

# CUSTOMER BULLETIN – NEW CPVC DOCUMENTS

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Dear Friends and Valued Customers,

As part of an ongoing industry-wide effort, IPEX has made available new documents relating to IPEX BlazeMaster Fire Protection System care, installation and compatibility.

These documents have been developed to assist installing contractors in conveying important information to building owners, other trades or anyone involved in handling and storing CPVC products. We encourage you to safeguard your installations by taking advantage of these documents.

## Two new documents are available:

**Jobsite Notice** – designed for use during and after construction, the sign notifies of the presence of CPVC fire protection piping system and offers guidance on care and compatibility.

**Turnover Letter** – designed for building owners, the turnover document details important information regarding a CPVC fire protection piping system including care, compatibility and maintenance.

These documents are available for download for Canadian Customers at [www.ipexinc.com](http://www.ipexinc.com) and for US Customers at [www.ipexamerica.com](http://www.ipexamerica.com) and printed copies of the Jobsite Notice Poster (in English, French and Spanish) are available by request (please contact your local IPEX representative). In addition, similar labels are currently being added to all IPEX BlazeMaster packaging and will be available in the near future.

Thank you for your continued support and loyalty. Should you have any questions, please contact us using the information above.

## TURNOVER LETTER

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION  
WITH REGARDS TO YOUR CPVC FIRE SPRINKLER SYSTEM**

CONGRATULATIONS, your building structure contains a state of the art life safety system. Your CPVC fire sprinkler system will enhance the safety and security of your building when properly cared for. CPVC Fire Sprinkler Products resist attack from a wide range of chemicals that are corrosive to metallic piping. As with any piping material, there are however, certain chemicals that can be detrimental to CPVC. Occasionally some of these chemicals may be found in some construction products, site preparations and building maintenance. There are certain things that you need to be mindful of in caring for or working around your CPVC fire sprinkler system.

**Keep your system clear from contact with the following products and chemicals unless product labels state materials are compatible with CPVC:**

ORDINARY CONSIDERATIONS	PROPERTY MAINTENANCE SERVICES
Cleaning Products/Detergents Oils/Lubricants/Greases Rubbishy Materials	Fungicides Mold Remediation Chemicals/Termiticides / Insecticides
FOR Hired CONTRACTORS & DO-IT-YOURSELFERS	
Corrosion Inhibitors Glycol-based antifreezes Solder Flux Thread Sealants Flexible Cable / Wiring (especially communications cabling) Caulks/Mastics Adhesive Vinyl / Electrical Tape Non-Approved Spray Foam Insulation Non-Water Based Paint Paint Thinners Wood Finishes/Varnishes	

**You should also avoid the following:**

- Sitting, standing, hanging, leaning, or resting anything on the pipe, fittings, and sprinkler heads
- Grounding electrical wiring to the pipe or fittings
- Ambient temperatures below 40°F / 4°C where your fire sprinkler system is located. (Unless an approved compatible antifreeze or insulation method is installed.)
- Hot work around the pipe, i.e. blow torches, soldering, etc.

**Be certain that this document is reviewed and understood by anyone working on or around your CPVC life safety system. If you have any questions or need assistance on chemical compatibility with your CPVC fire sprinkler system, contact IPEX.**

Proper care will help your CPVC fire sprinkler system provide protection for years to come.

**FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT IPEX AT 1-866-473-9462 (Can Toll Free) or 1-800-463-9572 (U.S. Toll Free)**

CPVC Fire Sprinkler Turnover Document Rev. 04 - 2002

## JOBSITE NOTICE

**NOTICE**

**This building contains a CPVC fire sprinkler system. This CPVC fire sprinkler system is a Life Safety Assembly and must be treated carefully. Please read the following before any activity which could contact this system:**

CPVC piping components may be damaged by certain substances and construction practices.

- DO NOT weld, support, hang equipment, or hang flexible air-ventilator, especially communications cable, or other material on the fire sprinkler system.
- DO NOT apply corrosive materials, including, but not limited to: solvent, acids, alkalis, cutting oils, and flammable gases or fumes to the CPVC fire sprinkler system manufacturer's installation instructions should be read thoroughly with this notice.
- DO NOT expose CPVC products to incompatible substances, such as cutting oils, non-water based paints, parking oils, antifreeze, antifogging, moldicides, detergents, building caulk, adhesive vinyl, urethane, flexible cable/wiring (especially communications cabling), and non-approved spray foam insulation materials.
- DO NOT expose CPVC products to acidic oils, solvents, or glycol-based anti-freeze fluids.
- DO NOT expose CPVC products to open flame, solder, and soldering flux.
- DO NOT dip, absorb, or repeat CPVC products or allow objects to be dropped on them.
- DO NOT handle CPVC products with gloves contaminated with oils (hydrocarbon) or other incompatible materials.

Failure to follow this notice may cause cracks or fractures to develop in CPVC products resulting in property damage due to leaks or flooding. The presence of any visible cracks may require partial or full system replacement. For additional information contact the general contractor or the fire sprinkler system installer.

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**AVERTISSEMENT**

**Ce bâtiment est équipé d'un système de gicleurs en PVC-C. Ce système de gicleurs en PVC-C est une installation de protection des vies humaines et il doit être traité soigneusement. Veuillez lire les instructions suivantes avant d'effectuer toute activité qui pourrait impliquer un contact avec ce système:**

Les tuyaux en PVC-C peuvent être endommagés par certaines substances et pratiques de construction.

- NE PAS souder, appuyer, suspendre des équipements ou suspendre des flexible ventilatoire, en particulier les câbles de communication, ou tout autre matériel sur le système de gicleurs.
- NE PAS appliquer des matériaux corrosifs, y compris, mais pas limités à: solvants, acides, alcalis, huiles de coupe et gaz inflammables sur le système d'installation du fabricant du système de gicleurs en PVC-C. Lire attentivement les instructions de l'utilisateur.
- NE PAS exposer les produits de PVC-C à des substances incompatibles, telles que les huiles de coupe, les peintures adhésives à base d'huile, les huiles, les adhésifs pour tissus synthétiques, les fongicides, termiticides, insecticides, détergents, mastics, résine adhésive, colle de bricolage, adhésifs flexibles (en particulier les câbles de communication), et les produits d'isolation par projection de mousse non homologués.
- NE PAS exposer les produits de PVC-C aux flammes, soudures, et flux de soudage.
- NE PAS exposer les produits de PVC-C aux produits de soudage à l'état fondu ou à la base de plomb.
- NE PAS manipuler les produits de PVC-C avec des gants contaminés par des huiles (hydrocarbonés) ou d'autres matériaux incompatibles.

Le non respect de ces instructions peut entraîner l'apparition de fissures ou de craquelures dans les produits de PVC-C, ce qui pourrait engendrer des dommages de fuite de fluide ou d'inondation. La présence de fissures visibles peut impliquer le remplacement complet ou partiel du système. Pour plus d'informations, contactez l'entrepreneur général ou l'installateur du système de gicleurs.

POUR PLUS D'INFORMATIONS, CONTACTEZ IPEX AU 1-866-473-9462

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**NOTA**

**Este edificio está dotado de un sistema de rociadores contra incendios de CPVC. El sistema de rociadores contra incendios de CPVC es un sistema de seguridad de las personas y debe tratarse con cuidado. Lea atentamente las siguientes instrucciones antes de realizar cualquier actividad que pueda afectar el sistema:**

Los componentes de los tubos de CPVC pueden resultar dañados por ciertas sustancias y prácticas constructivas.

- EVITE soldar, apoyar o colgar equipos, así como colgar cables flexibles (especialmente de comunicación) o otros materiales sobre el sistema de rociadores contra incendios.
- En contacto con este sistema S.O.C.O. deben utilizarse materiales compatibles, incluidos pero no limitados a: solventes, ácidos, álcalis, aceites, aceites de corte y gases inflamables. Lea atentamente las instrucciones de instalación proporcionadas por el fabricante de tuberías para rociadores contra incendios de CPVC.
- NO exponga los productos de CPVC a sustancias incompatibles, tales como: aceites, aceites de corte, aceites lubricantes para engranajes, aceites y gases de tipo convencional para resinas de fibra, fongicidas, termiticidas, insecticidas, detergentes, mastics, resinas adhesivas, adhesivos flexibles (especialmente cables de comunicación) e materiales no aprobados para espuma de aislamiento de resina.
- NO exponga los productos de CPVC a aceites corrosivos, ácidos y antióxidos a base de plomo.
- NO exponga los productos de CPVC a flamas, soldadura y flux de soldadura.
- NO manipule los productos de CPVC con guantes contaminados con aceites hidrocarbonados u otros materiales incompatibles.
- NO debe usar los productos de CPVC con guantes contaminados con aceites hidrocarbonados u otros materiales incompatibles.

Si no se cumplen las instrucciones, pueden surgir grietas o fracturas en los productos de CPVC y provocar daños materiales como consecuencia de fugas o inundaciones. La presencia de grietas visibles puede hacer necesario el reemplazo parcial o total del sistema. Para más información, póngase en contacto con el contratista general o con el instalador del sistema de rociadores contra incendios.

PARA MÁS INFORMACIÓN, PONGASE EN CONTACTO CON IPEX AL NÚMERO +52 5670 5050

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