

ULTRA FLO Storm Sewer Pipe



Customer Proven Innovation

Superior System Hydraulics

CONTECH[®] ULTRA FLO[®] has a long history of proven performance on municipal, transportation, airport, shopping center and residential development storm sewer projects. ULTRA FLO's rapid acceptance is based on its Manning's "n" of 0.012, structural strength and faster/lower-cost installation than concrete pipe. Plus, ULTRA FLO is available in a wide variety of materials to meet environmental and service

life requirements.

Superior Hydraulics

Research at Utah State University shows that ULTRA FLO Storm Sewer Pipe, with a Manning's "n" of 0.012, is hydraulically equivalent to reinforced concrete pipe. The Water Research Laboratory performed hydraulic tests on ULTRA FLO spiral-rib pipe with 3/4" x 3/4" x 7-1/2" continuous rib corrugation. At full flow, the Manning's "n" was 0.012 (Report No. 146, 1986 and No. 280, 1991). For further reference, see FHWA Hydraulic Design Series No. 5, December 1996.

ULTRA FLO is one of the most hydraulically efficient storm sewer systems because of the smooth interior surface, longer lengths and efficient prefabricated junctions: elbows, manholes and catch basins.

ULTRA FLO allows engineers and owners to specify alternate products without having to perform more than one hydraulic design.



Smooth interior of ULTRA FLO pipe improves hydraulic capacity while the exterior box ribs provide structural strength.



External Rib Profile

Reference Specifications						
Material	Galvanized Steel	AASHTO M218	ASTM A929			
	ALUMINIZED STEEL Type 2	AASHTO M274	ASTM A929			
	Aluminum	AASHTO M197	ASTM B744			
Pipe	Steel	AASHTO M36	ASTM A760			
	Aluminum	AASHTO M196	ASTM B745			
Design	Steel	AASHTO Section 12*	ASTM A796			
	Aluminum	AASHTO Section 12*	ASTM B790			
Installation	Steel	AASHTO Section 26*	ASTM A798			
	Aluminum	AASHTO Section 26*	ASTM B788			
*AASHTO Standard Specifications for Highway Bridges						

Cost Savings

Installed Cost Savings

Millions of feet of ULTRA FLO have been installed in thousands of storm sewer projects nationwide, providing significant cost savings while meeting owners' structural, hydraulic and service life requirements.



Reduced excavation because of ULTRA FLO's smaller outside diameter.

- Steel and Aluminum ULTRA FLO weighs less than 10% of concrete pipe.
- Coupling bands do not require special skills or tools; CONTECH's QUICK STAB® joint is also available upon request.
- Twenty-foot standard lengths mean fewer joints and faster installation; longer lengths are available on special order.
- ULTRA FLO has a smaller outside diameter than thickwalled concrete pipe. This permits a reduction in trench widths and depths, providing time and cost savings for both excavation and back-filling operations.
- Shop-fabricated fittings save installation time in the field while providing hydraulically efficient junctions.



ULTRA FLO is available in long lengths. And, its light weight allows it to be unloaded and handled with small equipment.

Handling Weights

Table 1

Handling Weight for ALUMINIZED STEEL Type 2 or Galvanized Steel ULTRA FLO

Diameter	Weight (Pounds/Lineal Foot) Specified Thickness and Gage				
(Inches)	(0.064″)	(0.079″)	(0.109″)		
	16	14	12		
18	15				
21	18				
24	20				
30	25				
36	30	37			
42	35	43	59		
48	40	49	67		
54	45	55	75		
60	50	61	83		
66		67	92		
72		73	100		
78		80	108		
84			116		
90			125		
96			133		
102			140		

Table 2

Handling Weight for **ALUMINUM** ULTRA FLO

Digmeter	Weight (Pounds/Lineal Foot) Specified Thickness and Gage					
(Inches)	(0.060″)	(0.075″)	(0.105″)	(0.135″)		
	16	14	12	10		
18 21 24 30	5 6 7 9	9	15			
36 42 48 54	11 12	13 15 17 19	18 21 24 27	23 26 30 34		
60 66 72 78 84			30 33 36	37 41 45 49 52		

Strength and Durability

Structural Strength

ULTRA FLO has undergone structural tests and analysis to confirm effective section properties (see ASTM A 796 and B 790). The resulting section properties and ASTM design procedures were used to derive the allowable height of covers shown in Tables 3, 4, 5 and 6.

Durability

Corrugated metal pipe has been in use for over 100 years. Today, various metals, metallic and nonmetallic coatings, and pavements are available to provide the required service life to meet your project design life.

ULTRA FLO can be supplied in galvanized steel or where added durability is needed, ALUMINIZED STEEL[™] Type 2 or aluminum. ULTRA FLO can also be asphalt-coated or asphalt-coated with a paved invert. Depending on the site conditions, one of these materials will meet your project's design life.

A CONTECH representative can provide more information on ULTRA FLO's materials, coatings and pavements.





ULTRA FLO is also available in pipe-arch shape for low headroom applications.

For multiple runs of ULTRA FLO, ample spacing must be provided between the runs to allow proper side fill placement and compaction. Pipe spacing will change depending upon pipe diameter, backfill material and compaction methods. General guidelines for spacing between runs of pipe are shown below.

Pipe Diameters	Spacing*
Up to 24″	12″
24″ to 72″	1/2 diameter of pipe
Over 72″	36″

*Spacing maybe reduced if using controlled low strength material (flowable fill) for the backfill.

Proper backfill and its placement help ULTRA FLO achieve its designed structural capacity.

Heights of Cover

Table 3

ALUMINIZED STEEL Type 2 or Galvanized Steel ULTRA FLO HS 20 Live Load

Digmeter	Minimum/Maximum Cover (Feet) Specified Thickness and Gage				
(Inches)	(0.064″) 16	(0.079″) 14	(0.109″) 12		
18	1.0/68				
21	1.0/58				
24	1.0/51				
30	1.0/41				
36	1.0/34	1.0/48			
42	1.0/29	1.0/41	1.0/69		
48	1.0/25	1.0/36	1.0/60		
54	1.25/22	1.25/32	1.0/53		
60	1.25/20*	1.25/28	1.0/48		
66		1.5/26	1.25/44		
72		1.5/24*	1.25/40		
78		1.75/22*	1.5/37		
84			1.75/34		
90			2.0/32*		
96			2.0/30*		
102			2.5/28*		

For larger diameters inquire with Headquarters marketing.

Table 5

Steel ULTRA FLO Pipe-Arch HS 20 Live Load

Equiv. Pine	Span	Minimum/Maximum Cover (Feet) Specified Thickness and Gage Pise				
Dia. (In.)	(In.)	(In.)	(0.064″) 16	(0.075″) 14	(0.109″) 12	
18	20	16	1.0/15			
21	23	19	1.0/15			
24	27	21	1.0/15			
30	33	26	1.0/15	1.0/15		
36	40	31	1.0/15	1.0/15		
42	46	36			1.0/15	
48	53	41			1.0/15	
54	60	46			1.0/15	
60	66	51			1.25/15	

NOTES (Tables 3, 4, 5, and 6)

- Allowable minimum cover is measured from top of pipe to bottom of flexible pavement or top of pipe to top of rigid pavement. Minimum cover in unpaved areas must be maintained.
- All heights of cover are based on trench conditions. If embankment conditions exist, there may be restrictions on gages for the large diameters. Your CONTECH Sales Engineer can provide further guidance for a project in embankment conditions.
- 3. Tables 3, 4, 5 and 6 are for HS-20 loading only. For heavy construction loads, higher minimum compacted cover may be needed. See Table 7.
- 4. All steel ULTRA FLO is installed in accordance with ASTM A798 "Installing Factory-Made Corrugated Steel Pipe for Sewers and Other Applications."
- 5. Heights of cover are for 3/4" x 3/4" x 7-1/2" external rib corrugation.

Table 4

Aluminum ULTRA FLO HS 20 Live Load

Diameter	Minimum/Maximum Cover (Feet) Specified Thickness and Gage				
(Inches)	(0.060″) 16	(0.075″) 14	(0.105″) 12	(0.135″) 10	
18	1.0/41	1.0/57			
21	1.0/35	1.0/49	1.0/79		
24	1.0/30	1.0/42	1.0/69		
30	1.25/24	1.0/33	1.0/55		
36	1.5/19*	1.25/27	1.0/45	1.0/65	
42		1.5/23*	1.25/39	1.0/55	
48			1.5/34	1.25/48	
54			1.75/30	1.25/43	
60			2.0/46	1.5/38	
66				1.75/35	
72				2.0/31*	

Table 6

Aluminum ULTRA FLO Pipe-Arch HS 20 Live Load

Equiv. Pipe	Span	Rise	Mini Sp	imum/Maxir ecified Thicl	num Cover (cness and G	(Feet) age
Dia (In.)	(ln.)	(ln.)	(0.060″) 16	(0.075″) 14	(0.105″) 12	(0.135″) 10
18	20	16	1.0/17			
21	23	19	1.0/14			
24	27	21	1.25/12			
30	33	26	1.50/11*			
36	40	31		1.75/10*		
42	46	36			1.50/9	
48	53	41			1.75/8	
54	60	46			2.0/8*	
60	66	51				1.75/9

Table 7

Heavy Construction Loads Minimum Height of Cover Requirements for Construction Loads on ULTRA FLO Pipe

Diameter/Span		Axle Load (Kips)			
(Inches)	>32≤50	50≤75	75≤110	110≤150	
		Steel 3/4"	x 3/4" x 7-1/2"		
15-42	2.0 ft.	2.5 ft.	3.0 ft.	3.0 ft.	
48-72	3.0 ft.	3.0 ft.	3.5 ft.	4.0 ft.	
78-108	3.0 ft.	3.5 ft.	4.0 ft.	4.5 ft.	
		Aluminum 3/4	4" x 3/4" x 7-1/	2″	
15-42	2.5 ft.	3.0 ft.	3.5 ft.	3.5 ft.	

NOTES (Tables 5 and 6 only)

- 6. The foundation in the corners should allow for 4,000 psf corner bearing pressure.
- 7. Maximum cover shown for all pipe arch is 15 feet.
- 8. Larger size pipe-arches may be available on special order.

^{*}These sizes and gage combinations are installed in accordance with ASTM A796 paragraphs 17.2.3 and ASTM A798. For aluminum ULTRA FLO refer to ASTM B790 and B788. Also see page 7 of this catalog.

Accessories

Bell & Spigot Joint

CONTECH's innovative QUICK STAB Bell & Spigot joint is 50% faster than standard bands in joining sections of pipe. There are no bands and no bolts to handle. ULTRA FLO pipe arrives at the job site with the QUICK STAB bell already on one end. Simply position the gasket on the spigot end and insert pipe section into the adjoining QUICK STAB bell. QUICK STAB is readily available in 15" through 60" diameters.



Bell & Spigot







Direction

Corrugation to Engage Pipe End

Bands

CONTECH's HUGGER Band offers simple installation and excellent pull-apart resistance for special design projects. The HUGGER Band is available with one of two types of fasteners: either angles with bolts or a bar bolt, and strap connector. With the addition of gaskets, most infiltration and exfiltration requirements can be met.



Fittings

Factory-made fittings offer a complete, fully compatible ULTRA FLO Pipe System that minimizes installation time and hydraulic junction losses.

Manhole risers, catch basin risers, elbows, reducers and similar-type fittings are fabricated and shipped to the job site for quick and easy installation.

Review with your CONTECH representative the various fittings for your storm sewer project.



ULTRA FLO fittings improve installation time in the field. This fitting incorporates an elbow, a riser and lateral stub. The fitting is reinforced according to NCSPA guidelines.



Plan View

Manhole, Catch Basin or Curb Inlet Rise



CONTECH ULTRA FLO vs. Reinforced Concrete Pipe 24″ 36″ 42″ 30" 48' 60″ 72" 84″ 96" ULTRA FLO RCP ULTRA FLC RCP ULTRA FLO RCP 16 Ga. Class III 12 Ga. Class III 16 Ga. Class III 16 Ga. Class III Class III 16 Ga. Class III 14 Ga Class III 12 Ga 12 Ga Class III 16 Ga Class III Pipe length, Ft. 8 20 8 20 8 20 8 20 8 20 6 20 6 20 6 20 6 20 3,090 698 1,295 384 524 1,811 100 2,409 133 Approx. wt. Lb./Ft. 264 20 25 30 35 867 40 61 116 Approx. wt. 2.112 398 3.072 498 4.192 596 5.584 696 6.936 796 7,770 1.224 10.866 1.992 14,454 2.322 18.540 2.652 per piece, Lb. Outside Dia., In. 30 26 37 32 44 38 51 44 58 50 72 62 86 74 100 86 114 98 15 51 15 41 16 34 16 29 16 25 16 28 16 40 17 34 17 30 Max. allowable fill, Ft Truck loads per 1000 Ft. of pipe 6 2 8 3 11 5 14 7 18 7 27 13 38 25 50 25 65 25 Joints per 124 49 124 49 124 124 49 124 49 49 49 49 1000 Ft. of pipe 49 166 166 166 166 49

Trench Installation

Overview

Millions of feet of ULTRA FLO have been installed in a variety of storm sewer projects across the U. S. Like all pipe products, proper installation is important for long-term performance. The installation of ULTRA FLO is similar to standard corrugated steel pipe in a trench condition. Your CONTECH representative will be glad to assist should you have any questions.

Relining and Rehabilitation

Restoration of failed or deteriorating pipe can be accomplished by relining with ULTRA FLO. Its low-wall profile may yield an inside diameter that approaches the original pipe, while the hydraulic capacity is improved.

ULTRA FLO's light weight makes the lining process easier and can be provided in various lengths to meet individual site conditions.



ULTRA FLO is often used to reline old and deteriorating culverts.

Specification for ULTRA FLO Storm Sewer Pipe

Scope

This specification covers the manufacture and installation of the ULTRA FLO Pipe detailed in the project plans.

Material

The pipe material shall be:

1. ALUMINIZED STEEL Type 2

2. Galvanized

3.Aluminum

4. Polymeric

Pipe

The ULTRA FLO shall be manufactured with the $3/4" \ge 3/4"$ $\ge 7-1/2"$ external ribs in accordance with the applicable requirements of ASTM A 760 (steel) or B 745 (aluminum). The pipe sizes and gages shall be as shown on the project plans.

Handling and Assembly

Shall be in accordance with the recommendations of the National Corrugated Steel Pipe Association.

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Installation

Shall be in accordance with ASTM A 798 and A 796 (steel) and B 788 and B 790 (aluminum) and in conformance with the project plans and specifications. If there are any inconsistencies or conflicts, the contractor must bring them to the attention of the project engineer. It is always the contractor's responsibility to follow OSHA guidelines for safe practices

Construction Loads

Construction loads may be higher than final loads. Follow the guidelines of the manufacturer or the National Corrugated Steel Pipe Association.

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