

TP-160 Spill Containment Integrity Testing A1004 and A1005 Series

Tests for Determining the Integrity of Emco Single Wall or Double Wall Containment Vessels

Required Equipment - Available from Emco

- A0081 Adapter Wrench
- 569143 Test Cap
- A1004-210TEST Vacuum Test Apparatus, includes:
 - Vacuum gauge to measure 30" water column with increments of 1" water column
 - Vacuum pump with hoses
 - Emco 494343 Test Adapter*
- A0081 Plexiglass Test Plate with vacuum tube connection (available sizes listed below):
 - •A0081-12Test A1005-505 Series
 - •A0081-13Test A1004-316/A1005-517 Series
 - •A0081-15Test A1004-210 Series
 - •A0081-17Test A1004-215 Series, A1005-505CP
- *494343 Test Adapter required for pressure test

Additional Required Equipment

- Timer
- 4" inflatable ball plug with extension hose
- Air supply
- Soap solution
- Plumber's Putty
- Air pressure regulator
- Air pressure gauge (Low Pressure), 10 psi max suggested

Spill Bucket Test Pressure Chart Comparison of Water Column, Mercury and PSI gages

Insure that you are using a Water Column Gage

| Inches Water Column ("WC) | Inches Mercury ("HG) | PSI | |
|------------------------------|-------------------------|------|---|
| 4 | 0.29 | 0.14 | 4 inches water column is the allowable movement of the vacuum during a test. Note that this is only 0.29 inches mercury and is difficult to read on may mercury gages. |
| 30 | 2.2 | 1.08 | 30 inches Water Column is the recommended test pressure / vacuum for Emco Spill Buckets. Note that this corresponds to only 2.2" mercury. |
| 80 | 5.9 | 2.89 | Pressures or Vacuums of 80" WC or more can damage Emco Spill Buckets |



Spill Container Primary Integrity Test Procedure



Procedure:

- 1. Remove the cover of the spill container. Remove the cap, adapter, riser seal, and drop tube as applicable.
- 2. Clean all debris from around the plow ring and from the inside of the spill container.
- 3. Insert an inflatable ball plug into the riser pipe; place it below the drain valve at the bottom of the spill container as applicable. Inflate the ball plug to 30 psi to obtain a tight seal.
- 4. If the spill container is a double wall, remove the EZ gage or dipstick from the monitor tube and install the 569143 Test Cap.
- 5. Seal the opening of the double wall spill container with the plexiglass test plate. Use Plumber's Putty to seal the plate to the plow ring.
- 6. Slowly apply a vacuum of 30" water column. This must be 30" water column, not Mercury.
- 7. Soap around the perimeter of the plexiglass plate to check for leaks. As necessary, use Plumber's Putty to seal any leaks and re-establish vacuum to 30" water column. Once stabilized, close off the vacuum source.
- 8. Start a timer for 60 seconds. If the remaining vacuum after 60 seconds is 26" water column or greater, then the test passes and there is no issue with the primary unit.
 - a. If the spill container passes and is a single wall, then testing is complete.
 - b. If the spill container passes and is a double wall, then proceed to the Interstitial Integrity Test.
 - c. If the spill container fails, then proceed to the Leak Investigation Test.



Spill Container Interstitial Integrity Test Procedure



Procedure:

- 1. Complete the following steps if the Primary Integrity Test was successful; otherwise, skip this section and proceed to the Leak Investigation Test.
- 2. Remove the EZ gage or dipstick from the monitor tube and install the 494343 Test Adapter.
- Slowly apply a vacuum of 30" water column. <u>This must be 30" water column, not Mercury</u>. Close off the vacuum source and wait 30 seconds for the vacuum reading to stabilize. Re-establish vacuum to 30" water column and close off the vacuum source.
- 4. Start a timer for 60 seconds. If the remaining vacuum after 60 seconds is 26" water column or greater, then the test passes and there is no issue with the secondary unit.
 - a. If the spill container passes, then testing is complete.
 - b. If the spill container fails, then proceed to the Leak Investigation Test.



Spill Container Leak Investigation Test Procedure



Double Wall Bucket Procedure:

- 1. Remove the EZ gage or dipstick from the monitor tube and install the 494343 Test Adapter.
- 2. Apply a soap solution to the following locations inside the primary unit as applicable: around the base/pipe nipple, around the monitor tube, around the drain, around the circumference of the plow ring, and on all rim bolts.
- 3. Slowly apply a pressure up to 40" WC (3" Hg or 1.5 psi).
- 4. Observe for leakage:
 - a. If there is a leak at the plow ring or rim bolts, re-torque the bolts to 25 ft-lbs. If the leak persists, replace the inter stitial seal (flat gasket) and retest.
 - b. If there is a leak anywhere else, replace the primary unit and retest.
 - c. If no leakage is observed, proceed to the next section.
- 5. Remove the EZ gage or dipstick from the monitor tube. Do not plug the monitor tube.
- 6. Seal the opening of the double wall spill container with the plexiglass test plate. Use Plumber's Putty to seal the plate to the plow ring.
- 7. Slowly apply a vacuum of 30" water column. This must be 30" water column, not Mercury.
- 8. Soap around the perimeter of the plexiglass plate to check for leaks. As necessary, use Plumber's Putty to seal any leaks and re-establish vacuum to 30" water column. Once stabilized, close off the vacuum source.
- 9. Start a timer for 60 seconds. If the remaining vacuum after 60 seconds is 26" water column or greater, then the test passes and there is no issue with the secondary unit.
 - a. If the spill container passes this test and is a double wall, then the secondary unit has shown no signs of leakage.
 - b. If the spill container fails, then replace the secondary unit and retest.



Spill Container Leak Investigation Test Procedure



Single Wall Bucket Procedure:

- 1. Apply a soap solution to the following locations inside the primary unit as applicable: around the base/pipe nipple, around the drain, around the circumference of the plow ring, and on all rim bolts.
- 2. Seal the opening of the double wall spill container with the plexiglass test plate. Use Plumber's Putty to seal the plate to the plow ring.
- 3. Slowly apply a vacuum of 30" water column. This must be 30" water column, not Mercury.
- 4. Observe for leakage:
 - a. If there is a leak at the plow ring or rim bolts, re-torque the bolts to 25 ft-lbs. If the leak persists, replace the interstitial seal (flat gasket) and retest.
 - b. If there is a leak anywhere else, replace the primary unit and retest.
 - c. If no leakage is observed, retest according to the Primary Integrity Test.