A Special Rubber Flexible Coupling Made For PVC DWV Plumbing Stacks

EXPANSION THAT MAKES SENSE



Most engineers use P.E. Thermal Expansion Charts to determine the overall movement of PVC pipe in a multi-story building. If the chart shows 3" movement within a 100 feet of vertical PVC pipe, most engineers would normally select one expansion joint that moves 3" and locate it near the top of the PVC pipe.

The above method does makes sense unless the PVC pipe is a DWV plumbing stack that has branches coming off at every floor. Then the expansion should then be compensated at every floor or every other floor. Its here where branch pipe breakage could occur without using the right type of expansion fitting. This inexpensive ProVent Expansion Coupling can compensate up to 3/4" when needed. All four story or more apartment/hotel type buildings need this protection for both concrete and more importantly wood structures with a lot of shrinkage.



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TEST REPORT

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Report Number:	2777-19001 http:/						
Report Issued:	April 17 th , 2019	Project No.: 32000					
Client:	ProVent Systems 1355 Capital Circle Lawrenceville, GA 30043	Contact: Ken Cornwall					
Source of Samples:	The samples were manufactured by the client and witnessed tested by Dale E. Holloway of IAPMO R&T Lab in Lawrenceville, GA The samples were received in good condition.						
Test Date:	April 16 th , 2019						
Sample Description:	3" and 4" Flexible Expansion Couplings. Models: 3" – P35470-D 4" – P45470-D						
Scope of Testing:	The purpose of the testing was to determ of the Flexible Expansion Couplings me IAPMO IGC 359-2019, entitled "Flex DWV Stack Applications".	t the applicable requirements of					

Conclusion: The sample tested of the above flexible expansion couplings from ProVent Systems COMPLIED with the applicable requirements of IAPMO IGC 359-2019

By our signature below we certify that all the testing and sample preparation for this report was performed under continuous, direct supervision of IAPMO R&T Lab, unless otherwise stated.

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Primary Standards: IGC 359-2019 Sections tested / evaluated:

- 4. General Requirement
- 5. Testing Requirements
- 6. Markings and Accompanying Literature.

Test Results All tests and evaluations were conducted per the written procedures in the specified standards.

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4. General Requirements

4.1.1 Flexible Coupling Material: COMPLIED Couplings covered by this Standard shall be made of thermoplastic vulcanizate elastomer material with the minimum requirements shown in Table 1.

		Toursease			
Material Property	Actual Value	Minimum	Standard based on		
		Requirement			
Density	0.93	0.93 g/cm ³	ASTM D792		
Tensile stress at 73°F	305 psi	305 psi	ASTM D412		
Tensile Strength at Break at 73°F	667 psi	667 psi	ASTM D412		
Elongation at Break at 73°F	480%	480%	ASTM D412		
Compression Set			ASTM D395B		
158°F, 22 h, Type 1	19%	19%			
257°F, 70 h, Type 1	49%	49%			
Change in Tensile	-11%	-11%	ASTM D573		
Strength in air at					
302°F, 168 h					
Change in Ultimate	-10%	-10%	ASTM D573		
Elongation in air at					
302°F, 168 h					
Change in	1.0	1.0	ASTM D573		
Durometer					
Hardness in air at					
302°F, 168 h					

4.1.2 Rigid Components: COMPLIED

Flexible expansion couplings complying with this Standard that contain rigid Components are part of the flexible expansion installed around its insert built into the rubber coupling, and shall be made of:

(a) \underline{X} PVC that complies with the minimum requirements of ASTM D2665.

(b) ____ ABS that complies with the minimum requirements of ASTM D2661.

4.1.3 Clamps: COMPLIED

Clamps for connecting the pipe to the flexible expansion coupling may be conventional snap ring type, a worm driven stainless steel band, or other conventional type of equally corrosion resistant materials.

Findings - worm driven stainless steel band

- 4.2 Connections: COMPLIED Flexible expansion couplings shall be capable of connecting to pipe and fittings that comply with the minimum requirements of ASTM D2661, ASTM D2665, CSA B181.1, or CSA B181.2 as applicable, sized to fit.
- 4.3 Workmanship: COMPLIED

4.3.1 Flexible expansion couplings shall not:

- (a) Restrict the flow capacity of the drainage line.
- (b) Offer abnormal obstruction to the flow.
- (c) Produce excessive turbulence or
- (d) Have excessive body ledges or shoulders.
- 4.3.2 Inside and outside surfaces of the flex expansion couplings shall be free of crack, holes, blisters, voids, foreign inclusions or any other defects that are not visible to the naked eye and that might affect its functionality.

5 Testing Requirements

- 5.1 Test Specimen: FOLLOWED The test specimen shall consist of a 3" and 4" flex expansion coupling.
- 5.2 Life Cycle Test: FOLLOWED
- 5.2.1 Test Apparatus: FOLLOWED The test apparatus was expanded and contracted to ½" for 3" specimens and ¾" for 4" specimens by using a drill press in a down position.
- 5.2.2 The testing was conducted testing in a down position for expansion or contraction (1/2" for 3" or ¾" for 4" specimens) as per Section 5.2.1. Testing was conducted as per Section 5.2.2 for 100 cycles in contraction and expansion modes at 100°F, then repeated for 100 cycles at 30°F. Units were then removed and examined.
- 5.2.3 Performance Requirements: COMPLIED The specimen shall not fail or show any signs of deformation at either 100°F or at 30°F: Findings: <u>No deformation at either 100°F or 30°F</u>
- 5.3 Hydrostatic Water Pressure Test: FOLLOWED
- 5.3.2 The hydrostatic water pressure test was installed per manufacturer's instructions, fitted with a 10 ft. length of pipe extending above the Coupling and the pressure held for 10 minutes, or fill a 3 ft. length of pipe with water at a pressure of 5 psi for 10 minutes. After the 10 minutes the coupling was examined for leaks.

5.3.3 Performance Requirements: COMPLIED

There shall be no leakage from the coupling.

Findings:	Setup option:	The coupling	was	attached	with	а	pressure	gauge	and
	pressurized to	10 ft. of head	press	ure.					
	Results:	No leakage			_				

6 Markings and Accompanying Literature

6.1 Markings: COMPLIED

Flexible expansion couplings complying with this Standard shall be marked with:

- (a) <u>X</u> manufacturer's name or trademark
- (b) X model number
- (c) X IAPMO standard designation: IGC-359
- (d) X intended service, where applicable
- 6.2 Visibility: COMPLIED Markings shall be permanent, legible, and visible after installation.
- 6.3 Installation Instructions: COMPLIED The Flexible Coupling shall be accompanied by general instructions for their installation, care and maintenance, and repair and shall include the following:
 - (a) X requirements for where and how to install the flex expansion coupling.
 - (b) X locations where anchors should be installed to allow the flex expansion coupling to work properly.
 - (c) X a statement showing that shrinkage in multi-story wood structures should be considered prior to installation of the flexible coupling.



PICTURES

3"

4"