## Standard Operating Procedure SOP No. Bending Procedure for Rigid PVC 5.035

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## 1 Purpose

- 1.1 To establish a standard procedure for bending rigid polyvinyl chloride (PVC).
- 2 Scope
  - 2.1 The procedure applies to any rigid PVC.
- 3 Responsibility
  - 3.1 Therma's foreman is responsible for ensuring that the journeymen are performing the following procedures.
- 4 Procedures
  - 4.1 Obtain the following required equipment/ materials prior to bending PVC.
    - 4.1.1 PVC Heater
    - 4.1.2 Bending Table
    - 4.1.3 Plugs
    - 4.1.4 Water
    - 4.1.5 Rags
    - 4.1.6 Isopropyl alcohol (IPA)
  - 4.2 When marking piping for bends, use felt tip pens only. This color will be removed by using IPA.
  - 4.3 Layout blocks on the bending table.
  - 4.4 Plug the ends of the pipe to be bent.
  - 4.5 Heat the pipe using the PVC heater.
  - 4.6 When the pipe softens, form the bends using the bending jig.

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- 4.7 Cool the form with water and rags.
- 4.8 Remove plugs and wipe off construction lines with IPA.
- 5 Review and Approval
  - 5.1 Upon completion of the procedure, the journeyman shall submit their results to the Therma's foreman for review and approval.

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