



DriscoPlex[®] Pipe and Fittings Features and Benefits





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THERMOPLASTIC

- **A plastic that can be repeatedly softened by heating and hardened by cooling through a temperature range characteristic of the plastic, and that in the softened state can be shaped by flow into articles by molding or extrusion for example.
(ASTM F 412)**
- **As opposed to Thermoset Plastics--FRP**



The Benefits of an HDPE Pipe System

- **Leak Free Piping System**
- **Excellent Flow Characteristics**
- **Lightweight and Flexible**
- **Outstanding Chemical/Corrosion Resistance**
- **Abrasion Resistance**
- **Exceptional Toughness**
- **Full Range of Pipe Sizes, Fittings and Pressure Capabilities**

Leak Free Joints

- **Butt Fusion joining of HDPE Pipe produces a leak free joint.**
- **No gaskets or hardware are required.**
- **Strong as the pipe itself**



Leak Free Joints



- **Electrofusion joining produces leak free joints in confined spaces.**





Excellent Flow Characteristics

- **Smoothing ID than Steel, Cast Iron, Ductile Iron, or Concrete Pipe**
- **Smaller Pipe can Carry Equivalent Flow**
- **“Non-stick” Inner Surface & Corrosion Resistance Preserve Excellent Hydraulic Characteristics for Pipe Service Life**



Lightweight & Flexible

- **Produced in Straight Lengths & Coils**
- **Material About 1/8 Density of Steel**
- **Ability to Bend Reduces Need for Fittings**
- **Excellent for Use in Shifting Soils or Seismically Active Areas**
- **Reduced Effects of Freezing**

Lightweight & Flexible

- Available in Long Lengths on Coils
- Dramatically Reduces Field Joining Required
- Pipe Can Often Be Bent to Accommodate Terrain/Installation Versus Use of Fittings



Lightweight & Flexible

- **Flexibility Allows Easy Installation by Horizontal Directional Drilling.**
- **Easily Follows Curves in Drill Hole**



Lightweight & Flexible

- **Flexibility Eases Installation on Sliplining Projects**
- **Layout in Constrained Sites Eased by Flexibility**
- **Lightweight Reduces Equipment Requirements for Handling**



Corrosion, Abrasion & Chemical Resistant

- More resistant to acids, bases & salts than most other pipe materials.
- Does not rust, rot, corrode, tuberculate or support biological growth.
- Requires neither special coatings nor cathodic protection.
- Excellent abrasion resistance



Ductility & Toughness

- Resists External Loads
- Resists Vibrations
- Resists Pressure Surges
- Tolerates Handling and Bending in Severely Cold Weather
- Tough
- Impact resistant



Ductility and Toughness

Squeeze Off

AS SQUEEZED



AFTER SQUEEZE



Ductility at Low Temperature

- **Water can freeze in HDPE pipe without damaging it.**
- **Service temperatures as low as 50°F below zero.**
- **Has reduced impact strength in sub-freezing conditions.**



HDPE Pipe Sizes & Pressures

- **Solid Wall Conventional Extrusion**
- **OD Controlled Process**
 - CTS: 1/2" - 1 1/2"
 - IPS: 1/2" - 54"
 - DIPS: 4" - 30"
- **Standard Dimension Ratios (SDR's)**
 - DR 7.3 (255 psi) to DR 41 (40 psi)
- **Pressure Rated up to 140°F**
 - Non-pressure rated above 140°F
 - Maximum use temperature 180°F



HDPE Fittings

- Full Line of Pressure Molded up to 12”



HDPE Pipe Applications



Municipal Applications

- **Natural Gas**
- **Water**
- **Sewer
(Gravity &
Force Main)**
- **Odor
Control**
- **Conduit**



Gas Collection / Transportation



- Unprecedented history of piping performance
- ASTM D2513
- Critical Application—cannot tolerate leakage
- 90% of gas distribution piping sold today is PE

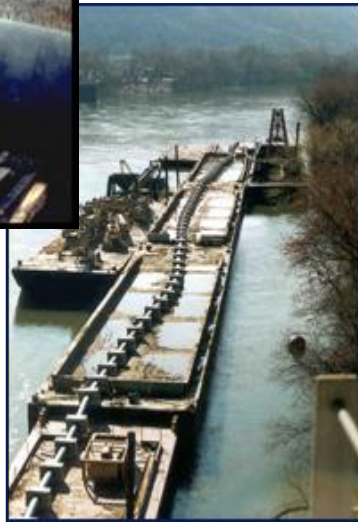


HDPE Municipal Applications

- Indianapolis Water operates 145 miles of HDPE
 - » Including large diameter water mains (20” – 36”)
- Over 8 years of experience with HDPE
- To date, upgraded roughly 30% of their system to HDPE



Industrial Applications



- **Power Plants, Co-Generation Plants**
- **Process Piping**
- **Fire Protection (FM)**
- **Acidic, Caustic, and Corrosive Conditions**
- **Outfall and Intake Lines**

Mining Applications

- **Gold**
- **Copper**
- **Sand**
- **Silver**
- **Coal**
- **Phosphate**



Landfill Applications



- **Gas Collection and Transportation**
- **Leachate Collection and Transportation**



Conclusion: Municipal Piping

- **Features and Benefits of High Quality HDPE Piping Systems are an Ideal Match with the Evolving Needs of the Water and Wastewater Industry**
 - **“Unaccounted For” or “Lost” water**
 - **Infiltration/Exfiltration**
 - **Pipeline failures (ruptures/collapses)**
 - **Rehabilitation costs upward to \$350 Billion for US pipeline infrastructure**



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