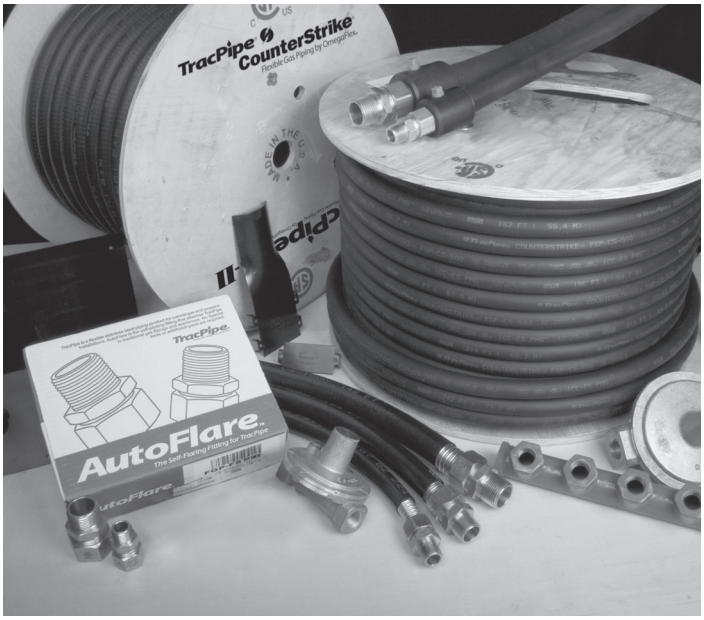
8. Flexible gas piping can be used in conjunction with both steel pipe (black iron or galvanized) and copper tubing in either new construction or renovation and replacement piping installations. **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST can be used with other approved brands of CSST provided assembly requirements are met where the two products interface. All **TracPipeCounterStrike** fittings terminate in standard NPT male or female pipe threads to interface with appliances, valves, unions and couplings.

9. For retrofit installations, **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST can be snaked through hollow wall cavities without major restoration as is typical when running rigid pipe through existing construction. The replacement or addition of gas appliances, fireplaces, and gas logs is greatly facilitated with flexible piping on reels requiring no special tooling or oily threading equipment.

10. **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST can be run directly to the shut off valves of fixed appliances. For moveable appliances such as ranges or dryers, the use of an approved flexible appliance connector is required. **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST cannot be substituted as a connector for this use when the appliance is free to move for cleaning, etc.

11. **TracPipe AutoFlare** and **AutoSnap** fittings have been tested by CSA International and are listed for use in concealed locations as defined in NFPA 54 National Fuel Gas Code, The Uniform Plumbing Code, and The International Fuel Gas Code (**Figure 2-6**).

12. **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST has been evaluated for resistance to damage imposed by shifting appliances and/or by damage to structural framing caused by earthquakes. Seismic Performance can be referenced under listing ICC-ESR-4565.



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SECTION 2.2 — SYSTEM COMPONENTS
TracPipeCounterStrike Flexible Gas Piping

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<tr><th>Component</th><th>Material</th><th>Description/Dimensions</th></tr>
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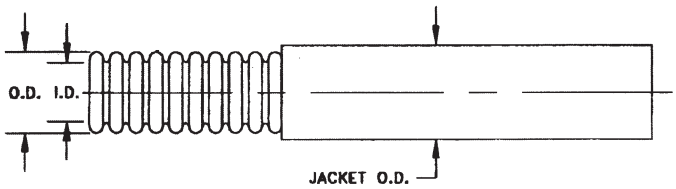

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<tr><td>TracPipe CounterStrike on Reels</td><td>Plywood Reels and Banded Coils for Packaging</td><td>


NOTICE:
Other reel lengths available upon request.
1/2", 3/4" and 1" tubing available in a 25 ft. coil
<table>
<tr><th>Pipe Size</th><th>Standard Reel Length</th><th>Maximum Reel Weight</th></tr>
<tr><td>3/8"</td><td>250', 100'</td><td>37 lbs</td></tr>
<tr><td>1/2"</td><td>500', 250', 100', 50'*, 25'*</td><td>98 lbs</td></tr>
<tr><td>3/4"</td><td>250', 100', 50'*, 25'*</td><td>70 lbs</td></tr>
<tr><td>1"</td><td>180', 100', 50'*, 25'*</td><td>70 lbs</td></tr>
<tr><td>1-1/4"</td><td>250', 150'</td><td>129 lbs</td></tr>
<tr><td>1-1/2"</td><td>250', 150'</td><td>182 lbs</td></tr>
<tr><td>2"</td><td>150'</td><td>137 lbs</td></tr>
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Note: Reel length followed by an * indicates a coil.
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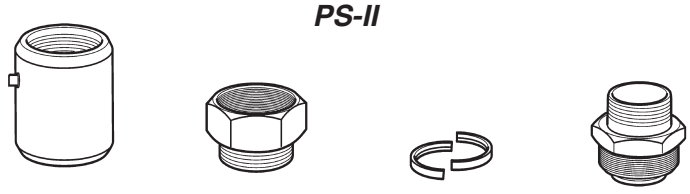
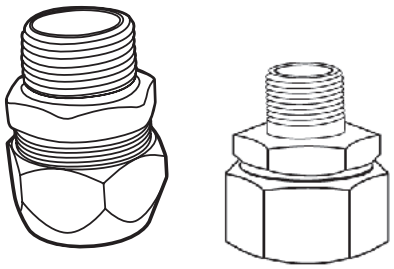
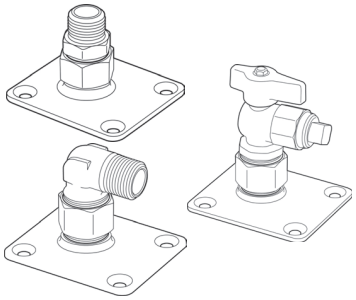
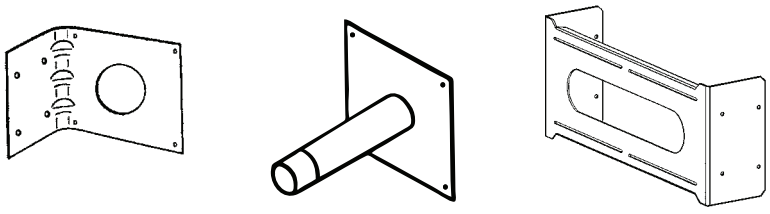
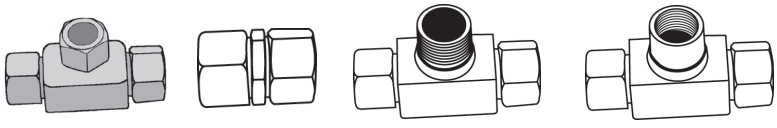
TracPipe AutoFlare/AutoSnap Fittings

The fittings and accessories pictured on the following pages are representative of the range of products available from ***CounterStrike®*** CSST. Refer to the latest ***CounterStrike*** Price Sheet for a complete listing of part numbers.

Component	Material	Description/Dimensions
TracPipe PS-II Accessories		***PS-II***  Vent Coupling · Nut · Split Rings · Adapter
Straight Mechanical Fitting Reducer Fitting	Brass Fitting **AutoSnap** **Autoflare** Insert	 ***Sizes: 3/8, 1/2, 3/4, 1, 1-1/4, 1-1/2 and 2 inch*** **NOTICE:** **size 3/8 fitting has either 1/2" NPT or 3/8" NPT Thread**
Termination and Flange Mount Fittings- Straight and 90 Elbow	Brass Fitting **AutoSnap** **AutoFlare** Insert Brass Flange	 ***Sizes: 3/8, 1/2, 3/4, 1 inch and 1-1/4 inches*** ***Note size 3/8 fitting has either 1/2" NPT or 3/8" NPT Thread*** ***Elbow Sizes: 3/8 in. and 1/2 in.***
Meter Termination Stub Out Stud Bracket	Galvanized Steel Mounting Bracket	***BIP Stub-out with Mounting Plate*** 
Tee Fitting & Coupling	Brass Tee Fitting & Coupling **Autoflare** Insert	 ***Sizes: 3/8", 1/2", 3/4", 1", 1-1/4", 1-1/2", and 2"*** ***Reducer tees available for 1/2", 3/4", 1", 1-1/4", 1-1/2", and 2" sizes***

TracPipeCounterStrike Accessories

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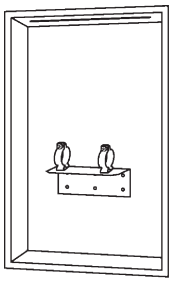
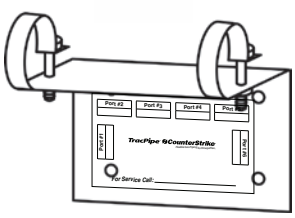
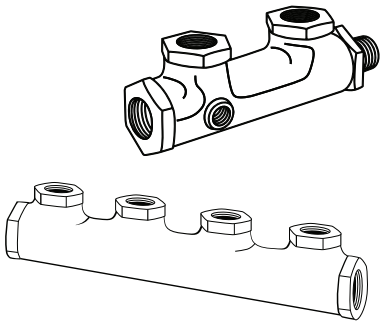
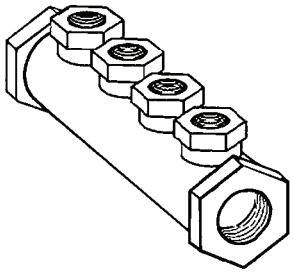
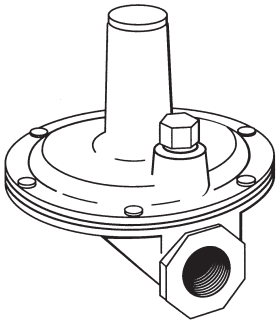
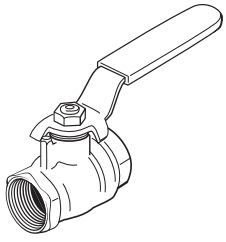
Load Center Manifold Bracket	Painted Steel Galvanized Steel	 
Multi-Port Manifolds	Malleable Iron Poly Coated	 
Pressure Regulators	Cast Housing Suitable for Outdoor Use	 ***Sizes: 1/2 inch & 3/4 inch & 1 inch Regulator includes approved vent limiting device for REG-3 (1/2 inch), REG-5A (3/4 inch) and REG-7L (1 inch).*** **NOTICE:** ***Stainless steel high pressure tags are available for use where required by code***
Shut Off Valves	Brass Housing with Stainless Steel Ball	 ***Sizes: 1/2 inch & 3/4 inch***

TracPipeCounterStrike Accessories

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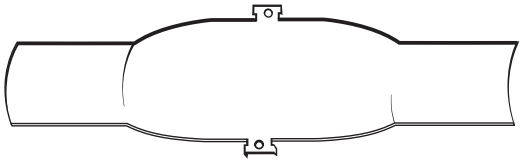
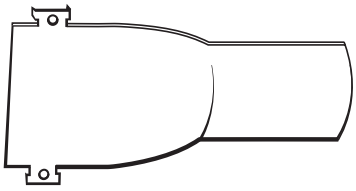
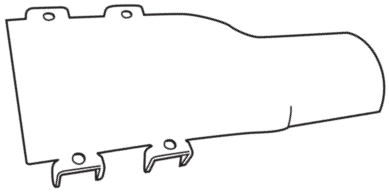
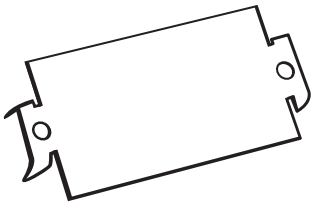
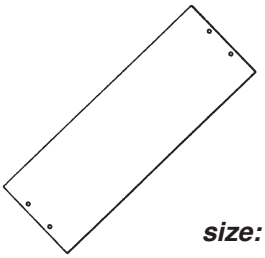
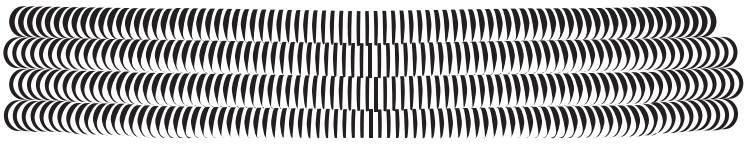
Full Striker Plate	Carbon Steel Hardened	 ***size: 3" x 12"***
Half Striker Plate & Three Quarter Striker Plate	Carbon Steel Hardened	 ***size: 3" x 7"***  ***size: 3" x 8"***
Quarter Striker Plate	Carbon Steel Hardened	 ***size: 3" x 2"***
6.5 x 17 Striker Plate	Carbon Steel Hardened	 ***size: 6.5" x 17"***
Floppy Strip Wound Conduit	Type RW Galvanized Steel	 ***sizes: Fits 3/8", 1/2", 3/4", 1", 1-1/4", 1-1/2" and 2" CounterStrike®***

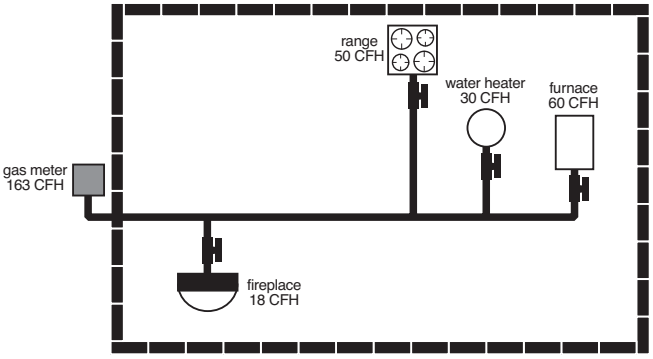
CHAPTER 3
SYSTEM CONFIGURATIONS AND SIZING

SECTION 3.1 — SYSTEM CONFIGURATIONS

There are several piping system options available to the installer using **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST gas piping material. This flexibility of design is one of the major benefits of CSST.

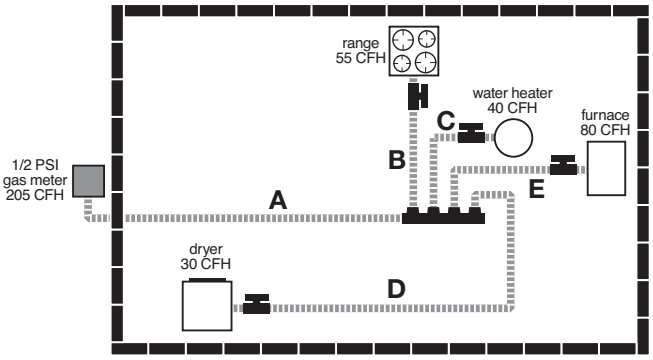
3.1.1 — LOW PRESSURE SYSTEMS

1. SERIES: A series layout is the most common arrangement utilized for black iron pipe. This consists of a main run with tees branching off to each appliance (**Figure 3-1**).



Series Layout ***Figure: 3-1***

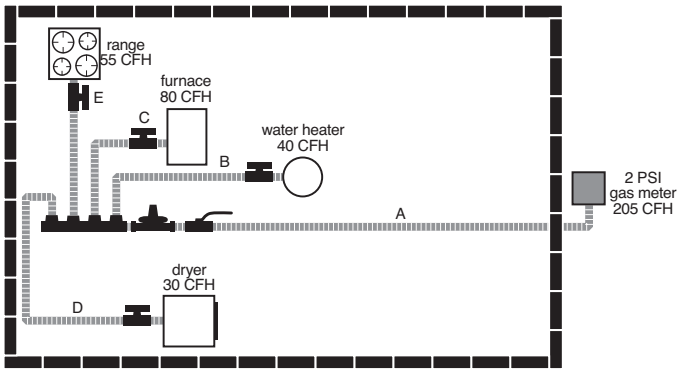
2. PARALLEL: A parallel system consists of a central distribution manifold with branch runs to the appliances. This is usually accomplished by providing a main supply line to a manifold and installing “home runs” to each appliance location. In the parallel system shown below the pressure is not elevated above 1/2 pound and no regulator is required (**Figure 3-2**).



Parallel Layout ***Figure: 3-2***

3.1.2 — DUAL PRESSURE SYSTEMS

Elevated pressure systems (2 PSI for residential and up to 5 PSI for commercial installations) are usually piped with one or more line gas pressure regulators (pounds-to-inches) followed by a manifold and runs to each of the appliances. It is possible that these runs to appliances may contain tees branching off to an additional appliance where gas loads permit (**Figure 3-3**).



Dual Pressure System Layout ***Figure: 3-3***

NOTICE:

HYBRID SYSTEMS – FLEXIBLE GAS PIPE and RIGID BLACK PIPE COMBINATIONS. In low or medium pressure systems, it is often advantageous to use both corrugated stainless steel tubing and rigid pipe in the same system. This is the case when a larger diameter main branch is required to provide for the total appliance load in a parallel system. **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST is certified for use in combination with black iron pipe and copper tube gas piping systems. For additional information on Hybrid Systems, see examples showing the method for sizing hybrid systems using both **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST and black iron pipe. These are included in the SIZING EXAMPLES section of this manual. Refer to Section 3.2.3.

SECTION 3.1.3 — SYSTEM DESIGN

1. Start by creating a sketch or layout of the gas piping system you are about to install. The information you will need is the location of each appliance, the point of delivery (location of utility meter or second stage LP regulator), appliance load demands, and possible pipe routing locations. The load demand data is usually available on the appliance manufacturer's nameplate, or can be provided by the builder.

2. Determine local piping restrictions prior to installing flexible gas piping. The major code bodies in North America have written Corrugated Stainless Steel Tubing into the latest revisions of their mechanical codes, but local and state adoption of these codes often lags behind.

Confirm that the local code authority has accepted the use of flexible gas piping. Your **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST distributor should be able to provide that information but confirmation by the installer should be made where there is any questions.

SECTION 3.1.4 — SYSTEM PRESSURE CHOICES

1. NATURAL GAS - Determine the delivery pressure provided by the Local Distribution Utility where the piping will be installed.

   a. LOW PRESSURE - 6 to 7 inches water column (equivalent to 4 ounces or 1/4 pound) is the standard pressure supplied by natural gas utilities in the USA and Canada.

   b. MEDIUM PRESSURE-1/2 PSI (12 to 14 inches water column) is available from many natural gas utilities as an alternate pressure supply. The increase in pressure provides for reductions in pipe size and does not require a pressure regulator. Most natural gas appliances manufactured for use in the US and Canada are designed to operate up to a maximum of 14 inches water column.

   c. ELEVATED PRESSURE - 2 PSI is the highest natural gas pressure usually supplied within residential buildings in North America. This pressure always requires the installation of a pounds-to-inches line pressure regulator between the utility meter set and the appliances. Elevated pressures allow the use of smaller diameter piping, while providing for increased loads and longer length runs.

2. PROPANE (LP GAS) is typically supplied within residential buildings at 11 inches water column which is set at the second stage regulator mounted outside the building. Propane can also be utilized at medium pressure with the use of a 13-14 inch setting. For 2 PSI propane elevated pressure use, use a line gas pressure regulator that is set for 11 inches water column outlet pressure.

NOTICE:

TracPipeCounterStrike CSST has been tested by CSA International for a working pressure of 125 PSI for sizes 3/8" through 1-1/4".

PRESSURE CONVERSION CHART

1/4 PSI	=	7" w.c.	=	4 oz.
1/2 PSI	=	14" w.c.	=	8 oz.
1 PSI	=	28" w.c.	=	16 oz.
2 PSI	=	56" w.c.	=	32 oz.

SECTION 3.2 SIZING METHODS and EXAMPLES

SECTION 3.2.1 — USE OF SIZING TABLES

This chapter includes flexible gas piping sizing procedures for both low pressure and elevated pressure systems. Every piping system introduces pressure loss to the fluid flowing within. The amount of loss depends on the piping size and the gas flow, expressed in cubic feet per hour (and converted to BTU's). The object of the sizing exercise is to determine the smallest size piping which will introduce the allowed pressure loss or drop within the length of piping required. Sizing tables (capacity charts) provide the maximum flow capacity for a given length of run for each pipe size. A different sizing table is used for each system pressure and pressure drop combination (**For all Capacity Tables Refer to Chapter 7**).

1. The low pressure series system (standard arrangement) is sized in the same way as a conventional low pressure black iron pipe system using **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST sizing tables or tables found in National Fuel Gas Code NFPA 54. This method is known as the "Branch Length Method". Pressure drop in a low pressure system is traditionally limited to 0.5 inch or 1.0 inch water column over the system based on supply pressure and appliance requirements.

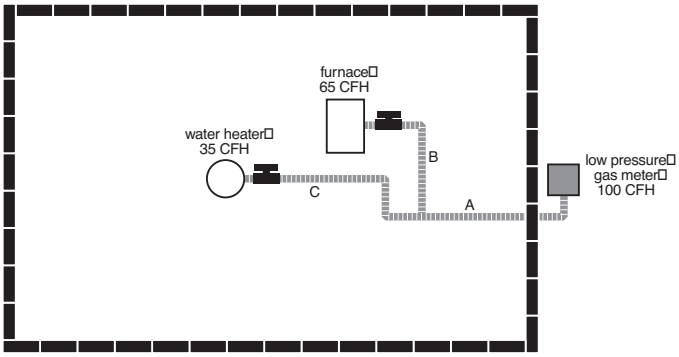
2. Elevated pressure systems incorporate two operating pressures downstream of the utility meter set. The first pressure, set by the service regulator at the meter, is usually 2 PSI. This part of the system is sized separately and ends at the line pressure regulator.

3. For a 2 PSI system, the proper drop is usually 1 PSI for this part of the system; this allows for the approximate 3/4 PSI regulator drop downstream and provides the 1/4 PSI (6-7 inches w.c.) necessary for appliances. The regulator reduces the pressure from pounds to 8 inches water column. This part of the system is sized the same as a low pressure system, except that a special Table N-3 is used allowing 3 inches of water column drop. These lines are typically sized for only one appliance load installed as a "home run" from the manifold.

SECTION 3.2.2— SIZING EXAMPLES - BRANCH LENGTH METHOD

To size each of the following systems, determine the required size for each section and outlet. To size each section of the system, determine both the total gas load for all appliances and the maximum distance (longest length) in which a particular section delivers gas.

EXAMPLE: 1 LOW PRESSURE SYSTEM SERIES ARRANGEMENT



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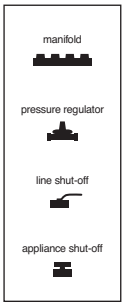


LENGTH OF RUNS
A = 10 Feet
B = 10 Feet
C = 15 Feet

Supply pressure 6 inches w.c.
Allowable drop 0.5 inches w.c.

1. The system presented in **Figure 3-4** is typical of a single family installation in which there are a limited number of appliances located in one general area. The supply pressure is 6 inches water column and the allowable drop is 1/2 inch.

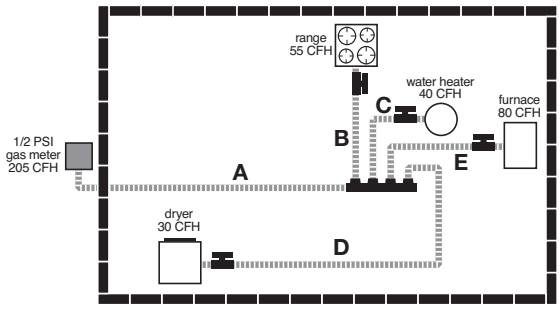
2. To size section A, determine the longest run from the meter that includes section A and the total gas load it must deliver:
   - Meter to Furnace is 20 ft. (A+B).
   - Meter to Water Heater is 25 ft. (A+C). This is the longest run.
   - Determine the maximum load transported by Section A.
   - Furnace plus water heater = 100 CFH (100,000 BTU).
   - Select Table N-1 “Low Pressure 6 inches- 0.5 inch w.c. drop”.
   - Using the branch length method, select the column showing the measured length, or the next longest length if the table does not give the exact length. Referring to table N-1 the column for 25 feet of piping shows that sizes 3/8 inch and 1/2 inch are too small and the next available size is 3/4 supplying 157 CFH.
   - The correct size is 3/4".

3. To size Section B, determine the length of run from the meter to the Furnace and the load delivered:
   - Length is 20 ft (A+B) and load is 65 CFH (65,000 BTU).
   - Table N-1 shows that size 1/2 inch supplies 70 CFH.
   - The correct size is 1/2 inch.

4. To size Section C, determine the length of run from the meter to the Water Heater and the load delivered:
   - Length is 25 ft (A+C) and load is 35 CFH (35,000 BTU).
   - Table N-1 shows that size 1/2 inch is required, because size 3/8 inch only supplies 29 CFH (29,000 BTU).
   - The correct size is 1/2 inch.

EXAMPLE 2: MEDIUM PRESSURE 12-14 INCHES W.C. (1/2 PSI)

1. The system shown in **Figure 3-5** is typical of a single family installation with several appliances. The arrangement chosen is parallel. The MEDIUM PRESSURE SYSTEM (1/2 PSI) allows a higher pressure drop (6 inches water column) than is available with low pressure systems.



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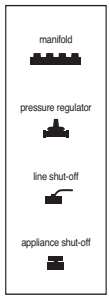


LENGTH OF RUNS

A = 10 Feet
B = 20 Feet
C = 10 Feet
D = 40 Feet
E = 10 Feet

Supply pressure 1/2 PSI
(12 inch-14 inch w.c.)
Allowable drop: 6 inch w.c.

2. To size SECTION A, determine the LONGEST RUN from the meter to the furthest appliance:
   - Meter to dryer is 50 feet (10+40) A+D.
   - Determine maximum load transported by section A.
   - Dryer + range + water heater + furnace = 205 CFH (205,000 BTU).
   - Select table N-4 “Medium Pressure 1/2 PSI with 6 inch drop”. Table N-4 shows that 1/2 inch size is too small for 205 CFH at 50 ft. but 3/4 inch can handle 375 CFH.
   - The correct size is 3/4 inch.

3. To size SECTION B, the distance from the meter to the range is 30 ft (10+20) A+B:
   - Load is 55 CFH (55,000 BTU).
   - Table N-4 shows that 3/8 inch size can handle 90 CFH.
   - The correct size for section B is 3/8 inch.

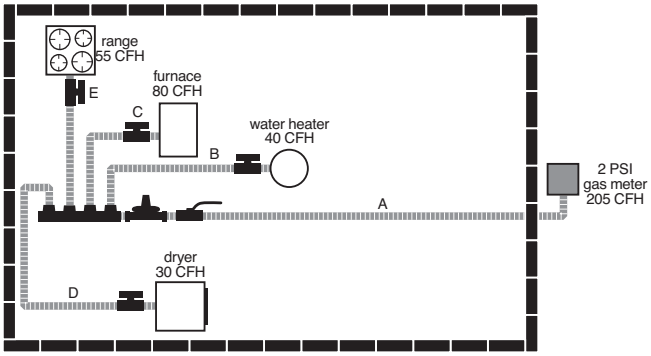
4. To size SECTION C, the distance from the meter to the water heater is 20 ft (10+10) A+C:
   - Load is 40 CFH (40,000 BTU).
   - Table N-4 shows that that 3/8 inch size can handle 112 CFH.
   - The correct size for section C is 3/8 inch.

5. To size SECTION D, the distance from the meter to the dryer is 50 ft (10+40) A+D:
   - Load is 30 CFH (30,000 BTU).
   - Table N-4 shows that that 3/8 inch size can handle 69 CFH at 50 feet
   - The correct size for section D is 3/8 inch.

6. To size SECTION E, the distance from the meter to the furnace is 20 ft (10+10) A+E:
   - Load is 80 CFH (80,000 BTU)
   - Table N-4 shows that 3/8 inch size can handle 112 CFH at 20 feet
   - The correct size for section E is 3/8 inch.

EXAMPLE 3: ELEVATED PRESSURE 2 PSI SYSTEM-PARALLEL ARRANGEMENT

1. The system shown in **Figure 3-6** is adapted for multifamily or single family application with an extended (100 feet) tubing run from the meter to the regulator. The 2 PSI system is well adapted to the regulator. The 2 PSI system is well adapted to handle the long runs required in multifamily buildings with centralized meter banks.



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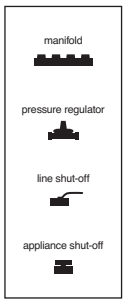


LENGTH OF RUNS

A = 100 Feet
B = 15 Feet
C = 10 Feet
D = 25 Feet
E = 20 Feet

Supply pressure 2 PSI
Allowable drop: 1 PSI up to reg.
3 inch w.c.-reg. to appliance

2. To size section A determine the entire gas load it will deliver:
   - furnace + water heater + dryer + range = 80 CFH + 40 CFH + 30 CFH + 55 CFH = 205 CFH (205,000 BTUH) Select Table N-5 “Elevated Pressure 2 PSI with 1 PSI drop’’. This is the standard table chosen to stay within the FGP-REG-3 regulator capacity. See note below.
   - Length is 100 ft.
   - Table N-5 shows that 3/8 inch size is too small for 205 CFH but 1/2 inch can handle 226 CFH.
   - The correct size is 1/2 inch.

3. To size each of the other sections:

   Select Table N-3 “Regulator Outlet 8.0 inches w.c with a drop of 3.0 inches w.c
   - Section B is 15 feet with a 40 CFH load 3/8 inch has a capacity of 90 CFH.
   - Section C is 10 feet with a 80 CFH load 3/8 inch has a capacity of 112 CFH.
   - Section D is 25 feet with a 30 CFH load 3/8 inch has a capacity of 69 CFH.
   - Section E is 20 feet with a 55 CFH load 3/8 inch has a capacity of 78 CFH.
   - The correct size for all these runs is 3/8 inch.

Supply Pressure and Capacities

Based on flow in cubic feet per hour natural gas

P/N	1/2 PSI (34 mbar)	3/4 PSI (52 mbar)	1 PSI (69 mbar)	1-1/2 PSI (69 mbar)
FGP-REG-3	145 (4.1)	200 (5.7)	250 (7.1)	250 (7.1)
FGP-REG-5A	335 (9.5)	475 (13.5)	550 (15.6)	500 (15.6)
FGP-REG-7L	690 (19.5)	970 (27.5)	1000 (28.3)	1000 (28.3)

EXAMPLE 4: MEDIUM PRESSURE 12-14 INCHES W.C. 1/2 PSI) PARALLEL SYSTEM WITH A SERIES BRANCH

1. The system shown in **Figure 3-7** has a barbeque installed nearby the range. A parallel arrangement was chosen for the medium pressure system (12 inch W.C. with 6 inches W.C. drop) with a single run feeding both range and barbeque in series.

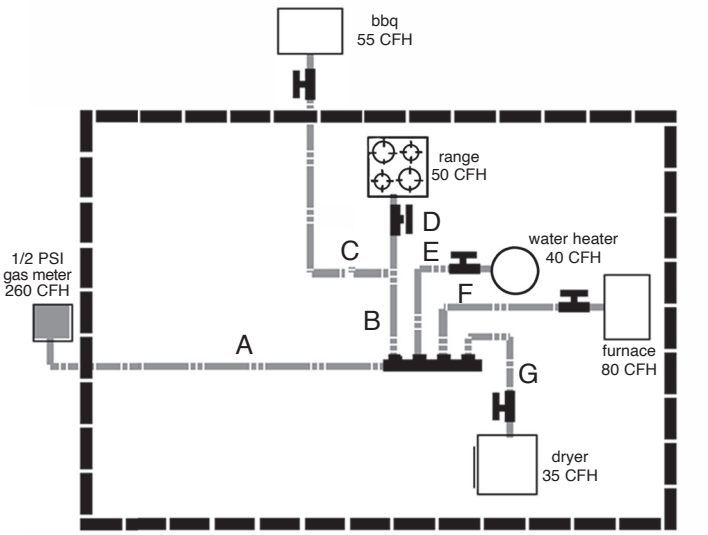


Figure: 3-7

LENGTH OF RUNS

A = 20 Feet
B = 35 Feet
C = 20 Feet
D = 10 Feet
E = 10 Feet
F = 10 Feet
G = 15 Feet

2. To size SECTION A, determine the length of the longest run from the meter and the entire gas load it must deliver:
   - Range + barbeque + water heater + furnace + dryer = 260 CFH (260,000 BTUH).
   - Meter to barbeque is 75 ft (A+B+C) This is the longest length.
   - Select Table N-4 Medium Pressure. Table N-4 shows that 3/4 inch is required for 260 CFH at 75 ft.
   - The correct size is 3/4 inch.
3. To size SECTION B, the line from the manifold serves both the range and the barbeque:
   - Total load is 105 CFH (110,000 BTUH).
   - Longest length is 75 feet (A+B+C) from the meter to the barbeque.
   - Table N-4 shows that size 1/2 inch can handle 120 CFH at 75 ft.
   - The correct size is 1/2 inch.
4. To size SECTION C, the distance from the meter to the barbeque is 75 ft (A+B+C):
   - Load is 55 CFH (55,000 BTUH).
   - Table N-4 shows that size 3/8 inch can handle 55 CFH at 80 ft.
   - The correct size is 3/8 inch.
5. To size SECTION D, the distance from the meter to the range is 65 ft (A+B+D).
   - Load is 50 CFH (50,000 BTUH).
   - Table N-4 shows that size 3/8 inch can handle 58 CFH at 70 ft.
   - The correct size is 3/8 inch.
6. To size SECTION E, the distance from the meter to the water heater is 30 ft (A+E):
   - Load is 40 CFH (40,000 BTUH).
   - Table N-4 shows that size 3/8 inch can handle 90 CFH at 30 ft.
   - The correct size is 3/8 inch.
7. To size SECTION F, the distance from the meter to the furnace is 30 ft (A+F)
   - Load is 80 CFH (80,000 BTUH).
   - Table N-4 shows that size 3/8 inch can handle 90 CFH at 30 ft.
   - The correct size is 3/8 inch.
8. To size SECTION G, the distance from the meter to the dryer is 35 ft (A+G).
   - Load is 35 CFH (35,000 BTUH).
   - Table N-4 shows that size 3/8 inch can handle 78 CFH at 40 ft.
   - The correct size is 3/8 inch.

SECTION 3.2.3 — SIZING HYBRID SYSTEMS - Black Iron and TracPipeCounterStrike Combination

To size a commercial or a residential system with a rigid black iron trunk line and flexible **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST branches feeding the appliances, you will need both the standard gas piping capacity tables for black iron printed in many plumbing and mechanical codes (and contained in both National and International Fuel Gas Code) and the **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST Capacity Tables printed later in this manual.

NOTICE:

Black iron pipe capacity table is provided in this design guide Section 7.2.

LENGTH OF RUNS

A = 15 Feet	A1 = 45 Feet
B = 15 Feet	B1 = 10 Feet
C = 20 Feet	C1 = 5 Feet
	D1 = 20 Feet

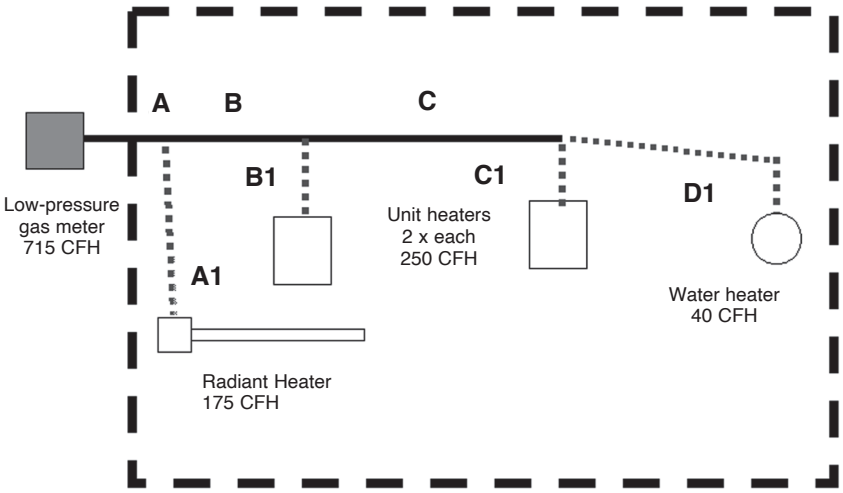


Figure: 3-8

EXAMPLE 5: LOW PRESSURE HYBRID SYSTEM
Black Iron and *CounterStrike* Combination - SERIES ARRANGEMENT

1. The system shown in **Figure 3-8** is a typical commercial building with 4 appliances. The gas pressure for this example is standard low pressure with 6-inch supply pressure and 0.5 inch pressure drop.
2. To determine rigid pipe size (section A) determine the longest run from the meter to the furthest appliance: Meter to water heater Add A + B + C + D1 = 70 ft. Total Load is 715 CFH (715,000 BTU) Section A correct size is 1-1/2 inch black pipe.
3. To determine rigid pipe size (section B) reduce load by the load carried in section A1 to Radiant Heater (175 CFH). Use same number for length: 70 ft. is longest run. Load for this section is 540 CFH Section B correct size is 1-1/2 inch black pipe.
4. To determine rigid pipe size (section C) reduce load further by the load carried in section B1 to first unit heater (250 CFH). Use same number for length: 70 ft. is longest run. Load for this section is 290 CFH. Section C correct size is 1-1/4 inch black pipe.
5. To determine **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST sizing for the branch runs the length to be used is the total length of black pipe plus **TracPipeCounter-Strike** CSST from the meter to that appliance. The load used is the load of the individual piece of equipment.
6. To determine the size of **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST (section D1) the length is 70 ft and the load is 40 CFH. Using Table N-1: Section D correct size is 3/4 inch.
7. To determine the size of **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST (section C1) the length is 55 ft and the load is 250 CFH. Using Table N-1: Section C1 correct size is 1-1/4 inch.
8. To determine the size of **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST (section B1) the length is 40 ft and the load is 250 CFH. Using Table N-1: Section B1 correct size is 1-1/4 inch.
9. To determine the size of **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST (section A1) the length is 60 ft and the load is 175 CFH. Using Table N-1: Section A1 correct size is 1-1/4 inch.

EXAMPLE 6: LOW PRESSURE HYBRID SYSTEM -Black Iron and *CounterStrike®* Combination - SERIES ARRANGEMENT

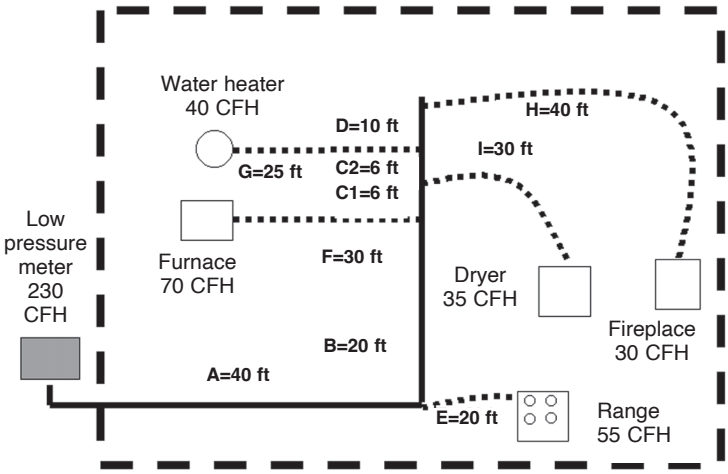


Figure: 3-9

1. The system presented in **Figure 3-9** is a typical residence with 5 appliances. The supply pressure is 7 inches w.c. The allowable drop is 1.0 inch w.c. total.

NOTICE:

Most low pressure natural gas systems with a supply pressure of 6-7 inch w.c. can be designed safely with a 1.0 inch w.c. pressure drop. Confirm supply and appliance delivery pressures when sizing any system. Also confirm there are no restrictions on pressure drop from the local inspection department and/or utility.

2. The black iron trunk line (A+B+C1+C2+D) will first be sized for a drop of 0.5 inch, w.c. in accordance with the standard method (longest total run) and each **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST branch run to an appliance will then be sized for 1.0 inch w.c. drop based on the length from that appliance back to the meter. The maximum pressure drop to each appliance will be 1.0 inch w.c.

3. The longest total run is 122 ft. (total length of all black iron sections and **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST section to the furthest appliance). The total load is 70+40+55+35+30=230 CFH. Correct size for A is 1-1/4 inch.

4. Section B, the longest run remains 122 ft but the load is reduced to 175 CFH. Correct size is 1-1/4 inch.

5. Section C1, the longest run is 122 ft and load is reduced to 105. Correct size is 1 inch.

6. Section C2, the longest run is 122 ft and load is reduced to 70. Correct size is 3/4 inch.

7. Section D, the longest run is 122 ft and load is reduced to 30. Correct size is 1/2 inch.

8. Section E, length is 60 ft and the load is 55 CFH. From Table N-2A the correct size is 1/2 inch.

9. Section F, length is 90 ft and the load is 70 CFH. From Table N-2A the correct size is 3/4 inch.

10. Section G, length is 97 ft and the load is 40 CFH. From Table N-2A the correct size is 1/2 inch.

11. Section H, length is 122 ft and the load is 30 CFH. From Table N-2A the correct size is 1/2 inch.

12. Section I, length is 96 ft and the load is 35 CFH. From Table N-2A the correct size is 1/2 inch.

EXAMPLE 7: LOW PRESSURE HYBRID STEEL PIPE AND *CounterStrike* - PARALLEL ARRANGEMENT - MANIFOLD - USING THE BRANCH LENGTH METHOD

1. The system presented in **Figure 3-10** is typical of a residential installation with four appliances. The supply pressure is 7-8 inches water column. The system will be sized with 0.5 inches w. c. drop for the steel pipe trunk line and 1.0 inch w.c. drop for the **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST branches.

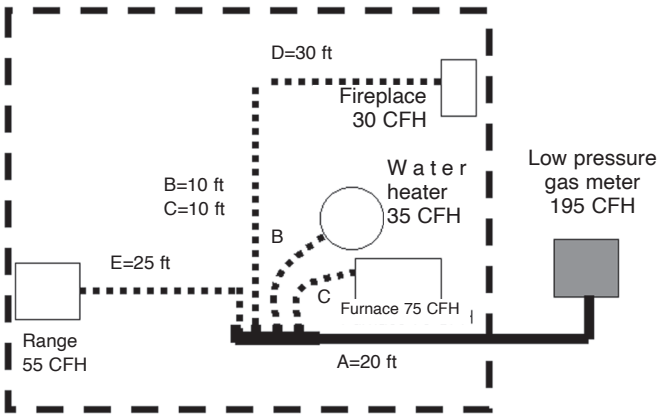


Figure: 3-10

2. To size the steel pipe trunk line, determine the longest run from the meter to the most remote appliance and the total load. The longest run is to the fireplace:
   • Meter to fireplace is 50 ft (A + D).
   • Total load is 195 CFH (75 + 35 + 30 + 55).
   Using steel pipe Table: SP-1 following the 50 ft column down, the correct size for the steel pipe is 1 inch.

3. To determine the size of the **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST run "C" to the furnace use the load through that branch (75 CFH) and calculate the length from the meter to the furnace:
   • Meter to furnace is 30 ft (A + B).
   • Furnace load is 75 CFH.
   Using Table N-2A the 1.0-inch w.c. pressure drop chart for **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST. Follow the 30 ft column down, the correct size for the furnace branch line "C" is 1/2 inch.

4. To determine the size of the **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST run "B" to the water heater use the load through that branch (35 CFH) and calculate the length from the meter to the water heater:
   • Meter to water heater is 30 ft (A + C).
   • Water heater load is 35 CFH.
   Using Table N-2A the 1.0 inch w.c. pressure drop chart for **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST. Follow the 30 ft column down, the correct size for the water heater branch line "B" is 3/8 inch.

5. To determine the size of the **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST run "D" to the fireplace use the load through that branch (30 CFH) and calculate the length from the meter to the fireplace:
   • Meter to fireplace is 50 ft (A + D).
   • Fireplace load is 30 CFH.
   Using Table: N-2A (the 1.0 inch w.c. pressure drop chart for **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST). Follow the 50 ft column down, the correct size for the fireplace branch line "D" is 1/2 inch.

6. To determine the size of the **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST run "E" to the range use the load through that branch (55 CFH) and calculate the length from the meter to the range:
   • Meter to range is 45 ft (A + E).
   • Range load is 55 CFH.
   Using Table: N-2A the 1.0 inch w.c. pressure drop chart for **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST. Follow the 50 ft column down, the correct size for the range branch line "E" is 1/2".

SECTION 3.2.4 — ALTERNATE SIZING METHOD: SUM OF PRESSURE LOSS CALCULATIONS

1. In addition to the longest length and branch length sizing methods, there is another approach to pipe sizing, which yields results closer to the actual friction loss results (obtained from testing) for each section of an installed gas piping system. This engineered approach "Sum of Pressure Loss Calculations" avoids the simplified, conservative approximations of the longest length method. Mechanical engineers who design piping systems understand that placing a building's entire load (theoretically) at the farthest equipment outlet is not only inaccurate but will often yield pipe sizes which are larger than necessary. The longest length method was devised at a time when gas utilities could not always guarantee a constant pressure at every meter during times of high demands; it is a conservative approach and, although it is the customary sizing approach in North America, other engineered calculations are permitted by most codes.

2. Pressure loss calculations which sum up friction losses in each section of a gas piping system can provide a system design with more accurate and possibly smaller piping diameters than the traditional longest run method. These calculations utilize pressure loss charts for each size of CSST, which have been developed from actual test results. The maximum flow capacity is predicted with more precision than with the longest run method. The Sum of Pressure Loss method is described below with tables providing pressure loss per foot based upon the total load supplied by that length of pipe with all appliances operating.

3. The system designer has simply to determine the load and the length for each section of pipe in the system. A tentative size is chosen for a section (suggested starting point is the branch length method size) and pressure loss in that section is determined by multiplying the loss per foot (inches w.c. from Table PD-1A in Section 7.1) at the given CFH load by the length of that individual section. Repeat this step for each section of pipe in the system. Starting at the meter and working outward, the pressure loss is then summed up between the meter and each appliance. The total calculated loss is then compared with the allowable loss, which must not be exceeded from the meter to any appliance. The above text describes the method for a single pressure system. For DUAL pressure systems, a summation of pressure loss must be performed for both the high-pressure and low-pressure portions of the system. The allowable pressure loss for each system is the responsibility of the system designer, based on model codes and on the available pressure at the meter set (or second stage regulator) and the pressure required for each appliance (usually found

on the manufacturer's data plate.) Current language in many model codes states: The allowable loss under maximum probable flow conditions, from the point of delivery to the inlet connection of the appliance, shall be such that the supply pressure at the appliance is greater that the "minimum inlet pressure" as stated on the appliance manufacturers data plate. If the initial proposed design calculation yields a total pressure loss, which is higher than allowed, simply go back and calculate again with larger sizes, starting from the meter.

USING SUM OF PRESSURE LOSS METHOD EXAMPLE 8: LOW PRESSURE SYSTEM SERIES ARRANGEMENT

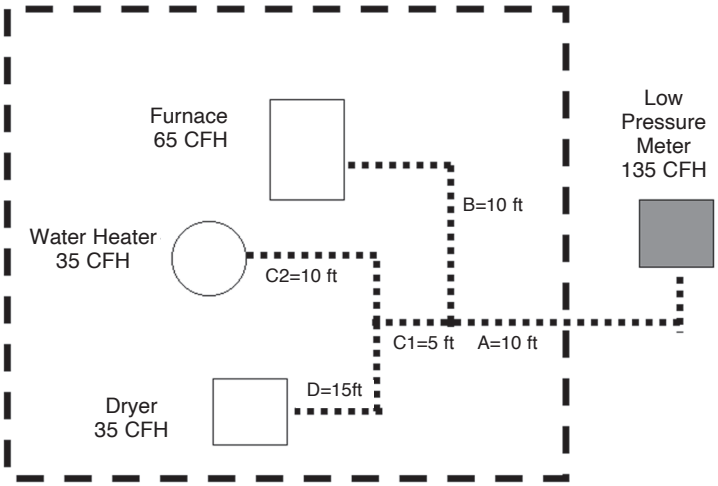


Figure: 3-11

SERIES ARRANGEMENT

1. The system presented in **Figure 3-11** is similar to that in **Figure 3-4**, a single-family installation with the addition of one more appliance, a dryer. The supply pressure is 6 inches water column and the allowable pressure drop is 0.5 inch.

2. To size section A, calculate the load carried by that section:
   - Furnace plus Water Heater plus Dryer = 135 CFH (MBTU).
   Using Table PD-1A find pressure loss at 135 MBTU load through 3/4 inch **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST average of 0.0135 and 0.0158 is 0.0147. Drop per foot is 0.0147; multiply by length
   10 feet = 0.147 drop.

3. To size section B find the drop per foot for the load carried by that section:
   - Furnace Load 65 CFH (MBTU).
   Using Table PD-1A find pressure loss at 65 MBTU through 1/2 inch **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST. Use the average of loss between 60 and 70 MBTU: Average of 0.0177 and 0.0244 is 0.0211; Drop per foot is 0.0211; Multiply by length 10 feet = 0.211 drop.
   Sum pressure loss meter to Furnace
   0.147 + 0.211 = 0.358 inch w.c.
   This leg is sized properly at 1/2 inch because sum of loss is less than 0.5 inch w.c.

4. To size section C1 find the drop per foot for the load carried by that section:
   - 70 CFH (MBTU)
   Using Table PD-1A find pressure loss at 70 MBTU load through 1/2 inch **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST Drop per foot is 0.0244; length is 5 ft; 5 X 0.0244 is 0.122.

5. To size section C2 find the drop per foot for the load carried by that section:
   - 35 CFH (MBTU)
   Using Table: PD-1A find pressure loss at 35 CFH load through 1/2 inch **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST Average of 0.0077 and 0.0042 is 0.0060; length is 10 ft; 10X 0.006 is 0.06. Sum pressure loss to water heater 0.147 + 0.122 + 0.06 = 0.329 inch w.c. This leg is sized properly at 1/2 inch because sum of loss is less than 0.5 in. w.c.

6. To size section D find the drop per foot for the load carried by that section:
   - 35 CFH (MBTU)
     Using Table: PD-1A find pressure loss at 35 CHF MBTU through 1/2 inch **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST Drop per foot is 0.006 (See number 4 above); Multiply by length 15 feet = 0.09. Sum pressure loss to dryer 0.147 + 0.122 + 0.09 = 0.359 inch w.c.
     This leg is sized properly at 1/2 inch because sum of loss is less than 0.5 in. w.c.
     The sum of pressure loss method allows the addition of an appliance without increasing trunk line size.

EXAMPLE 9: LOW PRESSURE HYBRID SYSTEM - *TracPipe®CounterStrike®* Steel Pipe and Combination - SERIES ARRANGEMENT USING SUM OF PRESSURE LOSS METHOD

1. The system presented in **Figure 3-12** is identical to that in **Figure 3-9** a single-family installation with 5 appliances. Low pressure 6-7 inches and a pressure drop of 0.5 inches water column.

NOTICE:

Example 6: This system was sized using the longest run method. Here we will use the sum of pressure loss method discussed in section 3.2.4.

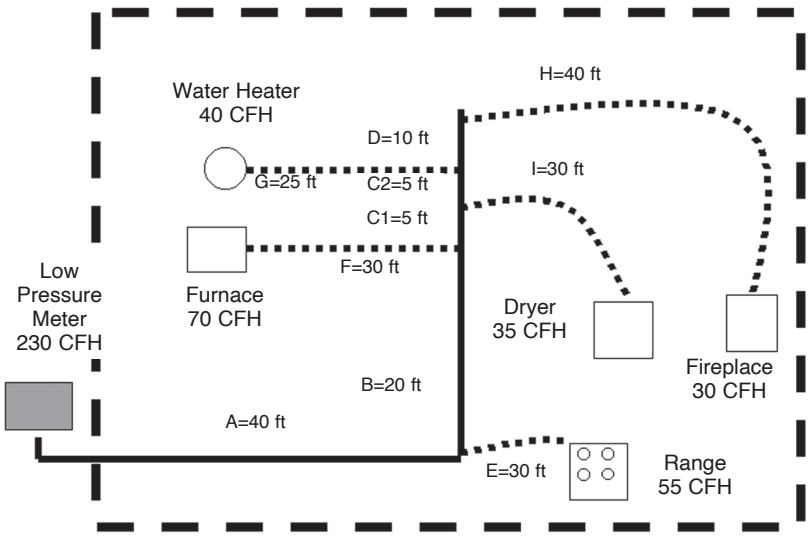


Figure: 3-12

2. Begin by using pipe sizes determined in Example 6. Determine if these are correct with this method. It is possible that smaller pipe sizes may be sufficient; this will be determined by calculating the sum of pressure losses from the meter to each appliance. To use this method a tentative size will be assigned to each run and this size will be confirmed or revised by the calculation. The sum total loss of a run from the meter to the appliance cannot exceed the allowable pressure loss.

3. To determine pressure loss through section A (steel pipe trunk), use the load through that section (230 CFH) for 1-1/4 inch steel pipe and find the pressure loss per foot using Table: PD-2A. (Since 230 CFH is not listed in the chart you must extrapolate the pressure drop using the two flow rates above and below the desired capacity.) This would equate to approximately 0.0018 inch w.c. Pressure drop per foot. Multiply the length: 40 feet by the loss per foot: 0.0018. The pressure loss for this section is 0.072.

4. To determine the pressure loss through section B, we use the load through that section (175 CFH). Find the loss for 1 inch size using Table: PD-2A. This would be approximately 0.0041 inch w.c. per foot. Multiply the length: 20 feet by the loss per foot: 0.0041. The pressure loss for this section is 0.0820.

5. To determine the pressure loss through section C1 we use the load through that section (105 CFH). Find the pressure loss for 1 inch using Table: PD-2A. This would be approximately 0.0016 inch w.c. Multiply the length: 5 feet by the loss per foot 0.0016. The pressure loss for this section is 0.0080" w.c.

6. To determine pressure loss through section C2 we use the load through that section (70 CFH). Find the pressure loss for 3/4 inch using Table: PD-2A. This would be 0.0024' w.c. Multiply the length: 5 feet by the loss per foot: 0.0024. The pressure loss for this section is 0.0120' w.c.

7. To determine pressure loss through section D we use the load through that section (30 CFH). Find the pressure loss for 1/2 inch using Table: PD-2A. This would be 0.0020" w.c. Multiply the length: 10 feet by the loss per foot: 0.0020. The pressure loss for this section is 0.0200" w.c.

8. To determine pressure loss through section E (**TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST drop to range) use the load through that section (55 CFH) and extrapolate the pressure loss using Table: PD-1A. Trying the 3/4 inch column we find that the pressure loss would be approx 0.0029 inch w.c. Multiply the length: 30 feet by the loss per foot 0.0029. The pressure loss for this section is 0.0870. Add the loss of section A to the loss of section E for the total loss from the meter to the range. 0.072 + 0.0870 = 0.159. Since this is less than the 0.5 inch w.c. allowable drop the correct size for section E is 3/4 inch.

9. To determine pressure loss through section F (**TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST drop to the furnace), use the load (70 CFH) and find pressure loss from Table: PD-1A. In the 3/4 inch column we find 0.0038. Multiply the length: 30 feet by 0.0038. The pressure loss for this section is 0.1140. Add the loss of sections A + B to the loss of section F for total loss from meter to furnace. 0.072 + 0.082 + 0.114 = 0.2680. The correct size for section F is 3/4 inch.

10. To determine pressure loss through section G (**TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST drop to the water heater), use the load (40 CFH) and find pressure loss from Table: PD-1. In the 1/2 inch column we find 0.0077. Multiply the length: 25 feet by 0.008. The pressure loss for this section is 0.1925. Add the loss of sections A + B + C1 + C2 to the loss of section G for total loss from meter to furnace. 0.072 + 0.0820 + 0.0080 + 0.0120 = 0.1740. The correct size for section G is 1/2 inch.

11. To determine pressure loss through section H (**TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST drop to the fireplace), use the load (30 CFH) and find pressure loss from Table: PD-1. In the 1/2 inch column we find 0.0042. Multiply the length: 40 feet by 0.0042. The pressure loss for this section is 0.1680. Add the loss of sections A + B + C1 + C2 + D to the loss of section H for total loss from meter to furnace. 0.072 + 0.0820 + 0.0080 + 0.0120 + 0.1680 = 0.3420. The correct size for section H is 1/2 inch.

12. To determine pressure loss through section I (**TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST drop to the dryer), use the load (35 CFH) and find pressure loss from Table: PD-1. In the 1/2 inch column we find 0.006. Multiply the length: 30 feet by 0.006. The pressure loss for this section is 0.18. Add the loss of sections A + B + C1 to the loss of section I for total loss from meter to dryer. 0.072 + 0.0820 + 0.0080 + 0.18 = 0.3420. The correct size for section I is 1/2 inch. Using the Sum of Pressure Loss Method we calculate that three of the five **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST sections (when compared with the longest length method) can utilize reduced sizes to deliver the necessary load with a pressure loss equal to or less than the allowable 0.5 inches water column. This enables the installer to use 1/2 inch **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST on all but the furnace and range drops, which remain 3/4 inch.

CHAPTER 4
INSTALLATION PRACTICES

SECTION 4.1 — GENERAL INSTALLATION PRACTICES

Precautions must be taken to ensure that any exposed flexible piping is not damaged or abused during building construction. All system hardware should be stored in a secure, dry location prior to installation.

1. The piping system is for use with fuel gas at operating pressures up to 25 PSI (USA and Canada restriction). **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST (3/8 inch up to 1-1/4 inch sizes) has been tested and is approved for pressures up to 125 PSI, and may ONLY be used at this pressure with the consent of the local gas utility and code authority. Pressure tests up to 125 PSI are permitted on sizes up to 1-1/4 inch.

2. Only components provided by **Omega Flex, Inc.** or specified as part of the **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST piping system are to be used in the installation.

Do not use **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST or fittings with tubing or fittings of any other manufacturer. Intermixing of CSST tubing or fitting components between CSST manufacturers is prohibited. Connections between two different brands of CSST may be accomplished using standard malleable iron fittings.

3. Ends of the piping are to be temporarily capped, plugged or taped closed prior to installation and pulling through structure to prevent entrance of dirt, or other debris.

⚠ WARNING

4. Contact with sharp objects or harmful substances is to be avoided. Contact with any chemicals containing chlorides or ammonia must be followed by thorough rinse and wipe dry. Typical chloride based chemicals include fluxes used for soldering copper tubes and acid based cleaners such as muriatic acid used for cleaning brickwork. Use only non-corrosive leak detection fluids. (Available: TracPipe Leak Check Solution P/N FGP-LCS). Call Customer Service.

5. BENDING **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST
Undue stress or strain on the tubing or fittings is to be avoided. Bending flexible gas piping is one feature which contributes to the speed of installation. Multiple tight bends can restrict the gas flow and increase pressure drop. The tightest bend allowed for each size of **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST is shown in **Table 4-1**.

MINIMUM BENDING RADIUS FOR FLEXIBLE GAS PIPING
Table: 4-1

TUBING SIZE	MINIMUM BEND RADIUS (R)
3/8 inch	9/16 inch
1/2 inch	3/4 inch
3/4 inch	1 inch
1 inch	3 inch
1-1/4 inch	3 inch
1-1/2 inch	3 inch
2 inch	4 inch

Typical locations requiring tight bends are termination mount installations in hollow stud walls.

6. **SUPPORTING**
TracPipeCounterStrike CSST shall be supported in a workmanlike manner with pipe straps, bands, brackets or hangers suitable for the size and weight of the piping. **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST which passes over or through a structural member is considered to be supported by that member.

6A. **VERTICAL RUNS**
Spacing of supports is not to exceed 10 feet, requiring hangers only where the height of each floor is greater than 10 feet.

6B. **HORIZONTAL RUNS**
Spacing of supports Hangers, supports and anchors-Piping shall be supported at intervals not to exceed those shown in **Table 4-2**.

NOTICE:

Model fuel gas codes do not allow the use of plastic hangers for gas piping systems.

HORIZONTAL OR INCLINED RUNS

Table: 4-2

PIPING SIZE	SPACING OF SUPPORTS
3/8 inch	4 FEET
1/2 inch	6 FEET
3/4 inch	8 FEET
1 inch	8 FEET
1-1/4 inch	8 FEET
1-1/2 inch	8 FEET
2 inch	8 FEET

SECTION 4.2

Section 4.2.1 HOW TO ASSEMBLE TracPipe® AutoFlare® FITTINGS

1. CUT-TO-LENGTH: Determine proper length plus approx. three inches. Make a rough cut through plastic jacket and stainless tube using a tube cutter with a sharp wheel. Cut must be centered between two corrugations. Use full circular strokes in one direction and tighten roller pressure slightly (a quarter turn) after each revolution. DO NOT OVERTIGHTEN ROLLER, which may flatten tube (**Figure 4-1**).

NOTICE:

Due to the large diameter and depth of corrugations on sizes over ¾ inch, tubing must be cut with a **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST cutting wheel P/N FGP-E-5272 installed in a standard tubing cutter RIGID 152 (remove standard RIGID 152 wheel and replace with FGP-E-5272). For use of the P/N FGP-E-5272 cutting wheel with other tubing cutters contact the **TracPipeCounterStrike** engineering department.

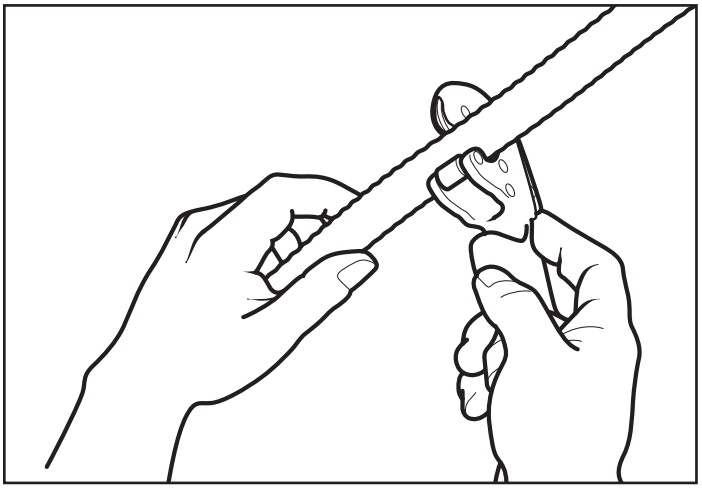


Figure: 4-1

⚠ CAUTION

Use of a small cutting wheel may flatten the first corrugation and make cutting and/or sealing of fittings difficult.

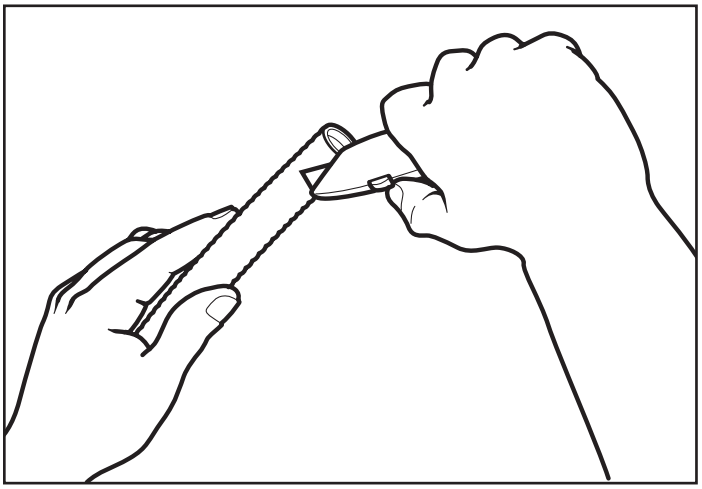


Figure: 4-2

2. STRIP JACKET and FINAL CUT: Using a utility knife, strip back the jacket three inches. From the jacket, count out the required number of corrugations (6 for standard FST fittings, 9 for Termination type fittings) and make a final cut on the bare stainless steel between corrugations ensuring the maximum strip lengths in Table: 4-3 are maintained. Care should be taken to minimize the amount of jacket material removed.

⚠ CAUTION

For your personal safety—Knife blade and cut tube ends are both sharp. Use care when cutting the jacket and handling the tube.

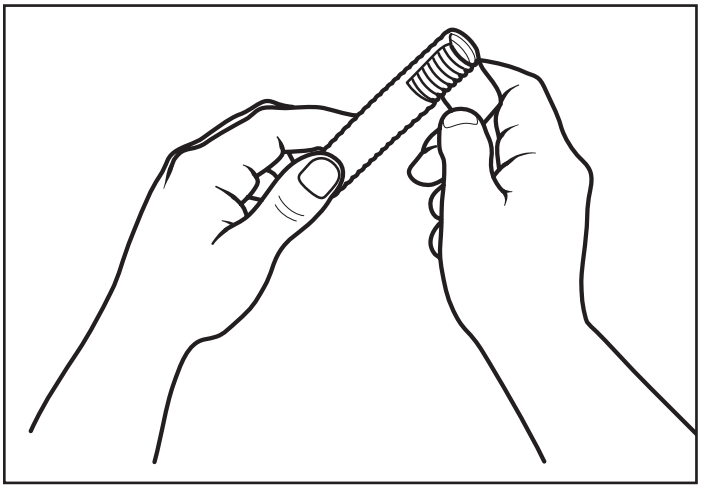


Figure: 4-3

MAXIMUM STRIP LENGTH

Table: 4-3

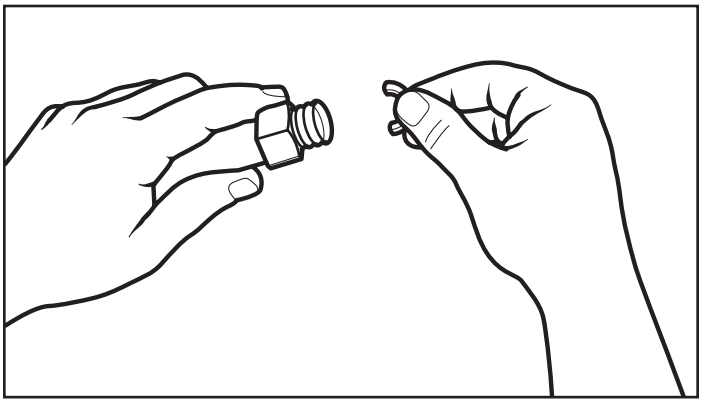
Tubing Size	P/N Suffix	FST Fittings	TerminationType and PS-II Fittings
3/8″	-375	1-1/8″	1-1/2″
1/2″	-500	1-3/16″	1-1/2″
3/4″	-750	1-1/4″	1-3/4″
1″	-1000	1-3/8″	2″
1-1/4″	-1250	1-5/8″	2-1/4″
1-1/2″	-1500	1-5/8″	2-1/2″
2″	-2000	2″	2-3/4″

The Maximum exposed stainless steel tubing at the fitting joint before or after assembly is equal to or less than the Maximum Strip Lengths provided.

Table: 4-4

Flexible Pipe Size	Fitting	Torque Value
3/8" FGP-SS4-375	FGP-FST-375	40 lb ft
1/2" FGP-SS4-500	FGP-FST-500	42 lb ft
3/4" FGP-SS4-750	FGP-FST-750	45 lb ft
1" FGP-SS4-1000	FGP-FST-1000	75 lb ft
1-1/4" FGP-SS4-1250	FGP-FST-1250	150-200 lb ft
1-1/2" FGP-SS4-1500	FGP-FST-1500	200-250 lb ft
2" FGP-SS4-2000	FGP-FST-2000	250-300 lb ft

3. **INSTALL FITTING NUT:** Slide nut over cut end: place two split-rings into the first corrugation next to the tube cut. Slide nut forward to trap the rings (**Figure 4-4**).



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4. **WRENCH FITTING:** Place the adapter into the nut and engage threads. Note that the **TracPipe AutoFlare** fitting is designed to form a leak tight seat on the stainless tubing as you tighten the fitting. (The piloting feature of the adapter will not always enter the bore of the tubing before the tightening operation, but will center the fitting when tightened). Using appropriate wrenches, tighten the fitting until adapter bottoms and the resistance to wrenching increases greatly. The flare has now been created on the tubing end.

⚠ WARNING

Do not use any thread sealants for this connection. Sealants are to be used on the pipe thread only.

5. **FINAL TORQUE:** Tighten nut and adapter to the torque values shown in Table 4-4. When a torque wrench is not available, use the following method: Tighten nut and adapter as though you were making up a flared tubing joint. Note relation between hex flats at this point and continue to tighten for two additional hex flats (one-third turn) to obtain required torque and final leak-tight seal (**Figure 4-5**).

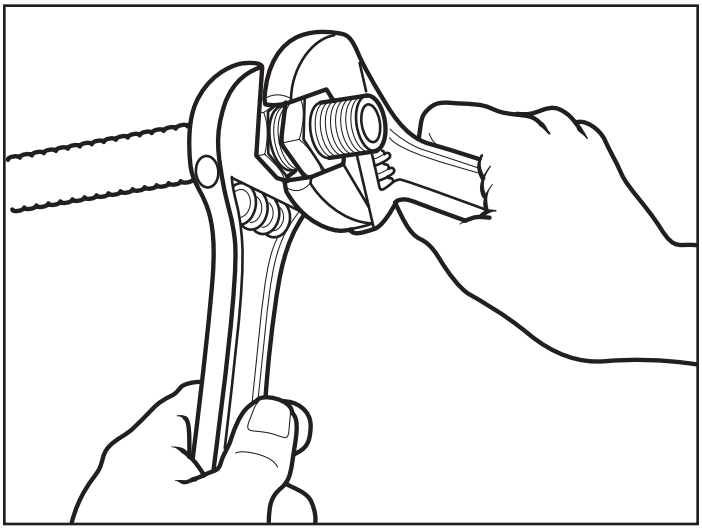


Figure: 4-5

Section 4.2.2 HOW TO ASSEMBLE TracPipe AutoSnap FITTINGS

⚠ WARNING

These instructions must be followed for installing TracPipe AutoSnap fittings to TracPipeCounterStrike CSST flexible gas piping.

⚠ WARNING

Do not use pipe sealants on any part of these fittings except the NPT threads. Use of pipe wrenches is not recommended and may cause damage to the fittings. Use adjustable or open end wrenches whenever possible.

1. **CUT PIPE:** Determine proper pipe length and cut through the plastic jacket and stainless steel pipe using a tubing cutter with a sharp wheel. Cut the tubing approx. 3-4 corrugations longer than you need. The finished length will require THREE corrugations exposed for straight fittings and couplings and FIVE corrugations exposed for termination fittings.

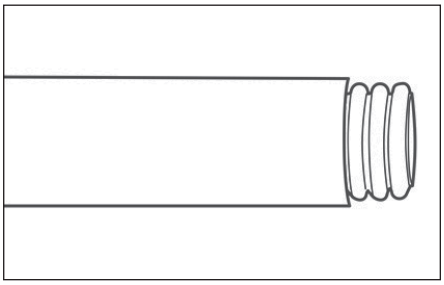


Figure: 4-6

NOTICE:

Due to the large diameter and depth of corrugations on sizes over ¾ inch, tubing must be cut with a **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST cutting wheel P/N FGP-E-5272 installed in a standard tubing cutter RIGID 152 (remove standard RIGID 152 wheel and replace with FGP-E-5272). For use of the P/N FGP-E-5272 cutting wheel with other tubing cutters contact the **TracPipeCounterStrike** engineering department.

2. **STRIP JACKET:** Using a utility knife with a sharp blade, strip back the jacket so that after making the final cut you will have THREE corrugation peaks left exposed for straight fittings and couplings and FIVE corrugations are left exposed for termination fittings. This is critical for proper insertion of pipe into fitting (**Figure 4-6**). Make a final cut using full circular rotations in one direction, gradually tightening roller pressure after each revolution until a clean cut is obtained. Avoid overtightening roller as this may flatten the crowns of the corrugations and interfere with a gas tight seal. Inspect pipe for a clean cut without tears or distortion.

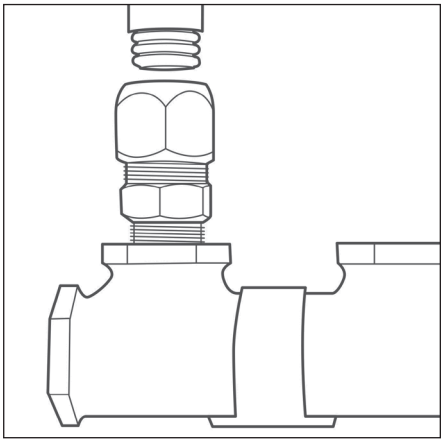


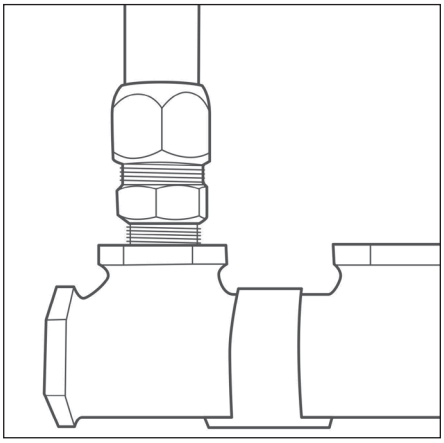
Figure: 4-7

⚠ CAUTION

Knife blade and pipe ends are very sharp. Use care when stripping jacket and handling tubing.

INSTALLING STRAIGHT FITTINGS AND COUPLINGS

3. **NPT CONNECTION:** For couplings, skip this step. For straight fittings, connect NPT threaded end to termination point, i.e. manifold or appliance, using thread sealant. Tighten fitting to termination point using an adjustable wrench on the body hex only (**Figure 4-7**). **Do not make this connection by tightening the nut, or the assembly of the fitting to the pipe will not be possible without disassembly and reassembly of the fitting components.**



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4. **PIPE TO FITTING CONNECTION:** This step applies to straight and coupling fittings. Loosen nut on the fitting 1 to 1-1/2 turns. Straighten pipe end and insert into the back of the fitting until it snaps into place (**Figure 4-8**). While holding the tubing firmly into the fitting, tighten the nut by hand to capture the first corrugation. If inserted correctly, a gradual resistance to tightening by hand will be felt. If a dead stop is felt, the pipe is not inserted properly, back off nut, make sure the pipe is in completely and straight and re-tighten by hand to confirm proper fit. Check to make sure the tubing is captured by pulling on the tubing. If the tubing has been captured, use adjustable wrenches and continue to tighten the nut to the

specified torque value or until resistance has greatly increased (**Table 4-5**). When the nut is fully tightened leak tight, there should be no more than ½ to 1 thread showing behind the nut.

Table: 4-5

Size	Min Torque (lb-ft)
3/8"	25
1/2"	30
3/4"	40
1"	45
1-1/4"	55
1-1/2"	75
2"	90

5. Use a second adjustable end wrench on the fitting body as a back up while tightening the nut. Holding the nut and tightening by turning body may cause the pipe to twist. Over tightening the nut may cause deformation that will not allow the fitting to be reused.

INSTALLING FLANGE TERMINATION FITTINGS

A. MOUNT FLANGE: Mount flange to desired location on wall stud or floor using appropriate size screws to provide a firm mount (**Figure 4-9**). Do not attach the fitting to the flange at this point. This will be done after the fitting to pipe connection has been completed. Insert pipe through the back of the flange after preparing pipe in accordance with steps 1 thru 3, **making sure to strip jacket to expose FIVE corrugations.**

B. PIPE TO FITTING CONNECTION: Attach fitting to pipe following all instructions in step 5 (**Figure 4-10**). Once the fitting has been tightened to the pipe, slightly loosen this connection until the fitting can be rotated on the pipe (**Figure 4-11**). Screw the fitting on to the flange and tighten. Holding the flange fitting nut, re-tighten the body (**Figure 4-12**).

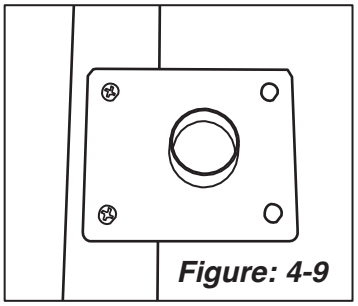


Figure: 4-9

⚠ CAUTION

This step must be followed to avoid excessive twisting of the pipe when tightened.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR RE-USING FITTINGS

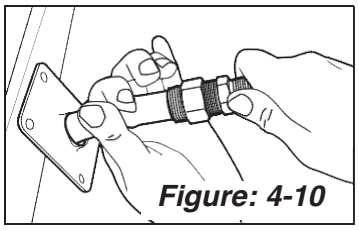


Figure: 4-10

If there is a leak in the fitting, the most probable cause is that the pipe was not properly prepared and has a tear or excessive deformation in the last corrugation that interferes with proper sealing. To remove the pipe from the fitting, strip the jacket back behind the fitting nut/ flange about 1". Disassemble the fitting completely, and push pipe through the nut to expose the snap ring. Gently pry the ring off of the pipe, and remove pipe from fitting. Inspect the ring for damage, and replace if necessary. Since the ring has been compressed into the back of the body, it must be re-sized before reusing. This is achieved by carefully spreading the ring open by hand or using small pliers. After opening up the ring, insert into fitting nut.

If it inserts without resistance, it must be opened further. Once the ring has been installed, thread the nut and body back together loosely. Re-cut the tubing and prepare per steps 1 thru 3, and assemble to fitting.

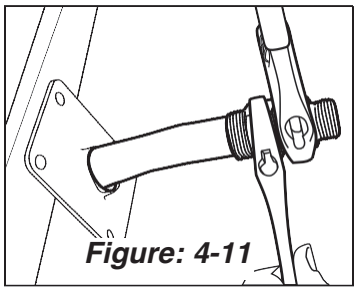


Figure: 4-11

⚠ CAUTION

Knife blade and pipe ends are very sharp. Use care when stripping jacket and handling tubing.

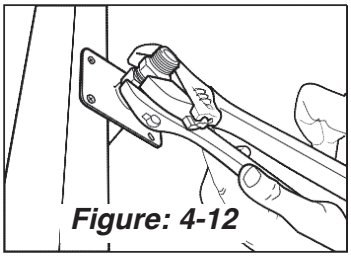


Figure: 4-12

DO NOT USE THREAD SEALANTS WITHIN THE FITTING. USE THREAD SEALANTS ONLY ON THE NPT THREADS

AutoFlare (Patented) – The Fitting is the Flaring Tool

SECTION 4.2.3 — TROUBLE SHOOTING FITTING CONNECTIONS

1. The tubing cut is the critical step in the fitup procedure. Always cut in a straight section of piping, rather than an area you have bent. Use light roller pressure applied on every revolution to cut the tube evenly around its surface. Remember that this tube has a thinner wall than the copper tube you are accustomed to cutting. A sharp blade is very important, and it will be helpful to reserve one cutter for stainless steel only.

2. If the fitting connection cannot be made to seal upon applying torque per the instructions in Section 4.2, loosen the nut and then retighten the fitting. If leakage continues, do not continue to apply torque. Disassemble the fitting and inspect the sealing surfaces. The most likely cause of leakage is foreign material on the sealing surfaces. Wipe both fitting and tubing flare with a clean cloth. Inspect the formed flare on the tubing end, which should appear round when compared with the split ring washers and the nut in place. If any deformation is noted, the tubing can be recut. Apply a thin coating of a petroleum wax type lubricant to the fitting flare, split rings and machine threads, then reattach the fitting.

3. REASSEMBLY- When reattaching the **AutoFlare** fitting, it is only necessary to re-insert the split rings into the space between the first two corrugations and to pull the nut back over the rings into position. The adapter can then be conveniently re-threaded into the nut and torqued as before. If the nut cannot be pulled into place, examine the split-rings, which may have been “coined” by the first torque operation. If this is the case, simply reverse the split-rings positioning to align with the nut and continue the assembly process. If the fitting is reattached more than three times, or if the nut cannot be pulled over the rings in any position, then the split-rings must be replaced. Packets of spare split-rings are available (P/N FGP-RING-SIZE) and the remaining fitting parts can be re-used.

SECTION 4.3 — ROUTING OF TUBING

Depending on local building codes and construction practice, Flexible gas piping can be routed:

1. **Beneath floor joists, through floor and ceiling joists, along side of floor and ceiling joists:** This is the typical location for residences and commercial buildings with basements and for multi-floor sytems. Multiple tubing runs may be bundled.

⚠ CAUTION

Exposed stainless steel that may come in contact with spray foam insulation must be wrapped in self bonding silicone tape in accordance with Section 4.3.2.

2. **Exterior/interior wall cavities:** - Hollow interior wall cavities are the preferred location for vertical runs of tubing. Piping runs may be installed in insulated walls. For bat type insulation the piping may be placed within or in front of the insulation facing sheet. Piping restrained by rigid foam type insulation shall be protected along the entire vertical run.

3. **Through approved conduit under ground or under building slabs:** - When piping runs are located below grade or under a concrete slab, the **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST shall be routed within a non-metallic water-tight conduit. Gas piping runs beneath building slabs must be both sleeved and vented as per local codes. See Underground Installations Section 4.9 for underground use of **TracPipe PS-II** piping**. TracPipe PS-II** piping meets code requirements for underground and under building slab installation.

4. **Clearance holes:** - For routing the piping through studs, joists, plates etc. shall have a diameter at least 1/2 inch larger than the outside diameter of the piping. When a structural member must be drilled, conformance to building codes must be followed. No structural member shall be seriously weakened or impaired by cutting, notching or otherwise altering the member. Minimum drill hole sizes are listed in Table 4-6. **TracPipeCounterStrike** shall not pass through a bored hole through which any metallic pipe, metallic tube, electrical conductor, electrical or electronic cable or electrical metallic raceway also passes.

Table: 4-6

TUBING SIZE	DRILL HOLE SIZE
3/8 inch	1-1/8 inch
1/2 inch	1-3/8 inch
3/4 inch	1-1/2 inch
1 inch	1-3/4 inch
1-1/4 inch	2-1/4 inch
1-1/2 inch	2-1/2 inch
2 inch	3 inch

5. **Metal Studs:** - For installations involving horizontal runs through galvanized steel studs, use the plastic grommets supplied by the stud manufacturer. Additional protection for horizontal runs through studs may be required in accordance with Section 4.4.1

6. **Hollow Cavity Walls:** - Care shall be taken to route the tubing in areas that are least susceptible to potential threats wherever possible. Flexible gas piping larger than 1¼ inch nominal internal diameter installed within hollow cavity walls of 2 x 4 construction shall be protected along the entire concealed length.

SECTION 4.3.1 — CONCEALED LOCATIONS FOR FITTINGS — GENERAL PROVISIONS

The **TracPipe AutoFlare/AutoSnap** mechanical attachment fittings have been tested and are listed per the requirements of CSA/ANSI LC 1 CSA 6.26 Standard (USA and CANADA). This specification provides test requirements which certify fittings for concealed installations and connections to appliances.

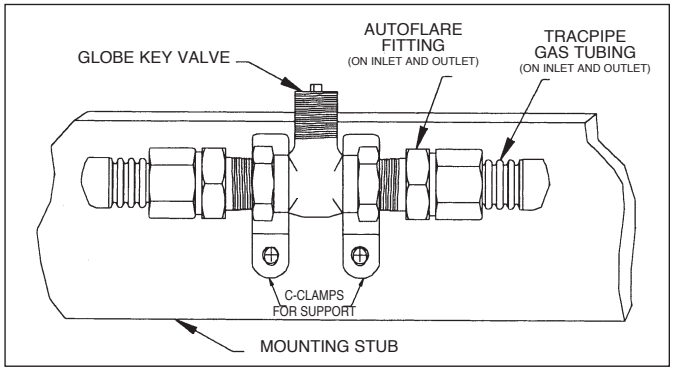
EXCLUSIONS:

1. Manifold Stations (for 2 PSI systems) which include the multiport manifold, shut off valve, and pressure regulator shall not be installed in concealed locations regardless of the qualifications of tubing fittings.

NEW INSTALLATIONS:

1. CSST may be connected to steel piping systems through threaded pipe connections. This can be a stub-out to an appliance connection or outdoors to a meter, etc.

2. Flexible piping connections to fireplace “key valves” can be located in a concealed location, when accessibility is not readily provided (see **Figures 4-13 and 4-14**).



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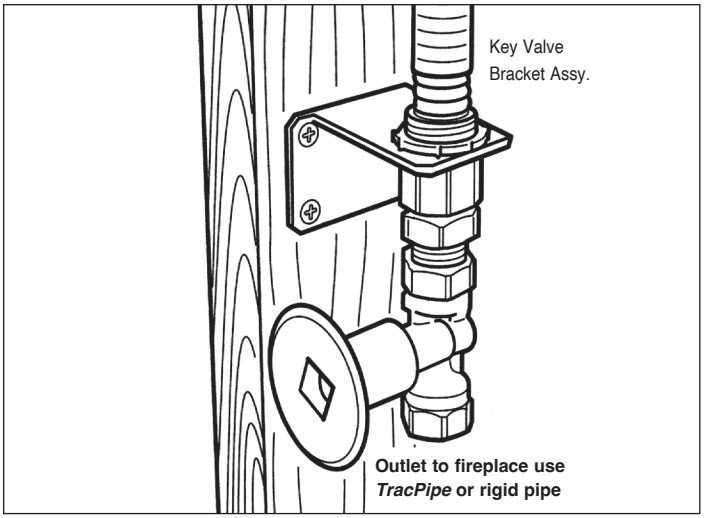


Figure: 4-14

3. Multiple gas outlets – when multiple outlets are supplied from a single run of piping, each downstream outlet branch can be connected to the main run using a tee fitting which can be located in a concealed location (**Figure 4-15**).

MODIFICATIONS TO INSTALLED SYSTEMS:

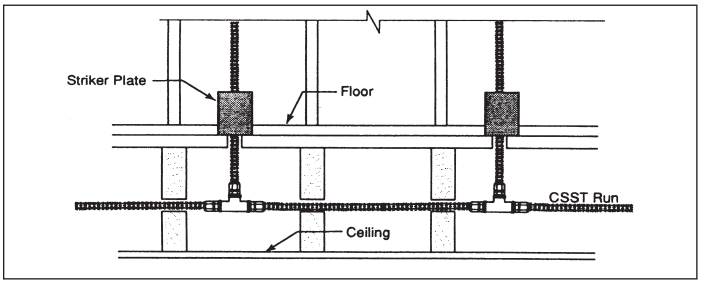


Figure: 4-15 *Multiple outlets along main tubing run*

1. **New ceilings in unfinished rooms/basements-** Flexible piping fittings originally installed in accessible ceiling locations can be concealed at a later date in the event that a ceiling is installed. Precautions shall be taken to ensure that the newly concealed piping and fittings are adequately protected from accidental puncture in accordance with the instructions in this guideline.

2. **Extensions to existing tubing runs-** A tubing run can be modified to permit an extension to another appliance location provided there is sufficient capacity to supply both appliances at the same time. If an accessible location for the modification is not available, the existing tubing run can be modified with a tee fitting, resulting in a concealed fitting.

3. **Repairs to existing tubing runs-** Damaged tubing runs shall be repaired in accordance with instructions in this guide (Section 5.2). The repair can result in a line splice which may ultimately be located in a concealed location.

SECTION 4.3.2 — OUTDOOR INSTALLATION ISSUES

The **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST jacket is resistant to UV and is able to withstand exposure to long periods of sunlight. CSA/ANSI LC 1 CSA 6.26 contains test requirements determining suitability for exposure of CSST piping systems to outdoor environments. **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST is certified to this standard and is fully qualified for outdoor installations.

1. When installed outdoors, the plastic jacketing shall remain intact as much as practical for the given installation. Any portions of exposed stainless steel shall be wrapped with self bonding silicone tape sealing the fitting connection to prevent later corrosive attack by acid wash or chloride based compounds (**Figures 4-16 and 4-17)**.

2. When **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST is installed in a swimming pool mechanical room or exposed to a corrosive environment which may be harmful to the tubing, all exposed portions of the stainless steel tubing shall be wrapped with self-bonding tape (**Figures 4-16, 4-17**).

3. When installed along the side of a structure (between the ground and a height of 6 feet) in an exposed condition, the **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST shall be installed in a location which will not subject the piping to mechanical damage or be protected inside a conduit or protective cover.

NOTICE:

For support and protection, **OmegaFlex** recommends that outside runs along the side of a building shall be clipped securely to the wall or other structural component.

4. **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST SHALL NOT BE BURIED DIRECTLY IN THE GROUND OR PENETRATE CONCRETE UNLESS IT IS SLEEVED INSIDE OF A NON-METALLIC (PVC) WATER TIGHT CONDUIT or use **TracPipe PS-II** piping. The conduit shall be sealed at any exposed end to prevent water from entering. See instructions for underground installations Section 4.9.

5. When installed underneath mobile homes or in crawl spaces, **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST shall be installed in accordance with these outdoor instructions.

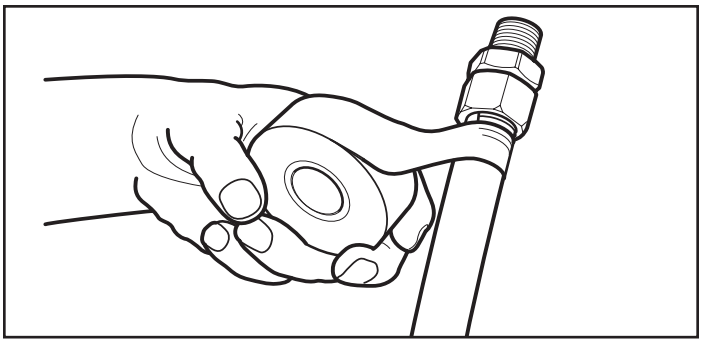


Figure: 4-16 *Wrapping with self bonding silicone tape - begin on jacket.*

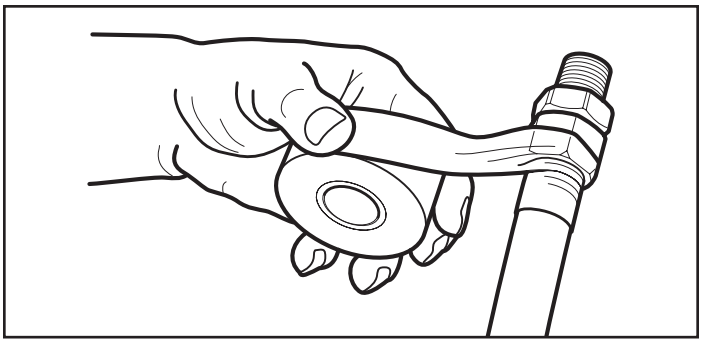


Figure: 4-17 *Wrapping with self bonding silicone tape - end on nut.*

SECTION 4.4 — PROTECTION

The flexible gas piping must be adequately protected from puncture, shear, crush or other physical damage threats. The tubing shall be protected at points of support and when passing through structural members such as studs, joists and plates in accordance with this section. PROTECTION IS REQUIRED WHENEVER THE TUBING IS CONCEALED, RESTRAINED, AND WITHIN 3 INCHES OF A POTENTIAL THREAT. If the tubing requires protection, the following measures should be taken.

SECTION 4.4.1 — STRIKER PLATE REQUIREMENTS

1. Install shielding devices i.e. striker plates to protect the tubing from penetration by drill bits, nails, screws, etc. in those areas where the tubing will be concealed and will not be free to move to avoid such puncture threats.

NOTICE:

Only CSA approved hardened striker plates listed for CSST systems may be used. CSST runs of sizes 1-1/4" and larger installed in 2x4" wall cavities must be protected for the entire concealed length. For walls that remain open on one side the tubing is not required to be protected.

a. At support points and points of penetration less than 2 inches away from any edge of a stud, joist, plate, etc. shielding is required at the area of support and within 5 inches of each side (if appropriate). Use a half striker or a full striker plate in these locations (**Figure 4-18**).

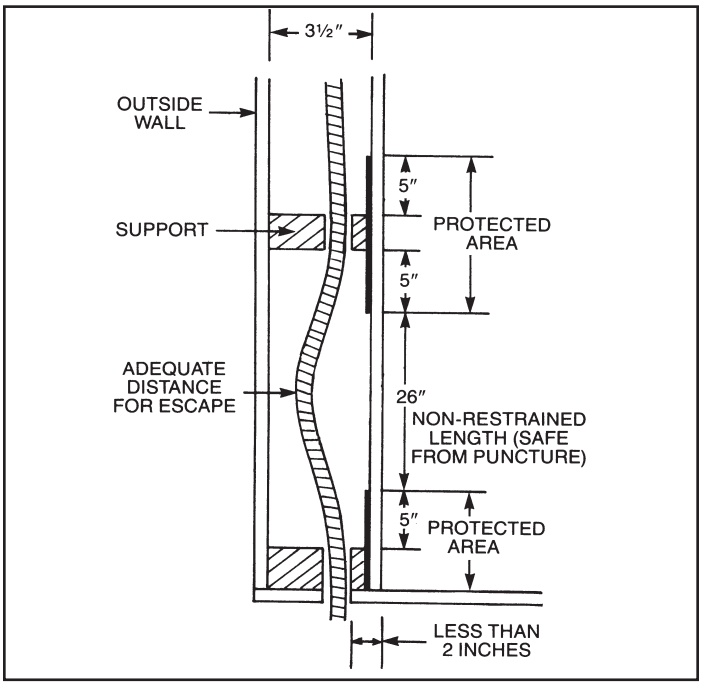


Figure: 4-18 *Long Unsupported Tubing Runs (over 3') within a Wall Partition.*

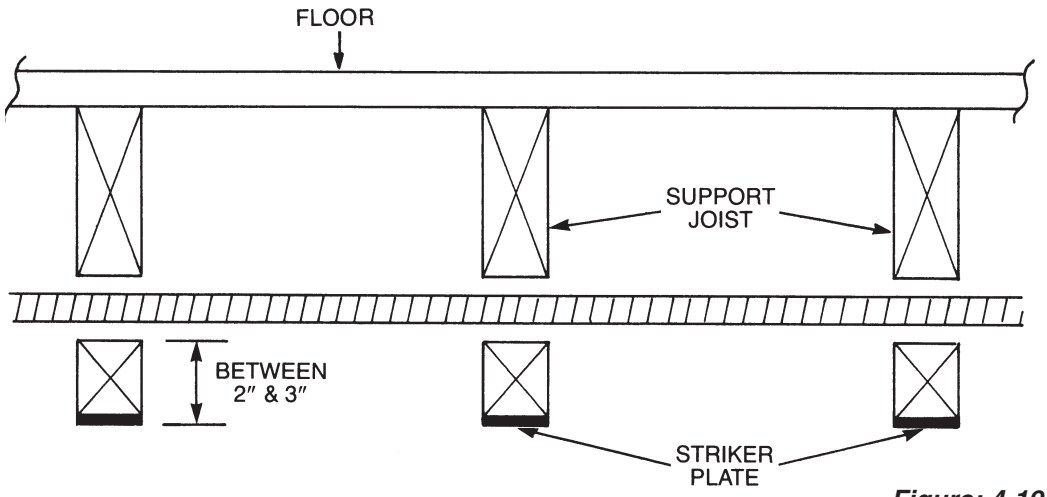


Figure: 4-19

Shielding Requirements at Support Area when Points of Penetration are 2-3 inches from any Edge of a Stud, Joist, Plate, etc.

b. At support points and points of penetration 2 to 3 inches from any edge of stud, joist plate, etc. shielding is required throughout area of support. Use a quarter striker plate in these locations (**Figure 4-19**).

c. Hardened steel striker plates provide the required protection through building structures as described above. Type RW Floppy steel conduit shall be installed as additional protection at termination points (**Figure: 4-20**).

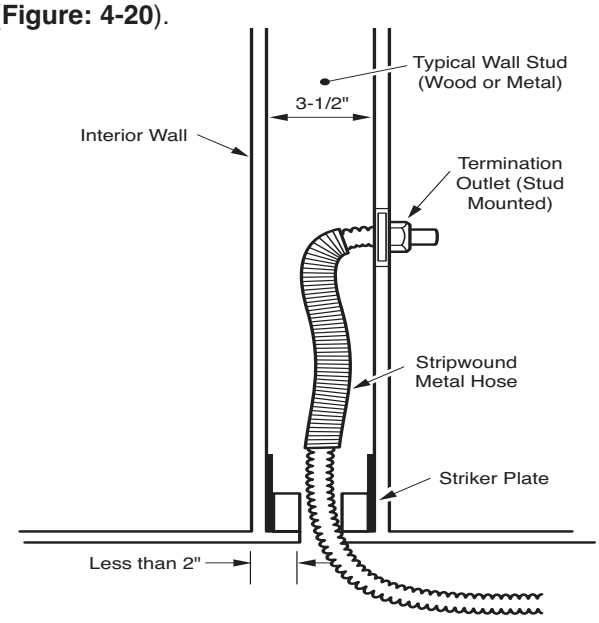


Figure: 4-20

d. When tubing is routed horizontally between studs, install quarter striker plates at each stud and floppy galvanized steel conduit (spiral metal hose) along the entire length.

e. Schedule 40 steel pipe has been tested by CSA International and found acceptable for puncture protection. Steel pipe can be used where standard striker plates cannot reasonably be installed. Examples of this type of use include: (but are not limited to) outside walls of buildings with sheathing in place, between floors with enclosed joist areas, and retrofits in existing buildings with walls in place. Steel pipe having an inner diameter at least one-half inch larger than the **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST O.D. is approved by CSA International for this use as an alternate to striker plates. Protection must extend 5 inches beyond the penetration of the structural member(s). A 12 inch pipe length is appropriate for penetration of a single stud. OmegaFlex recommends the use of standard striker plates where the building construction permits their installation. **Table 4-7** provides pipe sizes for your reference.

Table: 4-7

CounterStrike Size	Steel Pipe Size
3/8 inch	1-1/4 inch
1/2 inch	1-1/4 inch
3/4 inch	1-1/2 inch
1 inch	2 inch
1-1/4 inch	2-1/2 inch
1-1/2 inch	2-1/2 inch
2 inch	3-1/2 inch

2. The best protection is to install the tubing in those out of the way areas where testing has shown no protection is necessary, for example:

a. Where the tubing is supported more than 3 inches from any outside edge of a stud, joist, plate, etc. or wall surface (**Figure 4-21**).

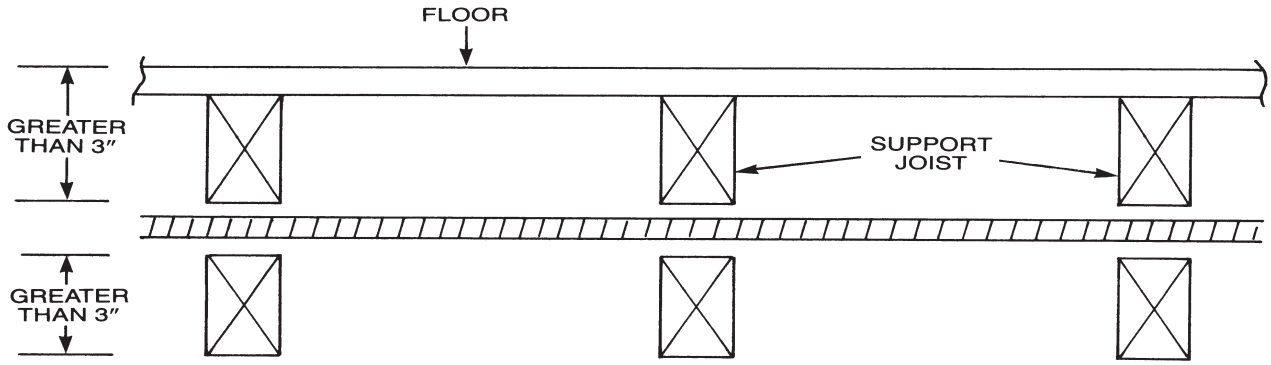


Figure: 4-21

No Shielding Requirement at Support Area when Points of Penetration are greater than 3 inches from any Edge of a Stud, Joist, Plate, etc.

b. Where any non-restrained tubing can be displaced from the direction of potential penetration at least 3 inches.

c. When tubing is supported under the joists in basements or crawl spaces and is not concealed by wallboard or ceilings.

d. In unfinished garage walls where tubing is exposed.

SECTION 4.4.2 —THROUGH WALL PENETRATIONS

1. **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST meets building code requirements (ASTM E84) with respect to flame spread and smoke density. This permits installation in drop ceilings used as return air plenums without jacket removal.

2. For through wall penetration fire stop instructions refer to the UL classification requirements shown in Appendix A. When passing through a fire stop (2 hr. wall) the jacket shall not be removed. Seal between building and **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST with an approved 3M type CP-25 or equivalent caulk.

3. **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST has through wall penetration UL Classifications for 1, 2, 3 and 4 hour requirements depending on materials and type of construction. See Appendix A.

NOTICE:

For more information regarding flame spread and smoke density tests
contact **TracPipeCounterStrike** Engineering.

NOTICE:

For **TracPipe PS-II** tubing with black outer jacket, the installer shall address local building codes with respect to flame spread and smoke density regulations for non-metallic materials. **Omega Flex, Inc.** recommends either removing the black jacket or transitioning to the **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST product when passing through areas such as drop ceiling return plenums.

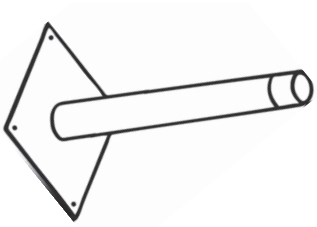
SECTION 4.5 — METER CONNECTIONS

1. Meters which depend on the service and house piping for support shall not be directly connected to the flexible piping. Instead, use a meter Stub-out fitting with steel pipe for the outdoor portion of the connection. For mounting of meters, all fastener locations should be used when installing the flange or mounting plate (**Figure 4-23** and **4-24**).

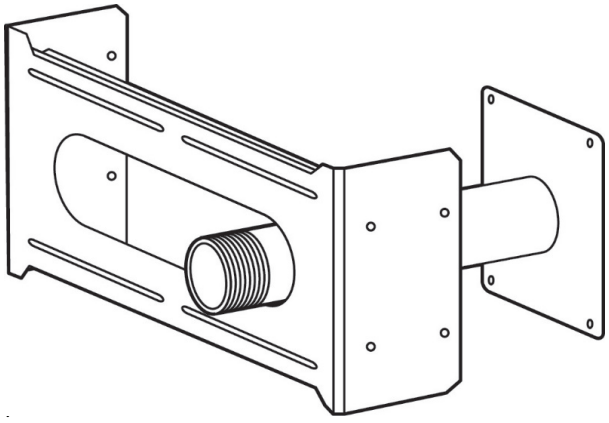
2. Meters which are independently supported with a bracket can be directly connected outdoors with **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST (**Figure 4-24**). If practical, direct connections shall include a 3 to 6 inch additional length of tubing to accommodate differential settling and meter movement. No mechanical protection of the tubing is required for outdoor connections.

NOTICE:

Prior to installlng **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST directly to a meter, ensure that the local utility allows this practice and meter is independently supported as some utilities have regulations specifying meter attachments. Any exposed sections of stainless steel piping must be wrapped with a self-bonding silicone tape. This is especially important with masonry construction (**Figure 4-22**). A sleeve is required for **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST penetrations of masonry construction and recommended for wood frame construction.



Meter Stub-out Mount
(Surface mount on sheathing or through the rim joist.)

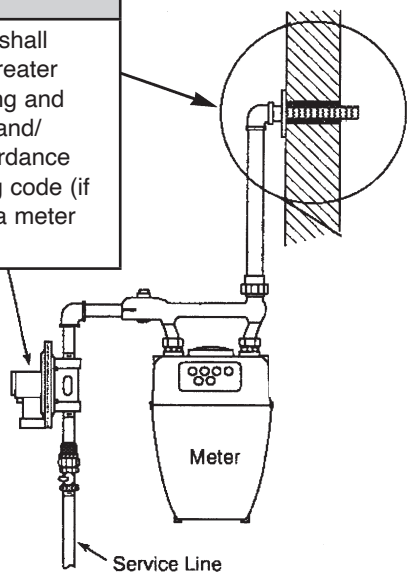


Stud Bracket
(Mount between two studs.)

Figure: 4-23
Meter Mounting Accessories

NOTICE:

Diameter of hole shall be at least 1/2" greater than O.D. of tubing and shall be sleeved and/ or sealed in accordance with local building code (if applicable). Use a meter stub-out here.



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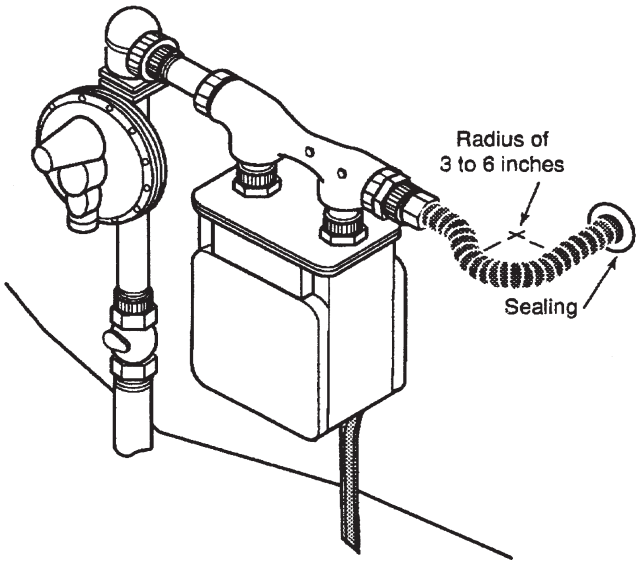


Figure: 4-24

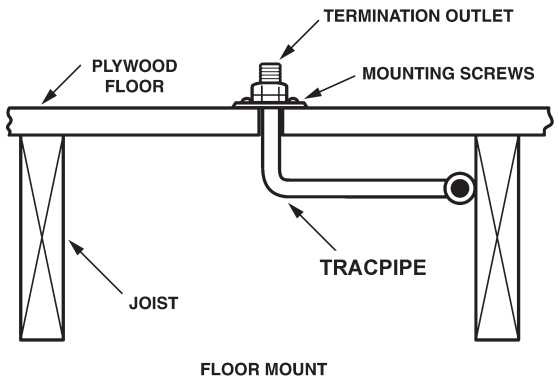
SECTION 4.6 — APPLIANCE CONNECTIONS

A listed termination outlet (flange fitting, or recessed wall box) are designed to be used at all floor & hollow wall piping outlets used for moveable appliances and quick disconnect devices. The termination outlets are intended to simplify the installation of gas connections for moveable appliances and minimize the need for concealed fittings. The fitting plate shall be securely fastened in place during rough-in. It may be attached to a brace spanning between studs for a wall location, or directly to the floor (**Figure 4-25**).

As an alternate to using a listed termination outlet for moveable appliances, a rigid termination can be made by transitioning the **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST to rigid black pipe at a suitable location. The rigid pipe stub-out must be securely fastened to the wall or floor using a pipe flange or other rigid mounting component. Final connection is with a flexible appliance connector.

1. MOVABLE APPLIANCE CONNECTIONS (SUCH AS RANGES AND DRYERS) SHALL BE MADE USING APPROVED FLEXIBLE APPLIANCE CONNECTORS (**Figure 4-26**).
   See also recessed wall box Section 4.6.1.

2. FIXED APPLIANCE CONNECTIONS MAY BE DIRECTLY CONNECTED TO THE FLEXIBLE GAS PIPING SYSTEMS (in most jurisdictions). When the fixed appliance is located in a secure, dedicated space, such as a basement, attic, garage or utility closet, the flexible piping may be directly connected to the appliance shut-off valve without installation of a flange fitting or flexible appliance connector.



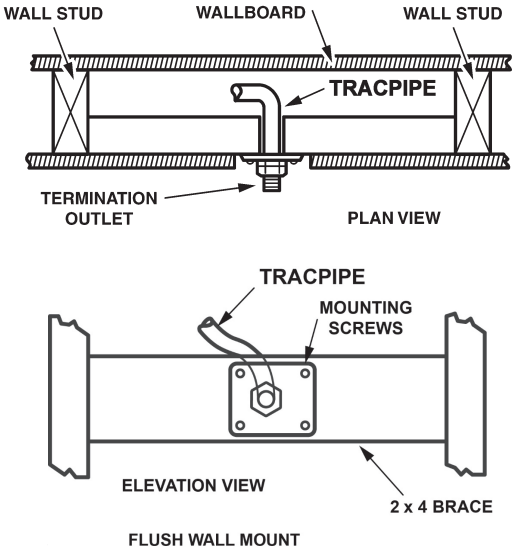


Figure: 4-25
Support Device Flange Termination Outlet

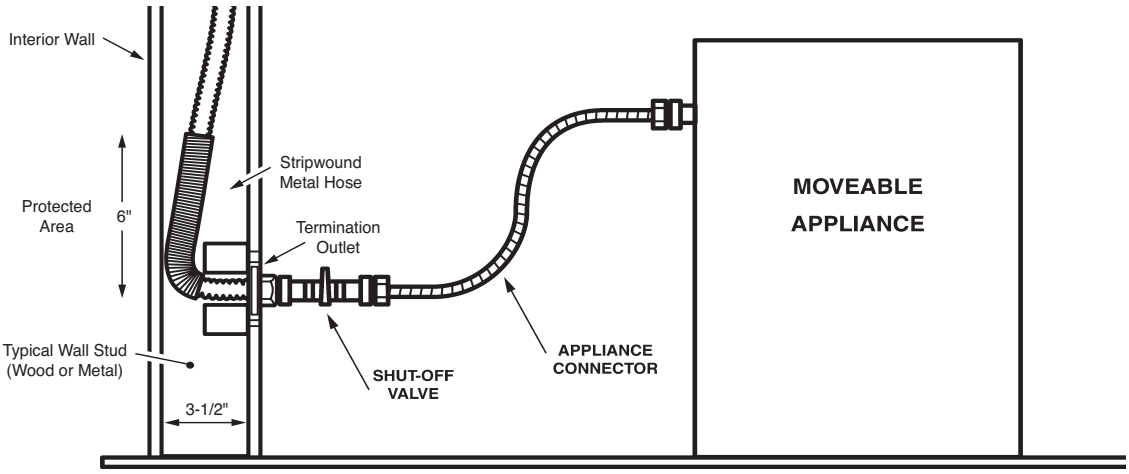


Figure: 4-26
Stainless Steel Gas Connector Connection to a Movable Gas Appliance

SECTION 4.6.1 — RECESSED FIRE RATED METAL GAS OUTLET WALL BOX

Fire resistant accessory for gas outlet terminations

All wallboxes measure 7" x 7" x 3"

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

1. The **TracPipeCounterStrike** Gas Outlet Wall Box **(Figure 4-29)** has been tested and approved for 1 hr and 2 hr Fire Stop Systems in accordance with UL 1479.

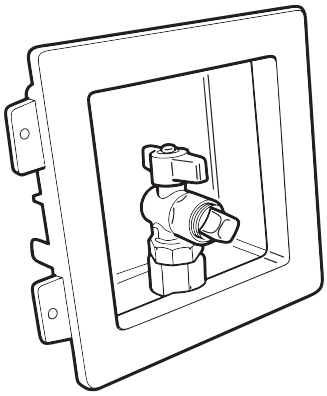


Figure: 4-29

2. The wall box installs with zero clearance for a finished appearance in laundry rooms, kitchens and mechanical rooms, and provides a rigid attachment point for appliance connectors serving movable appliances.

This box is not suitable for use with black iron pipe or any CSST brand other than TracPipeCounterStrike.

INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

1. Remove Knockout for appropriate size valve. The 3/8" and 1/2" size use the small knockout and the 3/4" size uses the the large knockout. Install **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST and cut to the desired length, using a standard tubing cutter with a sharp wheel. Using the strip length in the chart below **(Figure 4-30)**, strip the jacket back and inspect the pipe for a clean cut without tears.

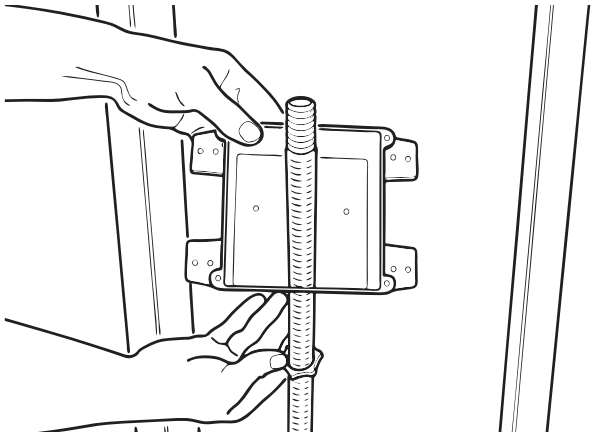
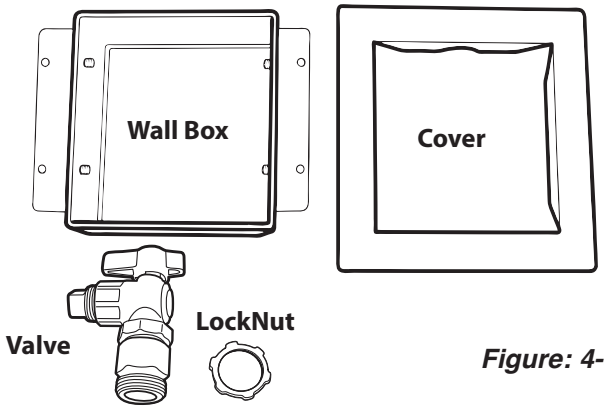


Figure: 4-31

NOTICE:

Mounting tabs are oriented for a single layer of drywall. When two layers are used for some 2-HR rated walls, remove screws on tabs and invert mounting tabs.

2. Remove the box cover and slip the locknut and box over the end of the pipe **(Figure 4-31)**.



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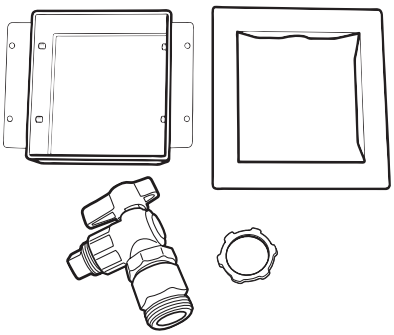


Part Description	Part Number	Size	Pkg. Qty	Strip Length
Metal Wall Box with Valve	FGP-WBTM-375	3/8"	24 per box	1-1/2"
Metal Wall Box with Valve	FGP-WBTM-500	1/2"	24 per box	1-1/2"
Metal Wall Box with Valve	FGP-WBTM-750	3/4"	24 per box	1-3/4"

Figure: 4-30

3. Disassemble the nut and split rings from the valve **(Figure 4-33)**.

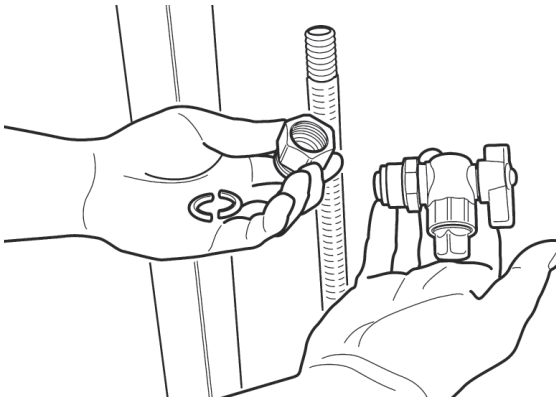


Figure: 4-33

4. Slip nut over end of pipe and insert split rings into the valley of the first corrugation **(Figure 4-34)**.

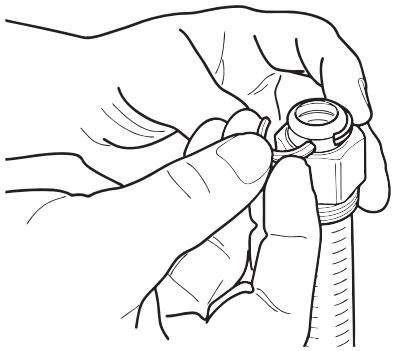


Figure: 4-34

5. Thread ball valve onto nut and tighten so valve outlet faces forward. It is recommended that crescent wrenches be used to avoid damaging valve or nut **(Figure 4-35)**. **Do not use thread sealants on this connection.**

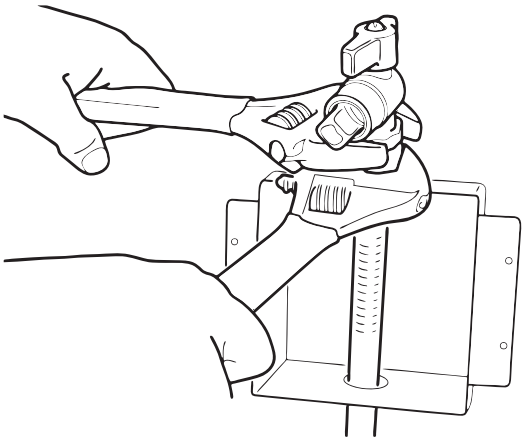
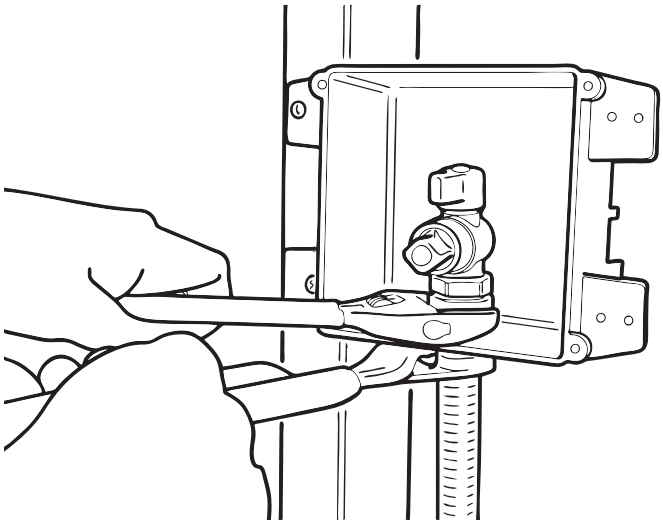


Figure: 4-35

6. Slide box up and over the threads on the bottom of the nut and mount box firmly to stud. Provide full support by fastening both mounting tabs to structure where required by local codes.
7. Secure valve assembly to box with locknut **(Figure 4-36)**.



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8. Install box cover after completion of drywall. If the gap between the edges of the box and the drywall is less than ¼", no fire caulking is required **(Figure 4-37)**.

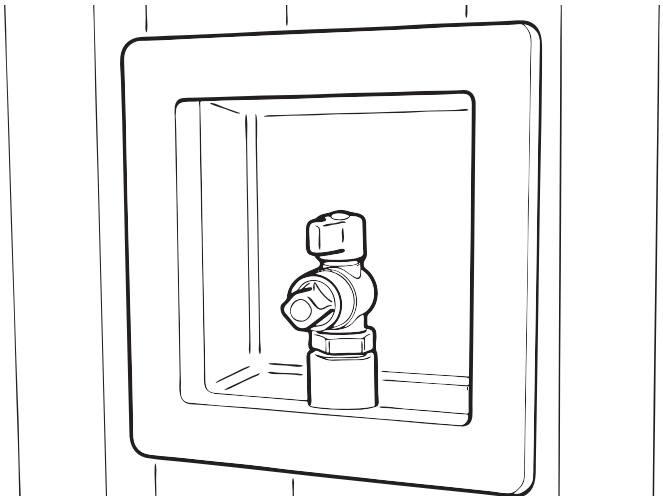


Figure: 4-37

NOTICE:

These instructions must be used in conjunction with the **TracPipeCounterStrike** Design and Installation Guide. **TracPipeCounterStrike** flexible gas piping material must only be installed by a qualified person who has been trained through the **TracPipeCounterStrike** Gas Piping Installation Program.

SECTION 4.6.2 — PAD MOUNTED EQUIPMENT, ROOF TOP EQUIPMENT

1. Gas equipment mounted on concrete pads or blocks such as L.P. tanks, gas air conditioners, heat pumps, pool heaters, NGV refueling stations and gas generators, may be connected to the **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST system at a termination fitting using either rigid pipe or an approved outdoor appliance connector. Direct connection of **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST to pad mounted equipment is permitted when the CSST is securely supported and located where it will be protected from physical damage. Follow local and state codes. Any portions of exposed stainless steel shall be wrapped with self bonding silicone tape sealing the fitting connection (**Figures 4-16** and **4-17**). When the appliance is mounted on vibration isolations pads the **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST shall be terminated with a listed termination fitting and the appliance shall be connected to the gas piping system with a listed appliance connector.

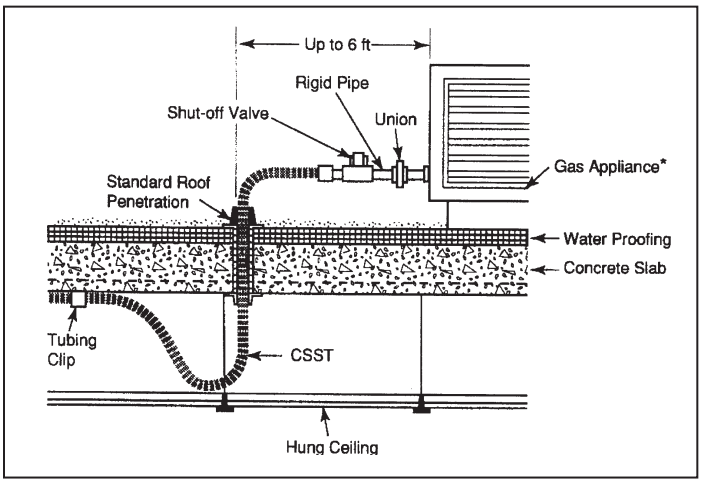
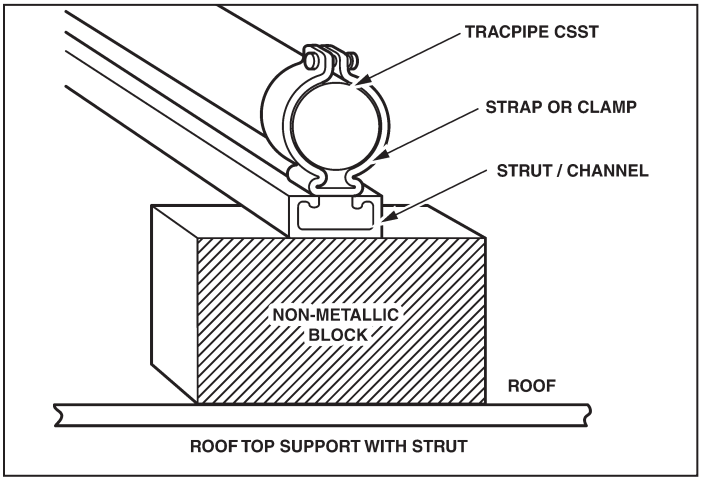


Figure: 4-38 *Short (1-6 foot) outdoor connection to roof mounted equipment*

2. No special mechanical protection of the piping is required for connection to roof top equipment. Whenever possible, roof penetrations shall be located within 6 feet of the equipment to be connected as shown in **Figure 4-38**. Long runs of tubing shall be supported with non-metallic blocks at the support interval listed in **Table 4-2**, and raised above the roof a distance determined by local code/practice (**Figure 4-39**). The blocks are to be attached to the roof surface in accordance with the roofing manufacturer's instructions.

3. **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST may be supported with strut/channel running from block to block beneath the flexible gas pipe. Galvanized shallow channel (13/16 inch) with splice plates at joints and bends provides a secure, damage resistant "track". With metallic strut support, blocks can be reduced to every 8 feet. The **TracPipeCounter-Strike** CSST should be firmly attached to each block with metallic clamps designed for the strut or appropriate fastening mechanism (**Figure 4-40**). Black cable ties (UV resistant) at intermediate points facilitate rolling out the **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST.

4. Piping run vertically up the side of the building shall be protected in accordance with the Section 4.3.2 Outdoor Installation Issues.



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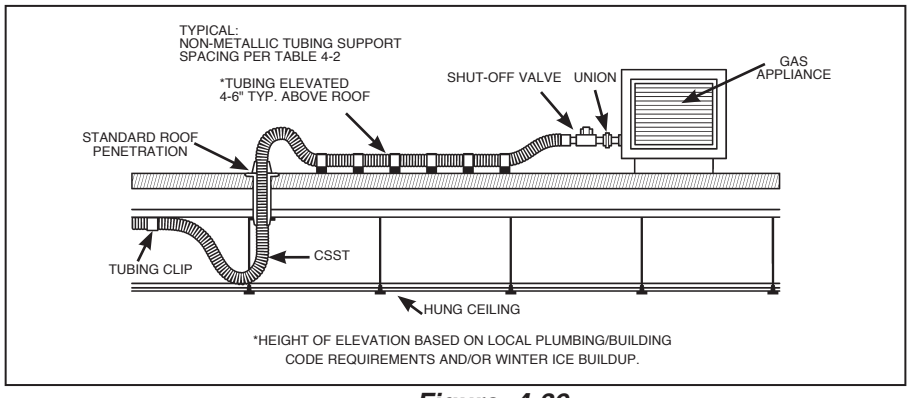

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SECTION 4.6.3 — OUTDOOR APPLIANCES — BARBEQUE GRILL AND GAS LIGHT CONNECTIONS

1. Movable grills shall be connected using an approved outdoor appliance connector which shall be attached to the flexible piping system at either a termination mount fitting, a transition to a steel nipple, or a quick connect device such as the M.B. Sturgis Model 3/375 shown in **Figure 4-41**. The quick-connect outlet shall be installed in accordance with manufacturer's instructions.

2. Permanently mounted grills located on decks shall be connected with the **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST system as shown in **Figure 4-42** and in accordance with this guide. The outdoor portion of the piping shall be supported against the side of any of the inside deck joists. If the elevation of the deck is below the top of the foundation, any exposed piping shall be protected using water-tight non-metallic conduit.

3. Permanently mounted lights located on decks shall be connected to the piping system the same as permanently mounted grills shown in **Figure 4-42** and in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

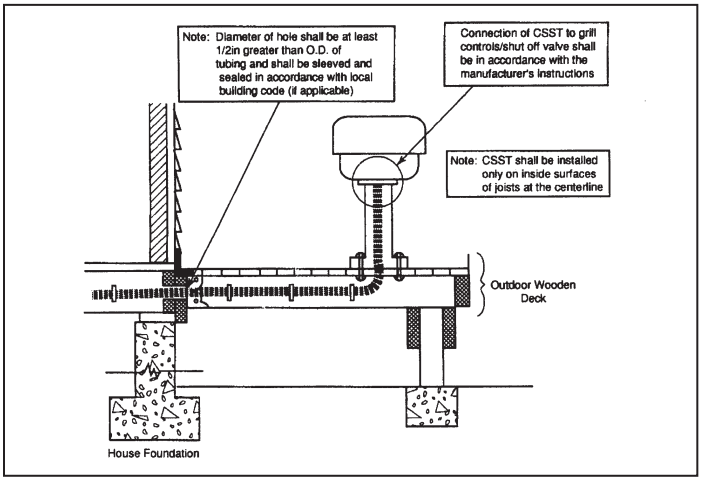
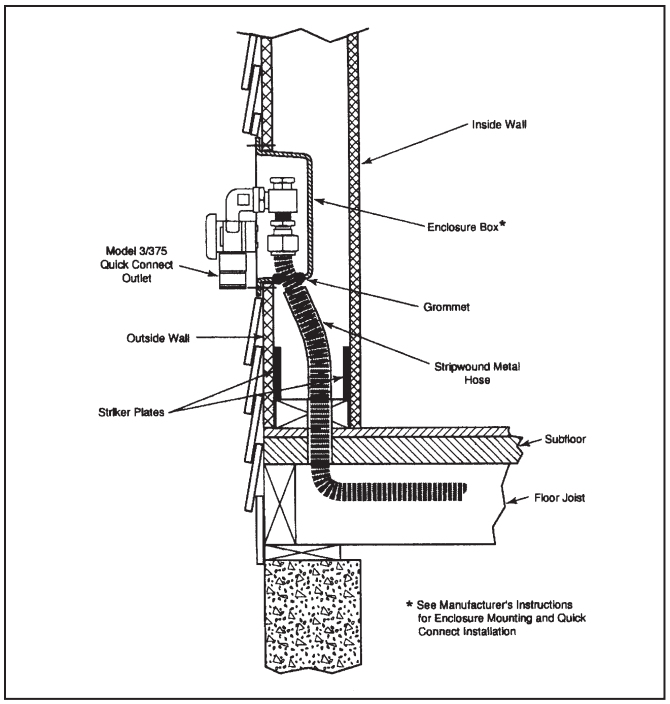


Figure: 4-42

4. Yard mounted lights shall be connected to the **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST system as shown in **Figure 4-43**. All piping installed below grade shall be protected by non-metallic, water-tight conduit or **TracPipe PS-II** piping for underground use. Exposed ends of the conduit shall be sealed against water entry.



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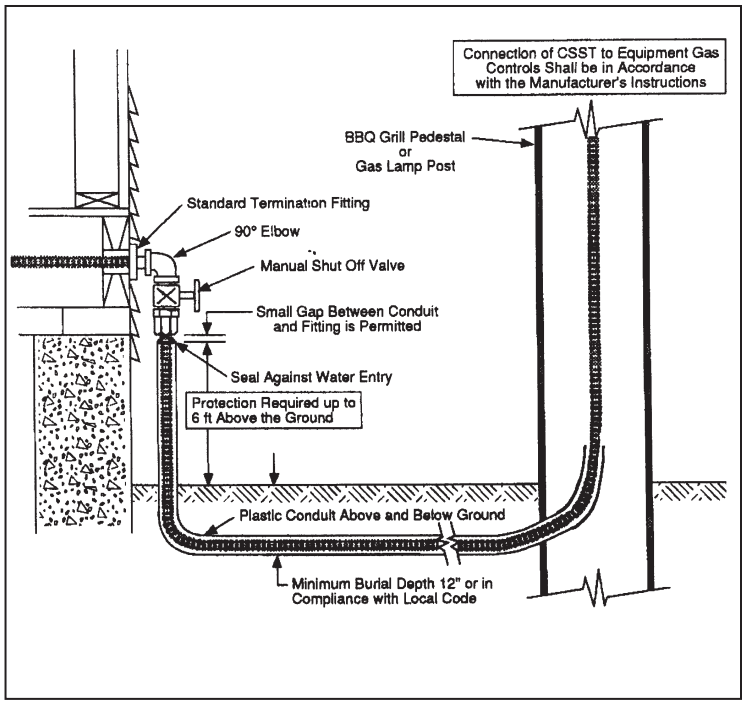


Figure: 4-43

Section 4.6.4— FIREPLACE INSTALLATIONS

1. **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST shall not be directly routed into a metallic gas appliance enclosure utilizing a metallic vent which penetrates a roofline. The **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST connection shall be made outside of the metallic gas appliance enclosure to a segment of rigid metallic pipe, a stub-out or a termination fitting (**Figure 4-44**).

2. **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST may be used to deliver gas directly to the control valve for approved unvented appliances, heat generating fireplaces with side-wall venting, gas logs used in masonry fireplaces, and pre-fabricated fireplace inserts with non-metallic venting.

3. **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST connections to approved unvented appliances and sidewall vented fireplaces may be made to the shut-off valve located in the control area beneath the burner unit without removal of the polyethylene jacket. When connecting to decorative gas logs the jacket shall be removed inside the fire box. Stainless steel melting temperatures (2000°F) are consistent with black iron.

⚠ CAUTION

For gas log lighter installations in all-fuel fireplaces, the *TracPipeCounterStrike* CSST run MUST be terminated at the key valve or another location outside the fireplace.

4. When it is permitted (see Item 1) to install **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST through sheet metal enclosures, such as those commonly used in decorative gas fireplaces, the manufacturer's recommendation is to leave the protective polyethylene jacket in place through the sheet metal penetration. The **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST should be clipped to the building structure at a suitable location outside the fireplace to limit the amount of motion after installation. If additional protection is required, a short piece of floppy conduit or PVC pipe may be used between the jacket and the enclosure.

5. In masonry fireplace installations of decorative gas appliances (log sets) it is recommended to leave the polyethylene jacket in place throughout the masonry penetration providing a non-metallic sleeve for the flexible stainless steel. Caulking can then take place between the jacket and the penetration at interior and/or exterior locations. Remove the jacket inside the firebox. If additional protection is required, the **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST may be sleeved using PVC pipe in addition to the included jacket.

6. The FGP-FPT may be used in all applications where it is desirable not to penetrate the enclosure with tubing (**Figure 4-45**).

METAL FABRICATED FIREPLACE

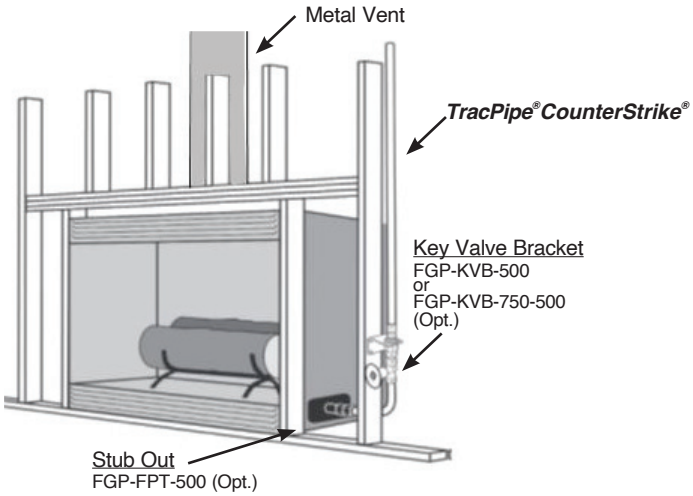
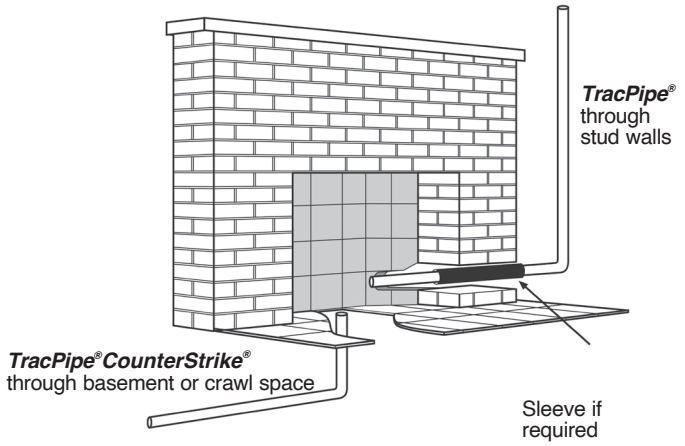


Figure: 4-44

MASONRY FIREPLACE



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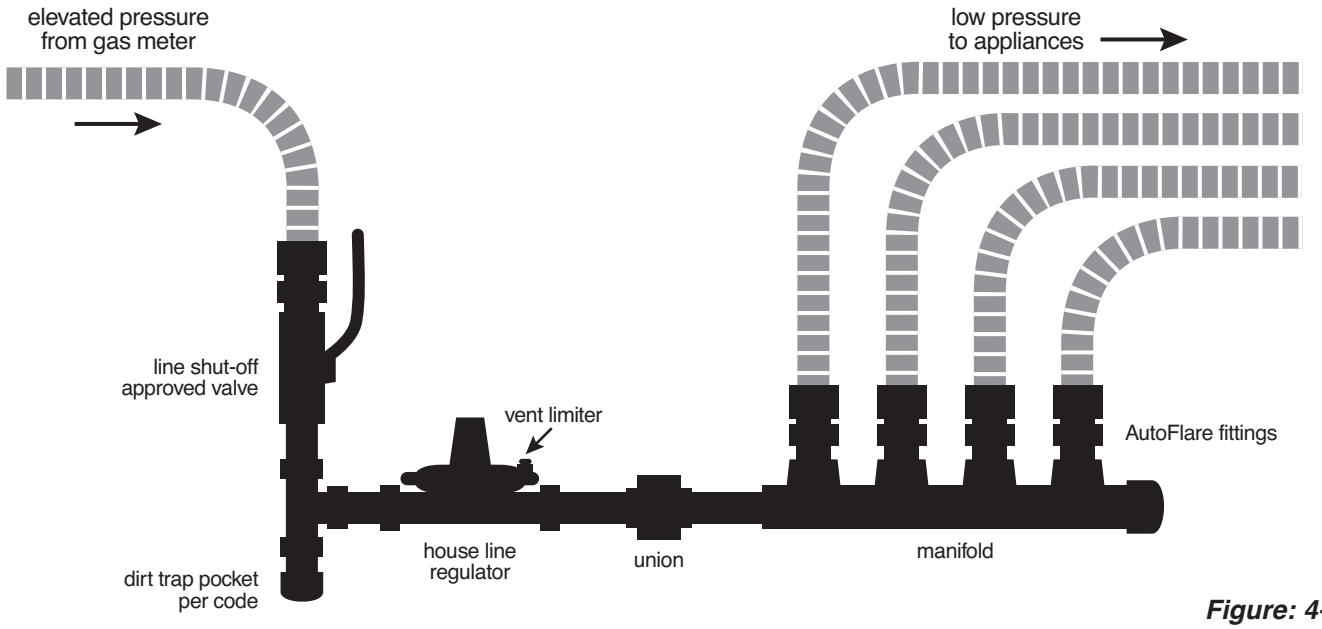

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SECTION 4.7 — MANIFOLD & REGULATOR STATION

The use of a central manifold and regulator station is recommended for elevated pressure systems which are typically installed in a parallel arrangement to take advantage of the capacity of the regulator (**Figure 4-46**). Manifolds are available with the **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST system, or the use of black iron pipe and tee fabricated manifolds is permitted with this system. The manifold/regulator station should be located nearby the largest gas consuming appliances, typically the furnace or boiler and the water heater in order to allow short runs to these units.

The manifold station MUST be located in an accessible location because of the shut-off valve(s) and regulator it contains. The manifold station may be contained in an enclosure box called a gas load center (**Figure 4-47**). Optional gas shut-off valves may be mounted on the manifold for each appliance run.

Fuel gas codes may have additional installation requirements for manifold stations that include a line pressure regulator.

Manifolds installed on low pressure systems or in locations removed from the regulator may be concealed. Additional line pressure regulators may be installed in a new or existing piping systems to accommodate the installation of large capacity appliances such as tank-less water heaters.

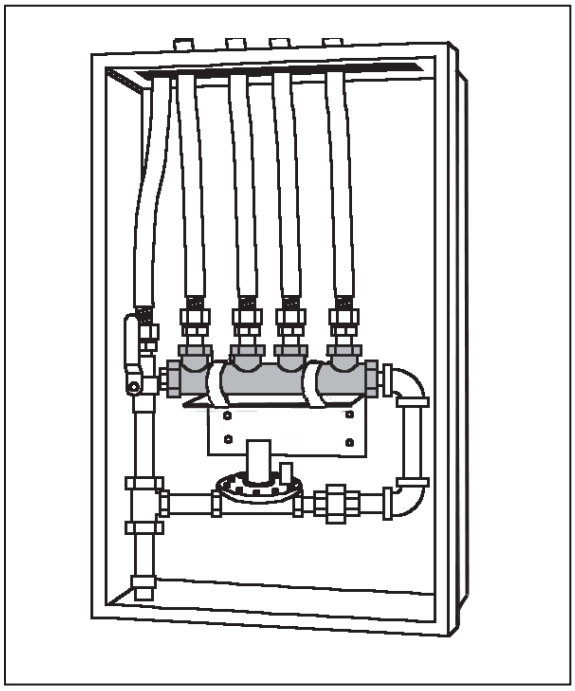


Figure: 4-47 *Gas Load Center*

SECTION 4.8 — REGULATORS AND ELEVATED PRESSURE SYSTEMS

A tubing system used at gas pressures exceeding 1/2 PSI but serving appliances rated for 1/2 PSI maximum, shall contain a pounds-to-inches regulator to limit the downstream pressure to no more than 1/2 PSI. Gas pressure regulators shall comply with a nationally recognized standard for pressure regulators.

Regulators used to reduce elevated system pressures for use by appliances must also conform to the following:

1. Must be sized to supply the required appliance load. Section 4.8.2

2. Must be equipped with an acceptable vent limiting device, supplied by the manufacturer, or be capable of being vented to the outdoors. **Omega Flex, Inc.** ships all regulators with vent-limiters installed.

⚠ CAUTION

For outdoor venting, the line must be at least the same size as the regulator vent connection, and cannot exceed a length of 30 feet. The vent shall be designed to prevent entry of water, insects or other foreign materials that could cause blockage of the line. DO NOT VENT TO APPLIANCE FLUE OR BUILDING EXHAUST SYSTEM. DO NOT VENT TO PILOT LIGHT.

3. Must be installed in accordance with manufacturers instructions. When a vent-limiter is used the regulator must be mounted in an upright position. Install the regulator properly with gas flowing as indicated by the arrow on the casting.

4. Must be installed in a fully accessible area with an approved shut off valve ahead of regulator. A union shall be installed either upstream or downstream of the regulator to enable the removal of the regulator.

5. Line regulators do not vent gas under normal operating conditions. Any regulator found to be venting gas should be replaced immediately. Vent-limiters are required to limit the discharge of fuel gas in the event of a diaphragm failure, within the regulator, to limits identical to those imposed on a gas appliance control valve.

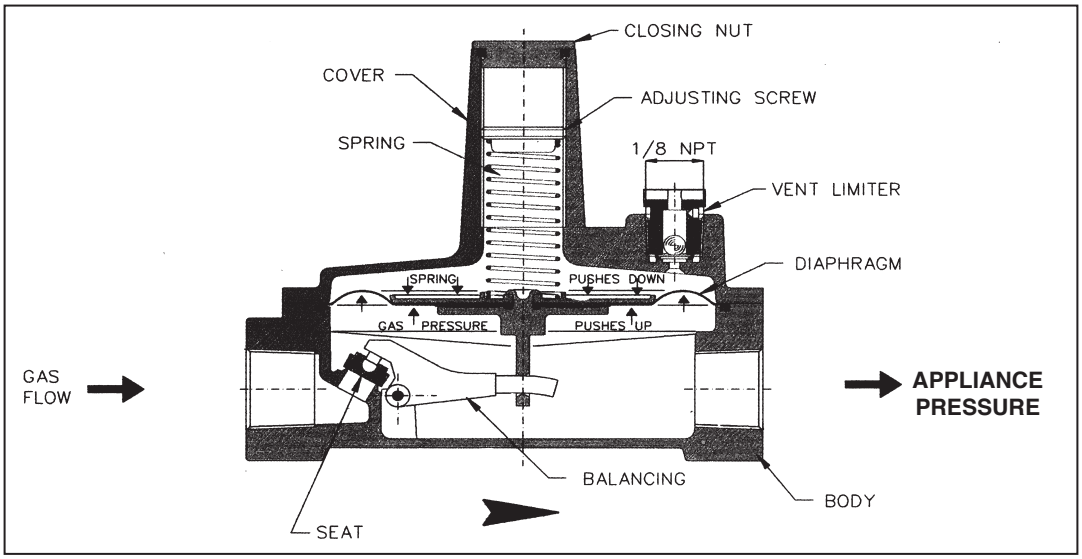
6. For outdoor installations remove the vent limiter and mount regulator with the vent outlet pointing down to prevent the entrance of water. A plastic cap FGP-CAP-3 is available, for outdoor installations permitting the regulator to be mounted in an upright position, for some regulator models.

SECTION 4.8.1 REGULATOR ADJUSTMENTS

1. Regulators can be adjusted to deliver different outlet pressures within a limited range. The range is determined by the spring installed.

2. Adjustment can be accomplished by first removing the regulator seal cap to expose the adjusting screw. Turning the screw clockwise will increase outlet pressure, turning it counter-clockwise will decrease pressure.

3. If spring adjustment will not produce desired oulet pressure, check to make sure supply presure is at least equal to desired outlet pressure plus pressure drop of the regulator. If supply presure is adequate, consult factory if adjustment still can not be made. Do not continue to turn regulator adjusting screw clockwise if outlet pressure readings do not continue to increase. THIS MAY RESULT IN OVER-FIRING DUE TO LOSS OF PRESSURE CONTROL, SHOULD THERE BE A SUBSEQUENT INCREASE IN INLET PRESSURE.



SECTION 4.8.2 REGULATOR SUPPLY PRESSURE AND CAPACITIES DROP FOR SINGLE AND MULTIPLE APPLIANCES

NATURAL GAS 0.64 SPECIFIC GRAVITY

REGULATOR CAPACITIES expressed in CFH (m_3/h) 0.64 Specific Gravity Gas

					Operating Inlet Pressure			
Regulator Application	**Part Number**	**NPT SIZE**	**Maximum Single Appliance Load**	**Outlet Pressure Set Point**	**1/2 psi (34 mbar)**	**3/4 psi (52 mbar)**	****1 psi (69 mbar)**	*****1-1/2 psi (103 mbar)**
2 psig	**FGP-REG-3**	1/2”	140 (4.0)	8” w.c.	145 (4.1)	200 (5.7)	250 (7.1)	250 (7.1)
2 psig	**FGP-REG-3P**	1/2”	140 (4.0)	11” w.c.	93 (2.6)	172 (4.9)	225 (6.4)	250 (7.1)
2 psig	**FGP-REG-5A**	3/4”	300 (8.5)	8” w.c.	335 (9.5)	475 (13.5)	550 (15.6)	550 (15.6)
2 psig	**FGP-REG-5P**	3/4”	300 (8.5)	11” w.c.	211 (6.0)	391 (11.1)	511 (14.5)	550 (15.6)
2 psig	**FGP-REG-7L**	1”	900 (25.5)	8” w.c.	690 (19.5)	970 (27.5)	1000 (28.3)	1000 (28.3)
2 psig	**FGP-REG-7L**	1”	900 (25.5)	*11” w.c.	441 (12.5)	816 (23.1)	1000 (28.3)	1000 (28.3)
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5 psig w/ OPD	**FGP-REG-3L47**	1/2”	125 (3.5)	8” w.c.	125 (3.5)	125 (3.5)	125 (3.5)	125 (3.5)
5 psig w/ OPD	**FGP-REG-3L47**	1/2”	125 (3.5)	*11” w.c.	105 (3.0)	125 (3.5)	125 (3.5)	125 (3.5)
5 psig w/ OPD	**FGP-REG-3L48**	1/2”	200 (5.7)	8” w.c.	160 (4.5)	200 (5.7)	200 (5.7)	200 (5.7)
5 psig w/ OPD	**FGP-REG-3L48**	1/2”	200 (5.7)	*11” w.c.	120 (3.4)	200 (5.7)	200 (5.7)	200 (5.7)
5 psig w/ OPD	**FGP-REG-5AL48**	3/4”	320 (9.1)	8” w.c.	320 (9.1)	320 (9.1)	320 (9.1)	320 (9.1)
5 psig w/ OPD	**FGP-REG-5AL48**	3/4”	320 (9.1)	*11” w.c.	245 (6.9)	320 (9.1)	320 (9.1)	320 (9.1)
5 psig w/ OPD	**FGP-REG-5AL600**	3/4”	425 (12.0)	8” w.c.	345 (9.8)	425 (12.0)	425 (12.0)	425 (12.0)
5 psig w/ OPD	**FGP-REG-5AL600**	3/4”	425 (12.0)	*11” w.c.	260 (7.3)	425 (12.0)	425 (12.0)	425 (12.0)
5 psig w/ OPD	**FGP-REG-5AL601**	1”	465 (13.2)	8” w.c.	375 (10.6)	465 (13.2)	465 (13.2)	465 (13.2)
5 psig w/ OPD	**FGP-REG-5AL601**	1”	465 (13.2)	*11” w.c.	285 (8.1)	465 (13.2)	465 (13.2)	465 (13.2)

*** Requires manual field adjustment of regulator to obtain 11” w.c. outlet pressure**

**** Recommended sizing column for 2 psig Natural Gas TracPipe CounterStrike installations refer to Table N-5 Section 7.0.**

***** Recommended sizing column for 5 psig Natural Gas TracPipe CounterStrike installations refer to Table N-6 Section 7.0.**

PROPANE 1.53 SPECIFIC GRAVITY

REGULATOR CAPACITIES expressed in CFH (m_3/h) 1.53 Specific Gravity Gas

(MBTUh values based on Gas with a heating value of 2520 BTU per cubic foot)

					Operating Inlet Pressure			
Regulator Application	**Part Number**	**NPT SIZE**	**Maximum Single Appliance Load**	**Outlet Pressure Set Point**	**1/2 psi (34 mbar)**	**3/4 psi (52 mbar)**	****1 psi (69 mbar)**	**1-1/2 psi (103 mbar)**
2 psig	**FGP-REG-3P**	1/2"	91 (2.6) [229 MBTUh]	11" w.c.	60 (1.7) [152 MBTUh]	112 (3.2) [281 MBTUh]	146 (4.1) [368 MBTUh]	162 (4.6) [409 MBTUh]
2 psig	**FGP-REG-5P**	3/4"	195 (5.5) [491 MBTUh]	11" w.c.	137 (3.9) [345 MBTUh]	254 (7.2) [639 MBTUh]	332 (9.4) [836 MBTUh]	357 (10.1) [899 MBTUh]
2 psig	**FGP-REG-7L**	1"	584 (16.5) [1472 MBTUh]	*11" w.c.	286 (8.1) [721 MBTUh]	529 (15.0) [1334 MBTUh]	649 (18.4) [1635 MBTUh]	649 (18.4) [1635 MBTUh]

*** Requires manual field adjustment of regulator to obtain 11" w.c. outlet pressure**

**** Recommended sizing column for 2 psig Propane TracPipe CounterStrike installations refer to Table P-3 Section 7.0.**

CONSULT THE REGULATOR MANUFACTURER FOR ADDITIONAL CAPACITY & PRESSURE DROP INFORMATION.

SECTION 4.8.3 — OVER-PRESSURE PROTECTION

At supply pressures in excess of 2-PSI the CSA/ANSI Z21.80 line regulator standard requires a means - (an over-pressure protection device (OPD) approved and tested with the regulator) to limit the downstream pressure to 2-PSI maximum, in the event of regulator failure.

To comply with the CSA/ANSI Standard and with all codes adopted in the US and Canada, all installations exceeding 2-PSI (primarily 5-PSI systems, but including all other elevated pressure installations higher than 2-PSI nominal) require a tested and approved overpressure protection device for use with the pounds to inches regulator. This requirement applies to line regulators but not to appliance regulators.

Regulators for 5 PSI systems must be shipped as an assembled unit from the factory, regulator with OPD attached. Consult the current **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST Price List for information regarding part numbers and capacity.

NOTICE:

For systems operating above 5- PSI or incorporating regulators approved to a standard other than CSA/ANSI Z21.80 consult your local code authority regarding over-pressure protection requirements.

SECTION 4.9 — UNDERGROUND INSTALLATIONS

1. CODE REQUIREMENTS
   When gas piping runs are located below grade in contact with earth or other material that could corrode the piping, codes require that the gas piping shall be protected against corrosion. When piping is installed underground beneath buildings, codes require that the piping shall be encased in a conduit and be vented in accordance with the code (**Table 4-8**). The conduit shall be designed to withstand the superimposed loads. NO FITTINGS OR COUPLINGS ARE PERMITTED BENEATH BUILDINGS.

Table: 4-8

CounterStrike Size	Min. Conduit Size
3/8 inch	1-1/4 inch
1/2 inch	1-1/4 inch
3/4 inch	1-1/2 inch
1 inch	2 inch
1-1/4 inch	2-1/2 inch
1-1/2 inch	2-1/2 inch
2 inch	3-1/2 inch

Larger Conduit may be required to accommodate any bends in the piping.

2. MODEL CODES
   TracPipe PS-II (patented) installations conform to the underground fuel gas installation requirements of:
   The National Fuel Gas Code NFPA 54
   The International Fuel Gas Code
   The Uniform Plumbing Code UPC®
   The LP Gas Code NFPA 58

SECTION 4.9.1— GUIDELINES FOR UNDERGROUND INSTALLATIONS

1. Lay **TracPipe PS-II** piping in a trench. Install the gas piping with a substantially continuous bearing on the bottom of the trench, to the appropriate burial depth as defined in **Table 4-9** and shown in **Figure 4-48**.

⚠ CAUTION

***TracPipe PS-II* systems must only be installed by a qualified person who has been trained through the *TracPipeCounterStrike* Gas Piping Installation Program. All installations must comply with local code requirements and the instructions contained in the *TracPipeCounter-Strike* Design and Installation Guide.**

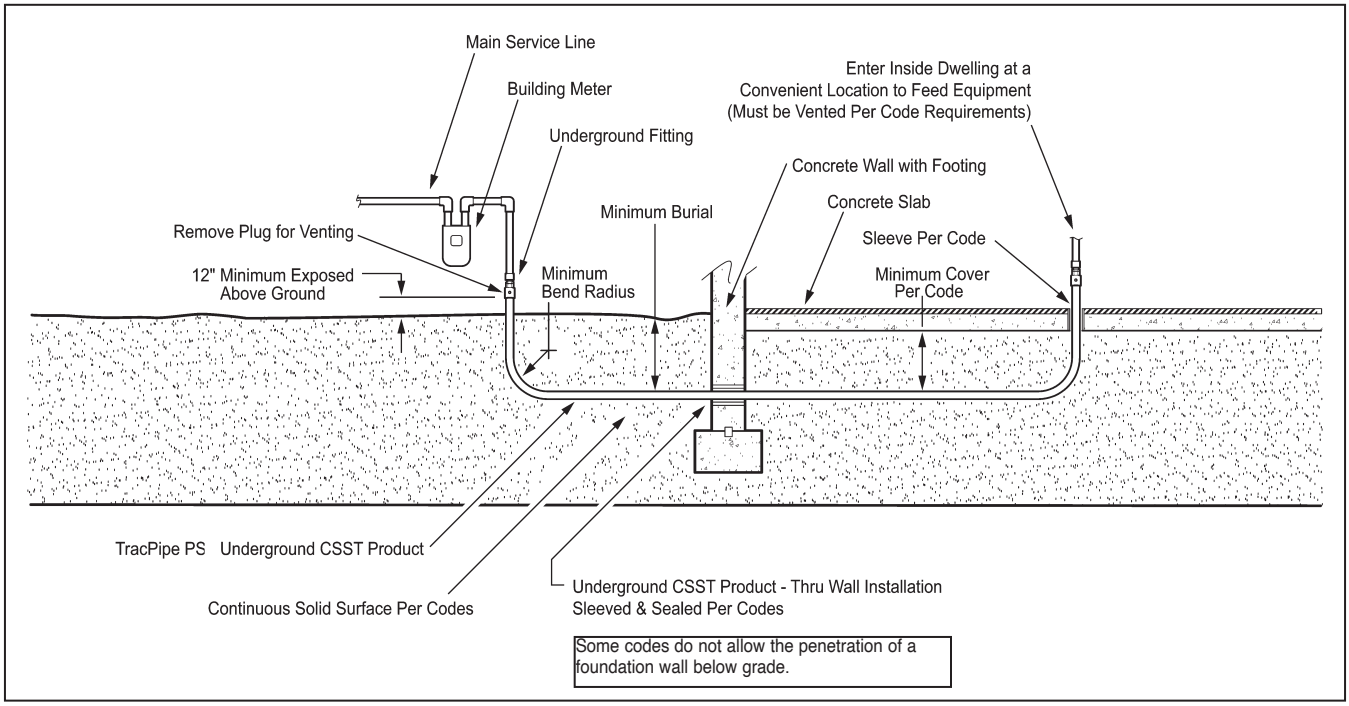


Figure: 4-48

Table 4-9

Minimum cover requirements for **TracPipe PS-II** piping, Burial in inches (cover is defined as the shortest distance measured between a point on top surface of the outer sleeve and the top surface of finished grade, concrete or similar cover)

Location of buried *TracPipe PS-II* piping	**Minimum cover for direct burial without concrete encasement**
All locations not specified below	18 inch
In trench below 2-in thick concrete or equivalent	12 inch
Under a building with interior slab	4 inch
Under minimum of 4-in. thick concrete exterior slab with no vehicular traffic and the slab extending not less than 6-in beyond the underground installation	4 inch
Under streets, highways, roads, alleys, driveways, and parking lots	24 inch
One and two family dwelling driveways and parking lots and used only for dwelling-related purposes	18 inch
In or under airport runways, including adjacent areas where trespassing prohibited	18 inch

Note: When encased in concrete, the concrete envelope shall not be less than 2 inches thick.

2. When transitioning **TracPipe PS-II** piping from below grade or under slab to above grade, use the recommended minimum bend radius as shown in **Table 4-10**.

Table: 4-10

RECOMMENDED MINIMUM BENDING RADIUS FOR *TracPipe® PS-II*	
Tubing Size	**Minimum Bend Radius R**
	PS-II
3/8 inch	6 inch
1/2 inch	6 inch
3/4 inch	8 inch
1 inch	10 inch
1-1/4 inch	12 inch
1-1/2 inch	16 inch
2 inch	18 inch

3. Recommended exposed clearance height (distance to the **TracPipe AutoFlare** fitting above grade) is 12 inches when terminating at this point. For vertical and horizontal runs up and/or along the outside of a building, no additional sleeving is required to protect the **TracPipe PS-II** piping from damage in high traffic or activity areas, protect the **TracPipe PS-II** piping in accordance with Section 4.3.2.

4. Avoid bending the above grade vertical portion of the **TracPipe PS-II** piping beyond the minimum bend radius in **Table 4-10**. To make a tighter bend in order to line up for a wall penetration, use a rigid fitting such as a malleable iron elbow.

5. **TracPipe PS-II** piping is suitable for above ground installations and is resistant to U.V. exposure. Portions rising above grade should be rigidly supported by direct attachment to a wall or independent support, (e.g. metallic strut) or by connection to rigid downstream piping or fittings (e.g. at a meter or propane second stage regulator).

6. When installing **TracPipe PS-II** piping underground through a foundation, the space between the outer jacket and the building shall be sealed to prevent entry of gas or water.

NOTICE:

The International Fuel Gas Code does not permit gas piping to penetrate the foundation wall below grade.

7. **TracPipe PS-II** piping can penetrate directly through a concrete slab unless other requirements are established by local codes concerning slab penetrations and firestop requirements.

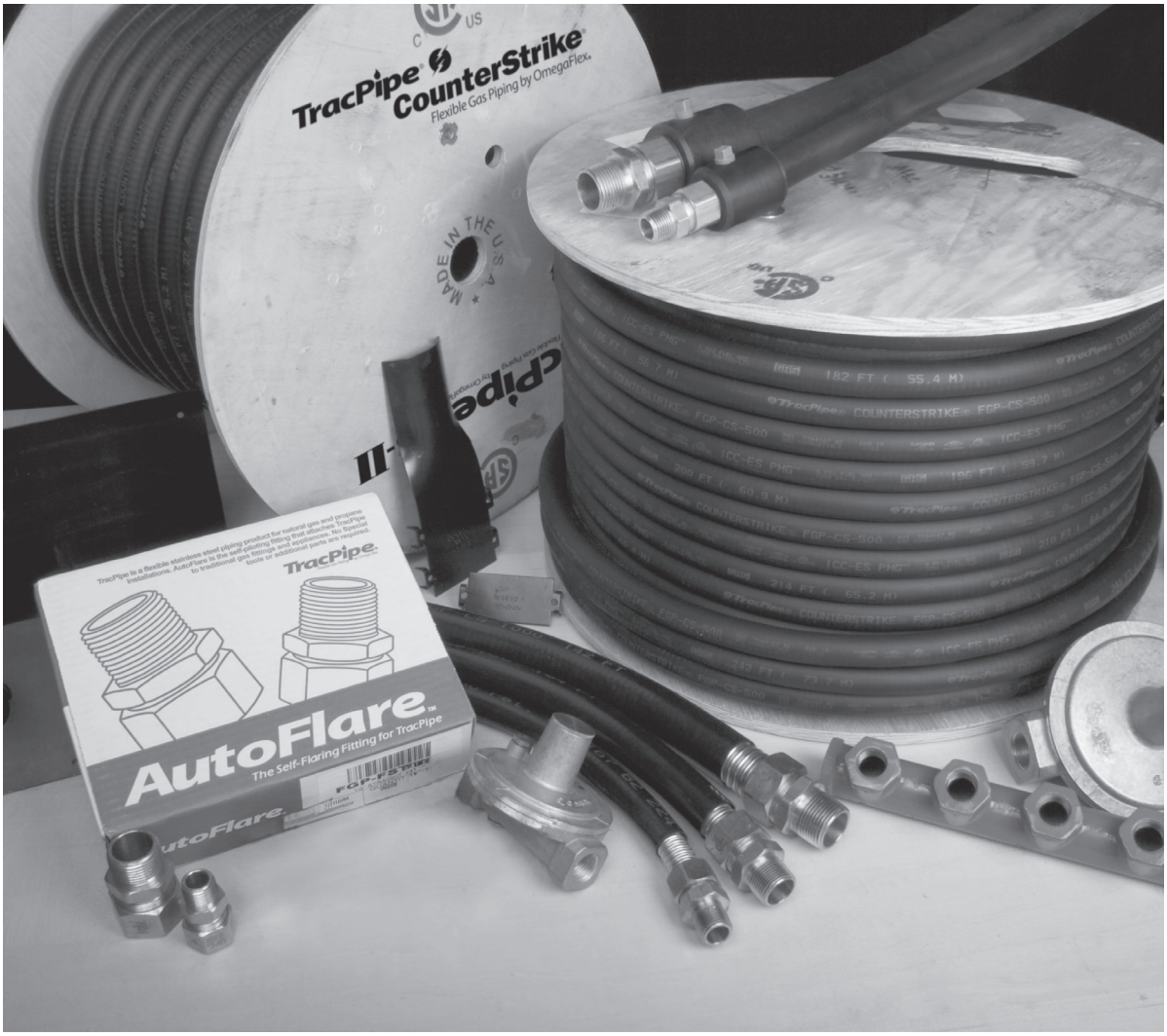
8. **TracPipe PS-II** piping can be transitioned to standard **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST above grade using **TracPipeCounterStrike AutoFlare** fittings with a **TracPipe PS-II** Coupling P/N FGP-UGC-SIZE. Remove the black plastic vent coupling on the standard **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST side. Alternatively use a malleable iron coupling for the transition.

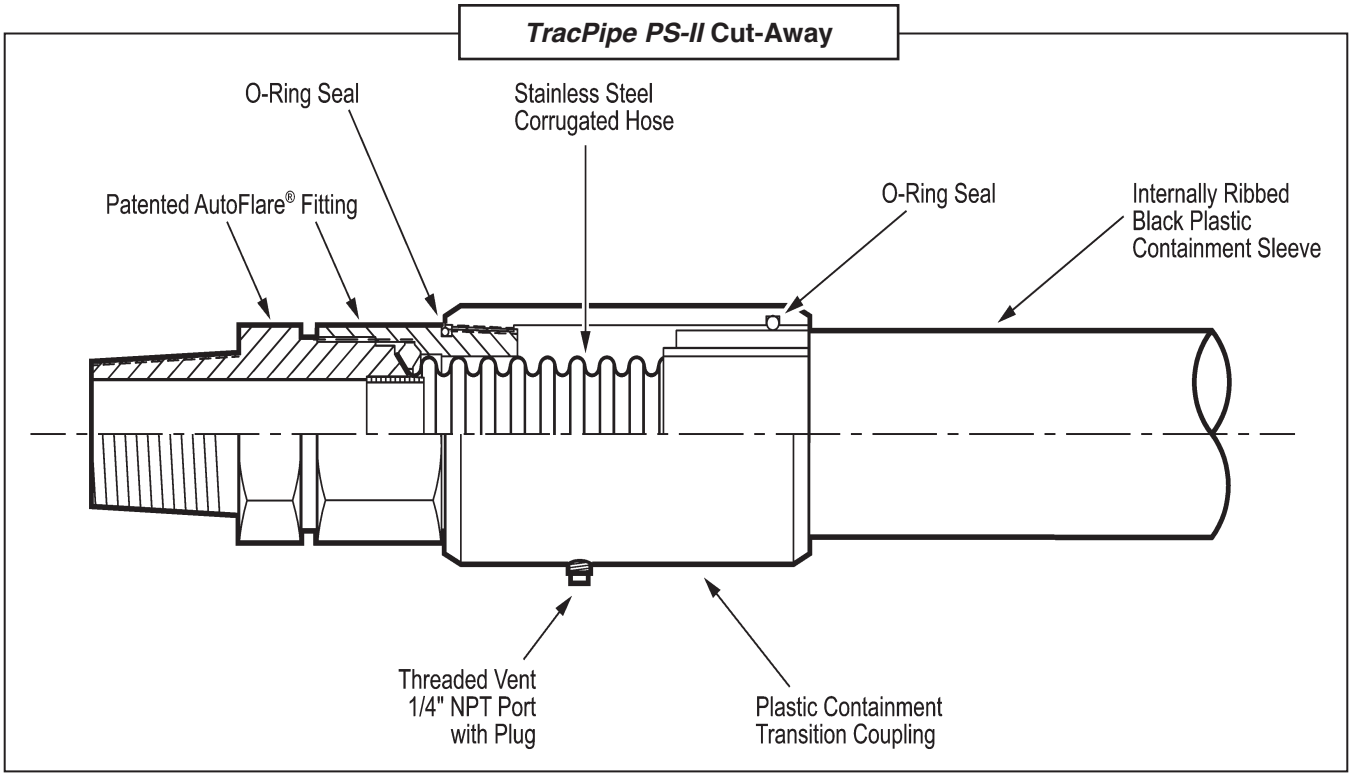
9. **TracPipe PS-II** piping must be transitioned above ground to standard **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST when routing through plenums or through firestop penetrations. The black **TracPipe PS-II** piping sleeve is not qualified for these locations.

10. Venting of **TracPipe PS-II** piping shall be in accordance with local codes to prevent the entrance of water, insects or foreign materials.

11. Typical underground installations for corrugated stainless steel tubing include, but are not limited to:
    - Pool and spa heaters
    - School science laboratories
    - Gas service to outbuildings
    - Gas lamp posts and grills

NOTE: No Tracer wire is required for underground installations of **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST in a conduit or **TracPipe PS-II** piping.





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SECTION 4.9.2— TRACPIPE PS-II PIPING

1. **TracPipe PS-II** piping is a patented system suitable for above ground and underground use. It is designed with our standard CSST tubing and incorporates an internally ribbed sleeve (conduit), and specially designed end fittings that provide vent capability at either end of a piping run in the event of a leak in the CSST (**Figure 4-49**).

2. **TracPipe PS-II** piping complies with all model code requirements for underground/under slab burial and carries the following listings / certifications:
   - ICC-ES PMG-1052 Listing
     LC1023 PMG Listing Criteria
   - IAPMO tested and UPC listed for underground use per IGC 201-2018
   - CSA listed to CSA/ANSI LC-1 CSA 6.26 for above ground use.

NOTICE:

The CSA/ANSI LC 1 CSA 6.26 Standard has no provisions for evaluating CSST for direct burial.

3. For above ground **TracPipe PS-II** piping installations, the installer shall meet local building codes with respect to flame spread and smoke density regulations for nonmetallic materials. **TracPipe PS-II** piping is not suitable for use in return air plenums or through penetration fire stop systems per UL classification requirements.

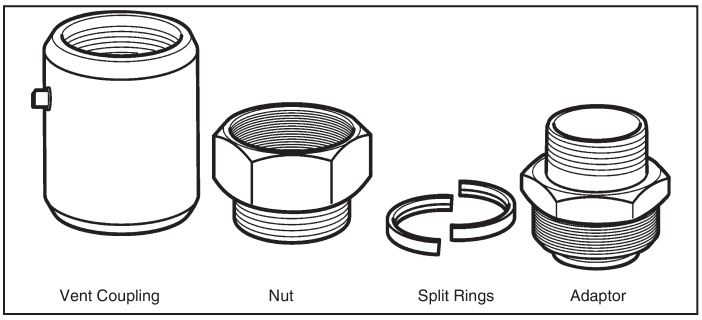
4. **TracPipe PS-II** piping is supplied in standard lengths on reels or custom cut lengths. Standard reel lengths are 100, 150, and 250 feet (100 foot lengths for sizes up to 1 inch.)

5. **TracPipe PS-II** piping lengths can be spliced together by using available couplings. All metallic portions of the fittings underground shall be mastic-wrapped to conform to local codes for under ground piping. Be certain prior to back-filling that no metallic portions of the piping system will be exposed to earth. **No fittings or couplings are permitted under building slabs.**

NOTICE:

When pressure testing **TracPipe PS-II** piping, it is necessary to remove at least one fitting vent plug to insure proper test results on the stainless steel tubing. Codes do not require pressure testing of the sleeve. If local jurisdictions require the sleeve to be tested, do not exceed the pressure of the pipe (25 PSI maximum).

SECTION 4.9.3— *TRACPIPE® PS-II* FITTING ATTACHMENT



- **TracPipe PS-II** piping is constructed from **Omega Flex, Inc.** standard stainless steel fexible gas pipe sleeved in a fully vent-capable polyethylene sleeve.

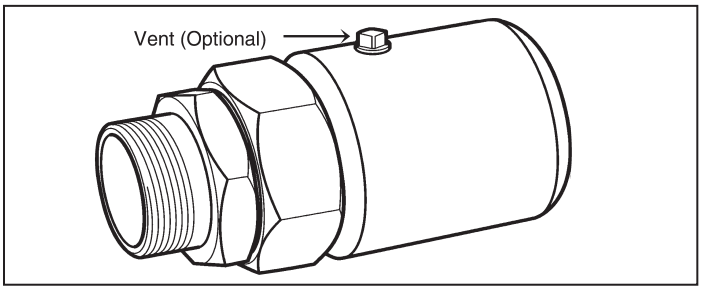


Figure: 4-50

- **TracPipe PS-II** fittings are constructed from **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST patented **AutoFlare** fittings with a plastic containment coupling and 1/4 inch NPT vent port Fittings assemble without special tools (**Figure 4-50**).

NOTICE:

When pressure testing **TracPipe PS-II** piping, it is necessary to remove at least one fitting vent plug to insure proper test results on the stainless steel tubing.

Tools Required for Assembly

- Utility knife with sharp blade
- Appropriate size adjustable or monkey wrenches
- Tubing Cutter:
  For up to 3/4" -#151 Ridgid® tubing cutter (FGP-TC-151) w/TracPipe cutting wheel (FGP-E-5272) For 1" and up -#152 Ridgid® tubing cutter (FGP-TC-152) w/TracPipe cutting wheel (FGP-E-5272)
- Reciprocating saw or hacksaw

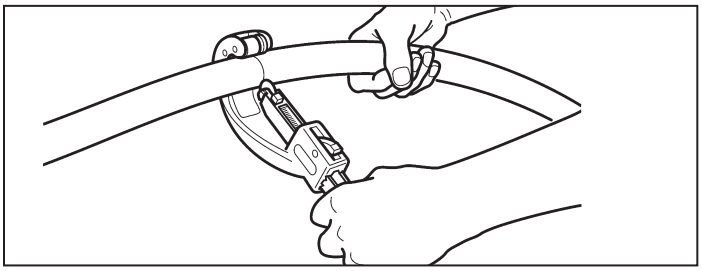


Figure: 4-51

1. Unreel pipe into trench or on the ground and cut to desired length plus one additional foot. Cutting up to 1" size can be done with a large tubing cutter. For 1-1/4 to 2 inch sizes, a reciprocating saw is recommended (**Figure 4-51**).

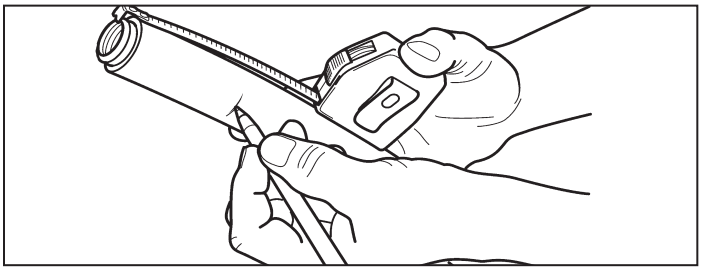


Figure: 4-52

2. Mark the sleeve at specified length on the Strip Length Chart (**Table 4-11**) - plus 2 inches (**Figure 4-52**).

Table: 4-11
Jacket Strip Length / Fitting Torque / Superimposed Loading Chart

Size	3/8	1/2	3/4	1	1-1/4	1-1/2	2
Jacket Strip Length	1-1/2 inch	1-1/2 inch	1-3/4 inch	2 inch	2-1/4 inch	2-1/2 inch	2-3/4 inch
Fitting Torque Value	40 lb-ft	42 lb-ft	45 lb-ft	75 lb-ft	150 lb-ft	200 lb-ft	250 lb-ft
OD for Core Hole Sizing	.820	1.08	1.32	1.6	1.96	2.18	2.8
Max. Superimposed Loading *psf*	9640	7254	5409	4203	3390	2901	2124

NOTICE:

1. Super-imposed loading includes all dead load and live load combinations.
2. Maximum buried depth of 36"; 3. Soil Density: 120 pcf; 4. Factor of safety used: 4.

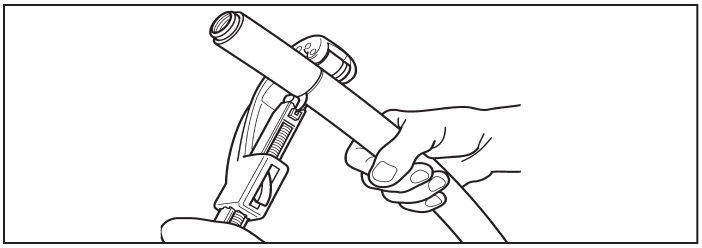


Figure: 4-53

3. Using the appropriate tubing cutter with **TracPipe** #FGP-E-5272 cutting wheel, score the black sleeve approximately half of the way through (**Figure 4-53**). Use extreme care not to cut or score the stainless corrugated pipe! Typically, no more than two turns in on the cutter is sufficient.

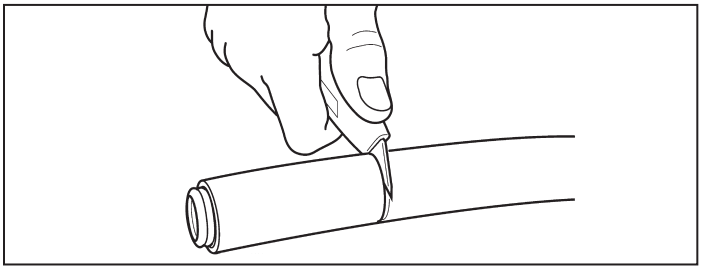


Figure: 4-54

4. Finish cutting through the sleeve down to the stainless corrugated pipe using a sharp utility knife (**Figure 4-54**).

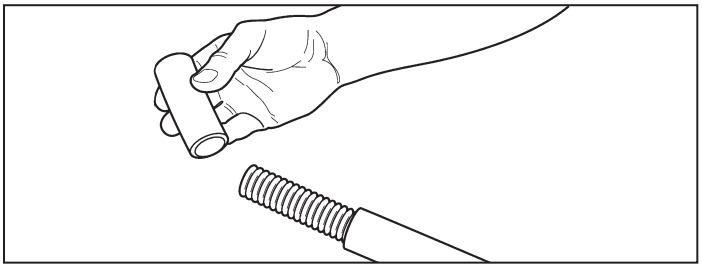


Figure: 4-55

5. Using a twisting motion, remove the black sleeve from the pipe (**Figure 4-55**). It may be necessary to cut sleeve longitudinally and peel off for larger sizes. **Inspect stainless pipe for scoring from the tubing cutter.**

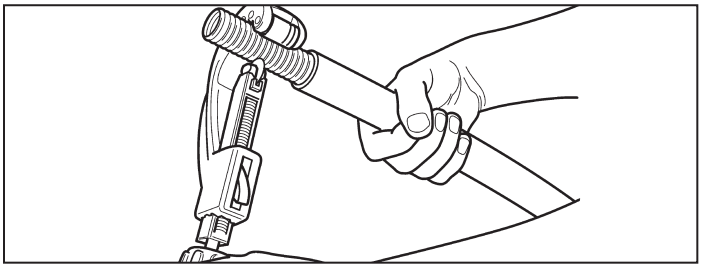


Figure: 4-56

6. Using the tubing cutter, trim corrugated pipe to strip length specified in **Table 4-11**. Cut slowly in the root of the corrugation in the same manner you would cut copper tubing. Inspect end of pipe for a clean cut without tears in corrugation (**Figure 4-56**).

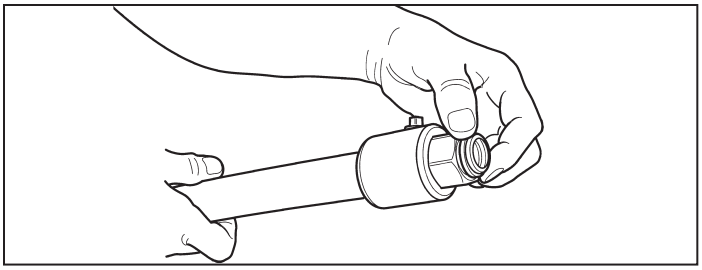


Figure: 4-57

7. Remove adapter and split rings from fitting. Attach adapter to equipment. Slip coupling and nut over end of pipe all the way to expose first corrugations of pipe. Insert split rings into first corrugation as shown (**Figure 4-57**).

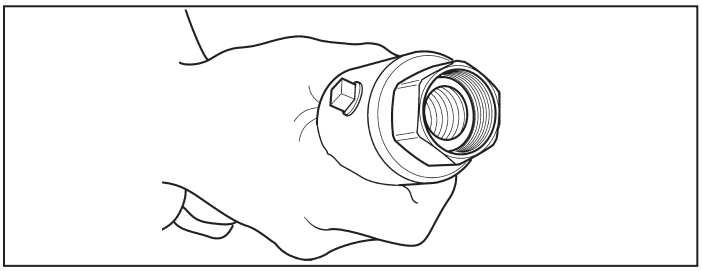


Figure: 4-58

8. Holding the black coupling, slide fitting up to capture split rings into nut. Be sure split rings slip all the way to the base of the internal threads. Assembly is now ready to be attached to the adapter on the equipment (**Figure 4-58**).

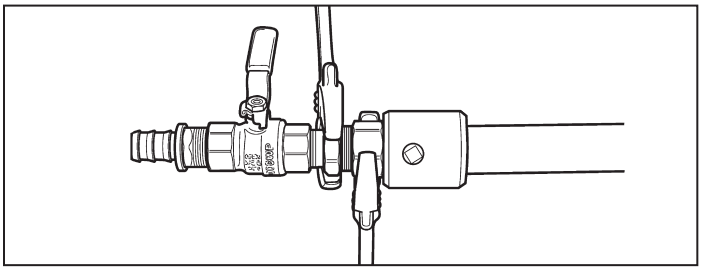


Figure: 4-59

9. Thread nut onto adapter previously installed on the equipment. Using appropriate wrenches, hold adapter and tighten nut to proper torque specified (**Figure 4-59**). Do not over tighten or use any pipe dope or thread sealants on this connection. This is a metal-to-metal seat and will not seal if pipe dope or thread sealants are used. Sealants are to be used on the NPT connection to the equipment only!

NOTICE:

When installing coupling FGP-UGC-SIZE the same instructions apply, except metallic parts of the fitting must be wrapped in a code approved manner (e.g. mastic used for wrapping metallic pipe).

SECTION 4.10 — ELECTRICAL BONDING/GROUNDING

⚠ WARNING FIRE / FUEL GAS PIPING

Non-conductive jacketed CSST systems or systems that contain non-conductive jacketed CSST must be additionally bonded per the 2009 or later edition of the UPC, IFGC or NFPA-54.

It is HIGHLY RECOMMENDED to equipotentially bond all mechanical systems to the building's grounding electrode.

1. Definitions:
   Grounding: The process of making an electrical connection to the general mass of the earth. This is most often accomplished with ground rods, ground mats or some other grounding system. Low resistance grounding is critical to the operation of lightning protection techniques.

   Bonding: The process of making an electrical connection between the grounding electrode and any equipment, appliance, or metal conductor: pipes, plumbing, flues, etc. Equipment bonding serves to protect people and equipment in the event of an electrical fault.

   Equipotential Bonding: The process of making an electrical connection between the grounding electrode and any metal conductor: pipes, plumbing, flues, etc., which may be exposed to a lightning strike and can be a conductive path for lightning energy towards or away from the grounding electrode.

2. The **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST gas piping system shall be bonded in accordance with these instructions and local codes. In the event of a conflict between these instructions and local codes, the local codes shall control. The piping system is not to be used as a grounding conductor or electrode for an electrical system.

SECTION 4.10.1 - *TracpipeCounterStrike* Bonding Instructions

For all products date coded 0731 and higher (manufactured after July 30, 2007)

1. The instructions for cutting tubing removing the jacket and for making fitting connections to **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST are located in Section 4.2 of this manual. The maximum strip length when assembling the fitting to the tubing is shown in **Table 4-3** of this manual.

2. There are no additional bonding requirements for **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST and underground **TracPipe PS-II** piping imposed by the manufacturer's installation instructions. **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST is to be bonded in accordance with the National Electrical Code NFPA 70 Article 250.104(B) in the same manner as the minimum requirements for rigid metal piping. Installers must always adhere to any local requirements that may be stricter than these instructions. In these cases see Section 4.10.2.

3. Do not apply any non-metallic labels or paint to **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST. If non-metallic labels or paint are applied, the system must be bonded in accordance with section 4.10.2.

SECTION 4.10.2— WHEN BONDING IS REQUIRED

1. When additional bonding of the **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST, yellow jacketed **TracPipe** piping or **TracPipe PS-II** piping system is required by local codes, a bonding clamp must be attached to either the brass **TracPipe AutoFlare** or **AutoSnap** fitting adapter (**Figure 4-60**), or to a black pipe component (pipe or fitting) within the gas piping system. The corrugated stainless steel portion of the gas piping system SHALL NOT be used as the bonding attachment point.

The sizing of the grounding electrode conductor and bonding conductor shall be in accordance with NFPA 70 Article 250.66 and Table 250-66.

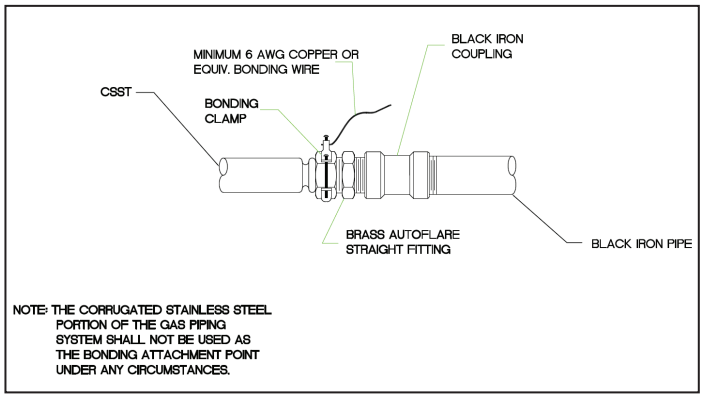


Figure: 4-60

Table 4-12
BRASS BONDING CLAMPS

Part No.	Fits *TracPipe AutoFlare* Fitting	Fits Iron Pipe size
FGP-GC-1	3/8", 1/2"	1/2", 3/4", 1
FGP-GC-2	3/4", 1", 1-1/4"	1-1/4", 1-1/2", 2"
FGP-GC-3	1-1/2", 2"	2-1/2", 3", 4"

2. bonding clamps have been tested and approved by CSA in accordance with UL 467 / CSA C22.2 No. 41-07 when installed on black iron/galvanized steel pipe and **TracPipe AutoFlare** or **AutoSnap** brass hex fittings. Only a single point of attachment is required to protect the entire gas piping system (**Table 4-12**).

3. If possible, avoid running the bonding conductor a long distance through the building. The connection should be as short as practical. The bonding clamp can be connected at a point on the piping system near the grounding electrode system.

4. Lightning induced voltages seeking ground are subject to impedance; consider utilizing a multi-stranded bonding jumper for greater surface area, rather than solid wire.

5. Multiple gas meters used for a single building may be bonded with a single bonding conductor installed in a "daisy chain" configuration.

6. Original yellow jacketed **TracPipe** must be bonded in accordance with this Section.

⚠ WARNING

- **Failure to properly bond the TracPipe® CounterStrike® flexible gas piping system in accordance with NEC/NFPA 70 may lead to damage to the CSST system in the event of a lightning strike.**
- **A lightning induced fire in the building could lead to serious personal injury or significant property damage.**
- **Lightning is a powerful and unpredictable natural force, and it has the capacity of damaging gas piping systems due to arcing between the gas piping system and other metallic systems in the building.**
- **If the building to be piped is in a high lightning flash density area or a region with a high number of thunderstorm days per year, consideration should be given to utilizing the Lightning Risk Assessment method given in Annex L of NFPA 780 for a determination of the need for a lightning protection system.**

CHAPTER 5
INSPECTION, REPAIR AND REPLACEMENT

SECTION 5.1 — Minimum Inspection Requirements

TracPipeCounterStrike Inspection Checklist

All installations shall be inspected by the authority having jurisdiction in accordance with state and local mechanical/plumbing codes or the National Fuel Gas Code NFPA 54 (ANSI Z 223.1), IFGC or UPC.

- ❑ Installer has **TracPipeCounterStrike** Training Certification card.
- ❑ Inspection and pressure test completed at rough in.
- ❑ Strike protection in place where required.
- ❑ **TracPipeCounterStrike** tubing is supported at proper interval.
- ❑ No damaged tubing dents or defects. (See 5.2, 5.3).
- ❑ Inspect for elecrical bonding where required.

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SECTION 5.2 — REPAIR OF DAMAGED PIPING

If the tubing is damaged, refer to the following sections to determine the severity of damage and, if necessary, the method of repair.

1. No repairs or replacement of the tubing is necessary if the tubing is only slightly dented due to impact or crushing as indicated in **Figure 5-1**.

2. The tubing must be replaced under the following circumstances:
   a. The tubing has been significantly crushed or dented (**Figure 5-2**).
   b. The tubing has been damaged by puncture of any kind, i.e., nails, screws, drill bits, etc.
   c. The tubing has been bent beyond its minimum bend radius so that a crease or kink remains (**Figure 5-3**).

METHOD OF REPAIR

A line splice can be made using a **TracPipeCounterStrike AutoFlare** or **AutoSnap** coupling, If the tubing run is short and easily accessible, the preferred repair method is to replace the entire length. Tubing run can often be replaced faster than repairing the damaged section with a splice as this does not add any additional fitting joints to the system.

1. Where repairs or replacements involve corrugated stainless steel tubing systems of different manufacturers, the systems can be joined again through standard pipe couplings and the appropriate CSST fittings (**Figure 5-4**).

SECTION 5.3 — REPAIR OF DAMAGED JACKET

If the **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST jacket has been ripped, torn, cut or has been exposed to an electrical arc, a repair is required. The jacket shall be wrapped using self-bonding silicone tape over the damaged area insuring that the damaged jacket is fully covered and fully wrapped around the jacket circumference.

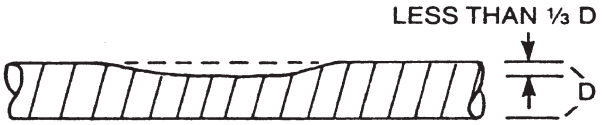


Figure: 5-1 *– Repair Unnecessary. No Significant Damage to the Tubing Due to Impact or Crushing*

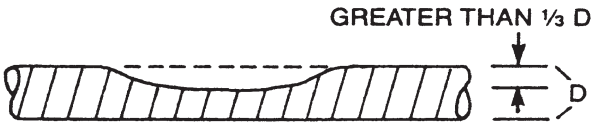


Figure: 5-2 *– Repair Necessary. Significant Damage to the Tubing Due to Impact or Crushing*

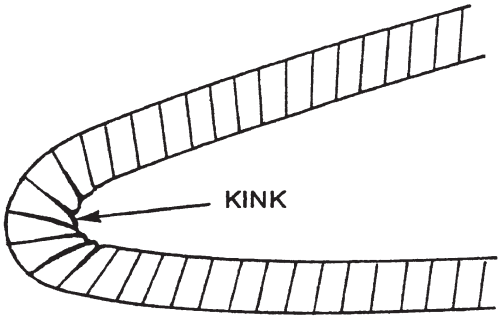


Figure: 5-3 *– Repair Necessary. Damage Due to Bending Beyond Minimum Bend Radius*

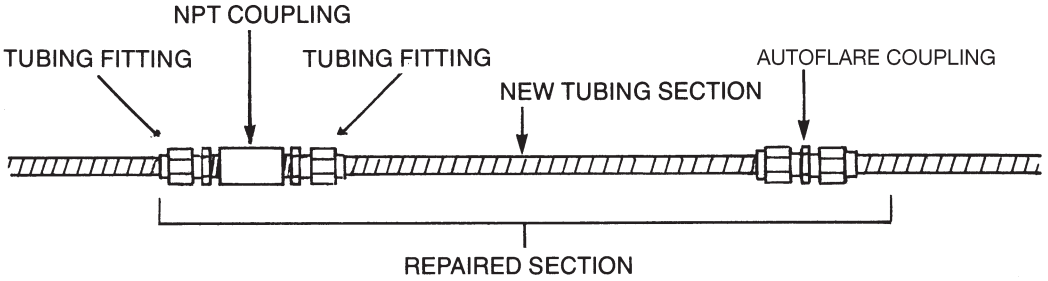


Figure: 5-4 *– Repair of Damaged Tubing with a New Section of Tubing and a joint splice or a* **TracPipeCounterStrike AutoFlare** *or* **AutoSnap** *Coupling*

CHAPTER 6
PRESSURE/LEAKAGE TESTING

SECTION 6.0 — PRESSURE TEST PROCEDURE

The final installation must be inspected and tested for leaks at 1-1/2 times the maximum working pressure, but not less than 3 PSI, using the procedures specified in Chapter 8 “Inspection, Testing and Purging” of the National Fuel Gas Code*, NFPA 54/ANSI Z223.1 or pressure test according to these guidelines or to local codes. When local codes are more stringent, local codes must be followed. If no local codes apply, test according to the National Fuel Gas Code or IFGC or UPC. The installer should never pressure test with the pounds-to-inches regulator installed. This may damage the regulator.

1. Pressure testing should be performed during rough construction of the facility before interior walls are finished. This will permit a more complete inspection of the piping system during the pressure testing, and save costly rework in the event of leaks or other problems. **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST is not responsible for repairs necessary to correct defects discovered after interior walls are finished.

2. Do not connect appliances or pressurize the system with fuel gas until after the pressure test is completed.

3. All gas outlets for appliance connections should be capped during pressure testing.

4. USE ONLY NON-CORROSIVE LEAK CHECK SOLUTIONS. Rinse with water and dry the tubing thoroughly after leak detection. (Available: Leak Check Solution P/N FGP-LCS).

5. Most utilities perform a leak test after setting the gas meter and prior to turning on the gas. This test is performed after the final construction is complete and finished interior walls are in place. This test is performed to assure no damage was done to the tubing during the closing-in construction process.

SECTION 6.1 — Pressure Test for Elevated Pressure Systems

NOTICE:

When pressure testing **TracPipe PS-II** piping, it is necessary to remove at least one fitting vent plug to insure proper test results on the stainless steel tubing. Codes do not require pressure testing of the sleeve. If local jurisdictions require the sleeve to be tested, do not exceed the pressure of the pipe (25 psi maximum).

NOTICE:

Do not subject **TracPipeCounterStrike** CSST Sizes 1-1/2 inch or 2 inch to excessive pressure. Pressure test 1-1/2 inch and 2 inch sizes to local code requirements but not to exceed 40 PSI. In the absence of code requirements, test to 1-1/2 times actual working pressure, not to exceed 40 PSI.

Systems above 1/2 PSI requires a two-part pressure test (See **Figure 6-1**). The first part is performed on the elevated pressure section, between the meter connection and the pounds-to-inches line gas pressure regulator.

The second part is performed on the low pressure section, between the pounds-to-inches line gas pressure regulator and the gas appliance outlet. If a steel pipe “jumper” is inserted in place of the line gas pressure regulator the entire system can be pressure tested in one step.

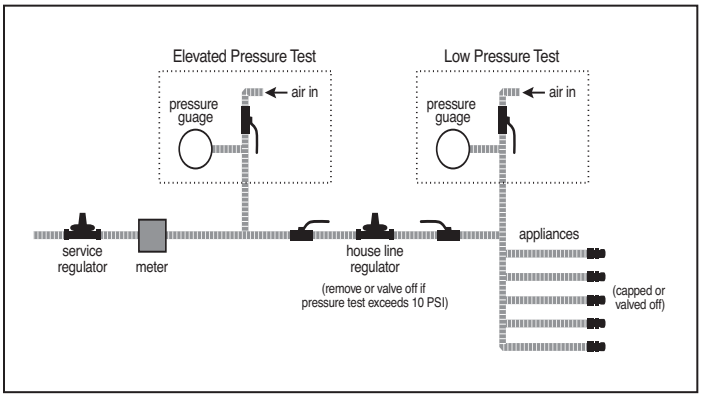


Figure: 6-1
Pressure Test Requirement for a 2 PSI System

6.1.1 — APPLIANCE CONNECTION LEAKAGE CHECK PROCEDURE

1. After the final pressure test, inspection and final construction is complete (finished interior walls) connect the appliances to the tubing system.

2. This final connection can be accomplished by a stainless steel flexible connector, direct connection with CSST tubing or with rigid black pipe. See section 4.6 for installation details and guidelines.

3. Turn the gas on at the meter and inspect for leakage before operating the appliances.

4. Connections made at the appliances should be leak checked with a bubble solution. Before placing the appliances in operation the tubing system should be purged. This displaces the air in the system with fuel gas. Be sure to bleed tubing system into a well ventilated area.

⚠ CAUTION

Leak test solutions may cause corrosion to some types of material in the gas tubing system. Be sure to water rinse after the test and thoroughly dry all contacted material. Also, the vent limiter should not be leak tested with a liquid test solution. This will contaminate the internal ball check mechanism or plug the breathing hole, resulting in erratic regulator operation.

SECTION 6.1.2 — REGULATOR PERFORMANCE - OPTIONAL TESTING

A. Load Response

1. A performance test should be conducted while operating all appliances at full load. This will insure adequate pressure to each appliance under full-load conditions.To accomplish this, measure the line pressure at the appliance connection while operating the appliance.

2. The inlet pressure for typical natural gas appliances should measure between 4 and 6 inches water column under full-load conditions. If this pressure can not be obtained a slight adjustment to the pounds-to-inches regulator may be necessary to increase the line pressure. Do not set any system regulator above the maximum allowable delivery pressure of the appliance(s).

B. Spring Adjustment

1. The 2 PSI system pounds-to-inches line gas pressure regulator can be adjusted with an outlet pressure ranging between 7 and 11 or 14 inches of water column. The regulator must be adjusted according to the manufacturer's recommended procedure. A pressure gauge mounted just downstream of the regulator can monitor the set pressure under various loads.

2. The regulator is typically set when the system is operating at approximately 75 percent of maximum load.

3. The average natural gas appliance is designed to operate at 3 to 4 inches water column manifold pressure, and a pressure difference of 1 to 2 inches of water column across the appliance regulator which will prevent slow regulator response. Thus, the appliance regulator will operate best at 5 to 6 inches water column inlet pressure. In this case, the 2 PSI line gas pressure regulator should be reset to deliver approximately 8 to 10 inches of water column outlet pressure under load to allow for 3 inches of water column pressure drop in the tubing. Some appliances may have different inlet pressure requirements.

CHAPTER 7
CAPACITY TABLES

SECTION 7.0 — SIZING TABLES
for *TracPipeCounterStrike* and *TracPipe PS-II* Flexible Gas Piping

STANDARD TABLES

Natural Gas	6-7 inch w.c. / 0.5 inch w.c. drop
	8 inch w.c. / 3 inch w.c. drop
	12-14 inch w.c. / 6 inch w.c. drop
	2 PSI / 1 PSI drop
	5 PSI / 3.5 PSI drop
Propane	11 inch w.c. / 0.5 inch w.c. drop
	2 PSI / 1 PSI drop
	5 PSI / 3.5 PSI drop

ADDITIONAL TABLES

Natural Gas	6-7 inch w.c. / 1 inch w.c. drop
	7-8 inch w.c. / 1.5 inch w.c. drop
	7-8 inch w.c. / 2 inch w.c. drop
	8 inch w.c. / 2.5 inch w.c. drop
	11 inch w.c. / 5 inch w.c. drop
	2 PSI / 1.5 PSI drop
	10 PSI / 7 PSI drop
	25 PSI / 10 PSI drop
Propane	11-12 inch w.c. / 1.0 inch w.c. drop
	12-14 inch w.c. / 2.0 inch w.c. drop
	12-14 inch w.c. / 2.5 inch w.c. drop
	10 PSI / 7 PSI drop
	25 PSI / 10 PSI drop

Table N-1 Low Pressure (Standard)

Maximum Capacity of OmegaFlex TracPipe CSST in Cubic Feet per Hour (CFH) of Natural Gas (1000 BTU per cubic foot approx)

Min. Gas Pressure: 6-7 in w.c.
Pressure Drop: 0.5 in w.c.
(Based on a 0.60 Specific Gravity Gas)

Tubing Length (feet)

Size	EHD	5	10	15	20	25	30	40	50	60	70	75	80	90	100	125	150	200	250	300	400	500	600	700	800	900	1000	1100	1200	1300	1400	1500
3/8"	15	63	45	37	33	29	27	23	21	19	18	17	17	16	15	14	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	6	5	5	5	5	4	4	4	4
1/2"	19	138	99	81	70	63	58	50	45	41	38	37	36	34	32	29	26	23	20	19	16	14	13	12	11	11	10	10	9	9	9	8
3/4"	25	344	245	201	175	157	143	125	112	102	95	92	89	84	80	71	65	57	51	46	40	36	33	31	29	27	26	24	23	22	22	21
1"	31	589	419	343	298	267	244	212	190	174	161	156	151	142	135	121	111	96	86	79	68	61	56	52	48	46	43	41	40	38	37	35
1 1/4"	39	1109	789	646	561	503	460	399	358	327	303	293	284	268	254	228	208	181	162	148	128	115	105	97	91	86	82	78	75	72	69	67
1 1/2"	46	1790	1261	1027	888	793	723	625	559	509	471	455	440	415	393	351	320	277	247	226	195	174	159	147	137	129	123	117	112	107	103	100
2"	62	4142	2934	2398	2078	1860	1698	1472	1317	1203	1114	1076	1042	983	933	835	762	661	591	540	468	419	382	354	331	312	296	283	271	260	251	242

see notes below*
EHD (Equivalent Hydraulic Diameter) A theoretical size which reflects the hydraulic performance of the tubing. It is not a true physical measure. This number is used to compare individual sizes between different manufactures.
The higher the EHD number the greater the flow capacity of the piping.

Table N-2A Low Pressure (Canada & USA 1 in drop)

Maximum Capacity of OmegaFlex TracPipe CSST in Cubic Feet per Hour (CFH) of Natural Gas (1000 BTU per cubic foot approx)

Min. Gas Pressure: 6-7 in w.c.
Pressure Drop: 1.0 in w.c.
(Based on a 0.60 Specific Gravity Gas)

Tubing Length (feet)

Size	EHD	5	10	15	20	25	30	40	50	60	70	75	80	90	100	125	150	200	250	300	400	500	600	700	800	900	1000	1100	1200	1300	1400	1500
3/8"	15	87	63	52	45	41	37	33	29	27	25	24	23	22	21	19	17	15	14	12	11	10	9	8	8	7	7	7	6	6	6	6
1/2"	19	193	138	113	99	88	81	70	63	58	54	52	50	47	45	40	37	32	29	26	23	20	19	17	16	15	14	14	13	13	12	12
3/4"	25	482	344	282	245	220	201	175	157	143	133	129	125	118	112	100	92	80	71	65	57	51	46	43	40	38	36	34	33	32	31	30
1"	31	827	589	483	419	376	343	298	267	244	227	219	212	200	190	170	156	135	121	111	96	86	79	73	68	64	61	58	56	54	52	50
1 1/4"	39	1558	1109	908	789	707	646	561	503	460	426	412	399	377	358	320	293	254	228	208	181	162	148	137	128	121	115	110	105	101	97	94
1 1/2"	46	2541	1790	1458	1261	1126	1027	888	793	723	669	646	625	589	559	499	455	393	351	320	277	247	226	209	195	184	174	166	159	152	147	142
2"	62	5848	4142	3386	2934	2626	2398	2078	1860	1698	1573	1520	1472	1388	1317	1179	1076	933	835	762	661	591	540	500	468	441	419	399	382	367	354	342

*Notes: Tables above include losses for four 90-degree bends and two end fittings. Tubing runs with larger numbers of bends and/or fittings shall be increased by the equivalent length of tubing to the following equation:
L=1.3n where L is the additional length of tubing and n is the number of additional fittings and/or bends.

Table N-2B Low Pressure (Canada & USA 1.5 in drop)

Maximum Capacity of OmegaFlex TracPipe CSST in Cubic Feet per Hour (CFH) of Natural Gas (1000 BTU per cubic foot approx)

Min. Gas Pressure: 7-8 in w.c.
Pressure Drop: 1.5 in w.c.
(Based on a 0.60 Specific Gravity Gas)

Tubing Length (feet)

Size	EHD	5	10	15	20	25	30	40	50	60	70	75	80	90	100	125	150	200	250	300	400	500	600	700	800	900	1000	1100	1200	1300	1400	1500
3/8"	15	105	76	63	55	49	45	39	35	33	30	29	28	27	26	23	21	18	16	15	13	12	11	10	9	9	8	8	8	7	7	7
1/2"	19	235	168	138	120	108	99	86	77	70	65	63	61	58	55	49	45	39	35	32	28	25	23	21	20	19	18	17	16	16	15	14
3/4"	25	587	419	344	299	268	245	213	191	175	162	157	152	143	136	122	112	97	87	80	69	62	57	52	49	46	44	42	40	39	37	36
1"	31	1010	719	589	511	458	419	364	326	298	276	267	259	244	232	208	190	165	148	135	117	105	96	89	83	79	75	71	68	66	63	61
1 1/4"	39	1902	1353	1109	963	863	789	685	614	561	520	503	487	460	436	391	358	310	278	254	221	198	181	168	157	148	141	134	128	123	119	115
1 1/2"	46	3119	2197	1790	1548	1383	1261	1090	974	888	821	793	768	723	686	613	559	483	431	393	340	304	277	256	239	226	214	204	195	187	180	174
2"	62	7156	5069	4142	3590	3213	2934	2543	2276	2078	1925	1860	1801	1698	1612	1442	1317	1141	1021	933	808	723	661	612	572	540	512	488	468	449	433	419

see notes below*
EHD (Equivalent Hydraulic Diameter) A theoretical size which reflects the hydraulic performance of the tubing. It is not a true physical measure. This number is used to compare individual sizes between different manufactures.
The higher the EHD number the greater the flow capacity of the piping.

Table N-2C Low Pressure (Canada & USA 2.0 in drop)

Maximum Capacity of OmegaFlex TracPipe CSST in Cubic Feet per Hour (CFH) of Natural Gas (1000 BTU per cubic foot approx)

Min. Gas Pressure: 7-8 in w.c.
Pressure Drop: 2.0 in w.c.

(Based on a 0.60 Specific Gravity Gas)

Tubing Length (feet)

Size	EHD	5	10	15	20	25	30	40	50	60	70	75	80	90	100	125	150	200	250	300	400	500	600	700	800	900	1000	1100	1200	1300	1400	1500
3/8"	15 3/8"	15	120	87	72	63	56	52	45	41	37	35	34	33	31	29	26	24	21	19	17	15	14	12	11	11	10	10	9	9	8	8
1/2"	19	270	193	159	138	124	113	99	88	81	75	73	70	66	63	57	52	45	40	37	32	29	26	24	23	22	20	19	19	18	17	17
3/4"	25	675	482	395	344	308	282	245	220	201	186	180	175	165	157	140	129	112	100	92	80	71	65	60	57	53	51	48	46	45	43	42
1"	31	1162	827	678	589	528	483	419	376	343	318	308	298	281	267	240	219	190	170	156	135	121	111	103	96	91	86	82	79	76	73	70
1 1/4"	39	2191	1558	1277	1109	994	908	789	707	646	599	579	561	529	503	450	412	358	320	293	254	228	208	193	181	171	162	155	148	142	137	133
1 1/2"	46	3607	2541	2070	1790	1599	1458	1261	1126	1027	950	917	888	837	793	709	646	559	499	455	393	351	320	296	277	261	247	236	226	217	209	201
2"	62	8257	5848	4780	4142	3707	3386	2934	2626	2398	2221	2146	2078	1960	1860	1664	1520	1317	1179	1076	933	835	762	706	661	623	591	564	540	519	500	483

*Notes: Tables above include losses for four 90-degree bends and two end fittings. Tubing runs with larger numbers of bends and/or fittings shall be increased by the equivalent length of tubing to the following equation:
L=1.3n where L is the additional length of tubing and n is the number of additional fittings and/or bends.

Table N-2D Low Pressure (Canada & USA 2.5 in drop)

Maximum Capacity of OmegaFlex TracPipe CSST in Cubic Feet per Hour (CFH) of Natural Gas (1000 BTU per cubic foot approx)

Min. Gas Pressure: 8 in w.c.
Pressure Drop: 2.5 in w.c.
(Based on a 0.60 Specific Gravity Gas)

Tubing Length (feet)

Size	EHD	5	10	15	20	25	30	40	50	60	70	75	80	90	100	125	150	200	250	300	400	500	600	700	800	900	1000	1100	1200	1300	1400	1500
3/8"	15	133	96	79	69	63	57	50	45	41	38	37	36	34	33	29	27	23	21	19	17	15	14	13	12	11	11	10	10	9	9	9
1/2"	19	301	215	177	154	138	126	110	99	90	84	81	78	74	70	63	58	50	45	41	36	32	29	27	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	19
3/4"	25	753	537	441	383	344	314	273	245	224	208	201	195	184	175	157	143	125	112	102	89	80	73	67	63	60	57	54	52	50	48	46
1"	31	1297	923	757	657	589	539	468	419	383	355	343	333	314	298	267	244	212	190	174	151	135	124	115	107	101	96	92	88	84	81	79
1 1/4"	39	2444	1739	1425	1237	1109	1014	880	789	721	668	646	626	591	561	503	460	399	358	327	284	254	232	215	202	190	181	172	165	159	153	148
1 1/2"	46	4038	2844	2317	2004	1790	1632	1411	1261	1150	1064	1027	994	937	888	793	723	625	559	509	440	393	359	332	310	292	277	264	253	243	234	226
2"	62	9227	6535	5341	4629	4142	3783	3279	2934	2680	2482	2398	2322	2190	2078	1860	1698	1472	1317	1203	1042	933	852	789	738	696	661	630	603	580	559	540

see notes below*
EHD (Equivalent Hydraulic Diameter) A theoretical size which reflects the hydraulic performance of the tubing. It is not a true physical measure. This number is used to compare individual sizes between different manufactures.
The higher the EHD number the greater the flow capacity of the piping.

Table N-3 Regulator Outlet (8 inches W.C.)

Maximum Capacity of OmegaFlex TracPipe CSST in Cubic Feet per Hour (CFH) of Natural Gas (1000 BTU per cubic foot approx)

Min. Gas Pressure: 8 in w.c.
Pressure Drop: 3.0 in w.c.
(Based on a 0.60 Specific Gravity Gas)

Tubing Length (feet)

Size	EHD	5	10	15	20	25	30	40	50	60	70	75	80	90	100	125	150	200	250	300	400	500	600	700	800	900	1000	1100	1200	1300	1400	1500
3/8"	15	160	112	90	78	69	63	55	49	45	42	41	39	37	35	32	29	26	23	21	18	16	15	14	13	12	12	11	11	10	10	10
1/2"	19	329	235	193	168	151	138	120	108	99	91	88	86	81	77	69	63	55	49	45	39	35	32	30	28	26	25	24	23	22	21	20
3/4"	25	823	587	482	419	375	344	299	268	245	227	220	213	201	191	171	157	136	122	112	97	87	80	74	69	65	62	59	57	54	52	51
1"	31	1418	1010	827	719	644	589	511	458	419	389	376	364	343	326	292	267	232	208	190	165	148	135	125	117	111	105	100	96	92	89	86
1 1/4"	39	2673	1902	1558	1353	1213	1109	963	863	789	731	707	685	646	614	550	503	436	391	358	310	278	254	236	221	208	198	189	181	174	168	162
1 1/2"	46	4428	3119	2541	2197	1963	1790	1548	1383	1261	1166	1126	1090	1027	974	870	793	686	613	559	483	431	393	364	340	320	304	289	277	266	256	247
2"	62	10103	7156	5848	5069	4536	4142	3590	3213	2934	2717	2626	2543	2398	2276	2036	1860	1612	1442	1317	1141	1021	933	864	808	762	723	690	661	635	612	591

*Notes: Tables above include losses for four 90-degree bends and two end fittings. Tubing runs with larger numbers of bends and/or fittings shall be increased by the equivalent length of tubing to the following equation:
L=1.3n where L is the additional length of tubing and n is the number of additional fittings and/or bends.

Table N-3A 3P Regulator Outlet (11 inches W.C.)

Maximum Capacity of OmegaFlex TracPipe CSST in Cubic Feet per Hour (CFH) of Natural Gas (1000 BTU per cubic foot approx)

Min Gas Pressure: 11 in w.c.
Pressure Drop: 5.0 in w.c.
(Based on a 0.60 Specific Gravity Gas)

Tubing Length (feet)

Size	EHD	5	10	15	20	25	30	40	50	60	70	75	80	90	100	125	150	200	250	300	400	500	600	700	800	900	1000	1100	1200	1300	1400	1500
3/8"	15	207	144	116	100	89	81	70	62	57	53	52	50	47	45	41	37	33	29	27	23	21	19	18	17	16	15	14	14	13	13	12
1/2"	19	421	301	247	215	193	177	154	138	126	117	113	110	104	99	88	81	70	63	58	50	45	41	38	36	34	32	31	29	28	27	26
3/4"	25	1055	753	618	537	482	441	383	344	314	292	282	273	258	245	220	201	175	157	143	125	112	102	95	89	84	80	76	73	70	67	65
1"	31	1822	1297	1063	923	827	757	657	589	539	499	483	468	441	419	376	343	298	267	244	212	190	174	161	151	142	135	129	124	119	115	111
1 1/4"	39	3436	2444	2003	1739	1558	1425	1237	1109	1014	940	908	880	831	789	707	646	561	503	460	399	358	327	303	284	268	254	243	232	223	215	208
1 1/2"	46	5732	4038	3290	2844	2541	2317	2004	1790	1632	1510	1458	1411	1330	1261	1126	1027	888	793	723	625	559	509	471	440	415	393	375	359	345	332	320
2"	62	13026	9227	7541	6535	5848	5341	4629	4142	3783	3504	3386	3279	3092	2934	2626	2398	2078	1860	1698	1472	1317	1203	1114	1042	983	933	890	852	819	789	762

see notes below*
EHD (Equivalent Hydraulic Diameter) A theoretical size which reflects the hydraulic performance of the tubing. It is not a true physical measure. This number is used to compare individual sizes between different manufactures.
The higher the EHD number the greater the flow capacity of the piping.

Table N-4 Medium Pressure

Maximum Capacity of OmegaFlex TracPipe CSST in Cubic Feet per Hour (CFH) of Natural Gas (1000 BTU per cubic foot approx)

Min Gas Pressure: 12-14 in w.c. (1/2 PSIG)
Pressure Drop: 6.0 in w.c.
(Based on a 0.60 Specific Gravity Gas)

Tubing Length (feet)

Size	EHD	5	10	15	20	25	30	40	50	60	70	75	80	90	100	125	150	200	250	300	400	500	600	700	800	900	1000	1100	1200	1300	1400	1500
3/8"	15	229	160	130	112	99	90	78	69	63	58	56	55	52	49	44	41	35	32	29	26	23	21	20	18	17	16	16	15	15	14	14
1/2"	19	461	329	270	235	211	193	168	151	138	128	124	120	113	108	97	88	77	69	63	55	49	45	42	39	37	35	33	32	31	30	29
3/4"	25	1153	823	675	587	526	482	419	375	344	319	308	299	282	268	240	220	191	171	157	136	122	112	104	97	92	87	83	80	76	74	71
1"	31	1992	1418	1162	1010	905	827	719	644	589	546	528	511	483	458	411	376	326	292	267	232	208	190	176	165	156	148	141	135	130	125	121
1 1/4"	39	3757	2673	2191	1902	1704	1558	1353	1213	1109	1028	994	963	908	863	773	707	614	550	503	436	391	358	331	310	293	278	265	254	244	236	228
1 1/2"	46	6286	4428	3607	3119	2786	2541	2197	1963	1790	1656	1599	1548	1458	1383	1235	1126	974	870	793	686	613	559	517	483	455	431	411	393	378	364	351
2"	62	14263	10103	8257	7156	6404	5848	5069	4536	4142	3837	3707	3590	3386	3213	2875	2626	2276	2036	1860	1612	1442	1317	1220	1141	1076	1021	974	933	896	864	835

*Notes: Tables above include losses for four 90-degree bends and two end fittings. Tubing runs with larger numbers of bends and/or fittings shall be increased by the equivalent length of tubing to the following equation:
L=1.3n where L is the additional length of tubing and n is the number of additional fittings and/or bends.

Table N-5 Elevated Pressure 2 psig

Maximum Capacity of OmegaFlex TracPipe CSST in Cubic Feet per Hour (CFH) of Natural Gas (1000 BTU per cubic foot approx)

Gas Pressure:	2	psig
Pressure Drop:	1.0	psi

(Based on a 0.60 Specific Gravity Gas)

Tubing Length (feet)

Size	EHD	5	10	15	20	25	30	40	50	60	70	75	80	90	100	125	150	200	250	300	400	500	600	700	800	900	1000	1100	1200	1300	1400	1500
3/8"	15	410	353	286	246	220	200	172	154	139	128	124	120	112	107	94	87	75	67	61	53	47	43	40	38	36	34	33	31	30	29	28
1/2"	19	965	700	567	493	444	406	353	317	290	269	260	252	238	226	203	186	162	145	133	116	104	95	88	83	78	74	71	68	65	63	61
3/4"	25	2430	1734	1423	1237	1110	1015	883	792	724	672	650	630	595	565	507	464	403	361	331	287	258	236	219	205	193	184	175	168	162	156	151
1"	31	4220	3004	2463	2139	1917	1753	1522	1365	1248	1157	1118	1084	1023	971	871	796	691	620	567	492	441	403	374	350	330	314	299	287	276	266	257
1 1/4"	39	7969	5670	4646	4034	3615	3305	2870	2572	2352	2180	2108	2042	1927	1830	1640	1499	1302	1167	1067	926	830	759	703	659	622	590	563	540	519	500	484
1 1/2"	46	13626	9599	7820	6762	6041	5509	4763	4255	3881	3590	3467	3355	3161	2997	2678	2442	2111	1886	1720	1487	1329	1212	1121	1048	987	936	892	853	820	789	762
2"	62	30546	21637	17684	15326	13715	12526	10855	9715	8872	8217	7940	7689	7251	6881	6158	5624	4874	4362	3983	3452	3089	2821	2613	2445	2306	2188	2087	1998	1920	1851	1788

see notes below*
EHD (Equivalent Hydraulic Diameter) A theoretical size which reflects the hydraulic performance of the tubing. It is not a true physical measure. This number is used to compare individual sizes between different manufactures.
Pressure drop across a regulator will vary with flow rate. FGP-REG-3 has a 3/4 PSI pressure drop at a flow of 250 cubic feet per hour. regulator. The higher the EHD number the greater the flow capacity of the piping.
Table does not include effect of pressure drop across the line regulator. CAUTION: Capacities shown in table may exceed the maximum capacity for a slected regulator.

Table N-5A Elevated Pressure 2 psig

Maximum Capacity of OmegaFlex TracPipe CSST in Cubic Feet per Hour (CFH) of Natural Gas (1000 BTU per cubic foot approx)

Gas Pressure:	2	psig
Pressure Drop:	1.5	psi

(Based on a 0.60 Specific Gravity Gas)

Tubing Length (feet)

Size	EHD	5	10	15	20	25	30	40	50	60	70	75	80	90	100	125	150	200	250	300	400	500	600	700	800	900	1000	1100	1200	1300	1400	1500
3/8"	15	495	438	354	305	271	247	212	189	171	158	153	148	139	131	117	106	91	81	74	64	57	53	49	46	43	41	40	38	37	35	34
1/2"	19	1174	855	690	600	542	495	429	385	353	327	317	307	290	275	247	226	197	177	162	141	126	116	107	101	95	90	86	83	79	77	74
3/4"	25	2960	2112	1734	1507	1352	1237	1075	965	883	819	792	767	724	688	617	565	491	440	403	350	314	287	267	250	236	224	214	205	197	190	184
1"	31	5148	3687	3004	2609	2339	2139	1857	1665	1522	1412	1365	1322	1248	1185	1062	971	843	756	691	600	538	492	456	427	403	383	365	350	337	325	314
1 1/4"	39	9725	6919	5670	4923	4412	4034	3502	3139	2870	2661	2572	2492	2352	2233	2001	1830	1589	1424	1302	1130	1013	926	858	804	759	720	688	659	633	611	590
1 1/2"	46	16725	11782	9599	8300	7415	6762	5847	5223	4763	4406	4255	4119	3881	3679	3287	2997	2592	2315	2111	1826	1631	1487	1376	1286	1212	1149	1095	1048	1006	969	936
2"	62	37374	26473	21637	18751	16781	15326	13282	11886	10855	10054	9715	9408	8872	8419	7534	6881	5963	5337	4874	4224	3780	3452	3197	2992	2821	2677	2553	2445	2350	2265	2188

*Notes: Tables above include losses for four 90-degree bends and two end fittings. Tubing runs with larger numbers of bends and/or fittings shall be increased by the equivalent length of tubing to the following equation:
L=1.3n where L is the additional length of tubing and n is the number of additional fittings and/or bends. Table does not include effect of pressure drop across the line regulator. If regulator loss exceeds 1/4 PSI (based on 8 inch outlet pressure)
Do not use this chart. Pressure drop across a regulator will vary with flow rate. FGP-REG-3 has a 1/4 PSI pressure drop at a flow of 145 cubic feet per hour. CAUTION: Capacities shown in table may exceed the maximum capacity for a selected regulator.

Table N-6 Elevated Pressure 5 psig

Maximum Capacity of OmegaFlex TracPipe CSST in Cubic Feet per Hour (CFH) of Natural Gas (1000 BTU per cubic foot approx)

Gas Pressure:	5	psig
Pressure Drop:	3.5	psi

(Based on a 0.60 Specific Gravity Gas)

Tubing Length (feet)

Size	EHD	5	10	15	20	25	30	40	50	60	70	75	80	90	100	125	150	200	250	300	400	500	600	700	800	900	1000	1100	1200	1300	1400	1500
3/8"	15	736	672	552	475	420	382	329	293	267	246	238	230	216	205	182	166	143	128	116	100	89	78	73	68	65	62	59	57	54	53	51
1/2"	19	1769	1304	1040	905	827	755	654	586	532	493	479	463	437	415	373	341	297	266	244	212	190	174	162	152	143	136	130	125	120	116	112
3/4"	25	4472	3191	2619	2277	2042	1869	1625	1457	1333	1237	1196	1159	1095	1040	933	853	742	665	609	529	475	434	403	378	356	339	323	310	298	287	278
1"	31	7800	5659	4552	3953	3543	3240	2814	2522	2307	2139	2067	2003	1891	1795	1609	1472	1278	1146	1048	910	815	746	691	647	611	580	554	531	510	492	476
1 1/4"	39	14743	10489	8595	7463	6688	6116	5310	4759	4351	4034	3899	3778	3565	3386	3034	2774	2409	2159	1974	1714	1536	1404	1302	1219	1151	1093	1043	999	960	926	895
1 1/2"	46	25665	18080	14730	12737	11378	10377	8972	8015	7310	6762	6530	6320	5955	5646	5044	4600	3977	3553	3240	2802	2503	2283	2111	1974	1860	1763	1680	1608	1544	1487	1436
2"	62	56970	40353	32981	28583	25580	23361	20246	18119	16547	15326	14809	14341	13524	12834	11485	10489	9090	8135	7430	6439	5762	5262	4874	4561	4301	4081	3892	3727	3582	3452	3336

see notes below*

EHD (Equivalent Hydraulic Diameter) A theoretical size which reflects the hydraulic performance of the tubing. It is not a true physical measure. This number is used to compare individual sizes between different manufactures.
The higher the EHD number the greater the flow capacity of the piping. Table does not include effect of pressure drop across the line regulator. If the regulator loss exceeds 1 PSI (based on 8 inch outlet pressure), Do not use this chart.
Pressure drops across a regulator will vary with flow rate. FGP-REG-5A has a 1 PSI pressure drop at a flow of 673 cubic feet per hour. CAUTION: Capacities shown in the table may exceed the maximum capacity for a selected regulator.

Table N-7 Elevated Pressure 10 psig

Maximum Capacity of OmegaFlex TracPipe CSST in Cubic Feet per Hour (CFH) of Natural Gas (1000 BTU per cubic foot approx)

Gas Pressure:	10	psig
Pressure Drop:	7.0	psi

(Based on a 0.60 Specific Gravity Gas)

Tubing Length (feet)

Size	EHD	5	10	15	20	25	30	40	50	60	70	75	80	90	100	125	150	200	250	300	400	500	600	700	800	900	1000	1100	1200	1300	1400	1500
3/8"	15	1117	814	676	593	535	492	432	390	359	334	324	314	298	284	256	236	207	187	172	150	136	125	116	109	104	99	95	91	88	85	82
1/2"	19	2584	1879	1560	1367	1233	1134	994	897	825	768	744	723	685	652	589	541	474	428	394	345	311	286	266	251	237	226	216	208	200	194	188
3/4"	25	6126	4488	3741	3288	2975	2741	2409	2179	2008	1874	1817	1765	1674	1597	1444	1331	1170	1058	975	857	775	714	666	628	595	568	544	523	505	488	473
1"	31	10350	7602	6347	5584	5056	4662	4102	3714	3424	3197	3101	3013	2859	2728	2470	2277	2004	1814	1673	1472	1332	1229	1147	1081	1026	979	938	902	871	842	817
1 1/4"	39	15935	11800	9899	8739	7933	7330	6471	5875	5428	5078	4928	4792	4554	4350	3949	3649	3222	2925	2702	2386	2166	2001	1872	1767	1679	1604	1539	1482	1431	1386	1345
1 1/2"	46	30140	21882	18145	15887	14331	13174	11534	10405	9564	8907	8627	8374	7931	7554	6814	6264	5484	4947	4547	3981	3591	3301	3074	2890	2737	2607	2495	2397	2310	2232	2162
2"	62	56970	41709	35073	31015	28194	26081	23064	20966	19394	18158	17630	17150	16308	15590	14172	13110	11593	10539	9749	8621	7837	7249	6787	6410	6096	5827	5595	5390	5209	5047	4900

*Notes: Tables above include losses for four 90-degree bends and two end fittings. Tubing runs with larger numbers of bends and/or fittings shall be increased by the equivalent length of tubing to the following equation:
L=1.3n where L is the additional length of tubing and n is the number of additional fittings and/or bends. Table does not include effect of pressure drop across the line regulator. User must size regulator based on an inlet pressure between 3 and 10 psig with the desired outlet pressure and capacity required.

Table N-8 Elevated Pressure 25 psig

Maximum Capacity of OmegaFlex TracPipe CSST in Cubic Feet per Hour (CFH) of Natural Gas (1000 BTU per cubic foot approx)

Gas Pressure: 25 psig
Pressure Drop: 10.0 psi
(Based on a 0.60 Specific Gravity Gas)

Tubing Length (feet)

Size	EHD	5	10	15	20	25	30	40	50	60	70	75	80	90	100	125	150	200	250	300	400	500	600	700	800	900	1000	1100	1200	1300	1400	1500
3/8"	15	1731	1252	1036	906	816	750	655	591	542	505	489	474	449	427	385	353	309	278	256	223	201	185	172	161	153	145	139	134	129	124	120
1/2"	19	3751	2735	2274	1995	1802	1658	1454	1314	1209	1127	1092	1060	1005	958	865	796	698	631	580	509	460	423	394	371	352	335	321	308	297	287	279
3/4"	25	9332	6813	5667	4973	4494	4137	3631	3281	3020	2816	2729	2650	2512	2395	2164	1992	1748	1580	1454	1276	1153	1062	990	932	883	842	806	775	747	723	700
1"	31	15861	11616	9681	8507	7696	7090	6230	5636	5193	4845	4697	4563	4328	4127	3734	3440	3023	2734	2519	2214	2002	1845	1721	1621	1538	1466	1405	1351	1303	1261	1222
1 1/4"	39	24879	18276	15259	13426	12157	11209	9863	8930	8234	7689	7456	7245	6875	6560	5940	5477	4819	4364	4023	3540	3205	2956	2760	2600	2468	2355	2257	2171	2095	2027	1966
1 1/2"	46	44300	32270	26810	23506	21227	19529	17122	15462	14225	13257	12846	12472	11819	11263	10171	9357	8204	7408	6816	5976	5396	4965	4627	4353	4125	3931	3763	3616	3486	3370	3266
2"	62	79820	59313	49856	44075	40057	37047	32751	29765	27529	25770	25019	24337	23139	22118	20102	18591	16436	14937	13815	12213	11099	10266	9609	9075	8629	8248	7918	7628	7371	7141	6933

see notes below*
EHD (Equivalent Hydraulic Diameter) A theoretical size which reflects the hydraulic performance of the tubing. It is not a true physical measure. This number is used to compare individual sizes between different manufactures.
The higher the EHD number the greater the flow capacity of the piping. Table does not include effect of pressure drop across the regulator. User must size the regulator based on an inlet pressure between 15 and 25 psig with the desired outlet pressure range and capacity required.

Table P-1 Propane Low Pressure (Standard)

Maximum Capacity of OmegaFlex TracPipe CSST in Thousands of BTU per Hour Propane Gas

Min. Gas Pressure: 11 in w.c.
Pressure Drop: 0.5 in w.c.

(Based on a 1.52 Specific Gravity / 2520 BTU per cubic foot Gas)

Tubing Length (feet)

Size	EHD	5	10	15	20	25	30	40	50	60	70	75	80	90	100	125	150	200	250	300	400	500	600	700	800	900	1000	1100	1200	1300	1400	1500
3/8"	15	100	71	59	52	46	43	36	33	30	28	27	27	25	24	22	19	17	16	14	13	11	9	9	8	8	8	8	6	6	6	6
1/2"	19	218	157	128	111	100	92	79	71	65	60	59	57	54	51	46	41	36	32	30	25	22	21	19	17	17	16	16	14	14	14	13
3/4"	25	545	388	318	277	249	226	198	177	161	150	146	141	133	127	112	103	90	81	73	63	57	52	49	46	43	41	38	36	35	35	33
1"	31	933	663	543	472	423	386	336	301	275	255	247	239	225	214	192	176	152	136	125	108	97	89	82	76	73	68	65	63	60	59	55
1 1/4"	39	1756	1249	1023	888	796	728	632	567	518	480	464	450	424	402	361	329	287	256	234	203	182	166	154	144	136	130	123	119	114	109	106
1 1/2"	46	2834	1997	1626	1406	1256	1145	990	885	806	746	720	697	657	622	556	507	439	391	358	309	275	252	233	217	204	195	185	177	169	163	158
2"	62	6558	4645	3797	3290	2945	2688	2331	2085	1905	1764	1704	1650	1556	1477	1322	1206	1047	936	855	741	663	605	560	524	494	469	448	429	412	397	383

*Notes: Tables above include losses for four 90-degree bends and two end fittings. Tubing runs with larger numbers of bends and/or fittings shall be increased by the equivalent length of tubing to the following equation:
L=1.3n where L is the additional length of tubing and n is the number of additional fittings and/or bends.

Table P-1A Propane Low Pressure

Maximum Capacity of TracPipe CSST in Thousands of BTU per Hour Propane Gas

Min. Gas Pressure: 11-12 in w.c.
Pressure Drop: 1.0 in w.c.

(Based on a 1.52 Specific Gravity / 2520 BTU per cubic foot Gas)

Tubing Length (feet)

Size	EHD	5	10	15	20	25	30	40	50	60	70	75	80	90	100	125	150	200	250	300	400	500	600	700	800	900	1000	1100	1200	1300	1400	1500
3/8"	15	138	100	82	71	65	59	52	46	43	40	38	36	35	33	30	27	24	22	19	17	16	14	13	13	11	11	11	9	9	9	9
1/2"	19	306	218	179	157	139	128	111	100	92	85	82	79	74	71	63	59	51	46	41	36	32	30	27	25	24	22	22	21	21	19	19
3/4"	25	763	545	446	388	348	318	277	249	226	211	204	198	187	177	158	146	127	112	103	90	81	73	68	63	60	57	54	52	51	49	47
1"	31	1309	933	765	663	595	543	472	423	386	359	347	336	317	301	269	247	214	192	176	152	136	125	116	108	101	97	92	89	85	82	79
1 1/4"	39	2467	1756	1438	1249	1119	1023	888	796	728	674	652	632	597	567	507	464	402	361	329	287	256	234	217	203	192	182	174	166	160	154	149
1 1/2"	46	4023	2834	2308	1997	1783	1626	1406	1256	1145	1059	1023	990	933	885	790	720	622	556	507	439	391	358	331	309	291	275	263	252	241	233	225
2"	62	9259	6558	5361	4645	4158	3797	3290	2945	2688	2490	2407	2331	2198	2085	1867	1704	1477	1322	1206	1047	936	855	792	741	698	663	632	605	581	560	541

Notes: EHD (Equivalent Hydraulic Diameter) A theoretical size which reflects the hydraulic performance of the tubing. It is not a true physical measure. This number is used to compare individual sizes between different manufactures.
The higher the EHD number the greater the flow capacity of the piping. Tables above include losses for four 90-degree bends and two end fittings. Tubing runs with larger numbers of bends and/or fittings shall be increased by the equivalent length of tubing to the following equation: L=1.3n where L is the additional length of tubing and n is the number of additional fittings and/or bends.

Table P-1B Propane

Maximum Capacity of TracPipe CSST in Thousands of BTU per Hour Propane Gas

Min. Gas Pressure: 12-14 in w.c.
Pressure Drop: 2.0 in w.c.

(Based on a 1.52 Specific Gravity / 2520 BTU per cubic foot Gas)

Tubing Length (feet)

Size	EHD	5	10	15	20	25	30	40	50	60	70	75	80	90	100	125	150	200	250	300	400	500	600	700	800	900	1000	1100	1200	1300	1400	1500
3/8"	15	190	138	114	100	89	82	71	65	59	55	54	52	49	46	41	38	33	30	27	24	22	19	17	17	16	16	14	14	13	13	13
1/2"	19	427	306	252	218	196	179	157	139	128	119	116	111	104	100	90	82	71	63	59	51	46	41	38	36	35	32	30	30	28	27	27
3/4"	25	1069	763	625	545	488	446	388	348	318	294	285	277	261	249	222	204	177	158	146	127	112	103	95	90	84	81	76	73	71	68	66
1"	31	1840	1309	1073	933	836	765	663	595	543	503	488	472	445	423	380	347	301	269	247	214	192	176	163	152	144	136	130	125	120	116	111
1 1/4"	39	3469	2467	2022	1756	1574	1438	1249	1119	1023	948	917	888	838	796	712	652	567	507	464	402	361	329	306	287	271	256	245	234	225	217	211
1 1/2"	46	5711	4023	3277	2834	2532	2308	1997	1783	1626	1504	1452	1406	1325	1256	1123	1023	885	790	720	622	556	507	469	439	413	391	374	358	344	331	318
2"	62	13073	9259	7568	6558	5869	5361	4645	4158	3797	3516	3398	3290	3103	2945	2635	2407	2085	1867	1704	1477	1322	1206	1118	1047	986	936	893	855	822	792	763

Notes: EHD (Equivalent Hydraulic Diameter) A theoretical size which reflects the hydraulic performance of the tubing. It is not a true physical measure. This number is used to compare individual sizes between different manufactures.
The higher the EHD number the greater the flow capacity of the piping.

Table P-2 Propane Medium Pressure

Maximum Capacity of TracPipe CSST in Thousands of BTU per Hour Propane Gas

Min. Gas Pressure: 13-14 in w.c.
Pressure Drop: 2.5 in w.c.

(Based on a 1.52 Specific Gravity / 2520 BTU per cubic foot Gas)

Tubing Length (feet)

Size	EHD	5	10	15	20	25	30	40	50	60	70	75	80	90	100	125	150	200	250	300	400	500	600	700	800	900	1000	1100	1200	1300	1400	1500
3/8"	15	222	159	131	114	102	93	81	73	67	62	60	58	55	52	46	43	36	33	30	27	24	22	21	19	17	17	16	16	14	14	14
1/2"	19	491	353	290	254	228	209	182	164	150	140	135	131	124	118	108	97	85	76	70	57	51	46	43	40	38	36	35	33	32	30	30
3/4"	25	1192	850	698	606	545	497	432	388	355	329	318	309	291	277	249	226	198	177	161	141	127	116	106	100	95	90	85	82	79	76	73
1"	31	2512	1863	1720	1343	1106	976	883	825	771	719	696	673	632	596	533	470	398	352	320	239	214	196	182	169	160	152	146	139	133	128	125
1 1/4"	39	3870	2753	2256	1959	1756	1605	1393	1249	1142	1058	1023	991	936	888	796	728	632	567	518	450	402	367	340	320	301	287	272	261	252	242	234
1 1/2"	46	6393	4503	3668	3173	2834	2584	2234	1997	1821	1685	1626	1574	1484	1406	1256	1145	990	885	806	697	622	568	526	491	462	439	418	401	385	370	358
2"	62	14609	10347	8456	7329	6558	5990	5192	4645	4243	3930	3797	3676	3467	3290	2945	2688	2331	2085	1905	1650	1477	1349	1249	1168	1102	1047	997	955	918	885	855

*Notes: Tables above include losses for four 90-degree bends and two end fittings. Tubing runs with larger numbers of bends and/or fittings shall be increased by the equivalent length of tubing to the following equation:
L=1.3n where L is the additional length of tubing and n is the number of additional fittings and/or bends.

Table P-3 Propane Elevated Pressure 2 psig

Maximum Capacity of TracPipe CSST in Thousands of BTU per Hour Propane Gas

Min. Gas Pressure: 2 psig
Pressure Drop: 1.0 psi

(Based on a 1.52 Specific Gravity / 2520 BTU per cubic foot Gas)

Tubing Length (feet)

Size	EHD	5	10	15	20	25	30	40	50	60	70	75	80	90	100	125	150	200	250	300	400	500	600	700	800	900	1000	1100	1200	1300	1400	1500
3/8"	15	649	558	453	389	347	316	271	243	220	203	196	189	177	169	144	137	118	105	96	84	74	68	63	60	57	54	52	49	47	46	44
1/2"	19	1528	1106	898	781	701	643	559	502	459	426	412	399	377	358	321	294	256	230	211	184	165	150	139	131	123	117	112	108	103	100	97
3/4"	25	3847	2745	2253	1959	1757	1607	1398	1254	1146	1064	1029	997	942	895	803	735	638	572	524	454	408	374	347	325	306	291	277	266	256	247	239
1"	31	6681	4756	3900	3387	3035	2775	2410	2161	1976	1832	1770	1716	1620	1537	1379	1260	1094	982	898	779	698	638	592	554	522	497	473	454	437	421	407
1 1/4"	39	12617	8977	7356	6387	5724	5233	4544	4072	3724	3452	3338	3233	3051	2897	2597	2373	2061	1848	1689	1466	1314	1202	1113	1043	985	934	891	855	822	792	766
1 1/2"	46	21574	15198	12381	10706	9565	8722	7541	6737	6145	5684	5489	5312	5005	4745	4240	3866	3342	2986	2723	2354	2104	1919	1775	1659	1563	1482	1412	1351	1298	1249	1206
2"	62	48362	34257	27999	24265	21715	19832	17186	15381	14047	13010	12571	12174	11480	10894	9750	8904	7717	6906	6306	5465	4891	4466	4137	3871	3651	3464	3304	3163	3040	2931	2831

Notes: EHD (Equivalent Hydraulic Diameter) A theoretical size which reflects the hydraulic performance of the tubing. It is not a true physical measure. This number is used to compare individual sizes between different manufactures.
The higher the EHD number the greater the flow capacity of the piping. Table does not include effect of pressure drop across the line regulator. If the regulator loss exceeds 1/2 PSI (based on 11 inch outlet pressure) Do not use this chart.
Pressure drops across a regulator will vary with flow rate. FGP-REG-5P has a 1/2 PSI pressure drop at a flow of 307 cubic feet per hour (774 MBTUh). CAUTION: Capacities shown in the table may exceed the maximum capacity for a selected regulator.

Table P-4 Propane Elevated Pressure 5 psig

Maximum Capacity of TracPipe CSST in Thousands of BTU per Hour Propane Gas

Min. Gas Pressure: 5 psig
Pressure Drop: 3.5 psi

(Based on a 1.52 Specific Gravity / 2520 BTU per cubic foot Gas)

Tubing Length (feet)

Size	EHD	5	10	15	20	25	30	40	50	60	70	75	80	90	100	125	150	200	250	300	400	500	600	700	800	900	1000	1100	1200	1300	1400	1500
3/8"	15	1165	1065	874	752	664	603	520	463	423	389	376	363	342	324	288	262	226	202	183	158	140	123	116	108	103	98	93	90	85	84	81
1/2"	19	2801	2061	1647	1433	1307	1193	1033	926	842	781	757	733	692	657	591	540	470	421	386	336	301	275	256	241	226	215	206	198	190	184	177
3/4"	25	7080	5052	4147	3605	3233	2959	2573	2307	2110	1959	1894	1835	1734	1647	1477	1351	1175	1053	964	838	752	687	638	598	564	537	511	491	472	454	440
1"	31	12349	8945	7207	6259	5610	5130	4455	3993	3653	3387	3273	3171	2994	2842	2547	2331	2023	1814	1659	1441	1290	1181	1094	1024	967	918	877	841	807	779	754
1 1/4"	39	23342	16607	13608	11816	10589	9683	8407	7535	6889	6387	6173	5982	5644	5361	4804	4392	3814	3418	3125	2714	2432	2223	2061	1930	1822	1731	1651	1582	1520	1466	1417
1 1/2"	46	40635	28625	23322	20166	18014	16430	14205	12690	11574	10706	10339	10006	9428	8939	7986	7283	6297	5625	5130	4436	3963	3615	3342	3125	2945	2791	2660	2546	2445	2354	2274
2"	62	90199	63890	52218	45255	40500	36987	32055	28687	26198	24265	23447	22706	21412	20320	18184	16607	14392	12880	11764	10195	9123	8331	7717	7221	6810	6461	6162	5901	5671	5465	5282

Table does not include effect of pressure drop across the line regulator. If the regulator loss exceeds 1 PSI (based on 11 inch outlet pressure) Do not use this chart. Pressure drops across a regulator will vary with flow rate.
FGP-REG-5P has a 1 PSI pressure drop at a flow of 434 cubic feet per hour (1094 MBTUh). CAUTION: Capacities shown in the table may exceed the maximum capacity for a selected regulator.

Table P-5 Propane Elevated Pressure 10 psig

Maximum Capacity of TracPipe CSST in Thousands of BTU per Hour Propane Gas

Min. Gas Pressure: 10 psig
Pressure Drop: 7.0 psi

(Based on a 1.52 Specific Gravity / 2520 BTU per cubic foot Gas)

Tubing Length (feet)

Size	EHD	5	10	15	20	25	30	40	50	60	70	75	80	90	100	125	150	200	250	300	400	500	600	700	800	900	1000	1100	1200	1300	1400	1500
3/8"	15	1769	1289	1070	939	847	779	684	617	568	529	513	497	472	450	405	374	328	296	272	237	215	198	184	173	165	157	150	144	139	135	130
1/2"	19	4091	2975	2470	2164	1952	1795	1574	1420	1306	1216	1178	1145	1085	1032	933	857	750	678	624	546	492	453	421	397	375	358	342	329	317	307	298
3/4"	25	9699	7106	5923	5206	4710	4340	3814	3450	3179	2967	2877	2794	2650	2528	2286	2107	1852	1675	1544	1357	1227	1130	1054	994	942	899	861	828	800	773	749
1"	31	16387	12036	10049	8841	8005	7381	6495	5880	5421	5062	4910	4770	4527	4319	3911	3605	3173	2872	2649	2331	2109	1946	1816	1712	1624	1550	1485	1428	1379	1333	1294
1 1/4"	39	25229	18683	15673	13836	12560	11605	10245	9302	8594	8040	7802	7587	7210	6887	6252	5777	5101	4631	4278	3778	3429	3168	2964	2798	2658	2540	2437	2346	2266	2194	2129
1 1/2"	46	47720	34645	28728	25153	22690	20858	18261	16474	15142	14102	13659	13258	12557	11960	10788	9918	8683	7832	7199	6303	5686	5226	4867	4576	4333	4128	3950	3795	3657	3534	3423
2"	62	90199	66037	55530	49105	44639	41293	36516	33195	30706	28749	27913	27153	25820	24683	22438	20757	18355	16686	15435	13649	12408	11477	10746	10149	9652	9226	8858	8534	8247	7991	7758

Notes: EHD (Equivalent Hydraulic Diameter) A theoretical size which reflects the hydraulic performance of the tubing. It is not a true physical measure. This number is used to compare individual sizes between different manufactures. The higher the EHD number the greater the flow capacity of the piping. Table does not include effect of pressure drop across the regulator. User must size the regulator based on an inlet pressure between 3 and 10 psig with the desired outlet pressure range and capacity required.

Table P-6 Propane Elevated Pressure 25 psig

Maximum Capacity of TracPipe CSST in Thousands of BTU per Hour Propane Gas

Min. Gas Pressure: 25 psig
Pressure Drop: 10.0 psi

(Based on a 1.52 Specific Gravity / 2520 BTU per cubic foot Gas)

Tubing Length (feet)

Size	EHD	5	10	15	20	25	30	40	50	60	70	75	80	90	100	125	150	200	250	300	400	500	600	700	800	900	1000	1100	1200	1300	1400	1500
3/8"	15	2741	1982	1640	1434	1292	1187	1037	936	858	800	774	750	711	676	610	559	489	440	405	353	318	293	272	255	242	230	220	212	204	196	190
1/2"	19	5939	4330	3600	3159	2853	2625	2302	2080	1914	1784	1729	1678	1591	1517	1370	1260	1105	999	918	806	728	670	624	587	557	530	508	488	470	454	442
3/4"	25	14775	10787	8972	7874	7115	6550	5749	5195	4781	4458	4321	4196	3977	3792	3426	3154	2768	2502	2302	2020	1826	1681	1567	1476	1398	1333	1276	1227	1183	1145	1108
1"	31	25112	18391	15328	13469	12185	11225	9864	8923	8222	7671	7437	7224	6852	6534	5912	5446	4786	4329	3988	3505	3170	2921	2725	2566	2435	2321	2224	2139	2063	1997	1935
1 1/4"	39	39390	28936	24159	21257	19248	17747	15616	14139	13037	12174	11805	11471	10885	10386	9405	8672	7630	6909	6369	5605	5074	4680	4370	4116	3908	3729	3573	3437	3317	3209	3113
1 1/2"	46	70139	51092	42447	37216	33608	30920	27109	24480	22522	20989	20339	19747	18713	17832	16103	14815	12989	11729	10792	9462	8543	7861	7326	6892	6531	6224	5958	5725	5519	5336	5171
2"	62	126376	93908	78935	69783	63421	58655	51854	47126	43586	40801	39612	38532	36635	35019	31827	29435	26023	23649	21873	19336	17573	16254	15214	14368	13662	13059	12536	12077	11670	11306	10977

*Notes: Tables above include losses for four 90-degree bends and two end fittings. Tubing runs with larger numbers of bends and/or fittings shall be increased by the equivalent length of tubing to the following equation: L=1.3n where L is the additional length of tubing and n is the number of additional fittings and/or bends. Table does not include effect of pressure drop across the line regulator. User must size regulator based on an inlet pressure between 15 and 25 psig with the desired outlet pressure and capacity required.

SECTION 7.1 — PRESSURE DROP PER FOOT TABLES-NATURAL GAS for *TracPipeCounterStrike* CSST and Steel Pipe

For propane (LP) gas applications:

1. Convert propane BTU load to CFH propane (divide by 2520 BTU per cubic foot).

2. Multiply CFH propane (1.52 SG) value by 1.5916 to obtain equivalent CFH Natural Gas (0.6 SG) value.

3. Find pressure drop per foot using CFH Natural Gas value from Step 2. This is the pressure drop per foot for Propane at the given BTU load.

4. Follow Sum of Pressure Loss instructions.

To convert 1,000 BTU values to CFH (Propane) use the following formula:

Propane = 2520 BTU/Cu.Ft.

Section 7.1 - Table PD-1A

Pressure drop ("wc per foot) for TracPipe based on a given CFH Flow (Natural Gas SG = 0.60 Gas) at Inlet Pressures up to 5 psig

Note: For Propane (LP) Gas applications, obtain Pressure Drop per foot values by following the Propane conversion method detailed in Section 7.1 of the TracPipe D&I Guide.

CFH	3/8"	1/2"	3/4"	1"	1-1/4"	1-1/2"	2"
10	0.0019	0.0004	0.0001				
20	0.0085	0.0018	0.0003	0.0001			
30	0.0204	0.0042	0.0007	0.0002	0.0001		
40	0.0377	0.0077	0.0012	0.0004	0.0001	0.0001	
50	0.0609	0.0121	0.0019	0.0007	0.0002	0.0001	
60	0.0900	0.0177	0.0028	0.0009	0.0003	0.0001	
70	0.1253	0.0244	0.0038	0.0013	0.0004	0.0002	
80	0.1668	0.0321	0.0050	0.0017	0.0005	0.0002	
90	0.2146	0.0410	0.0064	0.0022	0.0006	0.0003	
100	0.2690	0.0509	0.0079	0.0027	0.0007	0.0003	0.0001
110	0.3300	0.0620	0.0096	0.0033	0.0009	0.0004	0.0001
120	0.3976	0.0743	0.0115	0.0039	0.0011	0.0005	0.0001
130	0.4721	0.0876	0.0135	0.0046	0.0013	0.0006	0.0001
140	0.5533	0.1022	0.0158	0.0053	0.0015	0.0006	0.0001
150	0.6415	0.1178	0.0182	0.0061	0.0017	0.0007	0.0001
160	0.7367	0.1347	0.0207	0.0070	0.0019	0.0008	0.0001
170	0.8389	0.1526	0.0235	0.0079	0.0022	0.0009	0.0002
180	0.9482	0.1718	0.0264	0.0089	0.0025	0.0011	0.0002
190	1.0647	0.1921	0.0295	0.0099	0.0028	0.0012	0.0002
200	1.1884	0.2136	0.0328	0.0110	0.0031	0.0013	0.0002
225	1.5297	0.2726	0.0418	0.0140	0.0039	0.0017	0.0003
250	1.9172	0.3390	0.0519	0.0174	0.0048	0.0020	0.0004
275	2.3517	0.4128	0.0631	0.0211	0.0058	0.0025	0.0004
300	2.8338	0.4943	0.0755	0.0252	0.0070	0.0029	0.0005
325	3.3642	0.5833	0.0890	0.0297	0.0082	0.0034	0.0006
350	3.9433	0.6799	0.1036	0.0345	0.0095	0.0040	0.0007
375	4.5717	0.7842	0.1193	0.0398	0.0110	0.0045	0.0008
400	5.2499	0.8962	0.1363	0.0454	0.0125	0.0052	0.0009
425	5.9783	1.0159	0.1543	0.0513	0.0142	0.0058	0.0010
450	6.7575	1.1434	0.1736	0.0577	0.0159	0.0065	0.0012
475	7.5877	1.2788	0.1940	0.0644	0.0178	0.0072	0.0013
500	8.4694	1.4219	0.2155	0.0715	0.0197	0.0080	0.0014
525	9.4030	1.5729	0.2382	0.0790	0.0218	0.0088	0.0016
550		1.7318	0.2621	0.0868	0.0240	0.0097	0.0017
575		1.8986	0.2872	0.0951	0.0262	0.0106	0.0019
600		2.0733	0.3134	0.1037	0.0286	0.0115	0.0021
625		2.2560	0.3408	0.1127	0.0311	0.0125	0.0022
650		2.4467	0.3694	0.1221	0.0337	0.0135	0.0024
675		2.6453	0.3992	0.1319	0.0364	0.0145	0.0026

Section 7.1 - Table PD-1A

Pressure drop ("wc per foot) for TracPipe based on a given CFH Flow (Natural Gas SG = 0.60 Gas) at Inlet Pressures up to 5 psig

Note: For Propane (LP) Gas applications, obtain Pressure Drop per foot values by following the Propane conversion method detailed in Section 7.1 of the TracPipe D&I Guide.

CFH	1/2"	3/4"	1"	1-1/4"	1-1/2"	2"
700	2.8520	0.4301	0.1420	0.0392	0.0156	0.0028
725	3.0668	0.4623	0.1526	0.0421	0.0167	0.0030
750	3.2895	0.4956	0.1635	0.0451	0.0179	0.0032
775	3.5204	0.5302	0.1748	0.0482	0.0191	0.0034
800	3.7594	0.5659	0.1865	0.0514	0.0203	0.0037
825	4.0065	0.6028	0.1986	0.0547	0.0216	0.0039
850	4.2617	0.6410	0.2110	0.0582	0.0229	0.0041
875	4.5250	0.6803	0.2239	0.0617	0.0243	0.0044
900	4.7966	0.7208	0.2371	0.0653	0.0256	0.0046
925	5.0763	0.7625	0.2507	0.0691	0.0271	0.0049
950	5.3642	0.8055	0.2648	0.0729	0.0285	0.0052
975	5.6603	0.8496	0.2792	0.0769	0.0300	0.0055
1000	5.9647	0.8950	0.2940	0.0810	0.0316	0.0057
1100	7.2646	1.0885	0.3571	0.0983	0.0381	0.0070
1200	8.6972	1.3015	0.4264	0.1174	0.0453	0.0083
1300		1.5341	0.5020	0.1382	0.0531	0.0097
1400		1.7864	0.5839	0.1607	0.0615	0.0113
1500		2.0584	0.6722	0.1849	0.0705	0.0130
1600		2.3502	0.7668	0.2109	0.0801	0.0148
1700		2.6619	0.8677	0.2386	0.0903	0.0167
1800		2.9935	0.9750	0.2680	0.1011	0.0187
1900		3.3451	1.0887	0.2992	0.1125	0.0209
2000		3.7168	1.2088	0.3322	0.1245	0.0231
2100		4.1086	1.3353	0.3669	0.1371	0.0255
2200		4.5206	1.4682	0.4033	0.1503	0.0280
2300		4.9528	1.6075	0.4415	0.1641	0.0306
2400		5.4053	1.7533	0.4815	0.1786	0.0334
2500		5.8781	1.9056	0.5233	0.1936	0.0362
2600		6.3713	2.0643	0.5668	0.2092	0.0392
2700		6.8848	2.2295	0.6120	0.2254	0.0423
2800		7.4189	2.4011	0.6591	0.2422	0.0455
2900		7.9734	2.5793	0.7079	0.2597	0.0488
3000		8.5484	2.7640	0.7585	0.2777	0.0523
3100		9.1441	2.9552	0.8109	0.2963	0.0558
3200		9.7603	3.1529	0.8650	0.3155	0.0595
3300			3.3571	0.9210	0.3353	0.0633
3400			3.5679	0.9787	0.3557	0.0672
3500			3.7853	1.0382	0.3767	0.0712
3600			4.0091	1.0995	0.3983	0.0754
3700			4.2396	1.1626	0.4205	0.0797

Section 7.1 - Table PD-1A

Pressure drop ("wc per foot) for TracPipe based on a given CFH Flow Natural Gas SG = 0.60 Gas) at Inlet Pressures up to 5 psig

Note: For Propane (LP) Gas applications, obtain Pressure Drop per foot values by following the Propane conversion method detailed in Section 7.1 of the TracPipe D&I Guide.

CFH	1"	1-1/4"	1-1/2"	2"
3800	4.4766	1.2275	0.4433	0.0841
3900	4.7202	1.2941	0.4666	0.0886
4000	4.9704	1.3626	0.4906	0.0932
4100	5.2271	1.4329	0.5152	0.0979
4200	5.4905	1.5050	0.5403	0.1028
4300	5.7604	1.5788	0.5661	0.1078
4400	6.0370	1.6545	0.5924	0.1129
4500	6.3202	1.7320	0.6194	0.1181
4600	6.6100	1.8112	0.6469	0.1234
4700	6.9064	1.8923	0.6750	0.1289
4800	7.2094	1.9752	0.7037	0.1344
4900	7.5191	2.0599	0.7330	0.1401
5000	7.8355	2.1464	0.7629	0.1459
5250	8.6554	2.3706	0.8402	0.1610
5500	9.5170	2.6062	0.9212	0.1767
5750		2.8531	1.0059	0.1933
6000		3.1114	1.0943	0.2105
6250		3.3811	1.1864	0.2285
6500		3.6623	1.2821	0.2473
6750		3.9548	1.3815	0.2667
7000		4.2588	1.4846	0.2870
7250		4.5743	1.5913	0.3079
7500		4.9012	1.7017	0.3297
7750		5.2397	1.8158	0.3521
8000		5.5896	1.9335	0.3753
8250		5.9511	2.0549	0.3993
8500		6.3241	2.1799	0.4240
8750		6.7086	2.3086	0.4494
9000		7.1047	2.4409	0.4756
9250		7.5124	2.5769	0.5025
9500		7.9316	2.7166	0.5302
9750		8.3625	2.8598	0.5586
10000		8.8049	3.0067	0.5878
10500		9.7247	3.3115	0.6483

CFH	1-1/2"	2"
11000	3.6307	0.7119
11500	3.9645	0.7784
12000	4.3128	0.8479
12500	4.6756	0.9204
13000	5.0529	0.9959
13500	5.4447	1.0744
14000	5.8509	1.1559
14500	6.2716	1.2404
15000	6.7067	1.3278
16000	7.6202	1.5117
17000	8.5913	1.7077
18000	9.6200	1.9156
19000		2.1355
20000		2.3674
21000		2.6113
22000		2.8673
23000		3.1352
24000		3.4152
25000		3.7073
26000		4.0114
27000		4.3275
28000		4.6557
29000		4.9959
30000		5.3482
31000		5.7126
32000		6.0890
33000		6.4775
34000		6.8781
35000		7.2908
36000		7.7155
37000		8.1523
38000		8.6013
39000		9.0623
40000		9.5354

Section 7.1 - Table PD-2A

Pressure drop ("wc per foot) for Black Iron based on a given CFH Flow (Natural Gas SG = 0.60 Gas)

Note: For Propane (LP) Gas applications, obtain Pressure Drop per foot values by following the Propane conversion method detailed in Section 7.1 of the TracPipe D&I Guide.

CFH	1/2"	3/4"	1"	1-1/4"	1-1/2"	2"	2-1/2"	3"
10	0.0003	0.0001						
20	0.0009	0.0002	0.0001					
30	0.0020	0.0005	0.0002					
40	0.0033	0.0009	0.0003	0.0001				
50	0.0050	0.0013	0.0004	0.0001				
60	0.0071	0.0018	0.0006	0.0001	0.0001			
70	0.0094	0.0024	0.0007	0.0002	0.0001			
80	0.0120	0.0031	0.0009	0.0003	0.0001			
90	0.0149	0.0038	0.0012	0.0003	0.0001			
100	0.0181	0.0046	0.0014	0.0004	0.0002	0.0001		
110	0.0216	0.0055	0.0017	0.0005	0.0002	0.0001		
120	0.0254	0.0065	0.0020	0.0005	0.0003	0.0001		
130	0.0295	0.0075	0.0023	0.0006	0.0003	0.0001		
140	0.0338	0.0086	0.0027	0.0007	0.0003	0.0001		
150	0.0384	0.0098	0.0030	0.0008	0.0004	0.0001		
160	0.0433	0.0110	0.0034	0.0009	0.0004	0.0001	0.0001	
170	0.0484	0.0124	0.0038	0.0010	0.0005	0.0001	0.0001	
180	0.0538	0.0137	0.0043	0.0011	0.0005	0.0002	0.0001	
190	0.0595	0.0152	0.0047	0.0012	0.0006	0.0002	0.0001	
200	0.0654	0.0167	0.0052	0.0014	0.0006	0.0002	0.0001	
225	0.0813	0.0208	0.0064	0.0017	0.0008	0.0002	0.0001	
250	0.0988	0.0252	0.0078	0.0021	0.0010	0.0003	0.0001	
275	0.1178	0.0301	0.0093	0.0025	0.0012	0.0003	0.0001	0.0001
300	0.1384	0.0353	0.0109	0.0029	0.0014	0.0004	0.0002	0.0001
325	0.1605	0.0410	0.0127	0.0034	0.0016	0.0005	0.0002	0.0001
350	0.1840	0.0470	0.0146	0.0038	0.0018	0.0005	0.0002	0.0001
375	0.2091	0.0534	0.0165	0.0044	0.0021	0.0006	0.0003	0.0001
400	0.2356	0.0602	0.0186	0.0049	0.0023	0.0007	0.0003	0.0001
425	0.2635	0.0673	0.0208	0.0055	0.0026	0.0008	0.0003	0.0001
450	0.2929	0.0748	0.0232	0.0061	0.0029	0.0009	0.0004	0.0001
475	0.3237	0.0827	0.0256	0.0068	0.0032	0.0010	0.0004	0.0001
500	0.3559	0.0909	0.0282	0.0074	0.0035	0.0010	0.0004	0.0002
525	0.3896	0.0995	0.0308	0.0081	0.0039	0.0011	0.0005	0.0002
550	0.4246	0.1084	0.0336	0.0089	0.0042	0.0012	0.0005	0.0002
575	0.4609	0.1177	0.0365	0.0096	0.0046	0.0014	0.0006	0.0002
600	0.4987	0.1273	0.0394	0.0104	0.0049	0.0015	0.0006	0.0002
625	0.5378	0.1373	0.0425	0.0112	0.0053	0.0016	0.0007	0.0002
650	0.5783	0.1476	0.0457	0.0121	0.0057	0.0017	0.0007	0.0002
675	0.6201	0.1583	0.0490	0.0130	0.0061	0.0018	0.0008	0.0003

Tables calculated from Low-Pressure Gas Formula in NFPA -54

Section 7.1 - Table PD-2A

Pressure drop ("wc per foot) for Black Iron based on a given CFH Flow (Natural Gas SG = 0.60 Gas)

Note: For Propane (LP) Gas applications, obtain Pressure Drop per foot values by following the Propane conversion method detailed in Section 7.1 of the TracPipe D&I Guide..

CFH	1/2"	3/4"	1"	1-1/4"	1-1/2"	2"	2-1/2"	3"
700	0.6632	0.1693	0.0525	0.0139	0.0066	0.0019	0.0008	0.0003
725	0.7077	0.1807	0.0560	0.0148	0.0070	0.0021	0.0009	0.0003
750	0.7535	0.1924	0.0596	0.0157	0.0074	0.0022	0.0009	0.0003
775	0.8006	0.2044	0.0633	0.0167	0.0079	0.0024	0.0010	0.0003
800	0.8490	0.2168	0.0671	0.0177	0.0084	0.0025	0.0011	0.0004
825	0.8987	0.2295	0.0711	0.0188	0.0089	0.0026	0.0011	0.0004
850	0.9497	0.2425	0.0751	0.0198	0.0094	0.0028	0.0012	0.0004
875	1.0020	0.2559	0.0793	0.0209	0.0099	0.0029	0.0012	0.0004
900	1.0556	0.2695	0.0835	0.0221	0.0104	0.0031	0.0013	0.0005
925	1.1105	0.2835	0.0878	0.0232	0.0110	0.0033	0.0014	0.0005
950	1.1667	0.2979	0.0923	0.0244	0.0115	0.0034	0.0014	0.0005
975	1.2241	0.3125	0.0968	0.0256	0.0121	0.0036	0.0015	0.0005
1000	1.2828	0.3275	0.1015	0.0268	0.0127	0.0038	0.0016	0.0006
1100	1.5300	0.3907	0.1210	0.0320	0.0151	0.0045	0.0019	0.0007
1200	1.7972	0.4589	0.1421	0.0375	0.0178	0.0053	0.0022	0.0008
1300	2.0839	0.5321	0.1648	0.0435	0.0206	0.0061	0.0026	0.0009
1400	2.3901	0.6103	0.1890	0.0499	0.0236	0.0070	0.0030	0.0010
1500	2.7154	0.6933	0.2148	0.0567	0.0268	0.0080	0.0034	0.0012
1600	3.0596	0.7812	0.2420	0.0639	0.0302	0.0090	0.0038	0.0013
1700	3.4226	0.8739	0.2707	0.0715	0.0338	0.0101	0.0042	0.0015
1800	3.8043	0.9714	0.3009	0.0795	0.0376	0.0112	0.0047	0.0016
1900	4.2044	1.0735	0.3325	0.0878	0.0416	0.0124	0.0052	0.0018
2000	4.6228	1.1803	0.3656	0.0966	0.0457	0.0136	0.0057	0.0020
2100	5.0593	1.2918	0.4001	0.1057	0.0500	0.0149	0.0063	0.0022
2200	5.5139	1.4079	0.4361	0.1152	0.0545	0.0162	0.0068	0.0024
2300	5.9864	1.5285	0.4735	0.1251	0.0592	0.0176	0.0074	0.0026
2400	6.4766	1.6537	0.5122	0.1353	0.0640	0.0190	0.0080	0.0028
2500	6.9846	1.7834	0.5524	0.1459	0.0690	0.0205	0.0087	0.0030
2600	7.5100	1.9175	0.5940	0.1569	0.0742	0.0221	0.0093	0.0032
2700	8.0530	2.0562	0.6369	0.1682	0.0796	0.0237	0.0100	0.0035
2800	8.6133	2.1992	0.6812	0.1799	0.0851	0.0253	0.0107	0.0037
2900	9.1908	2.3467	0.7269	0.1920	0.0909	0.0270	0.0114	0.0040
3000	9.7856	2.4986	0.7740	0.2044	0.0967	0.0288	0.0121	0.0042
3100		2.6548	0.8223	0.2172	0.1028	0.0306	0.0129	0.0045
3200		2.8153	0.8721	0.2303	0.1090	0.0324	0.0137	0.0048
3300		2.9802	0.9232	0.2438	0.1154	0.0343	0.0145	0.0050
3400		3.1494	0.9756	0.2577	0.1219	0.0363	0.0153	0.0053
3500		3.3228	1.0293	0.2719	0.1286	0.0382	0.0161	0.0056
3600		3.5005	1.0843	0.2864	0.1355	0.0403	0.0170	0.0059
3700		3.6825	1.1407	0.3013	0.1426	0.0424	0.0179	0.0062
3800		3.8687	1.1984	0.3165	0.1498	0.0445	0.0188	0.0065
3900		4.0591	1.2573	0.3321	0.1571	0.0467	0.0197	0.0069

Tables calculated from Low-Pressure Gas Formula in NFPA -54

Section 7.1 - Table PD-2A

Pressure drop ("wc per foot) for Black Iron based on a given CFH Flow (Natural Gas SG = 0.60 Gas)

Note: For Propane (LP) Gas applications, obtain Pressure Drop per foot values by following the Propane conversion method detailed in Section 7.1 of the TracPipe D&I Guide..

CFH	3/4"	1"	1-1/4"	1-1/2"	2"	2-1/2"	3"
4000	4.2537	1.3176	0.3480	0.1647	0.0490	0.0207	0.0072
4100	4.4524	1.3792	0.3643	0.1724	0.0513	0.0216	0.0075
4200	4.6554	1.4421	0.3809	0.1802	0.0536	0.0226	0.0079
4300	4.8624	1.5062	0.3978	0.1882	0.0560	0.0236	0.0082
4400	5.0737	1.5716	0.4151	0.1964	0.0584	0.0246	0.0086
4500	5.2890	1.6383	0.4327	0.2048	0.0609	0.0257	0.0090
4600	5.5084	1.7063	0.4507	0.2133	0.0634	0.0268	0.0093
4700	5.7319	1.7755	0.4690	0.2219	0.0660	0.0278	0.0097
4800	5.9595	1.8460	0.4876	0.2307	0.0686	0.0290	0.0101
4900	6.1912	1.9178	0.5066	0.2397	0.0713	0.0301	0.0105
5000	6.4269	1.9908	0.5258	0.2488	0.0740	0.0312	0.0109
5250	7.0338	2.1788	0.5755	0.2723	0.0810	0.0342	0.0119
5500	7.6658	2.3746	0.6272	0.2968	0.0882	0.0372	0.0130
5750	8.3227	2.5780	0.6810	0.3222	0.0958	0.0404	0.0141
6000	9.0043	2.7892	0.7367	0.3486	0.1036	0.0437	0.0152
6250	9.7104	3.0079	0.7945	0.3759	0.1118	0.0472	0.0164
6500		3.2342	0.8543	0.4042	0.1202	0.0507	0.0177
6750		3.4680	0.9160	0.4334	0.1289	0.0544	0.0189
7000		3.7093	0.9798	0.4636	0.1378	0.0582	0.0203
7250		3.9580	1.0455	0.4947	0.1471	0.0621	0.0216
7500		4.2142	1.1131	0.5267	0.1566	0.0661	0.0230
7750		4.4776	1.1827	0.5596	0.1664	0.0702	0.0245
8000		4.7484	1.2542	0.5935	0.1765	0.0745	0.0259
8250		5.0265	1.3277	0.6282	0.1868	0.0788	0.0275
8500		5.3119	1.4031	0.6639	0.1974	0.0833	0.0290
8750		5.6044	1.4803	0.7004	0.2083	0.0879	0.0306
9000		5.9042	1.5595	0.7379	0.2194	0.0926	0.0323
9250		6.2111	1.6406	0.7763	0.2308	0.0974	0.0339
9500		6.5251	1.7235	0.8155	0.2425	0.1023	0.0357
9750		6.8462	1.8083	0.8556	0.2544	0.1074	0.0374
10000		7.1744	1.8950	0.8967	0.2666	0.1125	0.0392
10500		7.8520	2.0740	0.9813	0.2918	0.1231	0.0429
11000		8.5574	2.2603	1.0695	0.3180	0.1342	0.0468
11500		9.2907	2.4540	1.1612	0.3452	0.1457	0.0508
12000			2.6550	1.2563	0.3735	0.1576	0.0549
12500			2.8632	1.3548	0.4028	0.1700	0.0592
13000			3.0786	1.4567	0.4331	0.1828	0.0637
13500			3.3012	1.5620	0.4644	0.1960	0.0683
14000			3.5309	1.6707	0.4967	0.2096	0.0730
14500			3.7676	1.7827	0.5300	0.2237	0.0779
15000			4.0114	1.8981	0.5643	0.2382	0.0830

Tables calculated from Low-Pressure Gas Formula in NFPA -54

Section 7.1 - Table PD-2A

Pressure drop ("wc per foot) for Black Iron based on a given CFH Flow (Natural Gas SG = 0.60 Gas)

Note: For Propane (LP) Gas applications, obtain Pressure Drop per foot values by following the Propane conversion method detailed in Section 7.1 of the TracPipe D&I Guide.

CFH	1-1/4"	1-1/2"	2"	2-1/2"	3"
16000	4.5200	2.1387	0.6359	0.2684	0.0935
17000	5.0563	2.3925	0.7113	0.3002	0.1046
18000	5.6201	2.6593	0.7907	0.3337	0.1163
19000	6.2112	2.9389	0.8738	0.3688	0.1285
20000	6.8293	3.2314	0.9608	0.4055	0.1413
21000	7.4742	3.5366	1.0515	0.4438	0.1546
22000	8.1457	3.8543	1.1460	0.4836	0.1685
23000	8.8437	4.1846	1.2442	0.5251	0.1829
24000	9.5680	4.5273	1.3461	0.5681	0.1979
25000		4.8823	1.4516	0.6126	0.2134
26000		5.2496	1.5608	0.6587	0.2295
27000		5.6292	1.6737	0.7063	0.2461
28000		6.0208	1.7901	0.7555	0.2632
29000		6.4245	1.9102	0.8061	0.2809
30000		6.8403	2.0338	0.8583	0.2990
31000		7.2679	2.1609	0.9120	0.3177
32000		7.7075	2.2916	0.9671	0.3369
33000		8.1589	2.4258	1.0238	0.3567
34000		8.6220	2.5635	1.0819	0.3769
35000		9.0969	2.7047	1.1415	0.3977
36000		9.5834	2.8494	1.2025	0.4189
37000			2.9975	1.2650	0.4407
38000			3.1490	1.3290	0.4630
39000			3.3040	1.3944	0.4858
40000			3.4624	1.4612	0.5091
41000			3.6242	1.5295	0.5329
42000			3.7894	1.5992	0.5572
43000			3.9579	1.6703	0.5819
44000			4.1299	1.7429	0.6072
45000			4.3051	1.8169	0.6330

SECTION 7.2 — SIZING TABLE FOR STEEL PIPE

Natural Gas 0.5 PSI or less / 0.5 inch w.c. drop

SECTION 7.2

Table SP-1

Capacity of SCH 40 Metallic Pipe in Cubic Feet of Gas per Hour (0.60 Specific Gravity Gas)
Based on an Inlet Pressure of 2 psi or less and a Pressure Drop of 0.5 inches water column

Nominal Pipe Size (inch)	Pipe ID (inch)	Length of Pipe (Feet)													
		10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	125	150	175	200
1/2	0.622	172	118	95	81	72	65	60	56	52	50	44	40	37	34
3/4	0.824	360	247	199	170	151	137	126	117	110	104	92	83	77	71
1	1.049	678	466	374	320	284	257	237	220	207	195	173	157	144	134
1 1/4	1.380	1390	957	768	657	583	528	486	452	424	400	355	322	296	275
1 1/2	1.610	2090	1430	1150	985	873	791	728	677	635	600	532	482	443	412
2	2.067	4020	2760	2220	1900	1680	1520	1400	1300	1220	1160	1020	928	854	794
2 1/2	2.469	6400	4400	3530	3020	2680	2430	2230	2080	1950	1840	1630	1480	1360	1270
3	3.068	11300	7780	6250	5350	4740	4290	3950	3670	3450	3260	2890	2610	2410	2240
4	4.026	23100	15900	12700	10900	9660	8760	8050	7490	7030	6640	5890	5330	4910	4560
5	5.047	41800	28700	23000	19700	17500	15800	14600	13600	12700	12000	10600	9650	8880	8260
6	6.065	67600	46500	37300	31900	28300	25600	23600	22000	20600	19500	17200	15600	14400	13400
8	7.981	139,000	95,500	76,700	65,600	58,200	52,700	48,500	45,100	42,300	40,000	35,400	32,100	29,500	27,500

Note: Table values taken from 2021 NFPA 54 (National Fuel Gas Code) Table 6.2.1 (b)

CHAPTER 8
DEFINITION OF TERMINOLOGY

A.G.A. – American Gas Association

ANSI Z223.1 edition of the National Fuel Gas Code published by American National Standard Institute. Also known as NFPA 54 (National Fire Protection Association).

Appliance (Equipment) – Any device which utilizes natural gas or propane as a fuel or raw material to produce light, heat, power, refrigeration or air conditioning.

Approved – Acceptable to the authorities having jurisdiction.

Authority Having Jurisdiction – The organization, office or individual responsible for “approving" equipment, an installation or a procedure.

BTU – Abbreviation for British Thermal Unit, which is the quantity of heat required to raise the temperature of one pound of water one degree Fahrenheit .

CFH – Gas flow rate stated in cubic feet per hour.

Clothes Dryer – A device used to dry wet laundry by means of heat derived from the combustion of natural gases.

Design Pressure – The maximum operating pressure permitted by this document, as determined by the design procedures applicable to the materials involved.

Drip Leg – The container (dirt trap pocket) placed at a low point in a system of piping to collect foreign material or condensate and from which it may be removed.

EHD (Effective Hydraulic Diameter) – A relative measure of flow capacity; This number is used to compare individual sizes between different manufacturers. The higher the EHD number the greater flow capacity of the piping.

Full Lockup – The capability of totally stopping the flow of gas if the load goes to zero, thus preventing the downstream pressure from increasing more than a certain upper limit pressure above the set point.

Header (manifold) – A pipe or fitting to which a number of branch lines are connected.

ID – Inside diameter of pipe or tubing.

Inches (") W.C. – Method of stating pressure measured in inches of water column by a manometer or pressure gauge. Commonly used in the gas industry when the pressure is less than one (1) PSI.

1 PSI = 28 in. W.C. approximately

1/2 PSI = 14 in. W.C.

1/4 PSI = 7 in. W.C.

Load – The amount of gas in CFH required by an appliance, or group of appliances, per their rating plate.

L. P. Gas – Fuel gas that is stored and transported in a liquid state, i.e., propane, butane, and mixtures of these and other heavier hydrocarbons.

Meter – An instrument installed to measure the volume of gas delivered through a piping system.

Manometer – A “U” shaped tube filled with water, or mercury where the pressure applied to one leg of the “U” will push the liquid column a measurable distance. Also known as a “U” gauge.

OD – Outside Diameter of pipe or tubing.

1/2 PSI – A shortened way of stating 1/2 pounds per square inch gauge. Also the name of a low pressure piping system supplying gas from the meter at 1/2 PSI to each appliance pressure regulator.

Piping – As used in this document, either pipe or tubing, or both.

a. pipe – Rigid conduit of iron, steel, copper, brass or aluminum.
b. tubing – Semi rigid conduit of corrugated stainless steel.

Pressure – Unless otherwise stated, is expressed in pounds per square inch above atmospheric pressure, i.e. gage pressure (PSI).

Pressure Drop – The loss in static pressure of gas due to friction or obstruction in tubing, valves, fittings, regulators and burners.

Pressure Regulator – A device that reduces and controls pressure. It automatically opens and closes in response to changing pressure conditions in the downstream piping.

PSI – Pounds per square inch gauge. The pressure, as read from a measurement gage or device. Gauge pressure is pressure above atmospheric pressure.

Purge – To displace the original air, or gas, or a mixture of gas and air in a gas conduit with a new air/gas mixture.

Regulator, Appliance (inches w.c. – inches w.c.) – A device for controlling and maintaining a uniform pressure to the manifold of gas burning equipment. This valve is typically part of the appliance. It reduces the pressure from 5.5" w.c. to the manifold pressure in the appliance. (approximately 3.5" w.c.).

Regulator, Line Gas Pressure (PSI – inches w.c.) – A device placed in a gas line between the service regulator and the appliance regulator for controlling, maintaining or reducing the pressure in that portion of the piping system downstream of the device. This valve reduces the house line pressure (typically 2 PSI) to the regulator manifold pressure (typically 8-10" w.c.).

Regulator, Service (PSI – PSI or inches w.c.) – A device installed by the serving gas supplier to reduce and limit the service line gas pressure. This valve reduces the service pressure to the metering pressure. It is located upstream of the gas meter.

Regulator Vent – The opening in the atmospheric side of the regulator housing permitting the in and out movement of air to compensate for the movement of the regulator diaphragm.

Specific Gravity – As applied to gas, the ratio of the weight of a given volume to that of the same volume of air, both measured under the same conditions.

2 PSI – A shortened way of stating 2 pounds per square inch gauge pressure. Also the name of a piping system supplying gas at 2 PSI to a line gas pressure regulator which then reduces the pressure to inches W.C. upstream of the appliance regulator.

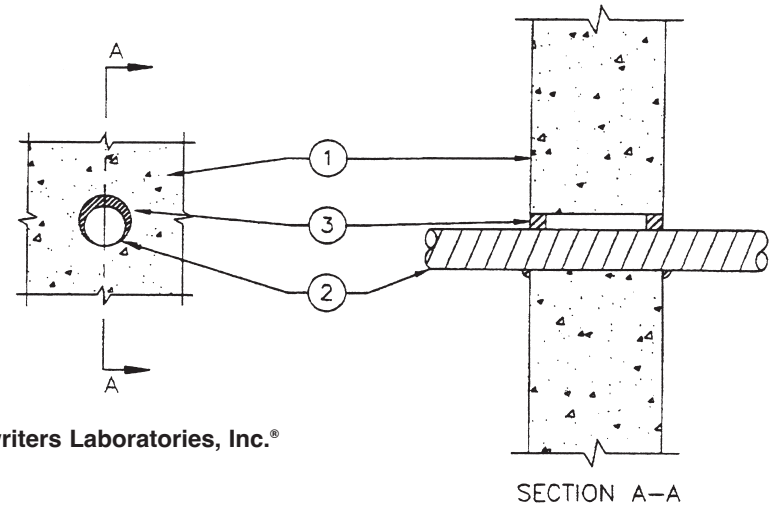
Valve, Manual Shut-off – A valve (located in the piping system and readily accessible and operable by the consumer) used to shut off individual equipment.

Vent Limiter Device – Restriction/orifice type device in the vent outlet of a pressure regulator that controls or limits leakage, in the event of a diaphragm leak. It also allows the diaphragm to move freely to control pressure.

APPENDIX A
UL CLASSIFICATION

SYSTEM NO. W-J-1106

F-Rating - 1 & 2 Hr
T-Rating - 3/4 and 1-1/4 Hr



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1. **Wall Assembly -** Min 4-7/8 in. or 6-1/8 in. thick lightweight or normal weight (100-150 pcf) concrete for 1 or 2 hr rated assemblies, respectively. Wall may also be constructed of any UL Classified **Concrete Blocks***. Max diam of opening is 3-1/2 in. See **Concrete Blocks** (CAZT) category in the Fire Resistance Directory for names of manufacturers.
2. **Through Penetrating Products* - Flexible Metal Piping** - Nom. 2 in. diam (or smaller) steel flexible metallic piping. Max one flexible metal piping to be installed either concentrically or eccentrically within opening. The annular space between piping and periphery of opening shall be min 0 (point contact) in. to max 1 in. Piping to be rigidly supported on both sides of wall assembly. Plastic covering on piping may or may not be removed on both sides of wall assembly.
   Omega Flex, Inc.—*Counterstrike®* Flexible Gas Piping.
3. **Fill, Void, or Cavity Material*-Sealant** - Min. 5/8 and 1 in. thickness of fill material for 1 and 2 hr fire-rated wall assemblies, respectively, applied within the annulus, flush with both surfaces of wall. An additional 1/2 in. diam of fill material applied at gypsum board/penetrant interface at point contact location on both **surfaces of wall.**

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SYSTEM NO. C-AJ-1340

Floor or Wall Assembly - Min 4-1/2 in. thick lightweight or normal weight (100 to 150 pcf) concrete. Wall may also be constructed of any UL Classified **Concrete Blocks***. Diam of opening in floor or wall assembly to be min 3/4 in. to max 1-1/2 in. Larger than diam of flexible metal piping (Item 2) installed in through opening. Max diam of opening is 4 in. See Concrete Block (CAZT) category in the Fire Resistance **Directory for names of manufacturers.**

Through-Penetrant* - **Omegaflex Gas Piping** - Nom 2 in. diam (or smaller) flexible gas piping. One flexible gas piping to be installed either concentrically or eccentrically within the firestop system.The annular space between gas piping and periphery of opening shall be min 0 in. (point contact) to max. 1-1/2 in. Gas piping to be rigidly supported on both sides of floor or wall assembly. Plastic covering on piping may or may not be removed on both sides of floor or wall assembly.

Omega Flex, Inc. – ***Counterstrike* Flexible Gas Piping.**

Firestop System - The firestop system shall consist of the following:

A. Packing Material - Min 3-3/4 in. thickness of min 4 pcf mineral wool batt insulation firmly packed into opening as a permanent form. Packing material to be recessed from top surface of floor or from both surfaces wall as required to accommodate the required thickness of fill material.

B. Fill, Void or Cavity Material* - Sealant Min 3/4 in. thickness of fill material applied within the annulus, flush with top surface of floor or both surfaces of wall. Min 1/2 in. diam bead of caulk applied to the penetrant/concrete or penetrant/concrete interface at the point contact location between penetrant and periphery of opening. **Passive Fire Protection Partners** - 4800DW

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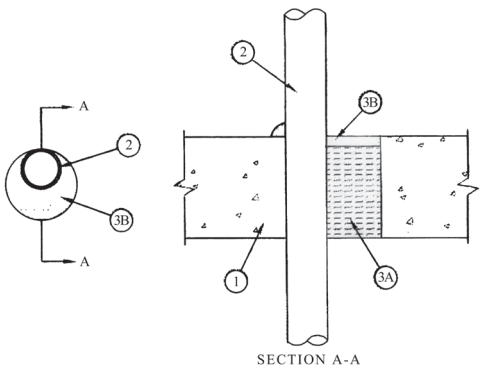
Through Penetration Firestop systems

System No. C-AJ-1340
F-Rating - 4 Hr
T-Rating - 2-1/4 Hr



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UL CLASSIFICATION

SYSTEM NO. W-L-1195

The UL Through Penetration Firestop Systems in Appendix A are only a sample of the complete UL database. See NOTE below.

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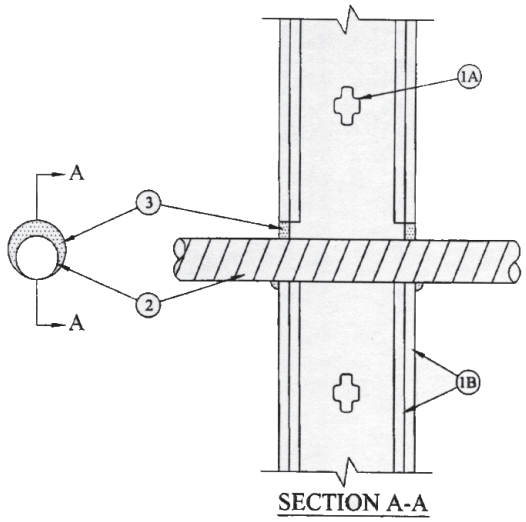
Through-Penetration Firestop Systems

System No. W-L-1195
F Rating - 1 & 2 hr (See Item 1)
T Rating - 3/4 & 1-1/4 hr(See Item 1)



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1. Wall Assembly - The 1 or 2 hr fire rated gypsum wallboard/stud wall assembly shall be constructed of the materials and in the manner described in the individual U300 or U400 Series Wall and Partition Designs in the UL Fire Resistance Directory and shall include the following construction features:

A. Studs - Wall framing may consist of either wood studs or steel channel studs. Wood studs to consist of nom 2 by 4 in. lumber spaced 16 in. OC with nom 2 by 4 in. Lumber end plates and cross braces. Steel studs to be min 3-5/8 in. wide by 1-3/8 in. deep channels spaced max 24 in. OC.

B. Wallboard, Gypsum* - Thickness, type, number of layers and fasteners as required in the individual Wall and Partition Design. Max diam of opening is 3-1/2 in.

1. The hourly F rating of the firestop system is equal to the hourly fire rating of the wall assembly in which it is installed. The hourly T rating is 3/4 hr and 1-1/4 hr for 1 and 2 hr rated assemblies, respectively.

2. Through-Penetrating Product*- Flexible Metal Piping-Nom 2 in. diam (or smaller) steel Flexible Metal Piping. Max one flexible metal piping to be installed either concentrically or eccentrically within opening. The annular space between pipe and periphery of opening shall be min 0 in. (point contact) to max 1 in. Piping to be rigidly supported on both sides of wall assembly. Plastic covering on piping may or may not be removed for a distance of 2 ft. on both sides of wall assembly.
Omega Flex, Inc. – *Counterstrike* CSST Flexible Gas Piping.

3. Fill, Void, or Cavity Material* - Sealant - Min 5/8 and 1 in. thickness of fill material for 1 and 2 hr fire-rated wall assemblies, respectively, applied within the annulus, flush with both surfaces of wall. An additional 1/2 in diameter of fill material applied at gypsum board/penetrant interface at point contact location on both surfaces of wall.
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NOTICE:

To access the complete UL Through Penetration Firestop Systems database online:

1. Go to website ***www.ul.com***
2. Click on : “CERTIFICATIONS” in left hand panel
3. Click on : “Company name/location” under General Search
4. Fill in Omega Flex, Inc. (3 words) in “Company Name” box
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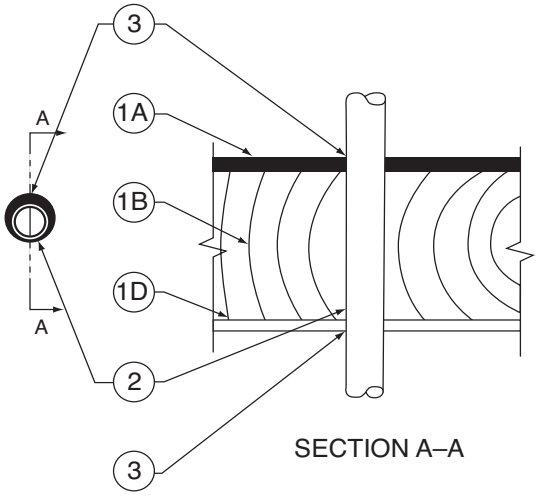

SECTION A–A

1. **Floor Assembly** - The 1 or 2 hr fire-rated wood joist, wood truss or combination wood and steel truss Floor-Ceiling assembly shall be constructed of the materials and in the manner described in the individual L500 Series Design in the UL Fire Resistance Directory. **The F Rating of the firestop system is equal to the rating of the floor-ceiling and wall assemblies.** The general construction features of the floor-ceiling assembly are summarized below:

   A. **Flooring System -** Lumber or plywood subfloor with finish floor of lumber, plywood or Floor **Topping Mixture*** as specified in the individual Floor-Ceiling Design. Max diam of opening is 3 in. (76 mm).
   B. **Joists** - Nom 2 by 10 in. (51 by 254 mm) deep (or deeper) lumber joists spaced 16 in. (406 mm) OC or steel or combination lumber and steel joists, trusses or **Structural Wood Members*** with bridging as required and with ends firestopped.
   C. **Furring Channels** (Not Shown) (As required) Resilient galvanized steel furring installed in accordance with the manner specified in the individual L500 Series Designs in the Fire Resistance Directory.
   D. **Gypsum Board*** - Thickness, type, number of layers and fasteners shall be as specified in the individual Floor-Ceiling Design. Max diam of opening is 3 in. (76 mm).

2. **Through Penetrating Products* - Flexible Metal Piping -** Nom 2 in. (51 mm) diam (or smaller) steel Flexible Metal Piping with or without plastic covering on piping. Max one flexible metal piping to be installed near center of circular through opening in floor assembly. The annular space between the piping and periphery of opening shall be min 0 in. (0 mm) (point contact) to max 1/2 in. (13 mm). Piping to be rigidly supported on both sides of floor assembly.

3. **Fill, Void or Cavity Material* - Sealant** - Min 3/4 in. (19 mm) thickness of sealant applied within annulus on top surface of floor. Min 5/8 in. (16 mm) thickness of sealant applied within annulus on bottom surface of ceiling. At point contact location, a min 1/2 in. (13 mm) bead of sealant shall be applied to the penetrant/gypsum board interface on bottom surface of ceiling **and at penetrant/flooring interface on top surface of floor.**
   Passive Fire Protection Partners** - 3600EX, 41GONS or 4800DW

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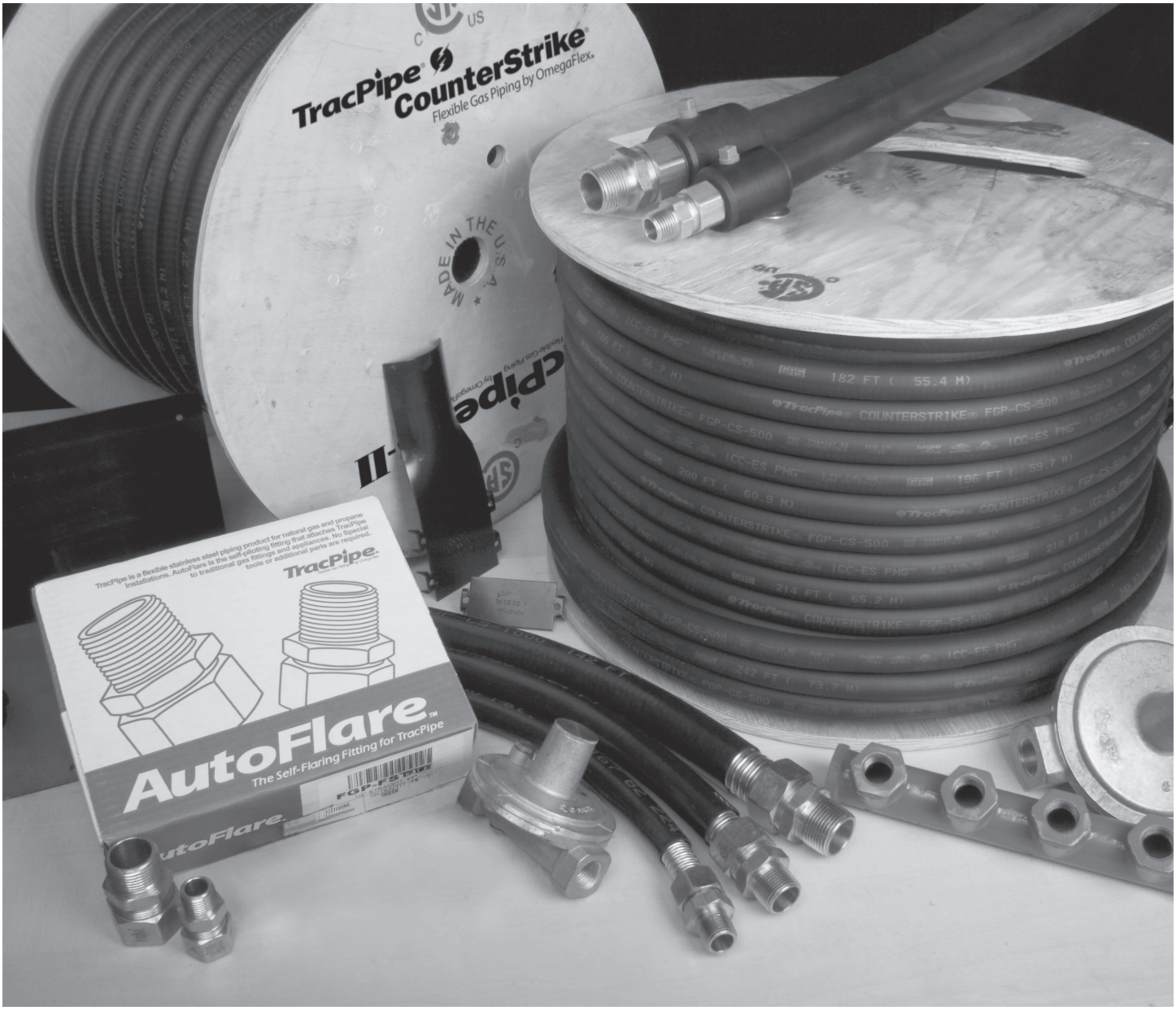

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