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WRAS TEST & ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA

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TEST CODE SHEET

1. $\underline{\text{TYPE OF TEST(S)}}$

Vacuum test tightness of the upstream check valve.

2. WATER REGULATIONS REQUIREMENTS FOR FITTINGS

Schedule 2

15-(1) every water system shall contain an adequate device or devices for preventing backflow of fluid from any appliance, fitting or process from occurring.

3. BRITISH STANDARDS OR WATER SPECIFICATION, DEEMED TO SATISFY WATER REGULATIONS REQUIREMENTS

3.1 Fittings with 'kitemarks' which are deemed to satisfy the requirements of regulations are listed in the directory.

4. TEST PROCEDURE

Note Unless otherwise stated the temperature of the test fluid shall be 20 ± 10 °C.

4.1 Tests applicable to the following:-

NON-VERIFIABLE DISCONNECTOR CA

DN6 to DN50.

Devices for the prevention of contamination by backflow.

(A) NON-VERIFIABLE DISCONNECTOR CA (Derived from prEN W1097 C25: 1999. Clause 9.5.4) DN6 to DN50.

TEST METHOD

APPARATUS The following apparatus is required.

Vacuum rig, vacuum gauge, water reservoir, scale.

$\underline{\textbf{PROCEDURE}}$ The procedure shall be as follows:

- (1) Remove or foul the downstream check valve.
- (2) Mount the device in the test system in its normal working position. (See Figure 8).
- (3) Apply a flow of water at the valve outlet that will create a relief flow rate as indicated in Table 32.
- (4) Rapidly apply a vacuum of > 0.5 bar at the valve inlet and hold for 60 ± 5 seconds.
- (5) Repeat the test with a vacuum of 0.065 bar \pm 0.005 bar and hold for 60 \pm 5 seconds.

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Table 32

DN	6	8	10	15	20	25	32	40	50
Flow m ³ /hr	0.2	0.36	0.56	2	3.2	5.4	8.6	13.6	21

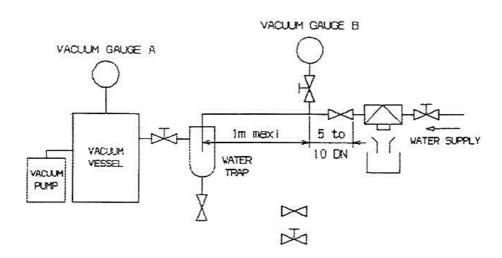


Figure 8: Tightness testing equipment (vacuum)

5. <u>ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA</u>

No water shall pass through the device on test, as indicated by water in the water trap.