

Suggested specification for SMITH FIBERCAST CENTRICAST RB-1520® Piping System

GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS

SECTION 1 – Scope

This section covers the use of fiberglass-reinforced plastic (FRP) pipe for chemical process and chemical handling applications up to 250°F and 150 psig steady pressure.

The piping system shall be furnished and installed complete with all fittings, joining materials, supports, specials, and other necessary appurtenances.

SECTION 2 – General Conditions

2.01 Coordination. Material furnished and work performed under this section shall be coordinated with related work and equipment specified under other sections.

Valves	Section _____
Supports	Section _____
Equipment	Section _____

2.02 Governing Standards. Except as modified or supplemented herein, all materials and construction methods shall comply with the applicable provisions of the following specifications and be tested using the following standards:

Standard Specifications

ASTM D2997	Standard Specification for Centrifugal Cast "Fiberglass" Glass-Fiber-Reinforced Thermosetting Resin) Pipe
AWWA M45	Fiberglass Pipe Design
ASTM D5685	Standard Specification for "Fiberglass" Glass-Fiber-Reinforced-Thermosetting Resin Pressure Pipe Fittings

Standard Test Methods

ASTM D2992	Standard Practice for obtaining Hydro- static or Pressure Design Basis for "Fiberglass" (Glass-Fiber-Reinforced Thermosetting Resin) Pipe
ASTM D1599	Standard Test Method for Short-Time Hydraulic Failure Pressure of Plastic Pipe, Tubing and Fittings
ASTM D2105	Standard Test Method for Longitudinal Tensile Properties of "Fiberglass" (Glass-Fiber-Reinforced Thermosetting Resin) Pipe and Tube
ASTM D2412	Standard Test Method for Determination of External Loading Characteristics of Plastic Pipe by Parallel-Plate Loading
ASTM D3567	Standard Practice for determining dimensions of "Fiberglass" (Glass-Fiber-Reinforced Thermosetting-Resin) Pipe and Fittings
ASTM D4024	Standard Specification for Reinforced Thermosetting Resin (RTR) Flanges
ASME B31.3	Process Piping.

2.03 ASTM D2997 Designation Codes:

1 ½" - 4"	RTRP-21CW-4556
6"	RTRP-21CW-4555
8"	RTRP-21CW-4554
10"-12"	RTRP-21CW-4553
14"	RTRP-21CW-4552

Mechanical properties cell classifications shown are minimums.

2.04 Operating Conditions. In addition to the above minimum design requirements, the system shall meet the following minimum operating conditions:

a. Operating Pressure	_____
b. Operating Temperature	_____
c. Fluid Conveyed	_____
d. Test Pressure	_____

2.05 Quality Assurance. Pipe manufacturer's quality program shall be in compliance with ISO 9001.

2.06 Delivery, Storage, and Handling. Pipe and fittings shall be protected from damage due to impact and point loading; pipe shall be properly supported to avoid damage due to flexural strains. The contractor shall not allow dirt, debris, or other extraneous materials to get into pipe and fittings. All factory machined areas shall be protected from sunlight until installed.

2.07 Acceptable Manufacturers: FGS Smith Fibercast or approved equal.

SECTION 3 – Materials and Construction

3.01 1 ½ "-14" Pipe. The pipe shall be manufactured by the centrifugal casting process using premium grade amine cured epoxy thermosetting resin to impregnate strands of glass filaments. Pipe shall be heat cured and the degree of cure shall be confirmed using a Differential Scanning Calorimeter. All pipe shall have a 100% resin corrosion barrier and the cured thickness shall be 50 mils nominal.

All pipe shall have a resin rich reinforced 10 mil nominal exterior layer.

The pipe shall have a minimum design pressure rating of 150 psig @ 225°F following ASTM D2992 Procedure B.

Minimum Reinforced Wall Thickness

1 ½ "	0.120 inches
2" - 4"	0.100 inches
6"	0.120 inches
8"	0.140 inches
10"	0.160 inches
12"- 14"	0.180 inches

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3.02 Flanges and Fittings. All fittings shall be manufactured either by compression molding or contact molding. Fitting joints shall be either adhesive bonded socket or flanged. Flanges shall have ANSI B16.5 Class 150 bolt hole patterns.

3.03 Adhesive. Adhesive shall be manufacturers standard for the piping system specified. All adhesive bonded joints shall be cured according to the manufacturer's instructions for maximum strength and corrosion resistance.

3.04 Gaskets. Gaskets shall be 3/16" thick, 60-70 Durometer full-face type suitable for the service shown on the drawings and as recommended in the manufacturer's standard installation procedures.

3.05 Bolts, Nuts, and Washers. ASTM F593, 304 stainless steel hex head bolts shall be supplied. Two each SAE size washers shall be supplied on all nut and bolt sets.

3.06 Acceptable Products. CENTRICAST RB-1520 as manufactured by Smith Fibercast, or approved equal.

SECTION 4 – Installation and Testing

4.01 Training and Certification. All joints installed or constructed in the field shall be assembled by employees of the contractor who have been trained by the pipe manufacturer. The pipe manufacturer or their authorized representative shall train the contractor's employees in the proper joining and assembly procedures required for the project, including hands-on participation by the contractor's employees. Each bonder shall fabricate one pipe-to-pipe and one pipe-to-fitting joint that shall pass the minimum pressure test for the application as stated in section 2.04.d without leaking.

Only bonders who have successfully completed the pressure test shall bond pipe and fittings.

Certification by the Manufacturer shall be in compliance with ASME B31.3 Section A328.2.

4.02 Pipe Installation. Pipe shall be installed as specified and indicated on the drawings and in accordance with the manufacturer's current published installation procedures.

4.03 Testing. A hydrostatic pressure test shall be conducted on the completed piping system. The piping system shall be subjected one hour and the line inspected for leaks.

The test pressure should not exceed 1 ½ times the maximum rated operating pressure for the lowest rated element in the system.

The system shall be filled with water at the lowest point and air bled off from all the highest points. Systems shall be brought up to test pressure slowly to prevent water hammer or over-pressurization.

All pipe joints shall be watertight. All joints that are found to leak by observation or during testing shall be repaired by the contractor and retested.

This suggested specification is being provided only as a general reference for specifying FGS piping products. It is not intended to be all-inclusive or to address all of the specific applications or requirements for your particular project.

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