



Hammer Union Alert

Before connecting Oteco products having hammer union connections to companion hammer unions on a piping installation, this alert should be read and followed so that a safe connection can be made.

WARNING – The hammer union end connections of Oteco, Inc. valves, gauges and fittings are manufactured to mate with FMC Weco® hammer unions. Hammer unions made by other companies may not be compatible with hammer unions on Oteco, Inc. products. Never make connections to mating hammer unions unless the mating unions are positively identified as being compatible with FMC Weco® hammer unions. Specific questions regarding compatibility of hammer unions of manufacture other than FMC Weco®, must be directed to the appropriate manufacturer. Use of mating hammer unions which are not compatibility with FMC Weco® hammer unions could result in leakage and/or failure under pressure resulting in equipment damage, bodily injury, or death.

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Warning- Components of a hammer union assembly must be all the same size, figure number and pressure rating. Never connect Oteco, Inc. products that have hammer union connections to mating hammer unions that are not the same size, figure number and pressure rating as the respective hammer unions products. Mismatched hammer union connections may fail under pressure, which can cause equipment damage, bodily injury or death.

Danger- The hammer union connections must be tight joints. Leakage through the hammer unions will erode the connection and can bring about separation of the Oteco, Inc. product from the piping resulting in bodily injury or death.

Note: FMC Technologies, manufacturer of hammer unions, has published detailed information and warnings about proper and improper installations of hammer unions. This information can be found on their web site www.fmctechnologies.com/fluidcontrol.

This hammer union alert covers some of the important details for making safe hammer union connections, however Oteco, Inc. cannot anticipate all situations that may arise concerning dangers in the improper installation and use of hammer unions. If there are any questions about the installation and use of hammer unions, Oteco, Inc. can be contacted.