Avoid Serious Risks on HVAC/R Projects

WARNING: Conex MaxiPro/ZoomLock® Max jaws closely resemble plumbing jaws. Using the wrong jaws could have disastrous results.



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Plumbing Press Jaws

Plumbing press-to-connect jaws and fittings have been in use for nearly 20 years and are now very common, with many different plumbing press jaws on the market – all looking the same with nearly identical hexagonal press openings. Plumbing press jaws have become so universal that nearly all are completely interchangeable, regardless of the fitting or tool manufacturer.

Modified Plumbing Jaws

Conex Banninger introduced their current "B MaxiPro" jaws and fittings after June 2019, which are also sold under the ZoomLock® Max brand. As you can see, these jaws look so similar to plumbing jaws that there's a real potential for mix-ups on the jobsite. If an HVAC/R fitting is pressed with a plumbing jaw, or a plumbing fitting is used on an HVAC/R line, the results could be devastating.

RLS HVAC/R Press Jaws

The RLS press system, in use since 2015, uses a distinctive circular jaw profile. That's because we designed and engineered our jaws and fittings specifically for high-pressure HVAC/R (not for plumbing). Our patented jaw design results in our proven double circular press – with 360° metal-tometal contact (not just 6 points). RLS jaws look different because they ARE different!

The Risk

Plumbing press jaws and fittings make connections that are only rated to 200 psi, compared to 700 psi for RLS press jaws and fittings. So, mix-ups with similar looking jaws and fittings could be disastrous in high-pressure HVAC/R systems. If a plumbing fitting is accidentally used on a refrigerant line, or if a fitting intended for HVAC/R is pressed with a plumbing jaw, a failed joint would be the best outcome. At worst, the fitting could separate violently under pressure, causing serious damage and/or personal injury.

FOR THESE REASONS, ONLY RLS
PRESS FITTINGS AND JAWS SHOULD
BE SPECIFIED OR USED ON HVAC/R
PROJECTS WHERE PLUMBING FITTINGS
AND JAWS COULD BE PRESENT.





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