# Material Specification – 25

## METER PITS, DOMES, AND LIDS

#### 1. GENERAL

Meter pits, domes, and lids shall be manufactured in accordance with the following requirements.

## 2. METER PIT

Meter pits shall be constructed as cylindrical concrete or plastic pits 24-inches in diameter and 52-inches to 78-inches deep with a metal dome or bell housing double lid of frost proof construction that fits a 20-inch ID concrete or plastic meter pit top ring.

The meter pit shall consist of a 24-inch nominal diameter by a 42-inch or 48-inch high cylinder of concrete or plastic. The meter pit base shall have two doghouse cutouts 3-inches wide by 4-inches high and located 180 degrees apart to accommodate the service line tubing. The meter pit top shall have a shelf or tapered design to support a standard dome or bell housing with a 20-inch nominal diameter.

- A. Concrete meter pits shall consist of a combination of two to four precast concrete rings that total 48-inches in height; the top ring shall not exceed 12-inches in height. The rings shall have a 2-inch minimum wall thickness and be suitably reinforced to minimize breakage during installation and use. The rings shall be constructed of concrete in accordance with these Specifications and ASTM C 478.
- B. Plastic meter pits shall be of a 1-piece design with a nominal 24-inch diameter by 42-inch high unit that tapers in 12-inches to accept a 20-inch diameter dome unit; or a 2-piece design with a nominal 24-inch diameter by 30-inch high base unit and a 12-inch or 18-inch top unit that tapers from a 24-inch diameter to accept a standard 20-inch diameter dome unit. The units shall be constructed of LMDP or high density polypropylene (HDPE) with a wall thickness of no less than 0.5-inches.

The meter pit shall be able to withstand a 200 pound lateral load applied with a 4-inch square plate positioned one-inch below the top of the pit with a maximum deflection of one-inch. The base unit shall have a flange at the bottom of the base unit, and a molded flange near the top of the base section to resist settling and provide additional resistance to deformation from lateral loads during backfilling. The meter pit shall be bright white on its interior. The Manufacturer's name and model number shall be molded or printed on each piece. Grade adjustment rings from the same Manufacturer shall be used to raise the top of the pit to grade or accommodate the plumb pit to angled grades.

## 3. METER PIT DOME ASSEMBLY

The meter pit dome or bell housing shall be made of grey CI in accordance with ASTM A 48, Class 35B. It shall have a nominal 20-inch bottom diameter that tapers to a nominal 12-inch diameter opening at the top with a height of 10-inches to 12-inches. The dome or bell housing shall have an inside lip to support an inner frost lid and an upper lip to accommodate the locking mechanism of the meter pit lid. When installed

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on a meter pit top ring, the dome shall be rated for AASHTO H 20 highway loading plus impact not to exceed 20,000 pounds, tested in accordance with AASHTO M306 without any damage or permanent deformation.

- A. Meter pit lid: The cap type top lid shall be grey CI in accordance with ASTM A 48, Class 35B or high-impact, no-break Hydrozone HD composite or other approved fiber-reinforced polymer material. The CI lid shall have a center hole that is 2-inches in diameter to accept the AMR/AMI device.
  - Composite lids shall withstand a temperature range from -40°F to 90°F and shall be resistant to ultraviolet light degradation. Top lids shall be furnished with a worm-gear locking bolt with a large 5-sided brass nut. The lid shall be rated for AASHTO H 20 highway loading plus impact not to exceed 20,000 pounds and shall be tested in accordance with AASHTO M306 without any damage or permanent deformation. Meter pit lids shall have the words Denver Water Meter cast or imprinted on them.
- B. The inner frost lid shall be molded of high-density polyethylene. The frost lid shall be 12-inch diameter and at least 1/8-inch thick. The frost lid shall be dish-shaped with a recess that is 2-inches to 3-inches deep with three to five 1/4-inch diameter drainage holes located around the edge of the recessed area. There shall be a 1/4-inch wide notch the full width of the top lip and a lifting tab that projects 2-inches inward with a 9/16-inch or larger hole.

#### 4. APPROVED MANUFACTURERS AND MODELS

Manufacturers	Models	
Concrete Meter Pits		
Copeland Precast, Inc.		
Oldcastle Precast		
Forterra Precast		
Plastic Meter Pit – Potable		
Bingham & Taylor	MMPE 2412, MMPE 2418, MMP2430	
Oldcastle Infrastructure	0024-48B Body B-W 2 MsHL (Denver Water), 0020-42 Body B-W 2 MsHL – 24" Base (Bullet Style)	
Sigma Corporation	RMP 202442-FB-W RMP202448-FB-DW	
Plastic Meter Pit - Nonpotable		
Oldcastle Infrastructure	0024-48B Body B-P 2 MsHL (Denver Water)	

Meter Pit Dome Assembly		
Manufacturers	Models	
Bingham & Taylor	IFLW20DWM	
EJ	00842004	
Sigma Corporation	MBSW3DTH-35	
Star Pipe Products	MB1014W	

Composite Meter Pit Lid		
Manufacturers	Models	
EJ	Composite Lid Denver Model (1200 Series)	
Nicor, Inc.	Composite Lid 125SDENI	

Composite Meter Pit Extensions (Off-Grade)		
Manufacturers	Models	
Potable		
Bingham & Taylor	MPE2002, MPE2004, MPE2022	
Oldcastle Infrastructure	0020-7 B EXT B-W, 0020-15 B EXT B-W, 0020-22 B EXT B-W	
Sigma Corporation	RMP20- Ext12-DW	
Nonpotable		
Oldcastle Infrastructure	0020-7 В ЕХТ В-Р, 0020-15 В ЕХТ В-Р, 0020-22 В ЕХТ В-Р	

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