METAL MATERIALS AND FABRICATION DETAILS FOR METAL ITEMS

SECTION 960
POST-TENSIONING COMPONENTS

960-1 Description.
This Section covers all post-tensioning (PT) components remaining in a completed structure, including temporary erection PT left in-place and permanent PT for design capacity.
Manufacturers seeking approval of PT systems for inclusion on the Structures Design Office (SDO) list of Approved Post-Tensioning Systems must use materials and components meeting requirements of this Section and Section 462. Submit a complete PT System Application Package including component drawings, system drawings, and test reports from a certified laboratory (or laboratories), as defined in 960-3.1, to the SDO for review, acceptance and inclusion on the list of Approved Post-Tensioning Systems.
Any marked variations from original test values or any evidence of inadequate field performance of a PT system, will result in the PT System being removed from the list of Approved Post-Tensioning Systems.

960-1.1 Material References:
Meet the requirements of this Section and the following:
Epoxy Compounds* ............................................Section 926
Bar (post-tensioning) ..........................................Section 933
Duct Filler for Post Tensioned Structures* ..............Section 938
Reinforcing Steel (mild) .......................................Section 415
Parallel Wire (post-tensioning) ...........................Section 933
Strand (post-tensioning) ......................................Section 933
*Use products listed on the Department’s Approved Product List (APL).

960-2 Component Standards.
All PT system components must be materials compatible with the filler material and installation process used to encapsulate the tendons. The component materials must not chemically degrade during the design life of the structure.
Substitution, modification, or deletion of components of PT systems as shown on the SDO website for Approved Post-Tensioning Systems, excluding local zone reinforcement, is not permitted. Inclusion of all possible subcomponents is required for PT system and component testing; however, subcomponents of approved systems may be eliminated from final installations based on project specific requirements, provided all component-to-component interface hardware are included as necessary to maintain connections and PT system integrity.
Provide only PT systems utilizing tendons completely encapsulated in grout or flexible filler filled anchorages and ducts. Do not use systems transferring prestress force by bonding prestress steel strand directly to concrete. Embedded anchorages for bars are permitted. Strand or strand-tendon couplers are not permitted.
Stamp all components of a PT system with the suppliers name, trademark, model number, and size corresponding to catalog designation.
All miscellaneous hardware components, including but not limited to splices, joints, duct couplers, connections, inlets, outlets, drains, valves, and plugs, are part of approved PT systems.

960-2.1 Anchorage Assembly:
1. Construct anchorages from ferrous metal.
2. Anchorages shall develop at least 96% of PT steel actual ultimate strength when tested in an unbonded state, without exceeding anticipated anchor set.
3. Average concrete bearing stress shall be in compliance with AASHTO LRFD Bridge Design Specifications and AASHTO LRFD Bridge Construction Specifications.
4. Test anchorages with typical local zone reinforcement shown in system drawings.
5. Test anchorages in accordance with AASHTO LRFD Bridge Construction Specifications, or the Guideline for European Technical Approval of Post-Tensioning Kits for Prestressing of Structures (ETAG-013, June 2002 edition) with the exception that the design concrete strength used in the testing will be 6,500 psi. For anchorages that will be used for tendons with flexible filler, test anchorages in accordance with ETAG-013 Section 6.1.2-I, with the exception that the design concrete strength used in the testing will be 6,500 psi.
6. Anchorages with grout or flexible filler outlets shall be suitable for inspection from either top or front of anchorage. Anchorages may be fabricated to facilitate both inspection locations or may be two separate anchorages of the same type, each providing singular inspection entry locations.
7. Geometry of grout and flexible filler outlets must facilitate access for borescope inspection directly behind wedge plate using a straight 3/8 inch diameter drill bit.
8. Ferrous metal components of an anchorage that are to be embedded in concrete shall be galvanized in accordance with Section 962. Other anchorage assembly components, including wedges, wedge plates, and local zone reinforcement need not be galvanized.
9. All anchorages shall have a permanent vented anchorage cap bolted to the anchorage.

**960-2.1 Trumpets:**
1. Trumpets associated with anchorages shall be constructed from ferrous metal galvanized per ASTM A123, polypropylene plastic, or polyolefin.
2. Trumpet thickness at transition location shall be the thickness of the duct or greater.

**960-2.1.2 Wedges and Wedge Plates:**
1. Wedge plate shall be ferrous metal.
2. Wedge plates must have centering lugs or shoulders to facilitate alignment with bearing plate.
3. For longitudinal tendons greater than four strands, design system with separate wedge plate and anchorage plate.

**960-2.2 Filler Containment Assembly:**

**960-2.2.1 Duct and Pipe:**
1. Use plastic duct, steel pipe, or a combination of plastic duct and steel pipe in accordance with this Section.
2. Ducts shall be manufactured by a seamless fabrication method. Fabricate all duct splices to prevent kinks during all phases of construction.
3. Do not alter the natural duct color that results from UV protected polymer.
4. Corrugated ferrous metal ducts are prohibited.

**960-2.2.1.1 Corrugated Plastic Duct:**
1. PT systems with duct injected with grout shall use corrugated polypropylene plastic material except where steel pipe is required.

2. Furnish ducts with minimum wall thickness as follows:

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<th>Duct Diameter</th>
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<td>Round</td>
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960-2.2.1.2 Smooth Plastic Duct:

1. PT systems with duct injected with flexible filler shall use smooth plastic duct.

2. Duct shall be polyethylene resin material.

3. Duct shall have a maximum dimension ratio (DR) of 17 as established by either ASTM D3035 or ASTM F714, as appropriate for manufacturing process used.

4. Duct shall have a minimum pressure rating of 125 psi.

960-2.2.1.3 Steel Pipe:

Steel pipes shall be ASTM A53, Type E, Grade B, Schedule 40 and galvanized in accordance with Section 962.

960-2.2.1.4 Minimum Internal Diameter:

1. For prestressing bars, duct shall have a minimum internal diameter of 1/2 inches larger than bar outside diameter, measured across deformations.

2. For prestressing bars with couplers, duct shall have a minimum internal diameter of 1/2 inches larger than largest dimension of the largest enclosed element.

3. For multi-strand tendons, ducts must have a minimum cross-sectional area 2-1/2 times PT steel cross-sectional area.

960-2.2.1.5 Connections, Fittings, and Tolerance:

1. Devices or methods for all duct connections (e.g., splices, joints, couplers, connection to anchorages), shall produce smooth interior alignment with no lips or kinks.

2. Use of tape is not permitted to join or repair duct, to make connections, or for any other purpose.

3. Use a reducer when adjacent sections of duct are directly connected to each other and the outside diameters vary more than plus or minus 0.08 inch.

4. Provide all connections that are external to the concrete with a minimum pressure rating of 1650 psi.
5. Use heat shrink sleeves and circular sleeve couplers made from polyolefin or polypropylene material, or duct couplers made from polyolefin or polypropylene material with O-rings or seals to make connections between sections of corrugated plastic duct or between corrugated plastic duct and trumpets.

6. Use heat shrink sleeves and circular sleeve couplers made from polyolefin or polypropylene material to make connections between corrugated plastic duct and steel pipe.

7. Use heat shrink sleeves with or without circular sleeve couplers made from polyolefin or polypropylene material to make connections between corrugated plastic duct and anchorages with integral trumpets.

8. Use heat welding techniques, electrofusion duct couplers, or elastomer sleeves and stainless steel band clamps to make connections between sections of smooth plastic duct.

9. Use elastomer sleeves and stainless steel band clamps to make connections between smooth plastic duct and steel pipe.

10. Use welding or elastomer sleeves and stainless steel band clamps to make connections between sections of steel pipe that are external to the concrete.

11. Use welding, elastomer sleeves and stainless steel band clamps or heat shrink sleeves and circular sleeve couplers made from polyolefin or polypropylene material to make connections between steel pipe and trumpets that are internal to the concrete.

12. Use elastomer sleeves with a minimum wall thickness of 3/8 inches and reinforced with a minimum of four ply polyester reinforcement. Use a 3/8 inch wide stainless steel power seated band and clamps on each end of the elastomer sleeves to secure the sleeves to plastic ducts or steel pipes. Seat the bands with a 120 pound force prior to clamping them in place.

960-2.2.1.6 Segmental Duct Couplers:
1. Include segmental duct couplers for permanent internal PT systems at joints between match cast precast segments.
2. Use “O”-rings or compression seals between adjoining sections of segmental duct couplers.
3. Plastic duct couplers shall be polyolefin or polypropylene material.
4. Metallic components shall be stainless steel per 960-2.4.3.
5. Segmental duct couplers shall mount perpendicular to the bulkhead at segment joints and provide for duct alignment.
6. Segmental duct couplers shall be able to receive duct at an angle of 6 degree deviation from perpendicular.
7. Segmental duct couplers must be able to accommodate angular deviation of duct without tendon strands touching duct or coupler on either side of segment joint.
8. Ducts for prestressing, used exclusively for temporary erection PT that is to be removed from structure, are not required to be coupled across segment joints.

960-2.2.1.7 “O”-Rings:
1. “O”-rings with cross section diameters less than or equal to 0.25 inches and compression seals with thicknesses less than or equal to 0.25 inches for use with segmental duct couplers, anchorage caps and other similar components shall conform to the requirements of Table 2.2.1.7-1.
Table 2.2.1.7-1
"O"-Ring and Compression Seal Material Properties
(cross section diameter or thickness ≤ 0.25 in)

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<td>Ultimate elongation %, ASTM D412</td>
<td>250% min.</td>
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<td>Tensile strength, ASTM D412</td>
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Accelerated Testing
Thermal Deterioration 70 hours @ 257° F, ASTM D573

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<td>Change of hardness</td>
<td>± 15 points</td>
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Compression Set Method B 22 hours @ 257° F, ASTM D395
Volume change due to absorption of H₂O, Method D, for 70 hours @ 212°F, ASTM D 471

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2. “O”-rings with cross section diameters greater than 0.25 inches and compression seals with thicknesses greater than 0.25 inches for use with segmental duct couplers, anchorage caps and other similar components, shall conform to the requirements in Table 2.2.1.7-1 with the additions and modifications in Table 2.2.1.7-2.

Table 2.2.1.7-2
"O"-Rings and Compression Seal Material Properties
(cross section diameter or thickness > 0.25 in)

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<td>600 psi min.</td>
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Compression Set Method B 22 hours @ 257° F, ASTM D395

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<td>Compression Force - Maximum</td>
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<td>force to compress an “O”-ring</td>
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<td>or compression seal to its</td>
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<td>final compressed position</td>
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<td>shall not be greater than</td>
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<td>25 psi times the area</td>
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<td>encircled by “O”-ring or</td>
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<td>seal.</td>
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3. **Compression Force** - Maximum force to compress an “O”-ring or compression seal to its final compressed position shall not be greater than 25 psi times the area encircled by “O”-ring or seal.

4. **Voided Area** - Compression seals must accommodate material flow within its own cross sectional area by using a hollow or voided design.

**960-2.2.1.8 Heat Shrink Sleeves:**

1. Heat shrink sleeves shall have unidirectional circumferential recovery and be sized specifically for duct size being coupled.

2. Use irradiated and cross linked high density polyethylene backing for external applications and linear-density polyethylene for internal applications.
3. Use adhesive with the same bond value to steel and polyolefin plastic materials.

4. Heat shrink sleeves shall have an adhesive layer that meets the requirements of the following table:

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<td>111 mils</td>
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<td>Peel Strength</td>
<td>ASTM D 1000</td>
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<td>46 pli</td>
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<td>Softening Point</td>
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<td>216°F</td>
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<td>Lap Shear</td>
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<td>58 psi</td>
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<td>Tensile Strength</td>
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<td>2,900 to 3,480 psi</td>
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<td>Hardness</td>
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<td>46 to 48 Shore D</td>
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<td>Minimum Recovery</td>
<td>Heat Recovery Test</td>
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<td>Operating Temperature</td>
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<td>150°F</td>
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5. Install heat shrink sleeves using procedures and methods specified in the manufacturer’s instructions.

**960-2.2.2 Attachments:**

**960-2.2.2.1 Anchorage Caps:**
1. Provide permanent anchorage caps made of stainless steel, nylon, polyester, or Acrylonitrile Butadiene Styrene (ABS).
2. Seal Anchorage cap with “O”-ring seals or precision fitted flat gaskets placed against the bearing plate.
3. Place a vent hole of 3/8 inch minimum diameter suitable for filler venting and inspection of the content inside the anchorage cap from the top or front of the anchorage cap as appropriate (e.g. anchorage caps not accessible after filler injection must have a vent at the top of the cap). Anchorage caps may be fabricated to facilitate both inspection locations.
4. Anchorage caps shall have a minimum pressure rating of 150 psi.
5. Stainless steel bolts shall be used to attach cap to anchorage.
6. Certified test reports documenting steel chemical analysis shall be submitted when stainless steel anchorage caps are used.

**960-2.2.2.2 Inlets, Outlets, Drains, Valves, and Plugs:**
1. Provide permanent inlets, outlets, drains, valves, and threaded plugs made of nylon, polyolefin materials, or stainless steel.
2. All inlets, outlets, and drains shall have pressure rated mechanical shut-off valves or plugs. Mechanical shut-off valves must be 1/4 turn ball valves.
3. Inlets, outlets, drains, valves, and plugs shall have a minimum pressure rating of 150 psi.
4. Inlets and outlets shall have a minimum inside diameter of 3/4 inches for strand and 3/8 inches for single bar tendons and four-strand ducts.

5. Drains shall have a minimum inside diameter of 3/8 inches. Locate drains, and inlets and outlets serving as drains, at the bottom of the duct cross section.

6. Dual in-line mechanical shutoff valves are required for vertical PT systems.

7. Specifically designate temporary items, not part of the permanent structure, on PT system drawings.

960-2.3 Steel Reinforcing:
   960-2.3.1 Mild:
      1. Reinforcing steel shall conform to Section 415 and Section 462.
      2. Test typical local zone reinforcement for compliance with AASHTO LRFD Bridge Design Specifications and AASHTO LRFD Bridge Construction Specifications, as applicable. Include reinforcement details in system drawings submitted for system approval.

960-2.3.2 Prestressing:
   960-2.3.2.1 Strand:
      Prestressing strands shall be in accordance with Section 933.

   960-2.3.2.2 Bar:
      1. Prestressing bars shall be in accordance with Section 933.
      2. Bar couplers shall be in compliance with AASHTO LRFD Bridge Design Specifications and AASHTO LRFD Bridge Construction Specifications.
      3. Test bar couplers in accordance with AASHTO LRFD Bridge Construction Specifications or the Guideline for European Technical Approval of Post-Tensioning Kits for Prestressing of Structures (ETAG-013, June 2002 edition). For bar couplers that will be used for tendons with flexible filler, test bar couplers in accordance with ETAG-013 Section 6.1.2-1.

   4. Use only spherical nuts to anchor bars at bearing plates.

960-2.4 PT System Materials:
   1. Use material specifications in this Section for all PT system components and subcomponents.

   2. Use only virgin material for all non-ferrous components. Do not use any components manufactured from recycled material unless the manufacturer submits data supporting the material performance and oxidation properties meet or exceed that of virgin material.

   3. Test only samples taken from finished product as applicable.

960-2.4.1 Nylon:
   Use one of the following cell classes according to ASTM D5989:
   — 3. S-PA0401 – ultimate strength not less than 10,000 psi with UV stabilizer added.

960-2.4.2 Polyolefin:
   Conforms to both of the following:
   — 1. Contains antioxidants with a minimum Oxidation Induction Time (OIT) according to ASTM D3895 of not less than 20 minutes.
2. Remolded finished material has a minimum failure time of three hours when tested for stress crack resistance using ASTM F2136 at an applied stress of 348 psi.

**960-2.4.3 Stainless Steel:**
- Conforms to the following:
  - 1. ASTM A240 Type 316 - for metallic components other than bolts.
  - 2. ASTM F593 Type 316 - for bolts.

**960-2.4.4 Polypropylene:**
- Conforms to all of the following:
  - 1. Non-colored, unfilled polypropylene according to ASTM D4101 with a cell class range of PP0340B44541 to PP0340B67884.
  - 2. Contains antioxidants with a minimum Oxidation Induction Time (OIT) according to ASTM D3895 of not less than 20 minutes.
  - 3. Contains a non-yellowing light stabilizer.

**960-2.4.5 Polyethylene Resin:**
- Conforms to all of the following:
  - 1. Meets requirements of ASTM D3350 with a minimum cell class of 445574C.
  - 2. Contains antioxidants with a minimum Oxidation Induction Time (OIT) according to ASTM D3895 of 40 minutes.

**960-2.4.6 Elastomer Sleeves:**
- Conform to all of the following:
  - 1. Meet requirements of ASTM D1171 using Ozone Chamber Exposure Method B (no cracks permitted under 2X magnification).
  - 2. Manufactured using constructed of an elastic polymeric material that is compatible with concrete, the in-situ conditions and PT system components to which the sleeves will be attached, and including the filler material and filler material installation process. Identify the applicable ASTM specification(s) that the sleeve material complies with.

**960-3 System Pre-Approval Requirements.**

**960-3.1 Independent Testing:**
- Use independent laboratories meeting the credentials described in this Section to perform all testing and to submit certified test reports for materials and components. Certification may be performed by a qualified independent laboratory outside of the United States, only if the facility is pre-approved by the State Materials Office.

Conform all testing procedures used for materials or components to applicable American Society of Testing and Materials (ASTM) and International Federation of Structural Concrete (fib) Specifications or as modified in this Section.

**960-3.1.1 Material Laboratory:**
- Test plastic components in a certified independent laboratory accredited through the laboratory accreditation program of the Geosynthetic Accreditation Institute (GAI) or the American Association for Laboratory Accreditation (A2LA).

**960-3.1.2 Component and System Laboratory:**
Test individual components and the PT system as a whole witnessed by and/or in a certified independent laboratory audited by the AASHTO Materials Reference Laboratory (AMRL).

**960-3.2 Testing Requirements:**

**960-3.2.1 Component and System Pressure Tests:**

1. For each Family of PT systems, assemble system as detailed on the system drawings and perform pressure tests defined in this Article. A family of PT systems is a group of PT tendon/bar assemblies of various sizes using common anchorage devices and design.
2. Perform tests on the largest assembly and the smallest assembly for each family of PT systems.
3. Include in system test at least one of each component required to install a tendon from anchorage cap to anchorage cap.
4. Include plastic duct to steel pipe connections and segment duct couplers, if applicable. Corrugated duct, smooth duct and all associated components that are used for both internal and external PT systems, e.g. couplers, anchorages, inlets, outlets, valves, plugs, etc., shall meet the requirements of fib Technical Report Bulletin 75 titled, “Polymer-Duct Systems for Internal Bonded Post-Tensioning”, Performance Level-2 (PL2), with modifications as shown in Table 3.2.1-1.

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1. Yes = Test is required; No = Test is not required.
2. Do not preload strand into duct prior to testing.
3. Identify duct as meeting Performance Class I or II criteria.
4. Use an epoxy meeting the requirements of Section 926, Type B.
5. Perform tests on the largest assembly and the smallest assembly for each family of PT systems. A family of PT systems is defined as a group of PT strand/bar assemblies of various sizes using common anchorage devices and design.
6. For each test, use a PT system assembly consisting of at least one of each component and connection type required to install a tendon from anchorage cap to anchorage cap. For bar tendon systems, use between 15 and 50 feet of duct with a straight profile.

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**960-3.2.1.22 Filler Containment Assembly Pressure Test:**

In addition to the other testing specified in this Section, test all filler containment assemblies, i.e., anchorages, anchorage caps, inlets, outlets, valves, plugs, etc., as follows:

1. Assemble the anchorage and anchorage cap with all required filler injection attachments, (e.g., grout tube, valves, plugs, etc.).
2. Seal the opening in the anchorage where the duct/trumpet connects.
3. Condition the assembly by maintaining a pressure of 150 psi in the system for three hours.
4. After conditioning, lock off the air supply to the assembly.
5. After lock off, the assembly must sustain 150 psi internal pressure for five minutes with no more than 15 psi, or 10%, reduction in pressure.

This test may be combined with the External Duct Systems Pressure Test for external PT systems.

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**960-3.2.1.23 External PT Duct Systems Pressure Test:**

In addition to the other testing specified in this Section, test all external PT systems as follows:

1. Prepare a system assembly consisting of at least one of each component and connection type required to install a tendon from anchorage cap to anchorage cap using between 15 and 50 feet of duct with a straight profile.

System testing for external duct assemblies requires two additional tests beyond the Filler Containment Assembly Pressure Test requirements:

1. Anchorage and its connection to duct/pipe assembly must be tested in accordance with and satisfy requirements for the Internal Duct Systems, where duct/pipe assembly consists of all components internal to concrete. Test assembly at 1.5 psi.
2. Duct/pipe assembly consisting of all external duct connections (e.g., welded duct splices, duct-to-pipe connections, etc.) and vent must meet the following:

   a. Use 15 feet of pipe length for test pipe assembly.

   b. Condition the assembly by maintaining a pressure of 150-100 psi in the system for three hours.

   c. After conditioning, lock off the air supply to the assembly.

   d. After lock off, the assembly must sustain 150-100 psi internal pressure for five minutes with no more than 15-10 psi, or 10%, reduction in pressure.

960-3.2.1.3 Internal Duct Systems:

   a. Perform system test of assembly for compliance with requirements of Chapter 4, Article 4.2, Stage 1 and Stage 2 Testing contained in fib Technical Report, Bulletin 7 titled, “Corrugated Plastic Duct for Internal Bonded Post-Tensioning”.

   b. For bar systems, modify system test length to 15 feet.

   c. For systems being tested for use in precast segmental construction, modify this test to include one duct coupler or “O”-ring assembly intended for use at segment joint:

      a. Test duct coupler for proper function by casting it into a two-part concrete test block using match cast techniques. Use blocks that are at least 12 inches x 12 inches x 12 inches.

      b. After concrete has hardened, pull blocks apart and clean surface of any bond breaker materials.

      c. Using an external apparatus, clamp blocks together and maintain 40 psi pressure on block cross-section during pressure test. Do not apply epoxy compound between blocks.

      d. Pressurize duct within test block to 5 psi and lock off outside air source.

      e. Assembly must sustain a 5 psi internal pressure for five minutes with no more than a 0.5 psi, or 10%, reduction in pressure.

   4. Remove clamping device, separate duct coupler blocks from duct system, and place a 1/16 inch layer of epoxy compound (Type B per Section 926) on face of both blocks, clamp blocks together, and maintain a pressure of 40 psi on block cross-section for 24 hours. Upon removal of clamping force, demolish blocks. Duct coupler and attached ducts should be intact and free of epoxy compound and properly attached without crushing, tearing, or other signs of failure.

960-3.2.1.4 Vacuum Test for Internal and External PT Systems for use with Vacuum-Assisted Flexible Filler Injection: In addition to the other testing specified in this Section, test internal PT systems with flexible filler and all external PT systems that will be used in conjunction with vacuum-assisted flexible filler injection must meet the following requirements as follows:

   1. Prepare a system assembly consisting of at least one of each component and connection type required to install a tendon from anchorage cap to anchorage cap using between 15 and 50 feet of duct.

   2. Condition the assembly by maintaining a 90% vacuum in it for 1 hour.

   3. After conditioning, lock off the air supply to the assembly.
4. After lock off, the assembly must sustain a 90% vacuum for 5 minutes with no more than a 10% loss of vacuum.

**960-3.2.2 Minimum Bending Radius:**
Establish bending radius for duct through testing. Test consists of a modified duct wear test as described in Chapter 4, Article 4.1.7 of fib Technical Report, Bulletin 7 titled, “Corrugated Plastic Duct for Internal Bonded Post-Tensioning”. Use identical test apparatus as that used for wear test with same clamping force as a function of number of strands in a duct.

1. Modify procedure as follows: After the specimen has reached its final position, remove the specimen and confirm that the residual thickness is adequate. With confirmation that the residual thickness is acceptable, immediately (within 30 minutes) reapply the original clamping force for 14 days.

2. Upon completion of test, remove duct and measure wall thickness along strand path. Wall thickness must not be less than 0.03 inches for duct up to 3.35 inches diameter and not less than 0.04 inches for duct greater than 3.35 inches diameter.

**960-3.2.3 Additional Material Tests:**
Ensure internal duct system components and accessories meet requirements of Chapter 4, Articles 4.1.1 through 4.1.8 of International Federation of Structural Concrete (fib) Technical Report, Bulletin 7 titled, “Corrugated Plastic Duct for Internal Bonded Post-Tensioning” as modified below:

1. Conduct lateral load resistance test (fib 4.1.4) without use of a duct stiffener plate using a 150 pound load for all sizes.

2. Wear resistance of duct (fib 4.1.7) as modified in this Section.

3. Bond length test (fib 4.1.8) must achieve 40% of GUTS in a maximum length of 16 duct diameters.

4. For smooth duct injected with flexible filler, fib 4.1.1 through 4.1.8 does not apply.

**960-3.3 Standard Tendon Required Sizes:**
Develop and test PT systems for both internal and external applications that can accommodate for the following Department standard tendon sizes that are used for designing and detailing:

1. Department s Standard strand tendon sizes: for designing and detailing consist of 0.6 inch diameter strand in anchorages containing 4, 7, 12, 15, 19, 27, and 31 strand tendons, each using 0.6 inch diameter strand. Systems using alternate anchorage sizes and/or 1/2 inch diameter strand that provide equivalent force to these standard sizes may be submitted for approval.


3. Systems using alternate anchorage sizes and/or strands utilizing 1/2 inch strand and providing equivalent force to these standard sizes may be submitted for approval.

**960-3.4 System Modifications:**
Contact the SDO for direction before attempting to change pre-approved PT system materials or components. Repeat all appropriate material, component, and entire system tests if any component of a pre-approved PT system is modified or replaced, excluding local zone reinforcement. Submit an updated application to the SDO containing test reports and revised system drawings for proposed modified systems.
960-3.5 **Component Samples:**
Furnish all required material samples to laboratories for testing and to the Department as requested, at no cost to the Department.

960-3.6 **Calculations, Drawings, and Certification:**
Show fully detailed drawings of all component configurations, connections, anchorages, inlets, outlets, drains, high point outlet inspection details, anchorage inspection details, permanent anchorage caps, and application limits of the PT system, and installation procedures of components for approval and posting on the SDO’s website for Approved Post-Tensioning Systems. Submit details of typical local zone reinforcement in system drawings signed and sealed by a Specialty Engineer. Indicate that all PT system components are stamped with the following:

1. Manufacturer’s name
2. Trademark model number
3. Size corresponding to catalog description on PT system drawings.

Submit an application package cover letter signed by an officer of the PT system vendor certifying that the submitted PT system, as a whole and all of its individual components, meet or exceed all material and component/system requirements of this Section, as demonstrated by the submittal. Indicate in this certification that all testing required by this Section was performed by a certified independent laboratory (or laboratories), as defined in 960-3.1, and that all tests were performed to applicable ASTM and fib Specifications. Submit proof of current laboratory accreditation specifically indicating applicable accreditation categories related to PT systems. Submit all material and component certifications required throughout this Section.