

Department of Design and Construction

SPECIFICATION BULLETIN

SB

18-003

Title: WATER AND SEWER GENERAL PROVISIONS			
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APPLICABILITY:

• This Specification Bulletin (SB) is effective for projects advertised on or after 4/10/2018.

SUPERSEDENCE:

• This SB supersedes the following SBs: NONE

ATTACHMENTS:

NONE

REVISIONS TO THE NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION STANDARD SEWER AND WATER MAIN SPECIFICATIONS, DATED 7/1/14:

All references contained below are to the New York City Department of Environmental Protection Standard Sewer and Water Main Specifications, Dated July 1, 2014. Said Standard Sewer and Water Main Specifications are hereby revised as follows:

a) Refer to Page I-3, Section 10.01 – DEFINITION OF TERMS;
 Insert the following new paragraph at the end of the Section:

"Whenever the word "shall" is used herein, the term is intended to convey a contractual mandate, such as the terms "must", "will", or "be obliged to" (and not "may")."

b) Refer to Page I-18;
 Insert the following new Section 10.37 – CORROSIVE SOILS:

"The contractor is notified that where ever ductile iron pipe is installed within the project scope, especially in soil environments that are considered to be potentially corrosive to ductile iron pipe, that the Engineer will direct the Contractor to test the soil and other conditions that affect the corrosion rate of ductile iron pipe in accordance with "AWWA C105/A21.5, Appendix A" to determine the necessity of polyethylene encasement of pipe. The rate of testing shall not exceed two tests per block. The Engineer reserves the right to witness all sampling and testing of the soil.



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The cost for testing the soil, including all labor, materials and equipment, will be included in the prices bid for laying ductile iron pipe and fittings per Section 60.12 of the Standard Sewer and Water Main Specifications.

If the soil is found corrosive for the ductile iron pipe, the Contractor must encase the new ductile iron pipe and appurtenances in an approved loose 8-mil thick polyethylene sleeve in accordance with item 65.21 PS - "FURNISHING AND PLACING POLYETHYLENE SLEEVE", or as ordered by the Engineer. The payment for all labor, materials and equipment, etc., complete, required for the encasing the ductile iron pipe will be deemed included in the price bid for the item 65.21 PS - "FURNISHING AND PLACING POLYETHYLENE SLEEVE" and no separate payment will be made."

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