

Viega® MiniBloc Manifold System for ViegaPEX™ Ultra and FostaPEX® SDR-9 Cross-linked Polyethylene (PEX)

Scope

This specification designates requirements for the Viega MiniBloc for use in combinations installations supplying water to individual plumbing fixtures through dedicated ports and distribution lines. Each port (outlet) is equipped with a built-in ¼ turn shut-off valve to provide control for each fixture from a central location. The MiniBloc has separate hot and cold water inlets and ports to manage the entire plumbing system and are also available in single temperature flow through models. A variety of standard and Zero Lead* fitting options are available for the MiniBloc distribution ports, including PEX Press Polymer, PEX Crimp PolyAlloy and PEX Compression. These distribution connections come complete with the MiniBloc when ordered. However, supply connections and fixture transition fittings are not included with the unit but are available separately.

Materials

The modular MiniBloc sections are molded from polysulfone (PLS) plastic. This material is used extensively in the medical industry and is highly resistant to hot water, chlorine and other chemicals typically found in potable water systems. The other components making up the MiniBloc consist of corrosion-resistant metals and engineered plastics that have been chosen specifically for each purpose. The stiffener used in the compression port fitting assembly is manufactured from 304 stainless steel.

Marking and Certification

MiniBloc units are marked with the product name, unit part number, material designation, production date and marks of third-party certifications by NSF International (NSF-pw) to ASTM F877, ANSI/NSF standards 14 and 61, CSA B137.5, listed with IAPMO as meeting the requirements of the Uniform Plumbing Code and listed to ICC ES-PMG 1038.

Recommended Uses

The MiniBloc is recommended for use in hot and cold potable water distribution systems in single and multifamily dwellings, as well as multiple-unit structures (apartments, condos, hotels, motels, etc.). Maximum pressure/temperature rating is 100 psi @ 180°F. The MiniBloc is not to be used directly in line with hot water domestic recirculation loops. Viega MiniBloc system components are not interchangeable with components and tubing from other suppliers. For information on other hot and cold applications not listed here, consult with your Viega representative.

Handling and Installation

The MiniBloc shall be protected from UV and foreign substances which include but are not limited to VOC (volatile organic chemical) compounds, paints, solvents, glues, cleaners and disinfectants. Products that are exposed to these types of substances are at risk of having failures (leaks). Use of these materials in hot and cold water distribution systems must be in accordance with good plumbing practices, applicable code requirements, and current installation practices available from Viega. Contact a Viega representative or the applicable code enforcement bureau for information about approvals for specific applications.

Capacities and K-Factor

Specifications	English Units	SI
Main Waterway (each side)	1¼"	31.8mm
Main Inlet/Outlet Connection	1" Male NPSM	-
Fixture Ports	¾" CTS and ½" CTS	9.5mm and 12.7mm
Fixture Port Rating (each)	¾" - 2.5 GPM	¾" - 9.5 LPM
(@ 8 FPS tubing velocity)	½" - 4 GPM	½" - 15.1 LPM
Fixture Port K-Factor	¾" - .35	¾" - 1.66 x 10 ⁻³
	½" - .21	½" - 9.997 x 10 ⁻⁴
	(PSI=KxGPM ²)	(BAR=KxLPM ²)
Main Bore Flow Capacity (each side) (2015 IPC Table 604.10.1)	31 GPM	117.3 LPM
Main Bore Through Feed K Factor (36 Ports with "Y" Block)	0.012	56.98x10 ⁻⁶
	(PSI=KxGPM ²)	(BAR=KxLPM ²)
WSFU Capacity (each side) (2015 IPC, table E103.3(3))	60	-

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Quality Assurance

When the product is marked with the ASTM F877 designation, it affirms that all MiniBloc manifold control units are factory-assembled and pretested prior to delivery to the field. Viega utilizes protective packaging to reduce risk of damage during shipping and storage. MiniBloc manifolds are not intended to be fabricated or disassembled in the field. MiniBloc manifolds are intended for potable water use only.

Certification

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- Zero Lead* listing meeting California AB 1953 and Vermont ACT 193
- NSF International Performance and Health Effects (Standards 14 & 61)
- NSF certified to CSA B137.5 (Canadian Standards Association)



- ICC ES-PMG™ 1038 plumbing applications



- IAPMO Certified

MiniBloc Dimensions

Total Ports	Length
3	8.19"
4	9.87"
5	11.55"
6	13.23"
7	14.91"
8	16.59"
10	19.95"

Dimensions reflect stock MiniBloc sizes.

MiniBloc Pressure Drop Table

Expressed as PSI Drop Through Port

Port Size	Rated Flow	PSI Drop
3/8"	2.5 gpm	2 psi
1/2"	4 gpm	3.4 psi

*Zero Lead identifies Viega® products meeting the lead free requirements of NSF 61-G through testing under NSF/ANSI 372 (0.25% or less maximum weighted average lead content).

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