

# IPEX ELECTROFUSION TAPPING TEES – PE4710

## **INSTALLATION PROCEDURE**

- 1. Using appropriate scraping tools, all areas of pipe and spigot part to be fused must be scraped free of pipe surface oxidation. Always scrape a slightly larger area of the pipe and spigot part to be fused.
- 2. Clean the fusion areas of pipe and fitting using a clean cloth impregnated with 96% or greater isopropyl alcohol to make sure they are free of contaminants (grease, mud, humidity, soilage, etc).
- 3. Position the fitting in accordance with clamping device provided.
- 4. See and follow electrofusion procedure.
- Before pressure testing using the tapping tool retract the cutter blade completely to the stop at top of chimney and give 1/4 turn more to give tightness. Replace cap and hand tighten only.
- Tap main after pressure testing using tapping tool then retract cutter blade back to the stop at top of chimney and give 1/4 turn to give tightness. Replace cap and hand tighten only.



## UNDERCLAMP OPTIONS FOR TAPPING TEES & BRANCH SADDLES

1. Permanent PE Underclamp

Slide the underclamp on the tapping tee lips and insert it with a mallet until contact is made with the stop. Ensure underclamp is inserted in correct direction. **Re-mark surface at fitting placement area.** 



### 2. Permanent Strap Underclamp

Insert the end of the strap with screws onto the opposite lip of the tapping tee outlet and tighten the screws until they lock. **Re-mark surface at fitting placement area.** 



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## ELECTROFUSION PROCEDURE

#### Manual/Bar Code

- 1. Connect electrofusion controller leads to terminals of electrofusion fittings ensuring they are connected correctly.
- 2. Activate fusion cycle by either scanning bar code label on fitting or manually entering the fusion time indicated on the label.
- 3. After the fusion cycle has completed wait 15 seconds before removing the leads.
- 4. Allow the correct cooling time indicated on the label of the fitting before removing any clamping devices and before pressure testing.

Any movement of the fusion indicator is a visual verification that fusion has taken place. No movement at all in the fusion indicator indicates that there has been a problem during the fusion cycle and further investigation and possible replacement is required.

Movement i.e. the height of the fusion indicator does not guarantee the integrity/quality of the jointas this is subject to a number of factors including:

- Pipe preparation
- Size tolerance of the components
- Ovality of the pipe/fitting
- Ambient temperature
- Pipe temperature
- Outside diameter
- Pipe material
- · Adequate clamping system (saddles)
- Correct fusion times followed



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