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1 Purpose

The purpose of this specification is to describe the requirements for multi chlorine spanners used at Water Corporation sites where chlorine drums or cylinders are connected for use.

2 Scope

This specification applies to spanners used at Water Corporation chlorine facilities for drum or cylinder connection/disconnection and is mandatory. Spanners other than the multi chlorine spanner shall not be employed.

3 Definitions

ESD Emergency Shut-off Device

4 References

AS/NZS 2927:2019 - The Storage and Handling of Liquefied Chlorine Gas

Dangerous Goods Safety (Storage and Handling of Non-explosives) Regulations 2007 WA

Chlorine Mallet: <https://nexus.watercorporation.com.au/otcs/cs.exe/app/nodes/58573731>

Chlorine Valve Key: <https://nexus.watercorporation.com.au/otcs/cs.exe/app/nodes/58573742>

Multi Chlorine Spanner Drawing: EO28-091-012

5 Specification

The **Multi Chlorine Spanner** is a standard designed tool, for use by authorised/trained personnel, for connecting and disconnecting chlorine drums and cylinders. The **Multi Chlorine Spanner** has a unique twisted feature and is angled to allow the operator to apply reasonable force to open spindle valves. A Chlorine Mallet can be employed where the use of a hand is insufficient.

Note: The new Aluminium/Bronze/Silicon spindle valves on chlorine drums and cylinders are not as tight as the previous mild steel spindle valves.

- The large open end of the **Multi Chlorine Spanner** is used to remove or replace the valve outlet cap nut.

NOTE: Never attempt to open or close the valve gland nut by any means.

- The small open end of the **Multi Chlorine Spanner** can be used for loosening the bolts that secure the spindle valve protective cover on a chlorine drum.

NOTE: In some cases, instead of bolts, the valve protection cover has also been reported to be secured by small chocks of wood.

- The square cut out on the **Multi Chlorine Spanner** is used for opening and closing the gas or liquid spindle valve on a chlorine drum or gas spindle valve on a chlorine cylinder.

NOTE: After the initial opening of a chlorine drum or cylinder with the standard **Multi Chlorine Spanner** it should be replaced with the standard **Chlorine Valve Key** on each of the spindle valves of a chlorine (drum GAS) withdrawal system OR on each auxiliary valve (pigtail isolation valve) of a chlorine (drum LIQUID) withdrawal system OR on the spindle valve of a cylinder that is connected to allow for quick and easy closure in the event of a chlorine leak. The only exception to this is where an ESD is in use as they obstruct the use of a key.

A dimensioned drawing of the multi chlorine spanner has been developed: EO28-091-012-01B

The following companies are aware of the Water Corporation's standard design of this spanner:

- Nix Sheetmetal Engineering

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