

SPA, SPB, SPHH & SPMH Stopping Plugs - INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

Warning

PLEASE STUDY THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY BEFORE INSTALLATION. These products should not be used in any application other than those mentioned here or in our Data Sheets, unless Peppers states in writing that the product is suitable for such application. Peppers can take no responsibility for any damage, injury or other consequential loss caused where the products are not installed or used according to these instructions. This leaflet is not intended to give advice on the selection of the products. Further guidance can be found in the standards listed below.

Brief Description

The Peppers SPA, SPB, SPHH, SPMH Stopping Plugs are intended for indoor or outdoor use in the appropriate hazardous area locations. Stopping Plugs are designed to blank off an unused entry of an enclosure or housing and maintain the environmental protection of the equipment. They give environmental protection to IP66 or IP68 and are suitable for both mining and surface applications.

Installation

All Peppers Stopping Plugs should be installed and tightened to ensure the appropriate IP rating of the installation is maintained. The product should be hand-tightened and then suitably secured with an appropriate wrench. For threaded entries the entry thread should be fully engaged prior to tightening. Further guidance can be found in Peppers document CT0030 which can be found on our website. It is the installer and users' responsibility to ensure that the interface between the enclosure and Stopping Plug is suitably sealed for the required application.

Installation Guidance

Point	Advice			
1	BS/EN/IEC 60079-10	BS/EN/IEC 60079-14	National Electrical Code (NEC 500 – 505)	Canadian Electrical Code (CSA C22.1)
2	Installation should only be carried out by a competent electrician, skilled in cable gland installation.			
3	Comprehensive details of the compliance standards can be found on the product certificates which are available for download from our website.			
4	NO INSTALLATION SHOULD BE CARRIED OUT UNDER LIVE CONDITIONS.			
5	Threaded entries: the product can be installed directly into threaded entries. Threaded entries should comply with the relevant applicable standards and have a lead-in chamfer to allow for full engagement of the threads. Failure to provide a sufficient lead-in chamfer may lead to ingress sealing issues. For Ex db applications a minimum of 5 fully engaged parallel threads is required. Any thread sealant used should be non-hardening. Whilst Peppers products with tapered threads, when installed into a threaded entry, have been tested to maintain IP66 without any additional sealant, due to the differing gauging tolerances associated with the use of tapered threads it is recommended to use a non-hardening thread sealant if an IP rating higher than IP64 is required.			
6	Clearance holes: these shall be no larger than 0.7mm above the nominal diameter of the external entry thread. The product should be secured with a Peppers locknut and the threads tightened to ensure the installation is secure. Where no integral sealing method is provided a Peppers sealing washer should be used to maintain IP ratings. A Peppers serrated washer should be used for additional installation protection. SPMH / SPHH stopping plugs with tapered threads may be installed in enclosures with clearance holes having a maximum wall thickness of 10mm. They shall be secured with a Peppers locknut to ensure the installation is secure.			
7	To maintain the Ingress Protection rating of the product, the entry hole must be perpendicular to the surface of the enclosure. The surface should be sufficiently flat and rigid to support the assembly and make the IP joint. The surface must be clean and dry. The product incorporates a thread run out according to general machining techniques and will not have a full form thread for the entire length and as such entry threads should have a suitable lead-in chamfer to ensure a seal is maintained. Further guidance can be found on Peppers website. It is the users/installers responsibility to ensure that the interfaces and threads between the enclosure and stopping plug are suitably sealed with O-rings, sealing washers and/or with thread sealant for the required application. Any thread sealant used shall be suitable for use in hazardous area locations, be suitable for the temperature range at the point of mounting, shall not contain evaporating solvent and cannot cause corrosion at the threaded interface when used for dissimilar materials.			
8	Where a bonding connection to earth is required a Peppers earth tag should be used. Peppers earth tags have been independently tested to comply with the Category B values given in IEC 62444. Further guidance can be found on Peppers website. Peppers earth tags should be fitted over the external entry thread from either inside or outside the enclosure. If fitted internally they must be secured with a Peppers locknut and optionally a Peppers serrated washer.			
9	Peppers external metric entry threads comply with ISO 965-1 & ISO 965-3 with a 6g tolerance fit. The standard metric thread pitch is 1.5mm for threads up to M75 and 2.0mm for size M80 and above. Alternative thread pitches are available upon request. Peppers external NPT threads comply with ASME B1.20.1 with gauging to clause 8.1. All threads comply with the threaded joint requirements of clause 5.3 from IEC 60079-1. Information on other thread types can be found in the product certificates.			
10	Aluminium variants may not be used in Group I (Mining) applications			
11	Restricted Breathing Requirements: - SPMH/SPHH Stopping Plugs with male parallel threads fitted with silicone or nitrile O-ring, nomenclature part codes '1' and '3' respectively and marked 'Ex nR' are approved for installations within an 'Ex nR' certified enclosure. SPMH/SPHH Stopping Plugs with tapered threads, installed into threaded entry holes, provide a restricted breathing seal.			
12	Once installed do not dismantle except for routine inspection. An inspection should be conducted as per IEC/EN 60079-17.			

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Product Ingress Protection / Enclosure Ratings

Range	IP Protection	CSA Enclosure Type
SPA / SPB	IP66	4X
SPMH / SPHH	IP66 & IP68 (tested to 100 metres for 7 days)	4, 4X, 6, 6P

Interpretation of Markings

Markings on the outside of this product carry the following meanings: Stopping Plug Type & Size, SPA-bbb

a =	Stopping plug type	A = Type A HH = Hexagon Head	B = Type B MH = Mushroom Head	bbb =	Thread type and size
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Limitations on Usage

- SPMH & SPHH Stopping Plugs with tapered threads are not marked or intended for use in Ex db applications.
- Products are approved for a temperature range at their point of mounting based upon the interface seal as detailed below:

Seal Option	No Seal	Nitrile O-Ring	Neoprene O-Ring	Silicone O-Ring	Fluorosilicone O-Ring	Viton O-Ring	EPDM O-Ring
Temperature Range	-100°C to +400°C	-30°C to +100°C	-35°C to +95°C	-60°C to +200°C	-55°C to +200°C	-20°C to +180°C	-50°C to +110°C

- Stopping plugs shall not be used in any CSA application where the operating temperature is below -50°C.

Approvals and Certification

Approval	Certificate Number	Protection Concept / Type
ATEX (2014/34/EU)	CML 19ATEX1089X / CML 21UKEX1039X	Ⓔ I M2 II 1D 2G Ex db I Mb / Ex db IIC Gb / Ex eb I Mb / Ex eb IIC Gb / Ex ta IIIC Da
UKCA (SI 2016 No. 1107)	CML 19ATEX4092X / CML 21UKEX4042X	Ⓔ II 3G Ex nR IIC Gc (not SPA & SPB)
IECEX	IECEX CML 19.0022X	Ex db I Mb / Ex db IIC Gb / Ex eb I Mb / Ex eb IIC Gb / Ex nR IIC Gc / Ex ta IIIC Da
CSA - Canada	2310046	Class I, Division 1 Groups A, B, C and D / Class II, Division 1 Groups E, F and G / Class III, Type 4X & 6P Ex db IIC Gb / Ex eb IIC Gb / Ex ta IIIC Da IP66/68
CSA - USA	2310046	Class I, Division 1 Groups A, B, C and D / Class II, Division 1 Groups E, F and G / Class III, Type 4X & 6P Class I Zone 1 AEx db IIC Gb / AEx eb IIC Gb / Zone 20 AEx ta IIIC Da IP66/68
INMETRO	NCC 13.2189 X	Ex db I Mb / Ex db IIC Gb / Ex eb I Mb / Ex eb IIC Gb / Ex ta IIIC Da / Ex nR IIC Gc
EAC	ΠΡΟΜΜΑΪ ΤΕCΤ RU C-GB.AK58.B.05106	PB Ex db I Mb X / PB Ex eb I Mb X / 1Ex db IIC Gb X / 1Ex eb IIC Gb X / Ex ta IIIC Da X / 2Ex nR IIC Gc X
UKRAINE	CU 18.0320 X	I M2 II 2GD Ex db I Mb / Ex db IIC Gb / Ex eb I Mb / Ex eb IIC Gb / Ex tb IIIC Db / II 3G Ex nR IIC Gc
CCC	2021312313000377	Ex db I Mb / Ex db IIC Gb / Ex eb I Mb / Ex eb IIC Gb / Ex nR IIC Gc / Ex ta IIIC Da IP66
CCoE (PESO)	P494321/2 & P494321/19	Ex db I Mb / Ex db IIC Gb / Ex eb I Mb / Ex eb IIC Gb / Ex nR IIC Gc
ECASEx	25-06-153223/E25-06-159811/NB0007	Ex db I Mb / Ex db IIC Gb / Ex eb I Mb / Ex eb IIC Gb / Ex nR IIC Gc / Ex ta IIIC Da
ABS	25-0158110-PDA	Specified ABS Rules – See certificate
Lloyd's Register	LR2124442TA	Ex db I Mb / Ex db IIC Gb / Ex eb I Mb / Ex eb IIC Gb / Ex ta IIIC Da / Ex nR IIC Gc
DNV	TAE00004XK	Ex db I Mb / Ex db IIC Gb / Ex eb I Mb / Ex eb IIC Gb / Ex ta IIIC Da / Ex nR IIC Gc

Conditions for Safe Use

- Stopping Plugs shall not be used in conjunction with an adaptor or reducer when installed in a flameproof enclosure.
- When no seal is fitted and the stopping plug is installed in an increased safety (Ex e) enclosure, the user shall ensure that a minimum degree of protection IP54 is maintained.
- The threaded entry component threads without interface O-ring seals that are installed in explosive dust atmospheres, within threaded entries, shall only be fitted into enclosures that have either:
 - Parallel entries that ensure a minimum of 5 full threads of contact will be maintained in accordance with clause 5.1.2 of IEC 60079-31.
 - Tapered entries that ensure a minimum of 3.5 full threads of contact will be maintained in accordance with clause 5.1.2 of IEC 60079-31.
- The products are approved for a temperature range at their point of mounting based upon the interface seal.

