Summary of Substantive Changes
between the 2005 and 2010 editions of
CSA B602, “Mechanical couplings for drain, waste,
and vent pipe and sewer pipe”

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General: The technical content was changed and there may be an impact on current listings. The technical changes include additional requirements for testing Type 3 couplings.

Section 2, Reference publications: This section was updated to reflect the current editions of referenced standards and the following standards were removed or added:


5.1 Elastomer

Section 5.1.1, General:
Section 5.1.1.1: Changed the section to require Type 3 couplings to be made with properly vulcanized virgin elastomeric compound only.
Section 5.1.1.3: Added requirements for the timing of Type 3 coupling tests and the following note is applied to pertinent sections of the standard, Note: See Clause 5.1.1.3 for timing of Type 3 coupling tests.

Section 5.1.2, Tensile strength and elongation: Increased the required elongation from 150 to 250%.

Section 5.1.4.2.2, Test procedure for Type 1 and Type 2 couplings: Divided the materials into two groups; less than 90 IRHD, and 90 IRHD or greater, and clarified the standard to use as ASTM D395.

Section 5.1.4.3, Stress relaxation test (for Type 1 and Type 2 couplings only):
- Changed the referenced standard for the conduction of the test from Clause 10.4 of CAN/CSA-B182.2 to Method B in ASTM D6147
- Decreased the test time from 1000 h to 168 h
- Removed the requirement to extrapolate values to 100,000 h and
- Changed the required remaining stress from 30% to 20%

Section 5.1.9, Heat aging test: Changed the text as follows:
(c) a maximum increase in hardness of 10 units IRHD.
Section 6.3.2, Test procedure for *Type 1 and 2 couplings*:

- Removed Type 3 couplings from the procedure
- Replaced the hydrostatic test pressures listed in Table 2 with a uniform test pressure of 30 kPa for all pipe sizes
- Reduced the test duration from 30 to 5 min

Section 6.3.3, Test procedure for Type 3 couplings: Added this procedure to test Type 3 couplings, limiting the pressure test to a uniform deflection angle of 5° and test pressure of 30 kPa for all NPS.

Table 2: Joint tightness test (deflected) – Restrained: Removed column 3 (Test Pressure) from the table.