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# **Puriton System**

## **Protecting Drinking Water**

**Butt-fusion Jointing Guidance Puriton Mains Pipe 90mm to 180mm** 

## Safety





#### Minimum recommended personal protection equipment

The surface of the pipe will become hot during the butt-fusion process. Do not touch the pipe until fully cooled.



If there is aluminium swarf or debris on the prepared pipe surface, do not attempt to make the butt-fusion joint. Failure to comply may result in premature failure of the buttfusion joint.



A visual check of all electrical components including the generator, butt-fusion unit should be made to ensure that they are in good working order and fit for use. Follow the supplier's recommendations.

When removing the cutting swarf, use the round nose snips to cut, DO NOT pull with bare hands

## Equipment



BEFORE JOINTING PURITON PIPE, ENSURE THAT THE PIPE'S BARRIER LAYER IS NOT DAMAGED



## **Pipe Surface Preparation for Butt-fusion Jointing**



## A 2-pass surface preparation process is used for butt-fusion jointing of Puriton pipes



Ensure the pipe ends are cut square and reround if necessary



Use the Puriton butt-fusion gauge to mark the minimum pipe surface preparation distance (refer to gauge)



Select the correct size tool, insert the mandrel into the pipe, ensuring the fins are equally spaced and flush with the pipe end



Using a 10mm ring spanner, secure but do not overtighten the mandrel as this will distort the pipe



Place the body of the Puriton surface preparation tool onto the mandrel thread



FIRST PASS: Select the Puriton cutting blade and insert into the pipe surface preparation tool



Rotate the spring screw, loosen the locking screw and lower the blade to be in contact with the pipe end. Tighten the locking screw and rotate the spring screw



Rotate the tool continuously in an anticlockwise direction to remove the Puriton skin and aluminium layer



Continue until the surface preparation mark is reached. Do not remove the protective layer beyond the recommended distance



SECOND PASS: Loosen the locking screw and remove the Puriton cutting blade. Select the standard blade and position into the tool NOTE: Do not attempt a second pass with the Puriton cutting blade



Repeat steps 7 to 9



Inspect the pipe surface. If there are any debris, dirt or aluminium, cut back the prepared end of the pipe and repeat the surface preparation process

## **Butt-fusion Jointing Process**





Check the correct pipe surface distance using the Puriton butt-fusion gauge. Prepare the second pipe following steps 1 to 13



Follow water industry standard buttfusion procedure. Program the buttfusion unit with the correct Puriton pipe parameters: diameter, water PE100 pipe, SDR17



1. Trimming cycle



Check the min and max exposed core pipe distance tolerance after trimming. Ensure no contaminants come into contact with the prepared pipe ends



2. Pipe check cycle The automated jointing phase can begin



3. Heating cycle



4. Weld cycle The final bead should be uniform in shape and correctly sized. Check the bead size using the Puriton butt-fusion gauge



Allow the joint to cool in the buttfusion unit. Once cooled remove the bead using a de-beading tool



Assess the joint by checking the bead quality and carrying out a bend back test. If the bead is defective, cut-out and remake the joint

- During the second pass, a sign of good surface preparation is the removal of a continuous layer of polyethylene swarf
- After the second pass, if there is any debris, dirt or aluminium on the pipe surface, then the prepared end should be cut back and the surface preparation process repeated
- There is no requirement to wrap the butt-fusion joint

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#### Prepared pipe and bead tolerances

Pipe size mm	Pipe preparation distances	After trimming distances	Bead width
90	10-12mm	6-8mm	9-16mm
110	10-12mm	6-8mm	9-16mm
125	12-14mm	7-9mm	9-16mm
160	13-15mm	8-10mm	9-16mm
180	14-16mm	9-11mm	8-16mm

