

FC2W Ultra-Flex Coupling Installation Instructions

CAUTION

- Ultra-Flex couplings do not restrain axial movement of pipe.
- Ultra-Flex couplings are designed to float on pipe ends and are not designed to support the pipe. Block and shim as necessary.

INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

- **1.** Measure the outside diameter of each pipe end to be joined to ensure they are within the coupling range.
- **2.** Thoroughly clean each pipe end to a smooth, bare sealing surface.
- 3. Stab each pipe end into the Ultra-Flex coupling. For ease of installation, it may be necessary to loosen the nuts when assembling on larger O.D. pipes. Disassembly of the coupling is not required. NOTE: Do not lubricate the pipe OD or the gasket. If the coupling is disassembled, lubricate only the contoured lip on each end of the coupling sleeve prior to reassembly.
- **4.** Center the coupling between the two pipe ends. The optimum pipe end gap for the Ultra-Flex coupling is less than 1".
- **5.** Evenly tighten bolts in an alternating sequence being certain that end rings remain parallel to one another. Tighten bolts to the recommended torque shown in the table below. Use of a torque wrench is highly recommended and required to ensure proper torque.

Recommended Bolt Torque	
Nominal Coupling Size	Torque
3" - 10"	50 ft-lb
12" and 16"	75 ft-lb

6. Restrain if necessary, test and recheck bolt torque before backfilling. If a leak develops during testing, recheck bolt torque. Be advised that extreme torque can over stress coupling components.



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