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TYPE APPROVAL CERTIFICATE

This certificate is issued to

Uni-Coupling B.V.

Sint-Oedenrode - NETHERLANDS

for the type of product

MECHANICAL JOINTS - SLIP-ON JOINTS - GRIP TYPE

UNI-Flex axially non restrained pipe couplings

Requirements:

- BUREAU VERITAS Rules for the Classification of Steel Ships
- BUREAU VERITAS Rules for the Classification of Offshore Units
- BUREAU VERITAS Rules for the Classification of Naval Ships
- BUREAU VERITAS Rules for the Classification of Yachts

This certificate is issued to attest that Bureau Veritas Marine & Offshore did undertake the relevant approval procedures for the product identified above which was found to comply with the relevant requirements mentioned above.

This certificate will expire on: 04 Nov 2027

For Bureau Veritas Marine & Offshore,

At BV GRONINGEN, on 04 Nov 2022,

Olaf RUITER

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THE SCHEDULE OF APPROVAL

1. PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

UNI-Flex axially non restrained pipe couplings

1.1 Design

UNI-FLEX: Axially non restraint pipe couplings for plain-ended pipes of Carbon steel, Stainless steel, Cu and CuNiFe. T-profile insert to prevent creepage on the pipe and the optional electrical conductivity clips.

1.2 Rating

UNI-Flex Type	Diameter Size (mm)	Version	Pipe OD (mm)	Nominal Pressure (bar)
UNI-Flex L	20.5 - 172	L	21.3 - 168.3	16
UNI-Flex S	20.5 - 172	S	21.3 - 168.3	16
UNI-Flex	180.0 - 2032	SB	219.1	16
		SC	273.0 - 323.9	16
		SG	355.6 - 457.2	16
		SG	508.0 - 711.2	10
		SG2	762.0 - 1117.6	10
		SG3	1219.2 - 1422.4	6
		SG3	1524.0	2.5
		SG4	1625.6 - 2032.0	2.5
UNI-Flex	180.0 - 2032	SA	219.1	10
		SB	273.0 - 323.9	10
		SC	355.6 - 508.0	10
		SC	558.8 - 711.2	6
		SC2	762.0 - 1016.0	6
		SC2	1117.6	2.5
		SC3	1219.2	2.5
		SC3	1422.4 - 1524.0	--*
SC4	1625.6 - 1828.8	--*		
UNI-Flex	180.0 - 2032	SA	273.0 - 323.9	6
		SB	355.6 - 508.0	6
		SB	558.8 - 711.2	2.5
		SB2	762.0 - 812.8	2.5
		SB2	914.4 - 1117.6	--*
		SB3	1219.2	--*

The maximum working pressure is not to exceed one quarter of the burst pressure at the service temperature.

* To be used in open systems only i.e. under atmospheric conditions.

- Lock bars S-Type: Standard massive lock bars

- Lock bars L-Type: Light hollow lock bars

1.3 Materials

The pipe couplings are available in two material composites w5 and w2

Steel material	Material w2	Material w5
Casing	1.4016 (301)	1.4404 (316L), 1.4571 (316Ti), 1.4462 (318LN), 1.4162 (Lean Duplex)
Bolts	A4-80	A4-80, A4-70
Lock bars	1.0760 (1141)	1.4404 (316L), 1.4571 (316Ti), 1.4462 (318LN), 1.4162 (Lean Duplex)
Anchoring rings	/	1.4310 (301), 1.4404 (316L), 1.4571 (316Ti), 1.4462 (318LN), 1.4162 (Lean Duplex)

When other choices of materials are used per manufacturer's recommendations, the BV agreement is to be obtained.

1.4 Temperature range in dependance of the elastomer material

Rubber material	Temperature Range (°C)
EPDM sleeve	- 30 up to + 125 for version L and S
	- 20 up to + 80 for all other versions
NBR sleeve	- 20 up to + 80 for all versions

2. DOCUMENTS AND DRAWINGS

- Uni Coupling Technical Manual version 3.30.
- Uni Coupling Technical Manual version 2.70.

No departure from the above documentation shall be made without the prior consent of the Society. The manufacturer must inform the Society of any modification or changes to these documents and drawings.

3. TEST REPORTS

3.1 Type tests carried out under supervision of Society's Surveyors : Tightness test, burst pressure test and vacuum test :

- Test reports N°0a to 0d-1-L-F-W5-E dated 24/07/2017
- Test report N°10-1-L-F-W5-E dated 24/07/2014
- Test reports N°2a and 2b-2-S-F-A-W5-E dated 25/07/2014
- Test reports N°3a and 3b-2-S-F-B-W5-E dated 25/07/2014
- Test reports N°4a and 4b-2-S-F-B-W5-E dated 30/07/2014
- Test report N°5a-2-S-F-C-W5-E dated 30/07/2014
- Test report N°6a-2-S-F-G-W5-E dated 30/07/2014

3.2 Fire resistance test according to ISO 19921/ 19922 witnessed by Society's Surveyors :

- Test report N° 0-1-L-F-W5-E(F) dated 25/07/2015,
- Test report N° 1-1-L-F-W5-E-164-172 for size 168.3 mm dated 28/07/2014,
- Test report N° 3C-2-S-F-B-W5-E-213-223(T,F) dated 06/08/2014,
- Test report N° 4C-2-S-F-B-W5-E(T,F) dated 15/08/2014
- Test report N° 6C-2-F-G-W5-E (T,F) dated 15/08/2014

4. APPLICATION / LIMITATION

4.1 May be used on board for services of class II and class III piping systems:

- **Flammable fluids (flash point ≤ 60°C)** - cargo oil (4), crude oil washing (4), vent lines (3)
- **Inert gas** - water seal/scrubber effluent, main lines (2+4), distributions lines (4)
- **Flammable fluids (flash point > 60°C)** - cargo oil (4), fuel oil (2+3), lubricating oil (2+3), hydraulic oil (2+3), thermal oil lines (2+3)
- **Sea water** - bilge/ballast/cooling water (1), water/non-water filled fire extinguishing systems (3), fire main, tank cleaning/non-essential lines
- **Fresh water** - cooling water (1), condensate return (1), non-essential lines
- **Deck drains (internal)** (6), sanitary drains
- **Sounding and venting** - water tanks/dry spaces, oil tanks (flash point > 60°C) (2+3)

- **Miscellaneous** - service air (non-essential), brine, steam (5)

(1)- *Inside machinery spaces of category A – only approved fire resistant types.*

(2)- *Not inside machinery spaces of category A or accommodation spaces. May be accepted in other machinery space provided the joints are located in easily visible and accessible positions.*

(3)- *Approved fire resistant types except in cases where such mechanical joints are installed on exposed open decks, as defined in SOLAS II-2/Reg. 9.2.3.3.2.2 (10) and not used for fuel oil lines.*

(4)- *Only in pump rooms and open decks – only approved fire resistant types.*

(5)- *May be used for pipes on deck with a design pressure of 10 bar or less.*

(6)- *Only above bulkhead deck of passenger ships and freeboard deck of cargo ships.*

4.2 Not to be used for scuppers and discharge (overboard), starting/control air and CO2 system.

4.3 The packing material must be compatible with the fluid to be conveyed and the maximum working temperature.

4.4 Assembly instructions given by the manufacturer are to be complied with the manufacturer's recommendations.

4.5 In all cases, the associated pipes are to be suitably supported and anchored. The joints are to be at any time accessible, excepting inside tanks where permitted by the BUREAU VERITAS Rules.

4.6 The wall thickness and the material of the tubes are to be in accordance with the applicable Society Rules.

4.7 The use of stainless steel is to be restricted as per the requirements of the Bureau Veritas Rules.

5. PRODUCTION SURVEY REQUIREMENTS

5.1 The products are to be supplied by **Uni-Coupling B.V.** in compliance with the type and the requirements described in this certificate.

5.2 This type of product is within the category HBV of Bureau Veritas Rule Note NR 320.

5.3 BV product certificate is not required.

5.4 **Uni-Coupling B.V.** has to make the necessary arrangements to have its works recognised by Bureau Veritas in compliance with the requirements of NR 320 for HBV products.

5.5 For information, **Uni-Coupling B.V.** has declared to Bureau Veritas the following production site :

Uni-Coupling B.V.
Kerkdijk-Zuid 11A
5492 HW Sint-Oedenrode
5492 Sint-Oedenrode
NETHERLANDS

6. MARKING OF PRODUCT

The product shall be marked with at least:

- Manufacturer's name or logo
- Type designation
- Maximum working pressure
- Size

7. OTHERS

It is **Uni-Coupling B.V.**'s responsibility to inform shipbuilders or their sub-contractors of the proper methods of fitting, use and general maintenance of the approved equipment and the conditions of this approval.

This certificate supersedes the Type Approval Certificates N° 43393/A0 BV issued by the Society.

*** END OF CERTIFICATE ***