



## Installation Instructions

for Teekay Pipe Couplings

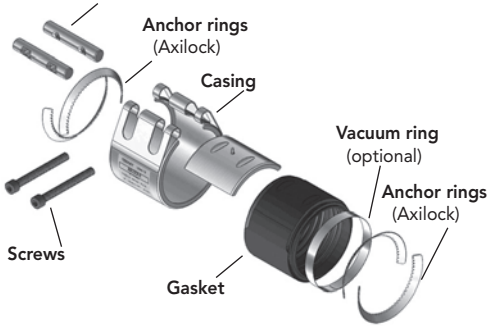
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Please check the following before installation to ensure that your Teekay pipe coupling works perfectly.

## 1. Handling of Teekay Couplings

- Do not drop the coupling.
- Keep the coupling clean – leave it in its packaging until you are ready to use it.
- Do not dismantle the coupling.
- Check that anchor rings are present on both sides if you are using axially resistant couplings (Axilock) and if you have requested a vacuum ring, please check that it is in place.
- The screws are coated – do not apply additional lubricants!

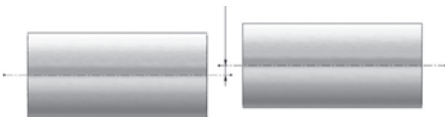
Lockpart with solid bars



## 2. Pipe Lines

### Pipe offset

- Make sure that the pipes are straight. The maximum acceptable pipe offset is 3 mm or 1% of the pipe diameter, whichever is smaller.



### Test Pressure

Water is used as the testing medium for Teekay coupling pressure tests. Test pressure = 1.5 x wp. To find out about the pressure resistance when other media are used, please contact us.

## Angular Deflection

- Maximum angulation for **Axilock Couplings**

Pipe O.D. (mm)	Max. angulation
21.3 – 60.3	5°
60.3 – 219.1	4°
219.1 – 406.4	2°
406.4 – 711.2	1°

- Maximum angulation for **Axiflex Couplings**

Nominal pipe size (mm)	Coupling width (mm)	Max. angulation
40 – 100	85	5°
80 – 300	110	5°
150 – 500	140	5°
600 – 700	140	3.5°
800 – 1200	140	2°
200 – 700	210	5°
800 – 1200	210	3°

See brochure page 36 for other widths.



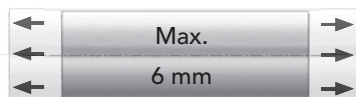
## Lateral Displacement

- Lateral displacement may be accommodated by the use of two Teekay Couplings with an intermediate length of pipe.

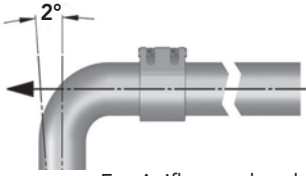


## Expansion

- Axilock couplings can accommodate up to 6 mm of expansion.



- At changes of direction, any resultant **angulation must not exceed 2°**.



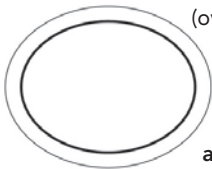
For Axiflex see brochure page 38.

### Support & Restraint

- Teekay Axilock pipe couplings are designed to restrain the pipes axially. However, they are also flexible, allowing some axial and angular movement. Therefore the pipes should be guided to ensure that they remain within 2° angular deflection, especially where a long run of pipes suddenly changes direction.

### Ovality

- Teekay Axiflex pipe couplings are sufficiently flexible to accept a misshape within the pipe cross section provided the out-of-roundness is fairly evenly distributed around the circumference (oval rather than D shaped).



Depending on application and pipe material, up to 8% ovality may be accommodated.

### Installation

Do not exceed the limits listed in Section 2 and do not add them up.

They refer to the static load on radially stiff pipes.

A safety factor must be included for dynamic loads such as water hammer, shear forces, etc.

(please contact us for information).

### 3. Installation Examples

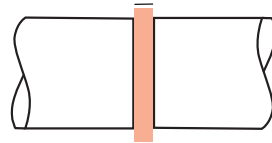
For information, please go to Pages 6 and 7.

**Please observe the following instructions prior to, during and after the installation of the coupling.**

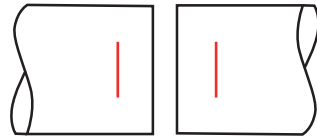
#### 1. Prior to Installation

- The pipe ends should be cut square and all sharp edges and burrs must be removed.
- The pipe surface must be clean and smooth with no loose material in the region of the sealing lips.
- The optimum **distance between the pipe ends for Axilock couplings is max. 8 mm**.
- If you are working with Axiflex couplings, the distance between the pipe ends will depend on the coupling width and the use of a vacuum ring. See brochure page 37.

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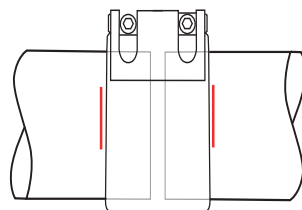


- Measure half the width of the coupling and deduct 2.5 mm. Mark the pipe ends using this dimension. This will ensure that the pipe ends will not obstruct each other and that the coupling will sit centrally over the pipe ends after installation.

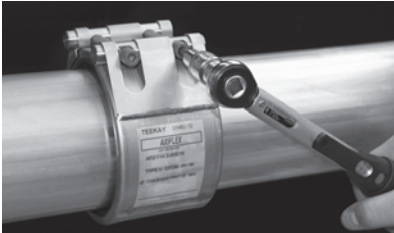


#### 2. Installation of the Coupling

- Slide the coupling over the pipe and align it with the markings on the pipe ends. Tighten the pipe supports before tightening the coupling. Check that the pipes are not misaligned or angulated.



- Using a torque wrench, tighten the screws evenly, alternating from screw to screw until both "click off". **Make sure you comply with the required torque.** (See information on the label, description on Page 8.)



- See Section 4 (After Installation).

### Repair Coupling

Suitable also  
for permanent use.

### 3. Repair Coupling Installation

(Axiflex couplings that can be opened and wrapped around the pipe)

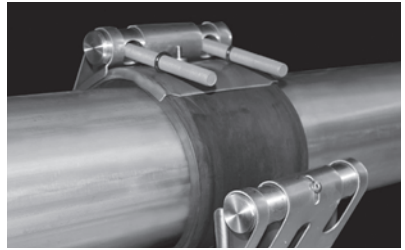
- Loosen the coupling screws.
- Place the opened coupling around the pipe.



- Insert the loose end of the gasket into the "tongue" located on the other side of the coupling.



- Make sure that the two ends of the gasket are flush against each other.



- Using a torque wrench, tighten the screws evenly, alternating from screw to screw until both "click off". **Make sure you comply with the required torque.** (See information on the label, description on Page 8.)
- For Axiflex, Repair- & Stepped Couplings > 600 mm lubricate pipe ends prior to installation.
- Use a soft mallet on the casing during tightening to ensure uniform gasket compression.



### 4. After Installation

- Check that the lockpart is parallel.

### Torque

The couplings do not require any maintenance and must not be re-tightened once the torque has been reached. We recommend you mark the coupling once the screws have been torqued up. This will ensure that you and others know that the screws have been tightened.

**If you are unsure as to whether the screws have already been tightened, loosen the screws completely and repeat the installation from scratch.**

**Please observe the following instructions prior to, during and after the dismantling of the coupling.**

**1. Prior to Dismantling**

- Ensure that there is no pressure in the pipes at the joint to be removed.



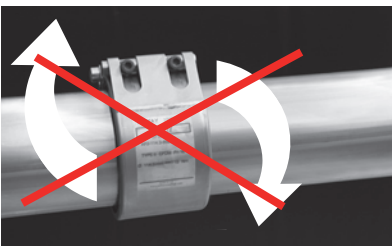
- Protect yourself and equipment from spilling liquid.
- Make sure the pipe coupling is not supporting the pipe ends.

**2. Dismantling the Coupling**

- Loosen the screws evenly by alternating between them but do not remove completely.

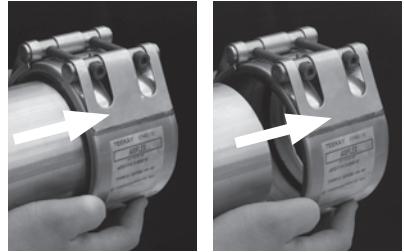


- Do not rotate the pipe coupling on the pipe as long as the anchor teeth are engaged (Axilock only).



**Removal of the coupling**

Slide the coupling off the pipe cautiously. Make sure that the gasket sealing lips are not damaged in the process.



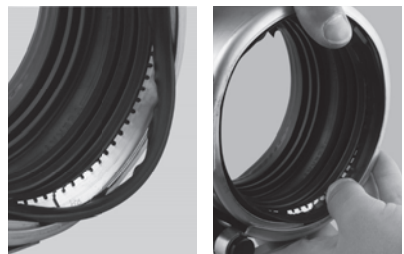
- Clean the coupling.



**Condition of the seal**

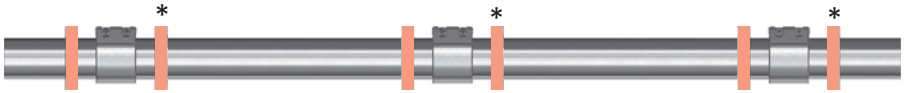
If the end seal of the Axilock coupling partially severed, you can reinsert it.

(The purpose of the end seal is to protect the anchor ring.)



## Guidelines for pressurised systems (side view)

### Axilock



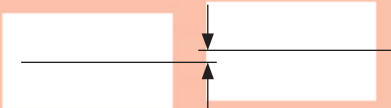
### Axiflex



**Axiflex** pipe couplings are not designed to accept end load pressures. As a result, pipes must generally be anchored against internal pressure at changes in direction, branches, valves and at pipe ends and secured by fixed points and guides.

#### Shear force

Teekay pipe couplings should not be subjected to excessive shear force. The pipes should be fixed and supported. Shear Force see Lateral Displacement (Page 2).



### Straight underground pipelines

Straight underground pipelines are usually restrained by soil friction.

Changes of direction have to be controlled by means of thrust blocks.

#### Loose guides

general

\* optional

Has to be capable of accommodating the weight of the pipe including its contents e.g. a saddle or pipe support

#### Fixed point

Must absorb axial forces, e.g. anchored pipe clamp

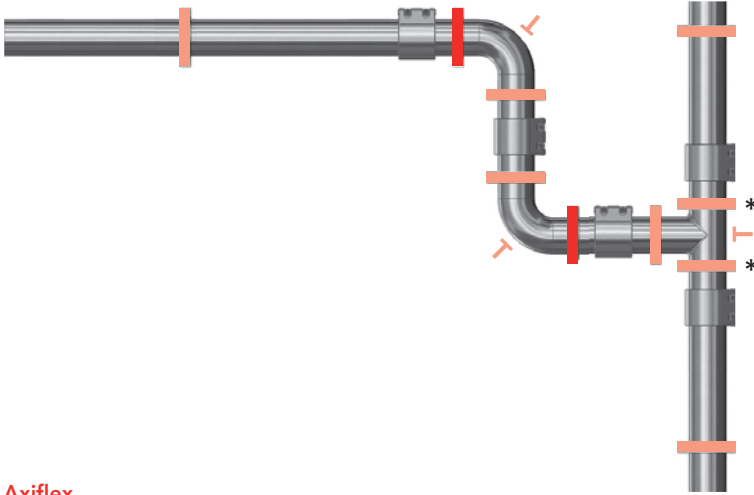


#### T Thrust block

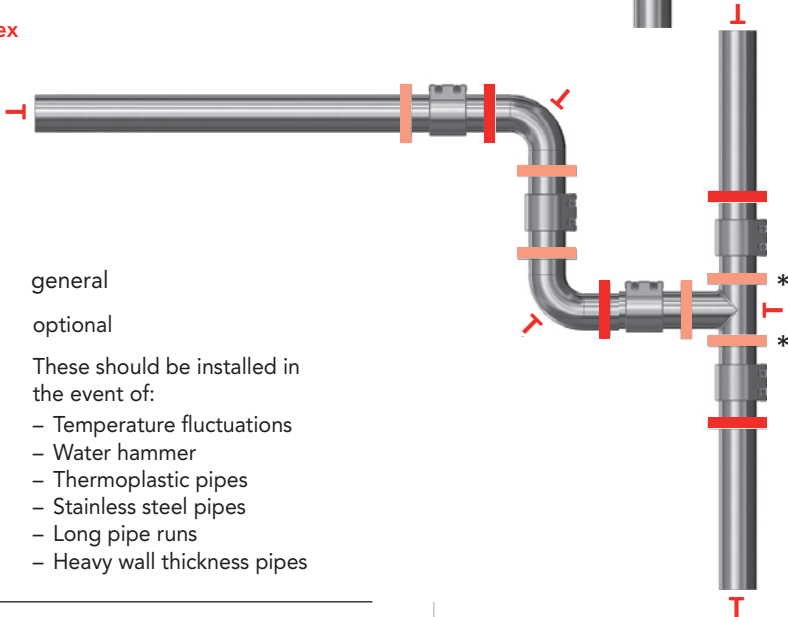
Its purpose is to prevent pipe movement, e.g. puddle flange, wall penetration or concrete block.

## Guidelines for pressurised systems (side view)

### Axilock



### Axiflex



**T** general

**T** optional

These should be installed in the event of:

- Temperature fluctuations
- Water hammer
- Thermoplastic pipes
- Stainless steel pipes
- Long pipe runs
- Heavy wall thickness pipes



The guidelines for ship building are subject to different requirements.



If you have questions regarding coupling installation, please contact us.

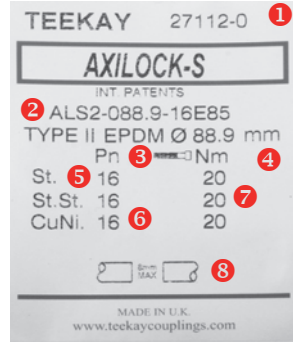
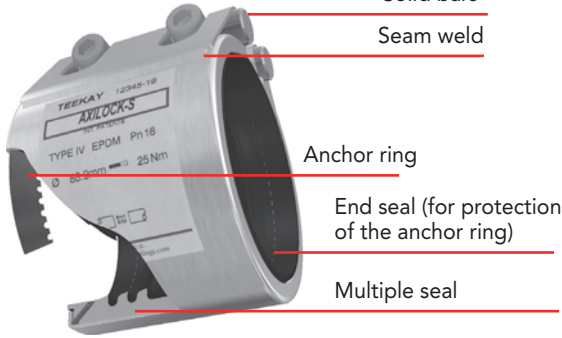
### Fixed points and guides

Please consult the industry standards for pipe supports. Detailed piping system design should only be undertaken by independent professionals or specialists.

# Description of an Axilock and Axiflex Coupling and of the Label

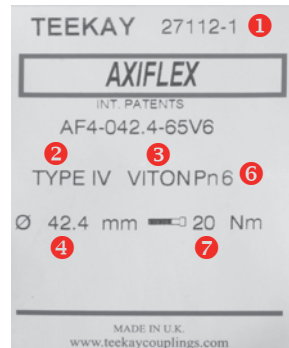
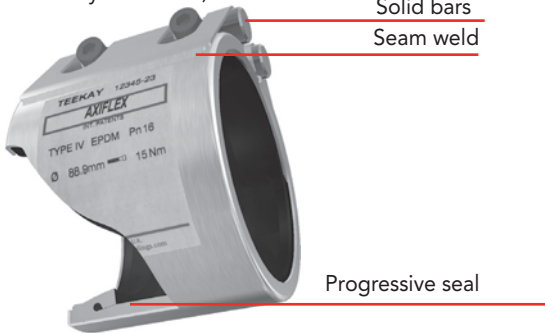
## Teekay-Axilock

(axially restrained)



## Teekay-Axiflex

(non axially restrained)



① **Traceability number**  
Please advise when requesting documentation retrospectively.

② **Description of the material**  
Type I = Casing 304 stainless steel  
Lockpart alloy steel coated  
Type II = Casing 304 stainless steel  
Lockpart 316 stainless steel  
Type IV = Casing 316L stainless steel  
Lockpart 316 stainless steel

③ **Gasket material**  
EPDM = - 40 °C to + 100 °C  
NBR = - 20 °C to + 80 °C  
HNBR = - 20 °C to + 130 °C  
Viton = - 20 °C to + 250 °C  
Silicone = - 70 °C to + 270 °C  
(depending on grade)

④ **Pipe outside diameter**

⑤ **Pipe material**  
St = Carbon steel  
St.St. = Stainless steel  
CuNi. = Copper nickel

### ⑥ Operating pressure - Axilock range

The operating pressure indicated applies to standard wall carbon steel pipes. For use on thin or soft pipe materials such as thin wall stainless, copper alloy or plastic (by way of example only) please check with us first.

⑦ **Tightening torque for screws**  
See Page 4 (Torque)

⑧ **Maximum pipe gap**  
See Page 3 (Prior to Installation)