

**Part 1            General**

**1.1                REFERENCES**

- .1 Canadian Standards Association (CSA)
  - .1 CAN/CSA C22.2 No. 18, Outlet Boxes, Conduit Boxes, and Fittings and Associated Hardware.
  - .2 CAN/CSA C22.2 No. 45.1, Electrical Rigid Metal Conduit – Steel.
  - .3 CSA C22.2 No. 56, Flexible Metal Conduit and Liquid-Tight Flexible Metal Conduit.
  - .4 CSA C22.2 No. 211.2, Rigid PVC (Unplasticized) Conduit.
  - .5 CAN/CSA C22.2 No. 227.3, Nonmetallic Mechanical Protection Tubing (NMPT) and Fittings (Binational Standard, with UL 1696).

**1.2                SUBMITTALS**

- .1 Provide submittals in accordance with Contract Document.
- .2 Product Data:
  - .1 Provide manufacturer's printed product literature, specifications and datasheet and include product characteristics, performance criteria, physical size, finish and limitations.

**Part 2            Products**

**2.1                CONDUITS**

- .1 Minimum conduit size: 19 mm, unless specifically indicated on the drawings or approved by the Contract Administrator.
- .2 Rigid metal conduit: to CSA C22.2 No. 45.1, aluminum, threaded,
- .3 Electrical Metallic Tubing CAN/CSA C22.2 No. 83, aluminum threaded.
- .4 Flexible metal conduit: to CSA C22.2 No. 56, liquid-tight flexible metal.
- .5 Rigid PVC conduit: to CSA C22.2 No. 211.2.
- .6 PVC coated Rigid Aluminum: to CSA C22.2 No. 45.1
- .7 PVC coated Rigid Aluminum: to CSA C22.2 No. 45.1

## **2.2 CONDUIT FASTENINGS**

- .1 One-hole steel straps to secure surface conduits 50 mm and smaller. Two-hole steel straps for conduits larger than 50 mm.
- .2 Beam clamps to secure conduits to exposed steel work.
- .3 Channel type supports for two or more conduits at 1.5 m oc.
- .4 Threaded rods, 6 mm dia., to support suspended channels.

## **2.3 CONDUIT SPACERS**

- .1 PVC coated malleable iron spacers, CSA approved for the purpose.
- .2 Aluminum channel may be utilized where conduits are grouped, however a non-metallic spacer must be provided between the aluminum channel and concrete.

## **2.4 CONDUIT FITTINGS**

- .1 Fittings: manufactured for use with conduit specified. Coating: same as conduit.
- .2 Factory "ells" where 90° bends are required for 25 mm and larger conduits.
- .3 Utilize insulated grounding bushings at all enclosure entries.
- .4 Watertight connectors and couplings for EMT. Set-screws are not acceptable.

## **2.5 EXPANSION FITTINGS FOR RIGID CONDUIT**

- .1 Weatherproof expansion fittings with internal bonding assembly suitable for 100 mm linear expansion.
- .2 Watertight expansion fittings with integral bonding jumper suitable for linear expansion and 19 mm deflection in all directions.
- .3 Weatherproof expansion fittings for linear expansion at entry to panel.

## **2.6 FISH CORD**

- .1 Polypropylene

## **Part 3 Execution**

### **3.1 ROUTING**

- .1 Locate conduits containing communication and low voltage conductors away from conduits containing power wiring.

- .2 Avoid routes that would interfere with any potential maintenance activities such as but not limited to:
  - .1 Roof hatches.
  - .2 Mechanical Dampers.
  - .3 Building/Equipment door openings.
  - .4 Equipment Monorails.
- .3 Where not specifically shown in detail on the drawings, review proposed conduit routing with Contract Administrator prior to installation. Comply with all routing changes requested by the Contract Administrator.

### 3.2 INSTALLATION

- .1 Minimum conduit size for instrumentation to be 21Ø.**
- .2 Install conduits to conserve headroom in exposed locations and cause minimum interference in spaces through which they pass.
- .3 Conceal conduits in finished areas.
- .4 Surface mount conduits in mechanical and electrical service rooms and in unfinished areas.
- .5 Use rigid aluminum threaded conduit except where specified otherwise.
- .6 Minimum conduit size for lighting and power circuits: 19 mm.
- .7 Mechanically bend steel conduit over 19 mm dia.
- .8 Field threads on rigid conduit must be of sufficient length to draw conduits up tight.
- .9 Remove and replace blocked conduit sections. Do not use liquids to clean out conduits.
- .10 Dry conduits out before installing wire.
- .11 Do not include more than the equivalent of four (4) quarter bends. Provide pull boxes as required.
- .12 Ensure electrical continuity in all conduit systems.
- .13 All conduit shown exposed in finished areas is to be free of unnecessary labels and trade marks.
- .14 Seal conduits with duct seal where conduits are run between heated and unheated areas. Where conduits, cables, or cable trays pierce fire separations, seal openings with Dow Corning 3-6548 sealant. Seal all conduits entering or leaving hazardous classified areas with approved seals.

- .15 EYS seal conduits after explosion-proof boxes towards unclassified areas. Add Chico compound to stop migration of hazardous gases only after all tests and commission is successfully done.
- .16 Where conduits pass through walls, group and install through openings. After all conduits shown on the Drawings are installed, close wall openings with material compatible with the wall construction.
- .17 Install fish cord in empty conduits.
- .18 Install ground wire in all conduits. Size ground wire as per CEC Table 17.
- .19 Underground conduits: Slope conduits to provide drainage, use waterproof joints (PVC excepted) with heavy coat of bituminous paint.

### 3.3 SURFACE CONDUITS

- 1 Run parallel or perpendicular to building lines.
- 2 Group conduits wherever possible on suspended or surface channels.
- 3 Provide a minimum space of 12 mm between conduits.
- 4 Do not pass conduits through structural members except as indicated.
- 5 Do not locate conduits less than 75 mm parallel to steam or hot water lines with minimum of 25 mm at crossovers.
- 6 Provide a separate ground wire within rigid conduit, bonded to motor frames and system ground.
- 7 Install spacers as required to provide a space between the conduits and the supporting surface, with a minimum space as follows:
  - .1 Above grade spaces not classified as CEC Category 1 or 2:
    - .1 Drywall / Wood surfaces: no space required
    - .2 Masonry / concrete surfaces: 6 mm
  - .2 Below grade spaces: 12 mm

**3.4 Colour Coding**

- .1 Apply plastic tape or paint colour coded bands to conduits at points where conduit or cable enters wall, ceiling, or floor, and at 5 m intervals.
- .2 Bands: 38 mm wide prime colour and 19 mm wide auxiliary colours.
- .3 Band colours as per below, table 4-5 of the CoW Electrical Design Guide.

**Table 4-5 : Conduit Colour Bands**

<b>System</b>	<b>Prime Band</b>	<b>Aux. Band</b>
Medium Voltage (> 750 V)	Orange	
347/600 V	Yellow	
208/120/240 V Power	Black	
UPS 208/120/240 V Power	Black	Green
Control Wiring (120 V)	Black	Orange
Fire Alarm	Red	
Low Voltage Communication/General	Blue	
Low Voltage Control Wiring (< 50 V)	Blue	Orange
Intrinsically Safe	Blue	White
Grounding	Green	
Fibre Optic Cable	Purple	

### **3.5 PVC CONDUIT**

- .1 Concrete Penetrations:
  - .1 Seal and fire stop penetration around conduit with CSA approved assembly for the installation conditions.
- .2 Maximum spacing between supports for rigid PVC conduit:
  - .1 27mm conduit 0.75 m
  - .2 35mm conduit 0.75 m
  - .3 41mm conduit 1.2 m
  - .4 53mm conduit 1.5 m
  - .5 63mm conduit 1.5 m
  - .6 78mm conduit 1.5 m
  - .7 91mm conduit and larger 2.0 m

### **3.6 METAL CONDUIT**

- .1 Bend conduit cold. Replace conduit if kinked or flattened more than 1/10th of its original diameter.
- .2 Mechanically bend conduits over 19 mm in diameter.
- .3 Concrete Penetrations:
  - .1 Sleeves for Aluminum Conduit
    - .1 Install schedule 40 galvanized steel pipe, sized for free passage of conduit.
    - .2 Seal and fire stop penetration around conduit with CSA approved assembly for the installation conditions.

### **3.7 LIQUID-TIGHT AND EXPLOSION-PROOF FLEXIBLE CONDUIT**

- .1 Use as LT raceways at all motors, pipe-mounted control devices, and other devices subject to movement or water when located in non-classified areas.
- .2 Use as XP raceways at all motors, pipe-mounted control devices, and other devices subject to movement when located in classified areas.
- .3 At all motors provide a short length before connecting to the motor terminal box. Minimum length shall be 450 mm plus four times the conduit diameter.

- .4 Provide a separate ground wire within flexible conduit, bonded to motor frames and system ground.

### **3.8 CONCEALED CONDUIT**

- .1 Run parallel or perpendicular to building lines.
- .2 Do not install horizontal runs in masonry walls.
- .3 Do not install conduits in terrazzo or concrete toppings.

### **3.9 CONDUIT IN CAST-IN-PLACE CONCRETE**

- .1 Locate to suit reinforcing steel. Install in centre one third of slab.
- .2 Protect conduits from damage where they stub out of concrete.
- .3 Install sleeves where conduits pass through slab or wall.
- .4 Provide oversized sleeve for conduits passing through waterproof membrane, before membrane is installed. Use cold mastic between sleeve and conduit.
- .5 Do not place conduits in slabs in which slab thickness is less than 4 times conduit diameter.
- .6 Encase conduits completely in concrete with minimum 25 mm concrete cover.
- .7 Organize conduits in slab to minimize cross-overs.

### **3.10 CONDUIT IN CAST-IN-PLACE SLABS ON GRADE**

- .1 Run conduits 25 mm and larger below slab and encased in 75 mm concrete envelope. Provide 50 mm of sand over concrete envelope below floor slab.

### **3.11 INSTALLATIONS IN CATEGORY 1 AND 2 LOCATIONS**

- .1 As per CEC section 22.
- .2 Arrange to provide drainage at frequent intervals to suitable locations.
- .3 Equip with approved fittings to permit the moisture to drain out of the system.
- .4 Install the conduit with a minimum of 12 mm space from the supporting surface.
- .5 Install every joint to be water-tight.
- .6 Where conduit leaves a warm room and enters a cooler atmosphere, seal the conduit and arrange the conduit in a manner to avoid condensation accumulation at the seal.

**3.12            INSTALLATIONS IN HAZARDOUS ZONE 1 AND 2 LOCATIONS**

- .1    Explosion proof conduit sealing fittings:
  - .1        Install sealing fittings as indicated and on all new conduit installations to meet CEC requirements.
  - .2        Add sealing compound following manufacturer's instructions.

**END OF SECTION**