

SECTION 26 05 41
UNDERGROUND ELECTRICAL CONSTRUCTION

PART 1 - GENERAL

1.1 DESCRIPTION

- A. This section specifies the furnishing, installation, and connection of precast manholes and pullboxes with ducts to form a complete underground raceway system.
- B. "Duct" and "conduit," and "rigid metal conduit" and "rigid steel conduit" are used interchangeably in this specification.

1.2 RELATED WORK

- A. Section 26 05 11, REQUIREMENTS FOR ELECTRICAL INSTALLATIONS: General electrical requirements and items that are common to more than one section of Division 26.
- B. Section 26 05 26, GROUNDING AND BONDING FOR ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS: Requirements for personnel safety and to provide a low impedance path for possible ground fault currents.
- C. Section 26 05 33, RACEWAY AND BOXES FOR ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS: Conduits, fittings and boxes for raceway systems.

1.3 QUALITY ASSURANCE

- A. Refer to Paragraph, QUALIFICATIONS, in Section 26 05 11, REQUIREMENTS FOR ELECTRICAL INSTALLATIONS.

1.4 SUBMITTALS

- A. Submit in accordance with Section 26 05 11, REQUIREMENTS FOR ELECTRICAL INSTALLATIONS.
- B. Shop Drawings:
 - 1. Clearly present sufficient information to determine compliance with drawings and specifications.
 - 2. Include manholes, pullboxes, duct materials, and hardware. Submit plan and elevation drawings, showing openings, pulling irons, cable supports, cover, ladder, sump, and other accessories and details.
 - 3. Proposed deviations from details on the drawings shall be clearly marked on the submittals. If it is necessary to locate manholes or pullboxes at locations other than shown on the drawings, show the proposed locations accurately on scaled site drawings, and submit four copies to the COTR for approval prior to construction.
- C. Certifications: Two weeks prior to the final inspection, submit four copies of the following certifications to the COTR:

1. Certification by the manufacturer that the materials conform to the requirements of the drawings and specifications.
2. Certification by the contractor that the materials have been properly installed, connected, and tested.

1.5 APPLICABLE PUBLICATIONS

- A. Publications listed below (including amendments, addenda, revisions, supplements, and errata) form a part of this specification to the extent referenced. Publications are referenced in the text by designation only.
- B. American Concrete Institute (ACI):
Building Code Requirements for Structural Concrete
318/318M-05.....Building Code Requirements for Structural
Concrete & Commentary
SP-66-04.....ACI Detailing Manual
- C. American National Standards Institute (ANSI):
77-07.....Underground Enclosure Integrity
- D. American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM):
C478-09.....Standard Specification for Precast Reinforced
Concrete Manhole Sections
C858-09.....Underground Precast Concrete Utility Structures
C990-09.....Standard Specification for Joints for Concrete
Pipe, Manholes, and Precast Box Sections Using
Preformed Flexible Joint Sealants.
- E. Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers (IEEE):
C2-07National Electrical Safety Code
- F. National Electrical Manufacturers Association (NEMA):
TC 2-03.....Electrical Polyvinyl Chloride (PVC) Tubing And
Conduit
TC 3-2004.....PVC Fittings for Use With Rigid PVC Conduit And
Tubing
TC 6 & 8 2003.....PVC Plastic Utilities Duct For Underground
Installations
TC 9-2004.....Fittings For PVC Plastic Utilities Duct For
Underground Installation
- G. National Fire Protection Association (NFPA):
70-08.....National Electrical Code (NEC)
- H. Underwriters Laboratories, Inc. (UL):
6-07.....Electrical Rigid Metal Conduit-Steel

- ## 1.6 STORAGE

PART 2 - PRODUCTS

Standard 4-mil polyethylene 3 in [76 mm] wide detectable tape, red with black letters, imprinted with "CAUTION - BURIED ELECTRIC CABLE BELOW" or similar.

3.1 TRENCHING

- ### 3.2 DUCT INSTALLATION

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- a. Not less than 24 in [600 mm] and not less than shown on the drawings, below finished grade.
 - b. Not less than 30 in [750 mm] and not less than shown on the drawings, below roads and other paved surfaces.
4. Do not kink the ducts or conduits. Compaction shall not deform the ducts.
- B. Duct and Conduit Sealing: Seal the ducts and conduits at building entrances, and at outdoor terminations for equipment, with a suitable listed and labeled sealing fittings suitable to prevent the entrance of moisture and gases.

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