

Flange and Valve Face Covers – Appendix F dated 12/17/2001

All flanges and valve faces must be protected with covers to prevent damage from shipping and handling. Covers shall conform to the following material and application guidelines:

- Masonite, pressboard, plywood or aluminum blanks which are cut to the same diameter as the flange or valve face and secured with cloth tape or reinforced tape around the entire perimeter of the flange or valve face.
- Plywood blanks which are cut slightly larger than the flange or valve face and are bolted and taped to the flange or valve face.
- Plastic molded covers (frisbee style) which are the same diameter as the flange so that the cover fits securely over the flange or valve face.
- Plastic molded covers which are attached by press fitting into the bolt holes.
- Cardboard is not an acceptable covering material.
- Flat face flanges and valve faces must have the entire surface covered.

Additionally each flange must be marked with the BIW catalog number, i.e., 15000-000. Stamping, permanent marker or adhesive tags are acceptable marking methods. Attached tags are not acceptable.