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**6.10.1** Approval of Underground Piping.

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See Figure A.6.10.1 -

Figure A.6.10.1 Sample of Contractor's Material and Test Certificate for Underground Piping. [24:Figure A.10.10.1]

**Contractor's Material and Test Certificate for Underground Piping**

**PROCEDURE**  
Upon completion of work, inspection and tests shall be made by the contractor's representative and witnessed by an owner's representative. All defects shall be corrected and system left in service before contractor's personnel finally leave the job.  
A certificate shall be filled out and signed by both representatives. Copies shall be prepared for approving authorities, owners, and contractor. It is understood the owner's representative's signature in no way prejudices any claim against contractor for faulty material, poor workmanship, or failure to comply with approving authority's requirements or local ordinances.

Property name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Property address \_\_\_\_\_

Plans  
Accepted by approving authorities (names) \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Installation conforms to accepted plans  Yes  No  
Equipment used is approved  Yes  No  
If no, state deviation: \_\_\_\_\_

Instructions  
Has person in charge of fire equipment been instructed as to location of control valves and care and maintenance of this new equipment?  Yes  No  
If no, explain: \_\_\_\_\_  
Have copies of appropriate instructions and care and maintenance charts been provided to the owner or owner's representative?  Yes  No  
If no, explain: \_\_\_\_\_

Location  
Supplies buildings \_\_\_\_\_  
Pipe types and class: \_\_\_\_\_ Type joint: \_\_\_\_\_

Underground pipe and joints  
Pipe conforms to \_\_\_\_\_ standard  Yes  No  
Fittings conform to \_\_\_\_\_ standard  Yes  No  
If no, explain: \_\_\_\_\_  
Joints needing anchorage clamped, strapped, or blocked in accordance with \_\_\_\_\_ standard  Yes  No  
If no, explain: \_\_\_\_\_

Test description  
Flushing: Flow the required rate until water is verified to be clear of debris at outlets such as hydrants and blow-offs. Flush at one of the flow rates as specified in 6.10.2.1.3.  
Hydrostatic: All piping and attached appurtenances subjected to system working pressure shall be hydrostatically tested at 300 psi (13.8 bar) or 50 psi (3.4 bar) in excess of the system working pressure, whichever is greater, and shall maintain that pressure ±5 psi (0.34 bar) for 2 hours.  
Hydrostatic Testing Allowance: Where additional water is added to the system to maintain the test pressures required by 6.10.2.2.1, the amount of water shall be measured and shall not exceed the limits of the following equation (for metric equation, see 6.10.2.2.6):  
$$L = \frac{QD^2P}{140,000}$$
  
L = testing allowance (makeup water), in gallons per hour (gpm)  
Q = length of pipe tested, in feet (m)  
D = nominal diameter of the pipe, in inches (mm)  
P = average test pressure during the hydrostatic test, in pounds per square inch (gauge) (bar)

Flushing tests  
New underground piping flushed according to \_\_\_\_\_ standard by (company)  Yes  No  
If no, explain: \_\_\_\_\_  
How flushing flow was obtained  Public water  Tank or reservoir  Fire pump  Through what type opening  Hydrant butt  Open pipe  
Leads flushed according to \_\_\_\_\_ standard by (company)  Yes  No  
If no, explain: \_\_\_\_\_  
How flushing flow was obtained  Public water  Tank or reservoir  Fire pump  Through what type opening  Y connection to flange and spigot  Open pipe

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Hydrostatic test  
All new underground piping hydrostatically tested at \_\_\_\_\_ psi (bar) for \_\_\_\_\_ hours Joints covered  Yes  No

Leakage test  
Total amount of leakage measured \_\_\_\_\_ gallons (liters) \_\_\_\_\_ hours  
Allowable leakage \_\_\_\_\_ gallons (liters) \_\_\_\_\_ hours

Forward flow test of backflow preventer  
Forward flow test performed in accordance with 6.10.2.3.2:  Yes  No

Hydrants  
Number installed: \_\_\_\_\_ Type and make: \_\_\_\_\_ All operate satisfactorily  Yes  No

Control valves  
Water control valves left wide open  Yes  No  
If no, state reason: \_\_\_\_\_  
Hose threads of fire department connections and hydrants interchangeable with those of fire department answering alarm  Yes  No

Remarks  
Date left in service: \_\_\_\_\_

Signatures  
Name of installing contractor: \_\_\_\_\_  
For property owner (signed): \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
For installing contractor (signed): \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional explanation and notes: \_\_\_\_\_

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The installing contractor shall be responsible for the following:

- (1) Notifying the AHJ and the owner's representative of the time and date testing is to be performed
- (2) Performing all required acceptance tests
- (3) Completing and signing a contractor's material and test certificate(s) documenting all required test criteria shown in Figure 6.10.1.1

[ 24: 10.10.1.1 ]

**Figure 6.10.1.1 Sample of Contractor's Material and Test Certificate for Underground Piping.**  
 [24:Figure 10.10.1.1]

Contractor's Material and Test Certificate for Underground Piping			
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Property name _____		Date _____	
Property address _____			
Accepted by approving authorities (names) _____			
Address _____			
<b>Plans</b>	Installation conforms to accepted plans <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
	Equipment used is approved <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If no, state deviations _____		
<b>Instructions</b>	Has person in charge of fire equipment been instructed as to location of control valves and care and maintenance of this new equipment? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If no, explain _____		
	Have copies of appropriate instructions and care and maintenance charts been provided to the owner or owner's representative? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If no, explain _____		
<b>Location</b>	Supplies buildings _____	Type joint _____	
<b>Underground pipes and joints</b>	Pipe types and class _____		
	Pipe conforms to _____ standard <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Fittings conform to _____ standard <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If no, explain _____		
	Joints needing anchorage clamped, strapped, or blocked in accordance with _____ standard <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If no, explain _____		
<b>Test description</b>	Flushing: Flow the required rate until water is verified to be clear of debris at outlets such as hydrants and blow-offs. Flush at one of the flow rates as specified in 6.10.2.1.3. Hydrostatic: All piping and attached apparatuses subjected to system working pressure shall be hydrostatically tested at 200 psi (13.8 bar) or 60 psi (4.1 bar) in excess of the system working pressure, whichever is greater, and shall maintain that pressure ±5 psi (0.34 bar) for 2 hours. Hydrostatic Testing Allowance: Where additional water is added to the system to maintain the test pressures required by 6.10.2.2.1, the amount of water shall be measured and shall not exceed the limits of the following equation (for metric equation, see 6.10.2.2.1): $L = \frac{SD\sqrt{P}}{148,000}$ L = testing allowance (makeup water), in gallons per hour (gpm) S = length of pipe tested, in feet (m) D = nominal diameter of the pipe, in inches (mm) P = average test pressure during the hydrostatic test, in pounds per square inch (gauge) (bar)		
<b>Flushing tests</b>	New underground piping flushed according to _____ standard by (company) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If no, explain _____		
	How flushing flow was obtained <input type="checkbox"/> Public water <input type="checkbox"/> Tank or reservoir <input type="checkbox"/> Fire pump	Through what type opening <input type="checkbox"/> Hydrant butt <input type="checkbox"/> Open pipe	
	Lead-ins flushed according to _____ standard by (company) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If no, explain _____		
<b>Flushing tests</b>	How flushing flow was obtained <input type="checkbox"/> Public water <input type="checkbox"/> Tank or reservoir <input type="checkbox"/> Fire pump	Through what type opening <input type="checkbox"/> Y connection to flange and spigot <input type="checkbox"/> Open pipe	
	_____		
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<b>Hydrostatic test</b>	All new underground piping hydrostatically tested at _____ psi (bar) for _____ hours	Joints covered <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
<b>Leakage test</b>	Total amount of leakage measured _____ gallons (liters) _____ hours		
	Allowable leakage _____ gallons (liters) _____ hours		
<b>Forward flow test of backflow preventer</b>	Forward flow test performed in accordance with 6.10.2.5.2: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
<b>Hydrants</b>	Number installed _____ Type and make _____	All operate satisfactorily <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
<b>Control valves</b>	Water control valves left wide open <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If no, state reason _____		
	Hose threads of fire department connections and hydrants interchangeable with those of fire department answering alarm <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
<b>Remarks</b>	Date left in service _____		
<b>Signatures</b>	Name of installing contractor _____		
	<b>Tests witnessed by</b>		
	For property owner (signed) _____ Title _____ Date _____		
	For installing contractor (signed) _____ Title _____ Date _____		
Additional explanation and notes _____			
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**6.10.1.2**

Alternate forms or electronic records providing at minimum the required information found in Figure 6.10.1.1 shall be permitted. [ 24: 10.10.1.2 ]

## Supplemental Information

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## Committee Statement

**Committee Statement:** A Contractors material certificate is considered the birth certificate of the system and should be retained by the owner for the life of the system. Standard forms provide a level of assurance that the required tests are performed and documented.

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## Second Revision No. 1006-NFPA 13-2020 [ New Section after 6.10.2.1.3.1 ]

### 6.10.2.1.3.2

Suction piping supplying fire pump(s) shall be flushed prior to connecting to the fire pump(s) based on the requirements of NFPA 20 . [ **24:** 10.10.2.1.3.2]

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### Committee Statement

**Committee Statement:** A pointer referring users to NFPA 20 where fire pumps are installed is a better option than adding a new section with flow values differing from existing requirements of NFPA 24.

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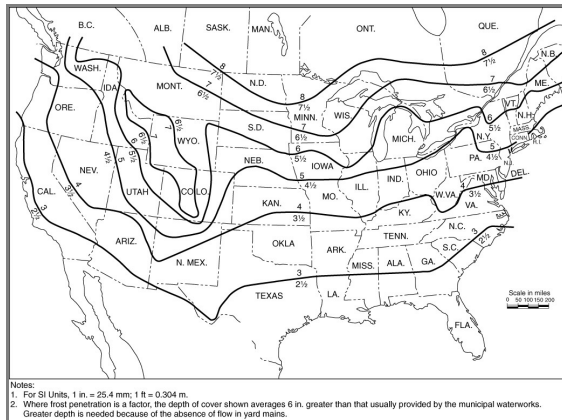


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### A.6.4.2

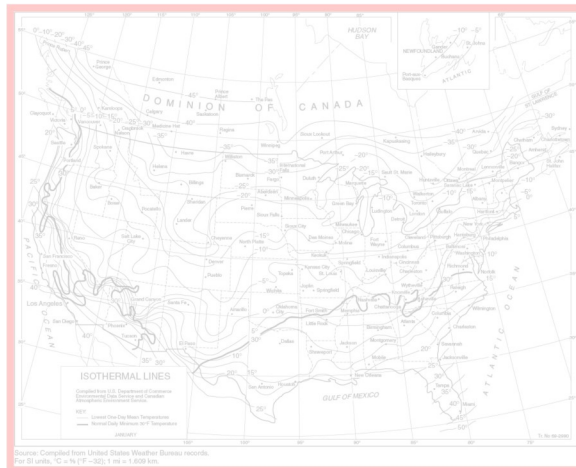
As there is normally no circulation of water in private fire service mains, they require greater depth of covering than do public mains. Greater depth is required in a loose gravelly soil (or in rock) than in compact soil containing large quantities of clay. The recommended depth of cover above the top of underground yard mains is shown in Figure A.6.4.2.

**Figure A.6.4.2 Recommended Depth of Cover (in feet) Above Top of Underground Yard Mains. [24:Figure A.10.4.2(a) A.10.4.2 ]**



In determining the need to protect aboveground piping from freezing, the lowest mean temperature should be considered as shown in Figure A.6.4.2(b). [24:A.10.4.2]

**Figure A.6.4.2(b) Isothermal Lines — Lowest One-Day Mean Temperature (°F). [24:Figure A.10.4.2(b)]**



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