

DRY BARREL FIRE HYDRANTS

756.1 GENERAL:

Fire Hydrants furnished by the Contractor shall be designed, manufactured, and tested in compliance with the latest edition of the American Water Works Association (AWWA) - C. 502 Standard for Dry-Barrel Fire Hydrants, supplemented as follows:

756.2 DRAWINGS:

Detail drawings or blue prints showing all components, principal dimensions, construction details and materials used shall be submitted to the Contracting Agency for approval. The Contracting Agency reserves the right to consider the quality, appearance and past performance of fire hydrants when reviewing drawings for approval.

756.3 HYDRANTS:

Fire hydrant makes and models (and approved alternates) shall be specified by the owner and designated on an approved products list. Alternate hydrants by request only to Owner. The diameter of the main valve seat opening shall be not less than 5 inches in diameter. The entire valve assembly shall be effectively sealed against moisture.

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All interior ferrous surfaces of the shoe exposed to fluid flow (including the valve plate and cap nut), shall be epoxy coated to a minimum dry thickness of 6 mils. Epoxy coatings shall be factory applied by an electrostatic or thermosetting process in accordance with the manufacturer's printed instructions. The epoxy materials used shall be 100% powder epoxy or liquid epoxy that conforms to the requirements of AWWA C-550-81, NSF 61 approved, and to the prevailing requirements of the Food and Drug Administration and of the Environmental Protection Agency.

Style of inlet shoe connections shall be mechanical joint with accessories, gland, bolts, gaskets and having a 6 inch diameter inlet connection. Facing of the main valve against seats shall be rubber or synthetic rubber. The top of the stem or bonnet shall be equipped with the O-ring seal. Hydrants shall be constructed so that extension sections in multiples of 6 inches, with rod and coupling, can be added to increase barrel length. The hose and streamer nozzle connections shall match the standard size and threads per inch of the Contracting Agency. Operating and outlet nozzle cap nuts shall be of solid pentagonal shape. The pentagon shall measure fifteen-sixteenths to thirty-one thirty-seconds inch on side, 1 1/2 inch from point to flat. All barrels above ground shall have a prime coat and painted with two coats of fire hydrant yellow paint. Hydrants shall be constructed so that the standpipe can be rotated 360 degrees to at least 8 different positions.

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Hydrants shall be designed for a 250 psi working pressure and factory bench tested to a 500 psi hydrostatic pressure. Hydrants shall be field tested consistent with the specified pressure ratings for the connecting pipes.

Hydrants shall be of the break flange traffic model type with a replaceable breakable unit immediately above the ground line to minimize repairs necessary due to traffic damage. The breakable stem coupling will be made of a corrosion resistant material such as stainless steel or bronze, or have a permanently applied non corrosive finish such as nickel plating or fusion bonded epoxy coating.

Hydrants shall be of the compression type; constructed such that the main valve closes with the water pressure to assure no loss of water in the event of damage to the upper portion of the fire hydrant.

Main valve opening shall have a minimum diameter of 5-inches to assure optimum flow. Facing of the main valve against the seats shall be of rubber or synthetic rubber minimum of 1 inch in thickness. Plastic or Neoprene type main valves will not be allowed.

Hydrants shall be of the dry top design with o-ring seals to ensure that the operating threads will be

protected from water entry. Dry top design to include factory- lubricated operating mechanism which allows supplemental lubricant to be added in the field without removal of the upper barrel. Standard lubricant shall be a NSF 61 approved oil or grease suitable for a temperature range of 40 degrees to 150 degrees F.

Hydrants shall have a cast iron weather shield at the operating nut to protect the clearance area between the top casting and the operating nut.

The operating nut shall be a one-piece bronze casting. Both the operating nut and the nozzle cap nuts shall be National Standard Pentagon in shape and measure 1-1/2 inches from point to flat at the base of the nut.

Hydrants shall have two hose nozzles, 2-1/2 inch diameter, and one pumper nozzle approved by the Owner. Rubber gasket nozzle caps shall be provided. Screw Threads shall be per owner requirements.

Hydrant nozzle section shall be capable of rotation through 360 degrees to at least 8 points of rotation with respect to the standpipe to allow the positioning of the hose or pumper nozzles

Minimum distance allowable between the centerline of the lowest nozzle and ground / bury line is 18-inches. Bury line shall be visibly marked on lower barrel of hydrant.

Hydrants shall have markings indicating direction of opening right to left (counter-clockwise).

Hydrants shall have permanent markings identifying the manufacturer name, model identification, size of the main valve opening and the year of manufacture

Hydrants shall have an automatic drain that is operated by the main valve rod. The drain valve is to open as the main valve is closed and close as the main valve is opened. The port and seat of the drain valve shall be bronze. Drain facings shall not be leather.

The outside of the hydrant top section shall be painted a minimum of one coat of non- lead base premium primer and two (2) finished coats of non-lead base premium durable paint. The surface will be properly prepared, smooth, clean, and dry before primer is applied. The primer coat will be applied to a DFT (Dry Film Thickness) of 3-4 mils. The final 2 coats will be applied to achieve a DFT of 6-8 mils on top of the primer coat. Paint will be a semi-gloss, bright chrome safety yellow in color. Paint will have high color retention. Paint will be fade and UV resistant, rust resistant, resistant to abrasions and chipping and have flexibility qualities.

Hydrants shall have a bronze valve seat and shall be threaded into a bronze drain ring or shoe bushing to prevent electrolysis between these components

Hydrants shall be designed to permit the use of extension sections.

Hydrants shall be designed to allow all working parts to be removed through the bonnet/dome or upper nozzle section of the hydrant without removal of the entire upper barrel section.

Hydrants shall be suitable for installation in 36-inch and 72-inch trench depth or as specified by owner.

All nuts and bolts of the factory hydrant to be buried below ground will be a minimum of 304 stainless steel and coated for gall protection.

The friction loss must be guaranteed by the manufacturer to match statistics in Table 756-1

756.4 MANUFACTURER:

The manufacturer shall guarantee that the hydrant is so constructed that the valve stem will not be bent when hydrant is damaged or broken at or near the grade level. A safety breaking flange or thimble, shall be provided. The friction loss must be guaranteed, by the manufacturer, to satisfy Table 756-1.

| TABLE 756-1 | | | |
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| MAXIMUM PERMISSIBLE LOSS OF HEAD FOR HYDRANTS | | | |
| Number of Outlet Nozzles | Nominal Diameter of Outlet | Total Flow From Outlet Nozzles GPM | Maximum Permissible Head Loss PSI |
| 2 | 2 1/2 inches | 500 | 2.0 |
| 1 | 4 inches | 600 | 2.5 |

756.5 WARRANTY:

All items shall be warranted by the manufacturer for a minimum period of five (5) years from date of acceptance by the Owner, against defects in material and workmanship. At any time during that period, if a defect should occur in any item, it shall be repaired or replaced by the manufacturer at no obligation to the Owner, except where it would be shown that the defect was caused by misuse and not by fault of manufacturer. The manufacturer expressly warrants all items to be new, free from defect in design, materials, and workmanship and to be fit and sufficient for their intended purpose. All warranties shall survive acceptance and payment by the city.

756.6: INSPECTION

All items shall be inspected before acceptance by an authorized representative of the Owner for workmanship, acceptance and proper functioning of components, and conformance to all requirements of this specification.

Should deficiencies be found, it shall be the responsibility of the supplier to pack the item(s) in question, make necessary corrections, and then return to the Owner for re-inspection and acceptance at no additional expense or obligation to the Owner.