

# Rules for inspection and tests of welds in pressure pipelines.

## Associated Offices - Pipe Inspection, Testing & Marking Requirements to Ensure Pipe Quality



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Is there any doubt that a piping system includes pipe, fittings and flanges? Conducting 100% radiography of all the weld joints assure that your weld joints are defect free but can never provide you with the assurance of mechanical integrity of a system.

## Pressure Testing and Lay

After the test pressure is reached and before commencement of inspection of the system, the isolation valve between the temporary test manifold, or piping and the piping, or equipment under pressure test shall be closed and the test pump disconnected. If for justifiable safety reasons the line must be back-filled, then the joints shall remain exposed during testing.

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. This beam travels through a material with only a small loss, except when it is intercepted and reflected by a discontinuity or by a change in material.

## Testing and Inspection of Welds

Where, when, or if there are other concerns, or regulations that may enter into that decision, CFRs, OSHA, etc. Machinery lube and seal oil systems which could be impaired by the presence of water, shall not be subjected to the piping test pressure.

## Texas Pipe Inspection Certification

It is the final check of mechanical integrity of the whole system and should be followed religiously as after this activity the piping system has to be commissioned.

### **Golden Welds and Pressure Test**

Repeat tests and ensure chemical residuals every six months during lay-up. The final pneumatic tests will be performed outside normal working hours. When a block valve is used for isolating test sections, the differential pressure across the valve seat shall not exceed the seat test pressure during pressure testing and shall not exceed the rated seat pressure during tightness test.

### **Golden Welds and Pressure Test**

In most cases the component is subjected to the leak test after being installed in the field. Those answers come from very experienced engineers. However, in the case of long pipelines, displacement of air by sweeping with inert gas-driven scrapers shall be acceptable.

### **Golden Welds and Pressure Test**

The first smart pig was developed in the 1960s using Magnetic Flux Leakage MFL technology to inspect the bottom portion of the pipeline.

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