

SECTION 22 63 00
GAS SYSTEMS FOR HEALTHCARE FACILITIES

PART 1 - GENERAL**1.1 DESCRIPTION**

- A. Central Healthcare Gas Systems: Consisting of oxygen, medical air and instrument compressed air services; complete, ready for operation, including all necessary piping, fittings, valves, station outlets, rough-ins, gages, alarms including low voltage wiring, instrument air compressors, electric motors and starters, air dryers, dew point monitors, filters, pressure regulators, carbon monoxide monitors, and all necessary parts, accessories, connections and equipment. Match existing Hospital's station outlet terminal connections.
- B. Oxygen System: Piping connection to existing system.
- C. Medical Air System: Piping connection to existing system.
- D. Instrument Compressed Air System: Complete system of compressors, dryers, filters, piping, outlets, etc. to provide a complete working system.

1.2 RELATED WORK

- A. Section 07 84 00, FIRESTOPPING: Sealing around pipe penetrations to maintain the integrity of time rated construction.
- B. Section 07 92 00, JOINT SEALANTS: Sealing around pipe penetrations through the floor to prevent moisture migration.
- C. Section 22 05 11, COMMON WORK RESULTS FOR PLUMBING: General requirements and items common to more than one section of Division 22.
- D. Section 22 05 12, GENERAL MOTOR REQUIREMENTS FOR PLUMBING EQUIPMENT: Electric motors.
- E. Section 26 29, 11: MOTOR CONTROLLERS.
- F. Section 22 08 00, COMMISSIONING OF PLUMBING SYSTEMS: Requirements for commissioning, systems readiness checklist, and training.
- G. Section 22 62 00, VACUUM SYSTEMS FOR HEALTHCARE FACILITIES: Vacuum Piping.
- H. Section 23 09 23, DIRECT-DIGITAL CONTROL SYSTEM FOR HVAC: Alarm interface with ECC.
- I. Section 26 05 19, LOW-VOLTAGE ELECTRICAL POWER CONDUCTORS AND CABLES (600 VOLTS AND BELOW): Control wiring.
- J. Section 26 05 33, RACEWAY AND BOXES FOR ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS: Conduit.
- K. Section 26 27 26, WIRING DEVICES: Electrical wiring and accessories.
- L. Section 26 29 11, MOTOR CONTROLLERS: Motor starters.

1.3 QUALITY ASSURANCE

- A. Materials and Installation: In accordance with NFPA 99, and as

specified.

- B. Equipment Installer: Show technical qualifications and previous experience in installing healthcare equipment on three similar projects. Submit names and addresses of referenced projects. Installers shall meet the qualifications of ANSI/ASSE Standard 6010.
- C. Equipment Supplier: Show evidence of equivalent product installed at three installations similar to this project that has been in satisfactory and efficient operation for three years. Submit names and addresses where the product is installed.
- D. Healthcare System Testing Organization: The testing shall be conducted by a party technically competent and experienced in the field of healthcare pipeline testing. Testing and systems verification shall be performed by personnel meeting the qualifications of ANSI/ASSE Standard 6030. Such testing shall be performed by a party other than the installing contractor.
- E. Provide names of three projects where testing of healthcare gas systems has been performed by the testing agency. Include the name of the project, names of such persons at that project who supervised the work for the project owner, or who accepted the report for the project owner, and a written statement that the projects listed required work of similar scope to that set forth in this specification.
- F. Submit the testing agency's detailed procedure which will be followed in the testing of this project. Include details of the testing sequence, procedures for cross connection tests, outlet function tests, alarm tests, purity tests, etc., as required by this specification. For purity test procedures, include data on test methods, types of equipment to be used, calibration sources and method references.
- G. Certification: Provide documentation prior to submitting request for final inspection to include all test results, the names of individuals performing work for the testing agency on this project, detailed procedures followed for all tests, and a certification that all results of tests were within limits allowed by this specification.
- H. Installing contractor shall maintain as-built drawings of each completed phases for verification; and, shall provide the complete set at the time of final systems certification testing, for certification by the Third Party Testing Company. As-built drawings shall be provided on prints and in digital format. The digital format shall be in the native CAD system required for the project design. Should the installing contractor engage the testing company to provide as-built or any portion thereof, it shall not be deemed a conflict of interest or breach of the

'third party testing company' requirement.

- I. Methods for connection and extension of active and pressurized medical gas systems without subsequent medical gas testing and verification are not allowed. "Hot taps" are not permitted for operating oxygen systems.

1.4 SUBMITTALS

- A. Submit as one package in accordance with Section 01 33 23, SHOP DRAWINGS, PRODUCT DATA, AND SAMPLES.
- B. Manufacturer's Literature and Data:
1. Piping.
 2. Valves.
 3. Inlet and outlet cocks.
 4. Gages.
 5. Station outlets and rough-in assemblies.
 6. Pressure Switches.
 7. Alarm controls and panels.
 8. Air compressor systems (Provide certified compressor test data at start-up.):
 - a. Compressors: Manufacturer and model.
 - b. Characteristic performance curves.
 - c. Compressor operating speed (RPM).
 - d. Capacity: Free air delivered at indicated pressure (L/s) (SCFM).
 - e. Type of bearing in compressor.
 - f. Type of lubrication.
 - g. Type and adjustment of drive.
 - h. Electric motors: Manufacturer, frame and type.
 - i. Speed of motors (RPM).
 - j. Current characteristics and horsepower of motors.
 - k. Receiver capacity and rating.
 - l. Air silencer: Manufacturer, type and model.
 - m. Air filters: Manufacturer, type, model and capacity.
 - n. Pressure regulators: Manufacturer and capacity.
 - o. Dew point monitor: Manufacturer, type and model.
 - p. Air dryers: Manufacturer, type, model and capacity (L/s) (SCFM).
 - q. Carbon monoxide monitor manufacturer, type and model.
 - r. Aftercoolers.
- C. Station Outlets: Submit letter from manufacturer stating that outlets are designed and manufactured to comply with NFPA 99. Outlet shall bear label of approval as an assembly, of Underwriters Laboratories, Inc., or Associated Factory Mutual Research Corporation. In lieu of above labels, certificate may be submitted by a nationally recognized independent

testing laboratory, satisfactory to the Contracting Officer's Representative (COR), certifying that materials, appliances and assemblies conform to published standards, including methods of tests, of above organizations.

- D. Certification: The completed systems have been installed, tested, purged, analyzed and verified in accordance with the requirements of this specification.
- E. Completed System Readiness Checklist provided by the Commissioning Agent and completed by the contractor, signed by a qualified technician and dated on the date of completion, in accordance with the requirements of Section 22 08 00, COMMISSIONING OF PLUMBING SYSTEMS.

1.5 TRAINING

- A. Furnish the services of a competent instructor for not less than two four-hour periods for instructing personnel in the operation and maintenance of the healthcare gas systems, on the dates requested by COR.
- B. Coordinate with other requirements specified in Section 01 00 00, GENERAL REQUIREMENTS.

1.6 APPLICABLE PUBLICATIONS

- A. The publications listed below form a part of this specification to the extent referenced. The publications are referenced in the test by the basic designation only.
- B. American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM):
B819-00(R2011).....Seamless Copper Tube for Medical Gas Systems
- C. American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME):
A13.1-07 (R2013).....Scheme for Identification of Piping Systems
B16.22-13.....Wrought Copper and Bronze Solder-Joint Pressure Fittings
B40.100-13Pressure Gauges and Gauge Attachments Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code -
Section VIII-07.....Pressure Vessels, Division I
Section IX-07.....Welding and Brazing Qualifications
- D. American Welding Society (AWS):
AWS A5.8-11-AMD1.....Brazing Filler Metal
AWS B2.2-10.....Standard for Brazing Procedure and Performance Qualification (Modified per NFPA 99)
- E. Compressed Gas Association (CGA):
G-4.1 (2009).....Cleaning Equipment for Oxygen Service
- F. National Fire Protection Association (NFPA):
99-12.....Health Care Facilities

G. Manufacturing Standardization Society (MSS):

MSS-SP-72-10a.....Ball Valves With Flanged or Butt Welding For
General Purpose

MSS-SP-110-10.....Ball Valve Threaded, Socket Welding, Solder
Joint, Grooved and Flared Ends

MSS-SP-73-03.....Brazing Joints for Copper and Copper Alloy
Solder Pressure Fittings

PART 2 - PRODUCTS**2.1 PIPING AND FITTINGS**

- A. Copper Tubing: Type "K", ASTM B819, seamless copper tube, hard drawn temper, with wrought copper fittings conforming to ASME B16.22 or brazing fittings complying with MSS SP-73. Size designated reflecting nominal inside diameter. All tubing and fittings shall be labeled "ACR/OXY", "OXY", "OXY/MED", "ACR/MED", or "MED".
- B. Brazing Alloy: AWS A5.8, Classification BCuP, greater than 537 degrees C (1000 degrees F) melting temperature. Flux is strictly prohibited for copper-to-copper connections.
- C. Screw Joints: Polytetrafluoroethylene (teflon) tape.
- D. Memory metal couplings: Temperature and pressure rating shall not be less than that of a brazed joint.
- E. Apply piping identification labels at the time of installation in accordance with current NFPA.
- F. Special Fittings: The following special fittings shall be permitted to be used in lieu of brazed joints:
 - 1. Memory-metal couplings having temperature and pressure ratings joints not less than that of a brazed joint.
 - 2. Listed or approved metallic gas tube fittings that, when made up, provide a permanent joint having the mechanical, thermal, and sealing integrity of a brazed joint.
 - 3. Dielectric fittings where required by the manufacturer of special medical equipment to electrically isolate the equipment from the piping distribution system.
 - 4. Axially swaged, elastic strain preload fittings providing metal to metal seal having pressure and temperature ratings not less than that of a brazed joint and when complete are permanent and non-separable.

2.2 EXPOSED HEALTHCARE GASES PIPING

- A. Finished Room: Use full iron pipe size chrome plated brass piping for exposed healthcare gas piping connecting fixtures, casework, cabinets, equipment and reagent racks when not concealed by apron including those furnished by the Government or specified in other sections.

1. Pipe: Fed. Spec. WW-P-351, standard weight.
2. Fittings: ASME B16.15 cast bronze threaded fittings with chrome finish, (125 and 250 PS1 Classes).
3. Nipples: ASTM B 687, Chromium-plated.
4. Unions: Mss SP-72, SP-110, Brass or Bronze with chrome finish.
5. Valves: Mss SP-72, SP-110, Brass or bronze with chrome finish.

2.3 VALVES

A. Ball: In-line:

1. Seventy five millimeter (2 1/2 inches) and smaller: Bronze/ brass body, Fed. Spec. MSS SP72 & SP 110 , Type II, Class 150, Style 1, with tubing extensions for brazed connections, full port, three-piece or double union end connections, teflon seat seals, full flow, 4125 kPa (600 psi) WOG minimum working pressure, with locking type handle, cleaned for oxygen use and labeled for intended service

B. Check:

1. Eighty millimeter (3 inches) and smaller: Bronze/brass body, straight through design for minimum pressure drop, spring loaded, self aligning with teflon cone seat, vibration free, silent operation, supplied NPT female threads at each end with flow direction arrow permanently cast into, cleaned for oxygen use and labeled for intended service, 2750 kPa (400 psi) WOG minimum working pressure.

2.4 GAGES

A. Pressure Gages: Includes gages temporarily supplied for testing purposes.

1. For line pressure use adjacent to source equipment: ASME B40.1, pressure gage, single, size 115 mm (4-1/2 inches), for compressed air, accurate to within two percent, with metal case. Range shall be two times operating pressure. Dial graduations and figures shall be black on a white background, or white on a black background. Install with gage cock.
2. For all services downstream of main shutoff valve: Manufactured for oxygen use, labeled for the appropriate service and marked "USE NO OIL", 40 mm (1-1/2 inch) diameter gage with dial range 1-690 kPa (1-100 psi) for air service.

2.5 STATION OUTLETS

Brass, stainless steel or chromed metal non-interchangeable DISS connections for appropriate service to conform with CGA V-5. Equip each station outlet with an automatic valve and a secondary check valve to conform with NFPA 99. Place valves in the assembly to provide easy

access after installation, for servicing and replacement, and to facilitate line blow-out, purging, and testing. Fasten each outlet securely to outlet rough-in to prevent floating, and provide each outlet with a capped stub length of 6 mm (1/4-inch) and 10 mm (3/8-inch) outside diameter tubing for connection to supply. Label stub tubing for appropriate service. Adjustable to compensate for variations in plaster or cover thickness.

2.6 STATION OUTLET ROUGH-IN

- A. Flush mounted, protected against corrosion. Anchor rough-in securely to unit or wall construction.
- B. Modular Cover Plate: Die cast back plate, two-piece 0.85 mm (22 gage) stainless steel or 1.6 mm (16 gage) chromium plated metal, with mounting flanges on all four sides, secured to rough-in with stainless steel or chromium plated countersunk screws.
- C. Provide permanent, metal or plastic, identification plates securely fastened at each outlet opening, with inscription for appropriate service using color coded letters and background. Metal plates shall have letters embossed on baked-on enamel background. Color coding for identification plates is as follows:

SERVICE LABEL	IDENTIFICATION PLATE COLORS
INSTRUMENT COMPRESSED AIR	Black or white letters on yellow

2.7 ALARMS

- A. Provide all low voltage control wiring, except for wiring from alarm relay interface control cabinet to ECC, required for complete, proper functioning system, in conformance with Section 26 05 19, LOW-VOLTAGE ELECTRICAL POWER CONDUCTORS AND CABLES (600 VOLTS AND BELOW). Run wiring in conduit, in conformance with Section 26 05 33, RACEWAY AND BOXES FOR ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS.
- B. Local Alarm Functions: Provide individual local air compressor malfunction alarms at each compressor system main control panel.
 - 1. Compressor Malfunction Alarm: Each compressor system receiving any of the following individual signals and sends a single combined "compressor malfunction alarm" signal to ECC.
 - a. Thermal Malfunction Alarm: Functions when discharge air temperature exceeds 177 °C (350 °F), shutting down affected compressor.
 - b. Lead Compressor Fails to Start: Functions when lead compressor fails to start when actuated, causing one of two lag pumps to

start.

- c. Lag Compressor in Use: Functions when the lead and one lag compressor is incapable of satisfying the demand.
- 2. Desiccant Air Dryer Malfunction Alarm: Dryer receives the following individual signals and sends a single consolidated dryer malfunction alarm signal to ECC.
 - a. Dew Point Alarm: Functions when line pressure dew point rises above 4 °C (39 °F) at 380 kPa (55 psi).
- 3. Instrument Air Dew Point High: Functions when the line pressure dew point is greater than -30 °C (-22 °F).
- C. Master Alarm Functions: Provide the following individual alarms at the master alarm panel.
 - 1. Compressed Air Alarms:
 - a. Instrument air dew point high alarm: Functions when the line pressure dew point rises above 2 °C (35 °F) at 380 kPa (55 psi).
 - b. Carbon Monoxide Alarm: Functions when the carbon monoxide levels rise above 10 parts per million; receives signal from the carbon monoxide monitor.
 - c. Main Bank Filter Set Alarm: Functions when the pressure drop across filter set increases more than 14 kPa (2 psi) over that when filters are clean and new; operates by differential pressure switch or transmitters.
 - d. Desiccant Prefilter Alarm: Functions when pressure across the filter increases more than 21 kPa (3 psi) over that when filters are clean and new; operates by pressure differential switch.
 - e. Desiccant Post Filter Alarm: Functions when pressure drop across filter increases more than 21 kPa (3 psi) over that when filters are clean and new; operates by pressure differential switch.
 - f. Desiccant Dryer Malfunction Alarm: Functions on any combination of failure of tower cycling and/or pressure dew point rise above 60 °C at 690 kPa (140 °F at 100 psi).
 - g. Aftercooler High temperature Alarm: Functions when aftercooler discharge air temperature exceeds 38 °C (100 °F).
 - h. Pressure Abnormal Alarm: Functions when system pressure downstream of main shutoff valve drops below 550 kPa (80 psi) (plus/minus gage or increases above 830 kPa (120 psi) (plus/minus 14 kPa (2 psi) set points; operated by pressure switch.
 - i. Compressor Malfunction Alarm: Functions when compressor system control panel signals compressor thermal malfunction alarm, away

compressor fails to start alarm or high water level in receiver or separator (if so required) receives signal from system control panel.

j. Low Lubricant Shutdown: For rotary screw compressors. Functions when lubricant level drops to a low point. Receives signal from compressor control panel.

k. Instrument air dew point high alarm: Functions when the line pressure dew point rises above -30°C (-22°F) at 380 kPa (55 psi).

D. Alarm Functions:

1. Compressed air alarms: Pressure alarms: Functions when pressure in branch drops below 275 kPa (40 psi), plus/minus 14 kPa (2 psi) or increases above 414 kPa (60 psi), plus/minus 14 kPa (2 psi) set points; operated by pressure switches or transmitters.

E. Alarm Relay Interface Control Cabinet: Design cabinet to transfer the closed circuit alarm signals through relays to a set of terminals for monitoring signals at the ECC without interrupting the closed circuit system. Construct of 1.9 mm (14 gage) steel, conforming with NEMA ICS-6, Type 1, enclosures. Provide both normally open and normally closed contacts for output signals, with number of circuits required for full alarm capability at the ECC. Refer to Section 23 09 23, DIRECT-DIGITAL CONTROL SYSTEM FOR HVAC for compatibility.

F. Alarm Network Communication: Network communications board shall be installed in local alarm and connected to the facility's Ethernet. Local alarm modules shall send information to the master alarm and the data can be downloaded thru the computer connected to the facility's Ethernet. Master alarm displays the message, sound its alarm and saves the information in an event log. This event log shall be downloaded to a computer file for tracking data and troubleshooting.

2.8 PRESSURE SWITCHES

General purpose, contact or mercury type, allowing both high and low pressure set points, with contact type provided with a protective dust cover; adjustable range set by inside or outside adjustment; switches activate when indicated by alarm requirements. Use one orifice nipple (or DISS demand check valve) for each sensor or pressure switch.

2.9 AIR COMPRESSOR SYSTEMS

A. The instrument air system shall be of a single point connection base mounted design consisting of three compressor modules with dryers, and a single control module with control panel, air receiver, filtration system, and oil/water condensate separator. Each module shall be fully

compliant with the later edition of NFPA 99. The modules shall be assembled as one unit with single point connections for air discharge, electrical and condensate drain.

B. Compressor/Dryer Module (Compressor, Drive, Motor, Piping, Dryer)

1. The compressor shall be a high pressure "oil-lubricated" continuous duty rated type.
2. The design shall be two staged air-cooled, reciprocating type with corrosion resistant red type valves with stainless steel reeds.
3. Oil scrapper ring and piston rings shall be designed for continuous duty operation.
4. The crankshaft shall be constructed of forged steel and fully supported on both ends by heavy duty ball bearings and seals.
5. Maximum heat dissipation shall be achieved through cast iron cylinders with external cooling vanes.
6. Second stage cylinder head shall be equipped with a wired shutdown switch for high discharge air temperature. The connecting rod shall be of a one-piece design.
7. The compressor shall be v-belt driven through a combination flywheel/sheave and steel motor sheave with tapered bushing and protected by an OSHA approved totally enclosed belt guard.
8. The motor shall be a NEMA rated, open drip proof, 1800 RPM, with 1.15 service factor suitable for 208 or 230/460V electrical service.
9. Each compressor shall have its own inlet air filter mounted on the first stage compressor heads.
10. Discharge air from the first stage compressor cylinder shall then pass through an air-cooled intercooler prior to entering the second stage. The second stage discharge air shall then pass through an air-cooled aftercooler designed for a maximum approach temperature of 12 degrees F complete with moisture separator and zero loss automatic drain valve prior to entering the dryer.
11. The compressor discharge line shall include a flex connector, safety relief valve, isolation valve, and check valve. The discharge flex connector shall be braided 304 stainless steel, brass, or bronze.
12. Each compressor has its own dedicated dryer. Each dryer shall be individually sized for peak calculated demand and capable of producing minus 40 degrees C (minus 40 degrees F) pressure dewpoint.
13. Provide a separator upstream of the dryer with a zero loss drain valve followed by a 0.01 micron coalescing filter. Both filters shall have element change indicators.

C. Each compressor and motor assembly shall be fully isolated from the main

compressor module base by means of a four point, heavy duty, spring isolation system for a minimum of 95 percent isolation efficiency. Where required, provide seismically restrained isolators.

D. Control Module with Air Receiver/Filter/Regulator System

1. The control module shall include a NEMA 12, U.L. labeled control system, duplexed final line filters, regulators, oil indicators, and a condensate oil/water separator and dewpoint monitor and an air sampling port factory piped and wired in accordance with NFPA 99 and include valving to allow complete air receiver bypass.
2. Vertical air receiver shall be ASME Coded, National Board Certified, galvanized, rated for a minimum 250 PSIG design pressure and includes a liquid level gauge glass, safety relief valve, manual drain valve, and automatic solenoid drain valve.

E. Control System:

1. The control system shall have a touch screen control, automatic lead/lag sequencing with circuit breaker disconnects for each motor with external operators, full voltage motor starters, overload protection, 24V control circuit and hand-off-auto selector switch for each compressor.
2. Automatic alternation of all compressors based on first-on/first-off principle with provisions for simultaneous operation if required.
3. Automatic activation of reserve unit, if required, will activate an audible alarm as well as a visual alarm on the touch screen. The touch screen display service due, run hours for each compressor, system status, operating pressure, dewpoint and high discharge air temperature shutdown. A complete alarm and service history is available on the touch screen.

F. Dewpoint Transmitter: The control module shall incorporate a dewpoint transmitter that is mounted, pre-piped, wired to the control panel and displayed on the touch screen. The transmitter probe shall be 316L SS with sintered stainless steel filter and thin film polymer sensor. The system accuracy shall be plus or minus 2 degrees C. Dewpoint alarm shall be factory set at minus minus 30 degrees C (22 degrees F) per NFPA 99 with remote alarm contacts in the control panel.

G. Intake Piping: Provide a pre-piped intake manifold with one "hospital type" inlet air filter with threaded opening for remote intake connection. Isolate filter housing from the intake manifold with a braided 304 stainless steel flex connector.

2.10 PRESSURE REGULATORS:

A. For 690 kPa (100 psi) regulator, provide duplex in parallel, valve for

maintenance shut-down without service interruption. For additional pressures, locate regulators near point of use, and provide with isolation valves and valve bypass.

1. For systems 5 L/s (10 scfm) and below: Brass or bronze body and trim, reduced pressure range 170 - 850 kPa (25 - 125 psi) adjustable, spring type, diaphragm operated diaphragm operated, relieving. Delivered pressure shall vary not more than one kPa (0.15psi) for each 10 kPa (1.5psi) variation in inlet pressure.

PART 3 - EXECUTION

3.1 INSTALLATION

- A. In accordance with current NFPA.
- B. Install cast escutcheon with set screw at each wall, floor and ceiling penetration in exposed finished locations and within cabinets and millwork.
- C. Keep open ends of tube capped or plugged at all times or otherwise sealed until final assembly. Do not use rags, wool, cotton, paper, waste or similar materials, for plugging pipe.
- D. Cut piping square and accurately with a tube cutter (sawing is prohibited) to measurements determined at place of installation. Ream tube to remove burrs, being careful not to expand tube, and so no chips of copper remain in the tube. Work into place without springing or forcing. Bottom tube in socket so there are no gaps between tube and fitting. Exercise care in handling equipment and tools used in cutting or reaming of tube to prevent oil or grease being introduced into tubing. Where contamination has occurred, material is no longer suitable for service.
- E. Spacing of hangers: Current NFPA.
- F. Rigidly support valves and other equipment to prevent strain on tube or joints.
- G. While being brazed, joints shall be continuously purged with oil free nitrogen. The flow of purged gas shall be maintained until joint is cool to touch.
- H. Do not bend tubing. Use fittings.
- I. Install pressure switches, transmitter and gauges to be easily accessed. Install pressure switch and sensors with orifice nipple between the pipe line and switches/sensors.
- J. Apply pipe labeling during installation process and not after installation is completed. Size of legend letters shall be in accordance with ANSI A13.1.
- K. Pipe compressor intake to a source of clean ambient air as indicated in

current NFPA.

L. After initial leakage testing is completed, allow piping to remain pressurized with testing gas until testing agency performs final tests.

M. Penetrations:

1. Fire Stopping: Where pipes pass through fire partitions, fire walls, smoked partitions, or floors, install a fire stop that provides an effective barrier against the spread of fire, smoke and gases as specified in Section 07 84 00, FIRESTOPPING, with intumescent materials only. Completely fill and seal clearances between raceways and openings with the fire stopping material.
2. Waterproofing: At floor penetrations, completely seal clearances around the pipe and make watertight with sealant as specified in Section 07 92 00, JOINT SEALANTS.

3.2 TESTS

A. Initial Tests: Blow down, and high and low pressure leakage tests as required by current NFPA with documentation.

B. Healthcare testing agency shall perform the following:

1. Perform and document all cross connection tests, labeling verification, supply system operation, and valve and alarm operation tests as required by, and in accordance with, current NFPA and the procedures set forth in pre-qualification documentation.
2. Verify that the systems, as installed, meet or exceed the requirements of current NFPA, this specification, and that the systems operate as required.
3. Piping purge test: For each positive pressure gas system, verify cleanliness of piping system. Filter a minimum of 35 cubic feet (1000 liters) of gas through a clean white 0.45 micron filter at a minimum velocity of 3.5 scfm (100 Lpm). Filter shall show no discoloration, and shall accrue no more than 0.1 mg of matter. Test each zone at the outlet most remote from the source. Perform test with the use of an inert gas as described in CGA P-9.
4. Piping purity test: For each positive pressure system, verify purity of piping system. Test each zone at the most remote outlet for dew point, carbon monoxide, total hydrocarbons (as methane), and halogenated hydrocarbons, and compare with source gas. The two tests must in no case exceed variation as specified in Paragraph, Maximum Allowable Variation. Perform test with the use of an inert gas as described in CGA P-9.
5. Outlet flow test:
 - a. Test all outlets for flow. Perform test with the use of an inert

gas as described in CGA P-9.

- b. Air outlets must deliver 100 Lpm (3.5 scfm) with a pressure drop of no more than 35 kPa (5 psi), and static pressure of 350 kPa (50 psi).
 - c. Needle valve air outlets must deliver 1.5 scfm with a pressure drop of no more than five psi, and static pressure of 350 kPa (50 psi).
6. Source Contamination Test: Analyze each pressure gas source for concentration of contaminants, by volume. Take samples for air system test at the intake and at a point immediately downstream of the final filter outlet. The compared tests must in no case exceed variation as specified in Paragraph, Maximum Allowable Variation. Allowable concentrations are below the following:

Dew point, air	4 degrees C (39 degrees F) pressure dew point at 690 kPa (100 psi)
Carbon monoxide, air	10 mg/L (ppm)
Carbon dioxide, air	500 mg/L (ppm)
Gaseous hydrocarbons as methane, air	25 mg/L (ppm)
Halogenated hydrocarbons, air	2 mg/L (ppm)

7. Analysis Test:

- a. Analyze each pressure gas source and outlet for concentration of gas, by volume.
 - b. Make analysis with instruments designed to measure the specific gas dispensed.
 - c. Allowable concentrations are within the following:
 - 1) Instrument Compressed air: 19.5 percent to 23.5 percent oxygen.
 - 2) Medical air: 19.5 percent to 23.5 percent oxygen.
 - 3) Oxygen:> = 97 plus percent oxygen.
8. Maximum Allowable Variation: Between comparative test results required are as follows:

Dew point	2 degrees C (36 degrees F)
Carbon monoxide	2 mg/L (ppm)
Total hydrocarbons as methane	1 mg/L (ppm)

Halogenated hydrocarbons	2 mg/L (ppm)
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- C. The Commissioning Agent will observe startup and contractor testing of selected equipment. Coordinate the startup and contractor testing schedules with the COR and Commissioning Agent. Provide a minimum of 7 days prior to notice.

3.3 CONNECTION TO EXISTING GAS SYSTEMS:

- A. Contactor shall test the existing systems for hydrocarbons, dew point, etc. If problems are present, the COR would notify the facility of the results. The facility would then make the necessary repairs and/ or maintenance.
- B. Install shut-off valve at the connection of new line to existing line.
- C. Coordinate time for shut-down of the existing healthcare system with the VA medical center.
- D. Shut off all oxygen zone valves and gas riser valves if the section to be connected to cannot be totally isolated from the remainder of the system.
- E. Prior to any work being done, check the new pipeline for particulate or other forms of contamination.
- F. Insure that the correct type of pipe tubing and fittings are being used.
- G. Make a spot check of the existing pipelines in the facility to determine the level of cleanness present.
- H. Reduce the pressure to zero and make the tie-in as quickly as possible. A nitrogen purge is not required since this would require another opening in the pipe.
- I. After the tie-in is made and allowed to cool, slowly bleed the source gas back into the pipeline. Test the work area for leaks with soapy water and repair any leaks.
- J. After all leaks, if any, are repaired and the line is fully recharged, perform blow down and testing. Open the zone that is closest to the main to the system, access the closest outlet to the work, and blow the main through the outlet. After the outlet blows clear into a white cloth, make an additional check at a zone most distant from the work. Perform all required current NFPA tests after connection.

3.4 COMMISSIONING

- A. Provide commissioning documentation accordance with the requirements of Section 22 08 00, COMMISSIONING OF PLUMBING SYSTEMS for all inspection, startup, and contractor testing required above and required by the System Readiness Checklist provided by the Commissioning Agent.

- B. Components provided under this section of the specification will be tested as part of a larger system. Refer to Section 22 08 00, COMMISSIONING OF PLUMBING SYSTEMS and related sections for contractor responsibilities for system commissioning.

3.5 DEMONSTRATION AND TRAINING

- A. Provide services of manufacturer's technical representative for four hours to instruct VA Personnel in operation and maintenance of units.
- B. Submit training plans and instructor qualifications in accordance with the requirements of Section 22 08 00, COMMISSIONING OF PLUMBING SYSTEMS.

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