

TABLE 203-A: EMBEDMENT SYSTEM SELECTION

SITUATION	DESCRIPTION	WHEN TO USE
TYPE A	GRADED	NO STRUCTURAL ISSUES OR GROUND WATER
TYPE B	CEMENT STABILISED	ASSET PROTECTION REQUIRED. eg: WATER MAINS UNDER MAJOR CROSSINGS
TYPE C	CONCRETE ENCASED	HIGH RISK OF THIRD PARTY DAMAGE
TYPE D	SINGLE SIZED AGGREGATE	SIGNIFICANT GROUND WATER IS PRESENT OR MAY BE COMMON
TYPE E	CEMENT STABILISED BASE	WHERE UNINTENTIONAL OVER EXCAVATION OCCURS DURING TRENCH EXCAVATION
TYPE F	CONCRETE BASE	UNSTABLE GROUND AND NO SIGNIFICANT RISK OF THIRD PARTY DAMAGE

NOTES Regarding Table 203-A:

- The designer shall specify the appropriate embedment system(s) for all pipelines.
 - All embedment systems nominated are suitable for all pipe types.
 - Where the contractor finds that the ground conditions are different to that expected by the designer (eg: when ground water is observed and Type A embedment proposed), the designer shall be consulted regarding the embedment system selection.
- Type B: Use premixed cement stabilised class 3 FCR in high risk situations, eg:
- where minimum cover cannot be achieved.
 - major crossings (rail, tram, river, freeway) where requested by the authority.
 - where water main grade > 5%
- Type C: Requires Water Agency approval. Pipes may be susceptible to third party damage where excavators will likely operate near the main, eg: the main crosses an open waterway which may be excavated.
- Type F: Unstable ground can exist where:
- ground susceptible to land slip.
 - highly reactive clays to the depth of the sewer main.
 - old refuse sites.
 - decomposing soils high in organic content.
 - un-compacted ground.

TABLE 203-B: EMBEDMENT MATERIALS

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	WSAA PRODUCT SPECIFICATION	PARTICLE SIZE MAX	SIZE DISTRIBUTION	MODULUS (WET) MPa
a	EMBEDMENT SAND	WSA PS 360	10	GRADED	5
b	5mm MINUS CRUSHED ROCK	WSA PS 361	5	GRADED	3
c	7mm CRUSHED ROCK	WSA PS 361 SEW	7	GRADED	5
d	NOT CURRENTLY APPROVED FOR WATER SUPPLY				
e	10mm WELL GRADED CRUSHED ROCK	WSA PS 362	10	GRADED	3
f	20mm WELL GRADED CRUSHED ROCK	WSA PS 362	20	GRADED	5
g	5 / 7mm SINGLE SIZED AGGREGATE	WSA PS 351	7	SINGLE SIZED	10
h	10mm SINGLE SIZED AGGREGATE	WSA PS 351	10	SINGLE SIZED	10
i	10 / 14mm SINGLE SIZED AGGREGATE	WSA PS 351	14	SINGLE SIZED	7
j	14mm SINGLE SIZED AGGREGATE	WSA PS 351	14	SINGLE SIZED	7
k	20mm SINGLE SIZED AGGREGATE	WSA PS 351	20	SINGLE SIZED	7
l	20mm CEMENT TREATED CLASS 3 FCR	WSA PS 352	20	GRADED	10

NOTES Regarding Table 203-B:

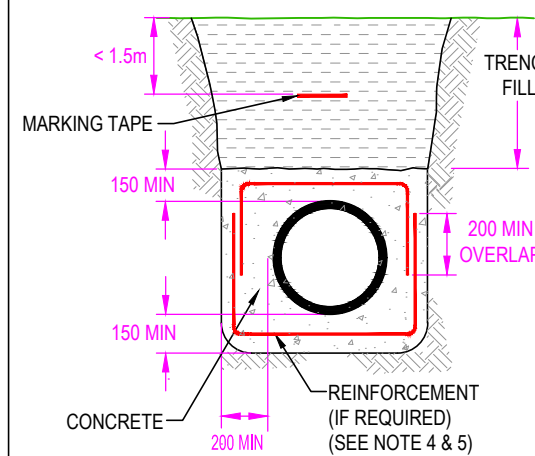
- Approved embedment materials are listed in the MRWA products portal.
- All material shall be installed with a moisture within 3% of optimum.
- Moisture conditioned embedment material shall be ordered in dry conditions.
- Moisture has a large impact on the ease with which compaction can be achieved and therefore a large impact on the ability of the embedment zone to resist pipe deflection.
- Item g. 5 / 7mm aggregate containing any distribution of particles between 2 and 7mm in size accepted.
- Item l. Shall be plant mixed with 3% cement.

TABLE 203-C: EMBEDMENT MATERIAL SELECTION

EMBEDMENT SYSTEM	PIPE DIAMETER		
	100 & 150	225 to 450	> 450
TYPE A, E & F	a, b, c	a, b, c, e	a, b, c, e, f
TYPE B	l	l	l
TYPE D	g	g, h, i	g, h, i, j, k

NOTES Regarding Table 203-B & C:

- Embedment material does not need to be specified as part of the design.
- Unless particular embedment materials are specified in the design, the Contractor may choose any of the materials nominated in Table 203-C which are suitable for the embedment system(s) specified.

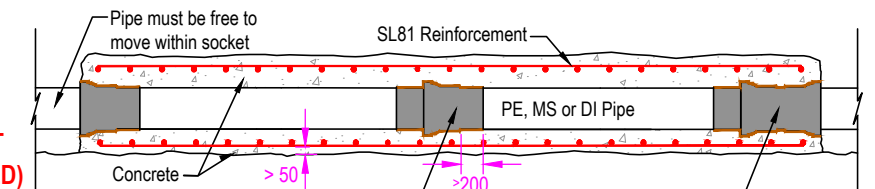


TYPE C: CONCRETE ENCASED EMBEDMENT

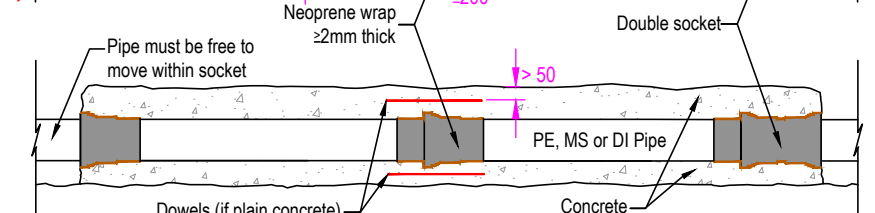
NOTES Regarding Type C:

- Use this support where authorised by the Water Agency.
- Use minimum grade N20 concrete.
- Plain concrete acceptable means of asset protection.
- Steel reinforcement required if ground also unstable.
 - Reinforcement to consist of min SL81 grade mesh (AS/NZS 4671).
 - Steel reinforcement shall have >50 clear cover of concrete.
- Where concrete is not reinforced, provide 300 long N10 dowel pins at 150 spacing around joints (to prevent the pipe shearing at joints).
- Wrap each joint (to 200 either side) in a ≥2mm thick neoprene.
- Pipes will require a restraint system to prevent movement and/or floatation during encasing process.
- Metal pipe shall have fusion bonded Polyurethane or PE external coating.
- PVC pipe shall not be used (can be affected by high curing temperatures).
- Use RRJ pipe where practical (to help the pipe cope with concrete shrinkage).
- Finish concrete at edge of RRJ at both ends (if RRJ pipe). Double socket connector required at one end.

TYPE C1: CONCRETE ENCASED EMBEDMENT (REINFORCED)



TYPE C2: CONCRETE ENCASED EMBEDMENT (DOWELLED)



NOTES Regarding Figures 203-A & B:

- The principle applied to water main crossings under sewers is that any sewage leakage is to be contained and remain separate from the water main.
- Water main joints must be outside of the trench stop protected zone.
- Between the trench stops, there shall be a barrier between the sewer and water mains consisting of one of the following:
 - an unjoined sleeve as described in MRWA-W-210, or
 - concrete encasement as per Type C, or
 - earth trench stop material as described in MRWA-W-209.

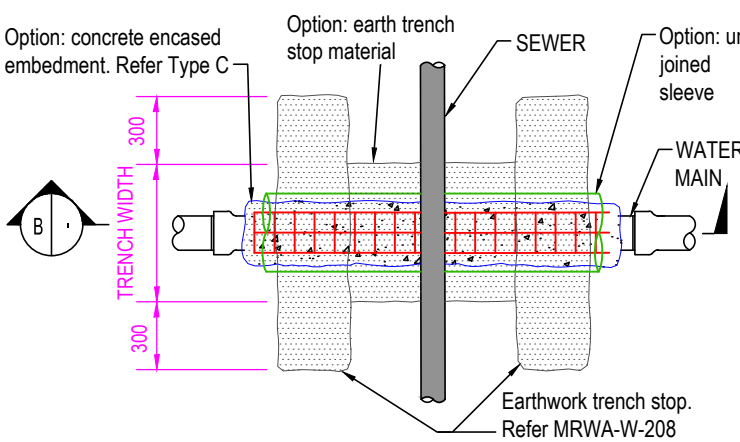


FIGURE 203A: WATER MAIN UNDER SEWER CROSSING (PLAN)

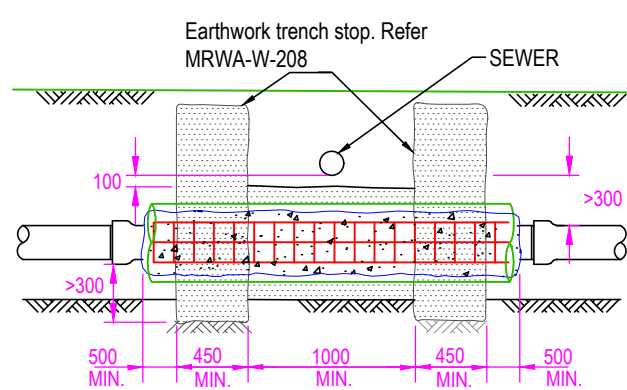
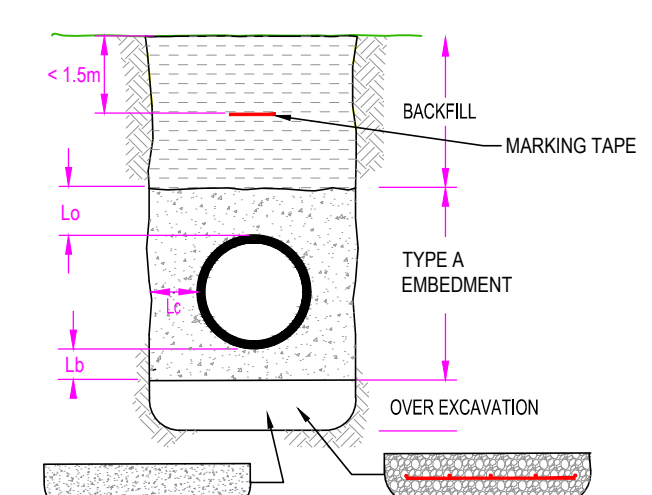


FIGURE 203B: WATER MAIN UNDER SEWER CROSSING (SECTION)

NOTES Regarding Type D:

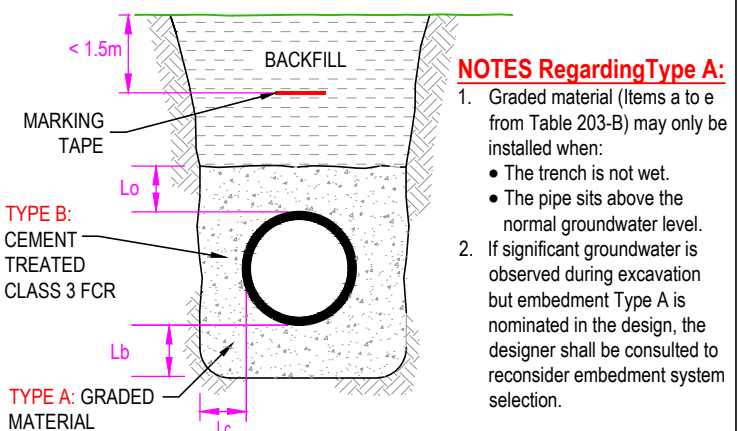
- Where ground water volumes are substantial, use 20mm aggregate as embedment under the pipe.
- Where ground water volumes are extreme, install AGI drain as shown.
- Where the trench floor is soft (ie: boots sink into the floor under a person's weight), press 100 ballast into the trench floor until it is solid and can take a person's weight without significant movement.
- Provide trench stops / bulkheads and trench drainage (if required) as per MRWA-W-208 & 209.



TYPE D: AGGREGATE (SINGLE SIZED) EMBEDMENT

NOTES Regarding Type A:

- Graded material (Items a to e from Table 203-B) may only be installed when:
 - The trench is not wet.
 - The pipe sits above the normal groundwater level.
- If significant groundwater is observed during excavation but embedment Type A is nominated in the design, the designer shall be consulted to reconsider embedment system selection.



TYPE A: STANDARD EMBEDMENT SYSTEM
TYPE B: CEMENT STABILISED EMBEDMENT
Type B as per Type A but use Item l from Table 203-B only.

NOTES Regarding Geotextile Wrapping:

- 5 / 7 mm aggregate shall be geotextile wrapped **unless**:
 - Water main grade < 1 in 60, **and**
 - Embedment is not subject to tidal ground water, **and**
 - Trench sidewall consists of particles which satisfy the conditions of Appendix I of AS2566.2 (ie: coarse sand or gravel), **or**
 - Trench sidewall consists of non dispersive clay which is not subject to drying out (ie: is generally below the water table).
 Non dispersive clay shall be:
 - determined by a NATA accredited geotechnical laboratory,
 - be crumb test grade 1 or 2, or
 - emerson test class 4, 5 or 6.
- The designer shall nominate whether 5 / 7 mm aggregate requires geotextile wrapping.
- Aggregate > 7mm shall always be wrapped in geotextile fabric.
- Lay geotextile fabric against the trench floor and wall such that it fully encases the embedment, **unless**:
 - There is solid rock on both sides and underneath, in which case only the top surface requires geotextile filter fabric.
 In this case, fold >100 of fabric up sides of trench prior to backfill placement.
- Provide min of 250 lap at all filter fabric joints.

TYPE E: OVEREXCAVATION. CEMENT STABILISED

- NOTES Regarding Type E:**
- Use where there is little or no ground water.
 - Appropriate when unintentional over excavation occurs.
 - Cement stabilised material to consist of Item l from Table 203-B.
 - Place dry.

TYPE F: OVEREXCAVATION. CONCRETE

- NOTES Regarding Type F:**
- Use N20 concrete or better.
 - Steel reinforcement is to consist of min SL81 grade mesh and N10 grade bar (as per AS/NZS 4671).
 - Steel reinforcement shall have >50 clear cover.

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