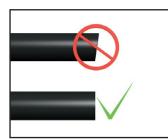
# LPG Installation manual version 1.2

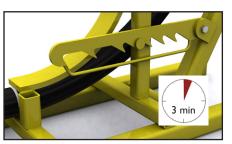




### I. IMPORTANT INSTALLATION POINTS



Pipes must be cut squarely to fit the LPG10S compression coupling.



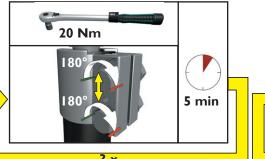
Wait 3 minutes between each notch when bending the pipe.



Lubricate stainless steel bolts, washers and nuts with copper paste, ceramic paste or MoS2.

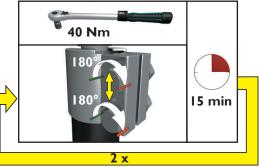


Make sure the edges of the LPG10S are fitted into the groove of the LPG10-AS-NPT or LPG10-BS insert.

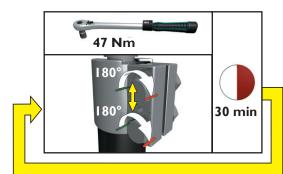


Use a torque wrench to tighten the LPG10S coupling in steps:

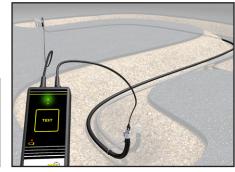
• 3 times up to 20 Nm waiting 5 minutes in between, then...



2 times up to 40 Nm, waiting 15 minutes in between, and finally....

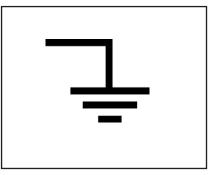


 Repeatedly up to 47 Nm, waiting 15-30 minutes in between, until the coupling is completely closed.



•

Measure conductivity when the LPG10S and LPG10-AS-NPT or LPG10-BS couplings are mounted.



Provide earthing according to standards and regulations. Consult a competent electrical engineer.



Pressure test the pipe at 25 bar (363 psi) or according to local regulations, but max 40 bar (580 psi).

2



Perform tightness test with soaping before backfill.



Backfill with sand.

### CONTENTS

Т.	Important installation points	2
2.	The KPS LPG Pipe System	5
2.1	Product Range	5
2.2	How to Order	5
2.3	Warranty	5
3.	About LPG	7
4.	The LPG filling station	8
5.	Transport, Handling and Storage	9
5.I	On Site	9
5.2	Coils	9
6.	Site Preparation and Pipe Arrangement	10
6. I	Site Readiness	10
6.2	Pipe Arrangement & Preparing Trenches and Beds	10
6.3	Uncoiling Pipes	П
7.	Installation	12
7.1	Pipe Installation	12
7.2	Cutting the Pipe	12
7.3	Bending the Pipe	13
7.4	Mounting the Transition Fittings	15
7.5	Testing conductivity	17
7.6	Earthing	17
7.7	Connecting to the tank and dispenser	18
8.	Pressure and Tightness Testing	21
8.1	Pressure Test - Mandatory	21
8.2	Tightness Test - Mandatory	22
8.3	Tightness Testing During Backfill - Optional	23
8.4	Tightness Testing After Backfill - Optional	23
9.	Completing the Installation	24
9.1	Documentation	24
9.2	Backfill	24
9.3	Before commissioning	24
10.	Modification and Repair of Installations	25
10.1	Preparations and Safety Considerations	25
10.2	2 Modification and Repair	25
10.3	Pressure and Tightness Testing After Modification and Repair	25
11.	Safety Considerations	26
11.1	Releasing and Cutting Coils	26
11.2	2 Use of Equipment	26
11.3	B Pressure Testing	26

11.4 Repair, Maintenance and Upgrading Work	26
11.5 Hazardous Substances	26
Appendices	28
A. LPG Installation Example	29
B. LPG InstallationExample	30
C. LPG Pipe Installation Checklist	31
D. LPG Pipe Test Document	32
E. LPG Pipe Tightness Test	33

#### Disclaimer

4

This document contains recommendations and information regarding KPS LPG Pipe System products and their installation. It is based on currently available information and is believed to be representative under specific conditions. However, factors as environment, applications, installation or changes in operating procedure may cause different results. KPS makes no representation of warranty of any kind, express or implied, as to the accuracy, adequacy or completeness of the recommendations or information contained herein. KPS neither assumes nor authorizes any representative or other person to assume for it any obligation or liability other than such as is expressly set forth. Attention is drawn to any relevant local, national or regional regulations.

KPS reserves the right to update and revise this manual without prior notice. The current version is always published at http:// www.kpsystem.com. KPS accepts no liability for installations that are not fully compliant with the instructions given in the current installation manual.

### 2. THE KPS LPG PIPE SYSTEM

The KPS LPG pipe is the first polyethylene pipe designed for the high pressures used in LPG distribution. With an operating pressure of 25 bars, our LPG pipe is designed to meet the high standards of safety in the LPG industry.

The KPS LPG pipe with its protective liner is completely corrosion resistant. The permeation barrier and a conductive plastic liner ensure that there will be no permeation of the hydrocarbons, and that static electricity can dissipate safely.

Installation of KPS LPG Pipe System is easy and quick compared to conventional steel pipe installations. The KPS LPG pipe is a semi flexible plastic pipe, easily rolled out into the trenches of the station from end to end, and then connected to the tank and dispensers. No welding or complicated installation procedures are needed, and the installation can be completed in less than one day!

KPS provides a 30 year warranty on all our plastic pipes, including our LPG pipe.

Product and installation costs are kept at a minimum with the new KPS LPG pipe. Since the estimated life time of the pipe is over 30 years, KPS provide lower total cost of ownership and higher return on investment than any other LPG pipe on the market.

The KPS LPG Pipe System and KPS Petrol Pipe System<sup>™</sup> are manufactured by Kungsörs Plast AB that is certified to both ISO 9001 and ISO 14001.

### 2.1 Product Range

The KPS LPG Pipe System includes:

- Pipes
- Stainless steel fittings and bends
- Bending tool
- Cutting scissors
- Conductivity test equipment

For a complete listing, detailed descriptions, properties and dimensions, see the current KPS Product Catalogue, available for download at www.kpsystem.com.

The KPS LPG pipe is made of polyethylene for mechanical strength, a permeation barrier that prevents permeation of hydrocarbons through the pipe wall - and a conductive inner layer that dissipates static electricity.

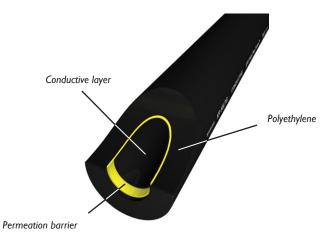
Polyethylene is well suited for underground use at filling stations as it is corrosion free and resistant to water and

microorganisms present in the ground.

KPS pipes have a unique construction with layers chemically bonded on a molecular level. This technology is exclusive to KPS and by avoiding the use of an adhesive agent, as is common on the market, we can guarantee that the layers are inseparable.

This results in the most efficient permeation barrier on the market, preventing hydrocarbons from diffusing through the pipe wall.

The conductive layer makes it possible to ground the pipe, thus preventing build-up of static electricity that otherwise would accumulate when the fuel flows in a plastic pipe.



When used with cathodic ptotection, KPS LPG pipes do not need to be isolated from the tank, since the conductivity is too low to interfer with the cathodic protection.

The KPS LPG pipes are designed for long term operating conditions with temperatures between -20 °C (14 °F) and +40 °C (104 °F).

### 2.2 How to Order

You can place your order by phone, e-mail or fax from your local KPS representative. To locate your nearest distributor, see information on our web site www.kpsystem.com.

### 2.3 Warranty

The KPS LPG Pipe System has been developed to offer reliable performance over many years. Careful attention has been paid to minimize the environmental impact during manufacturing and during operation. As a result of this careful development work and stringent control of the manufacturing processes, KPS is able to guarantee that all LPG pipes manufactured by KPS will be corrosion resistant for 30 years from the date of dispatch from KPS.

It is a condition of all warranties that all handling, storage and installation work is performed strictly in accordance with the requirements specified in installation instructions shipped with the product or in the current installation manual, available for download at www.kpsystem.com. The installation checklist must always be filled out and saved for the duration of the warranty period.

It is also a condition of all warranties that the installation is undertaken by a KPS certified LPG installer and that only KPS products are used in the system.

KPS accepts no liability for installations that fail to meet the conditions specified above, and failure to comply may result in withdrawn certified installer status.

6

### 3. ABOUT LPG

LPG or LP Gas is an abbreviation of Liquefied Petroleum Gas. When used as a vehicle fuel, LPG is sometimes refered to as *autogas*. LPG is a mixture of the hydrocarbons butane and propane. Butane and propane are both gases at normal room temperature and atmospheric pressure, but under moderate pressure they will become a liquid. This permits easy transportation and storage of LPG in its concentrated liquid form.

LPG comes from the refining of crude oil (40 %) or is extracted from natural gas or crude oil streams coming from underground reserviors (60 %). LPG in its pure form is odorless but is odorized to aid the detection of leaks. The gas is slightly heavier than air and will flow to lower lying areas in case of a leak. When released from pressure LPG will expand and I liter of fluid becomes 250 liters of vapor.

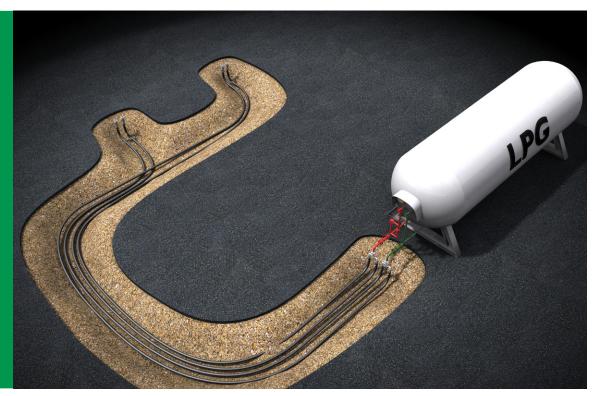
LPG in its liquid form will increase in volume by 2 % for every 10 degrees (C) increased temperature. For this reason, LPG tanks should never be filled up to more than 85% (regulations will vary).

In LPG intented as a vehicle fuel, butane and propane are mixed in proportions optimal for complete combustion of the product. Compared to petrol LPG gives less exhaust emissions. Depending on government taxes and incendives, LPG can often be much cheaper than petrol and the performance is comparable to petrol and diesel.

LPG is slightly less prone to ignition than petrol. Between approximately 2 % and 9 % of LPG vapors in the air will create a flammable atmosphere. Liquid LPG spillage will evaporate quickly but in contact with the skin it can cause cold burns. Follow applicable safety regulations and use protective clothing.

### 4. THE LPG FILLING STATION

Many LPG filling stations have the tank installed above ground, but there are also stations where the tank is buried. All LPG filling stations are pressure systems, i.e. there is continuous pressure in the pipes. The operating pressure is usually around 15 bar. The high pressure is necessary to keep the LPG in its liquid form. The pressure in the tank is lower, usually between 3 and 5 bar depending on mixture and temperature.



From the tank to each dispenser runs a product line that feeds the liquid LPG to the dispenser. In parallell with the product line runs a vapor return line where LPG vapor from re-fuelling operations is returned to the tank. These lines are usually manifolded at the tank end if there is more than one dispenser.

In the case of an above ground tank, the pump sits under the tank. The liquid fuel is tapped from the bottom of the tank, goes through a filter that removes any water, into a tranquillizing zone before it enters the pump. To tranquillize the fuel is important to minimize turbulence that could cause cavitation (formation of bubbles on the suction side of the pump) and mechanical damage to the pump.

From the pump, the fuel will go in the product supply pipe to the dispensers. The transition from steel pipes to KPS LPG pipes is done at ground level in both ends. To regulate the pressure in the supply line, there is an automatic bypass that returns liquid fuel to the tank as needed to achieve the correct pressure. A manual bypass line goes in parallell with the automatic bypass to allow for adjustment of pressure even if the automatic bypass is blocked. The tank can be filled from an entry on the bypass line or at a dedicated fill opening.

On the tank and on all lines, including sections of pipe that can be shut by any valve, there is a safety relief valve set to 25 bar.

### 5. TRANSPORT, HANDLING AND STORAGE

The KPS polyethylene pipes are of the highest quality, resilient and particularly suited for underground installation as the polyethylene material is strong, will not corrode like steel pipes or suffer from the microbes that are present in the ground. Nevertheless pipes and fittings need to be handled with care to prevent damage.

V-shaped scratches from sharp objects may weaken the polyethylene material and lead to propagating cracks.

- Protect pipes from scratches during loading, transport, unloading and storage.
- Use a flatbed vehicle for transport and stack products in an orderly and secure fashion.
- Cover any sharp edges on forks of forklifts or use slings that cannot cause scratches to avoid damage to the pipes.

Polyethylene will expand slightly and become more flexible in high temperatures. Under cold conditions the material will shrink slightly and become stiffer.

• Pipe coils should be stored flat, unless properly supported and secured, in order to avoid deformation of the pipe, especially in warm climates.



When coils are stored upright they need to be supported to avoid deformation of the pipe.

UV-radiation will damage the permeation barrier.

• Pipes should always be stored with end caps on to protect from UV radiation and contamination.

### 5.I On Site

- Inspect all material for damage upon delivery and before installation. Reject pipes with scratches or any other significant damage. Using material that has been damaged during transport, storage or handling will invalidate the warranty.
- Pipe coils should be stored flat with suitable protection for the bottom of the coil.

- Do not stack coils more than three coils high.
- Never drag, roll or throw pipes or fittings.
- Never expose pipes to open flame or excessive heat, for example sparks from metallic welding or cutting.
- Keep fittings in their protective packaging until installation. Damaged fittings may be difficult or impossible to install.
- Make sure that the O-rings and gaskets are kept clean.

### 5.2 Coils

- Be careful when releasing coils as the pipe can straighten with considerable force. A minimum of two people is needed to uncoil the pipe. The end of the pipe should be constrained with a rope and a slipknot before cutting the bands around the coil.
- When cutting coils, one person should do the cutting and another person should hold the pipe.
- Uncoil pipes the day before installation. To help straighten the pipe it can be tied at either end to solid fixings.
- In colder climates coils should, if possible, be gently prewarmed before uncoiling either by being stored indoors in a heated building overnight or in a container with a construction heating fan. Take care to not subject the pipe to excessive heat (over 60°C) that may damage the material.

9

### 6. SITE PREPARATION AND PIPE ARRANGEMENT

### 6.1 Site Readiness

- Check that no fuel contamination is present.
- Construction equipment and materials should be removed from the working area.
- The tank should be in position and the concrete base for the dispensers should be ready before the pipe installation begins.

# 6.2 Pipe Arrangement & Preparing Trenches and Beds

KPS LPG pipes are designed for direct burial in the ground. They should not be laid in ducts made of steel, plastic, concrete or bricks or be used above ground. Consult KPS before installing KPS LPG pipes in other ways than those described and recommended in this manual.

#### Pipe trenches and bedding

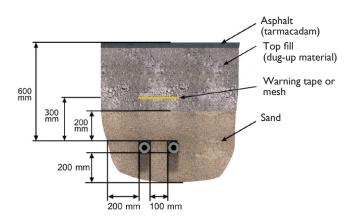
Trenches should then be prepared with a bottom layer of 20 cm of clean sand, free of stones and sharp particles, on which the pipes are then placed.

The best result is achieved when pipes are placed directly onto the bed. For minor adjustments, use bags filled with sand, placed under the pipe at minimum I meter intervals. Bags filled with sand should also be used to separate pipes that are crossing. Do not use wooden pieces as these will deteriorate over time leaving a void. Do not use stones or bricks as the sharp edges can damage the pipe. Styrofoam as a means of supporting or separating pipes should be avoided because the material will deteriorate fast if in contact with hydrocarbons. Pieces of plastic pipe risk being displaced during backfill and are often insufficient for pipe support, but can be used to separate parallel pipes.



When pipes canot be laid directly onto the bed, bags with sand should be used to support the pipe at close intervals.

The sand used for bedding and backfill will need to be mechanically compacted with a machine approximately every 20 cm. The optimal layer depth depends on the machine used. Saturating sand with water can help compacting, but is not sufficient as the only compacting method.



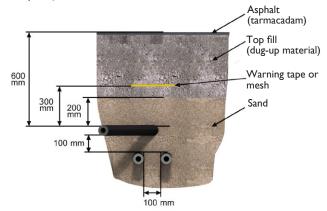
Minimum clearances.

When calculating the depth of the trench, consider that when the installation is complete, the pipe should be buried at a minimum of 600 mm from the top of the pipe to finished forecourt level. Deeper burial depths may be required in areas with car or truck traffic and in warmer climates. Follow standard requirements and national regulations for ground work.

Dig trenches wide enough to lay pipes no closer than 10 cm to each other and no closer than 20 cm to the side of the trench or any sharp object. Dig trenches that allow for soft bends rather than sharp  $90^{\circ}$  bends.

#### **Pipe arrangement**

Lay pipes on a bed of 20 cm of bedding material with a minimum of 10 cm between parallel or crossing pipes and a distance of minimum 20 cm to the side of the trench or any sharp object.



Minimum clearances for crossing pipes.

To compensate for movement of the pipe due to temperature changes or movement/settlement in the soil, lay coils in slight curves.

#### Avoid:

 Pipes crossing each other if another solution is possible using a different pipe layout.

10

• Burying metal parts in the soil.

The minimum bend radius allowed for the LPG pipe is 1 meter (20 x the pipe diameter).

### 6.3 Uncoiling Pipes

- Uncoil pipes the day before installation. To help straighten the pipe it can be tied at either end to solid fixings.
- Be careful when releasing coils as the pipe can straighten with considerable force. A minimum of two people is needed to uncoil the pipe. The end of the pipe should be restrained with a rope and a slipknot before cutting the bands around the coil.
- The natural curves of a coiled pipe can be used to change direction of the pipe or to achieve the correct angle at the end points. Bags filled with sand or stakes can be used to keep it in position until installation and backfill.



Use bags with sand to keep the pipes in place during installation.

• In colder climates coils should, if possible, be gently prewarmed before uncoiling either by being stored indoors in a heated building overnight or in a container with a construction heating fan. Take care to not subject the pipe to excessive heat that may damage the material.



A good way to roll out the pipe



Try to avoid this way

### 7. INSTALLATION

### 7.1 Pipe Installation

- Uncoil pipes the day before installation and check that all necessary tools and equipment are available.
- Place the pipes in the trench from tank to dispenser and cut to approximate length.
- Bend the pipe in the ends using the bending tool.
- Measure the exact height needed, mark the pipe and trim the pipe to desired height using the rotating pipe cutter.
- Mount the compression couplings KP LPG10S with LPG10-AS-NPT or LPG10-BS inserts.
- Measure conductivity.
- Prepare connections to the dispenser and to the tank.

Start with installing the longest pipe run. Then if you make a mistake, you can use the pipe for the next long pipe run.

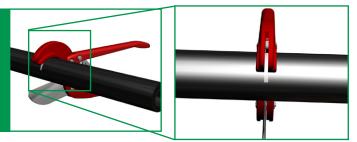
### 7.2 Cutting the Pipe

To ensure that pipes can be properly used with the KP LPGI0S coupling it is important that they are cut absolutely square. Always cut pipes with the KPS approved tools. Never cut pipes using a saw-edged blade of any kind.



Pipes must be cut squarely to fit the KP LPGIOS fitting.

LPG pipes can be cut using the KPS pipe scissors. To use the cutter, place the curved section on top of the pipe and the cutting blade under the pipe. Positioning the scissors this way is important as it helps achieving a square cut. Keep the bottom handle still and use the upper handle to cut. Check that your cut is square.



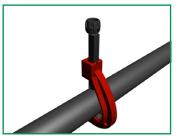
Pipe scissors can be used to cut KPS LPG pipes.

The KPS rotating pipe cutter is the best tool for cutting KPS LPG pipes and ensures a square cut.

- Depress the release nut to open the cutter.
- Place the cutter with the rollers under the pipe and press the cutting wheel into contact with the pipe. Turn the cutting wheel feed knob clockwise half a turn.
- Rotate the cutter away from yourself and around the pipe for one lap. Turn the feed knob clockwise half a turn.
- Now rotate the cutter towards yourself and for each revolution turn the feed knob about 45° to press the cutting wheel further into the pipe. Repeat until the cut is completed.

#### Tip!

Use the pipe scissors to quickly cut the pipe to the approximate length, then use the rotating cutter for the final trim.



The rotating pipe cutter will cut the pipe absolutely square.

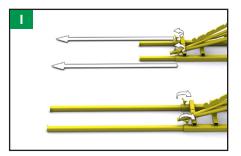
#### **Safety**

Be careful when cutting pipe that have been coiled, even if it has already been uncoiled as the cut ends tend to bend back into a curved form and risk hitting you or others causing injury. One person should do the cutting while another person holds the pipe.

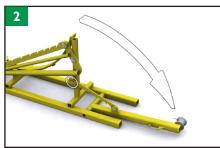
Use the deburring tool that comes with the pipe cutter to chamfer the inside of the pipe. This simplifies the mounting of the KP LPG10-AS-NPT and KP LPG10-BS-NPT inserts. Do not use a regular knife, as there is a risk of unintentionally create v-shaped notches that may lead to cracks in the pipe.

To access the deburring tool, tip the cutter and press the release pin.

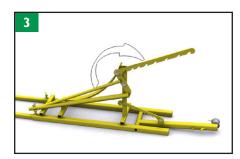
### 7.3 Bending the Pipe



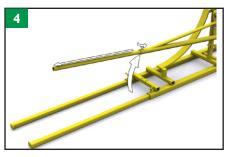
Unscrew the wing nut and pull out the extension runners fully. Tighten the nuts.



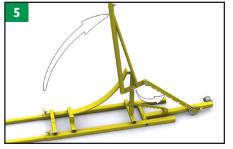
Turn down the roller castor runner.



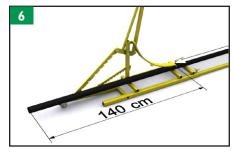
Release and swing the large catch over to the other side.



Unscrew the wing nut and pull out the handle to full length. Tighten the nut.



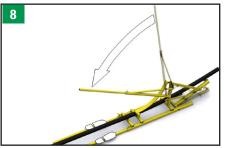
Lift the handle and set the large catch in starting position with the locking pin in the first notch.



Place the pipe so that it protrudes at least 1.4 meter from the bend edge. This is will give a bend suitable for pipe burial at 60 cm. When deeper burial depths are required, adjust the pipe position accordingly.



Make sure the pipe rests on the roller castor and between the two heels on the back of the bending tool.



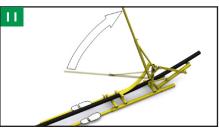
Stand with your feet on the runners on each side of the pipe and slowly pull the handle to start bending the pipe.



When the locking device clicks into the first notch, release the handle.



Pause for 3 minutes to allow for the pipe to adjust.

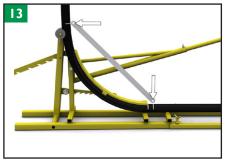


Stand on the runners and slowly pull the handle until the bending tool clicks into the next notch.



Release the handle and wait for 3 minutes.

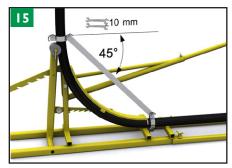
Repeat the process until the pipe is fully bent. Pause 3 minutes between each notch.



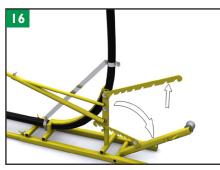
Take out the fixing strap. Measure the approximate position for the clamps.



Mount the bolts, washers and nuts with the metal band directly under the bolts.



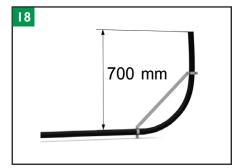
Make sure the metal band is at approximately a 45 degree angle before tightening the bolts.



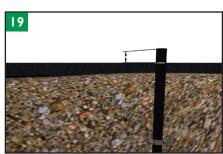
Press the handle slightly and release the locking mechanism.



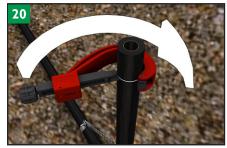
Remove the pipe from the bending tool.



The bend should be minimum 70 cm high, more if you have a burial depth greater than 60 cm.



Place the pipe in the trench and measure and mark the exact height required. The pipe should end at finished forecourt level.



Cut the pipe to its finished length using a KPS rotating pipe cutter.

### 7.4 Mounting the Transition Fittings

For transition from plastic to metal, use the KP LPG10S compression coupling in combination with either the KP LPG10-AS-NPT threaded insert och KP LPG10-BS flange insert.

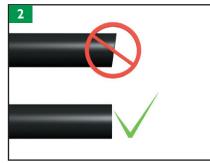


Always use a torque wrench to control the torque when mounting the LPGI0S compression coupling. If you apply too much force too quickly you may crack the bolts or even the coupling.

The LPGI0-AS-NPT and LPGI0-BS inserts.



You need: hex key, wrench n:o 17, torque wrench (20-47 Nm) with socket n:o 17 and a rubber mallet.

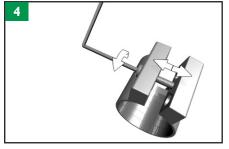


Make sure the pipe is cut squarely.

5



Lubricate the smaller mounting screw using copper paste, ceramic paste or MoS2.



Insert the screw and screw it clockwise to open the coupling.



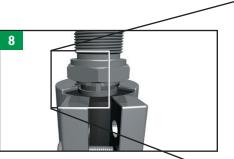
Mount the coupling onto the pipe end.



Use a rubber mallet to hit the insert KP LPG10-AS-NPT or KP LPG10-BS completely into the pipe.



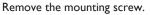
Unscrew the mounting screw.



Make sure the edge of the LPG10S rests in the groove of the KP LPG10-AS-NPT or BS insert.

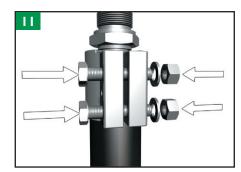




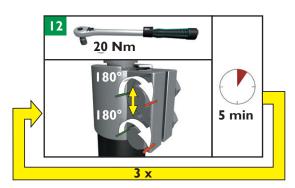




Lubricate the bolts, washers and nuts with copper paste, ceramic paste or MoS2.



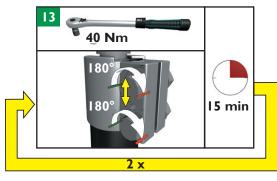
Mount the bolts, washers and nuts on the coupling.



Set the torque wrench to 20 Nm. Tighten the bolts alternatively, half a turn each, up to 20 Nm.

Wait 5 minutes before continuing.

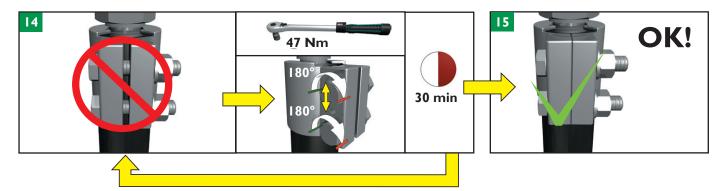
Repeat 3 times.



Set the torque wrench to 40 Nm. Tighten the bolts alternatively, half a turn each, up to 40 Nm.

Wait 15 minutes before continuing.

Repeat 2 times.



Set the torque wrench to 47 Nm. Tighten the bolts alternatively, half a turn each, up to 47 Nm.

Wait 30 minutes before continuing.

Repeat until the coupling is completely closed.

### 7.5 Testing conductivity

The KPS LPG pipe has a conductive inner layer that dissipates static electricity. The pipe, the transition fittings and other connected metallic fittings and pipes will form a continuous conductive path that, when connected to earth, eliminates electrostatic hazards.

When the KP LPG10S and LPG10-AS-NPT or LPG10-BS have been mounted on the pipes ends you should test the conductivity in the pipe from end to end using the KPS conductivity tester.

Calibrate the tester at the beginning and end of each work day. Test both the red and the green signal according to the picture.

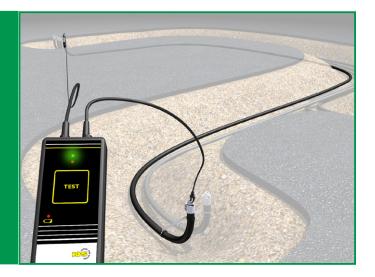


The conductive LPG piping system must be connected to the main earth at the installation point and adjacent conductive objects bonded according to applicable regulations and legislation.

Always consult a competent electrical engineer, familiar with national regulations, to make sure that earthing and potential equalization of the piping system and adjacent installations are done in a correct way to prevent electrostatic hazards.



Calibrate the conductivity tester at the beginning and the end of the day.



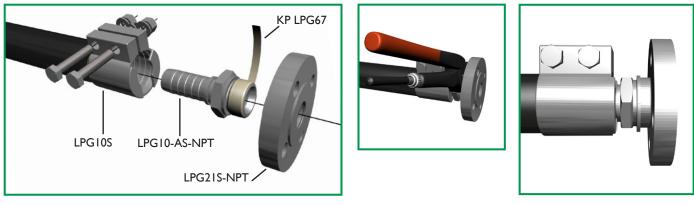
- 1. Connect the cables to the tester and to the ends of the pipe run.
- 2. Press the "TEST" button. A green light and a beep indicate OK. A red light and no beep indicate not OK.

When the battery indicator light turns red, replace the 9V battery.

### 7.7 Connecting to the tank and dispenser

#### Transition with threaded flange

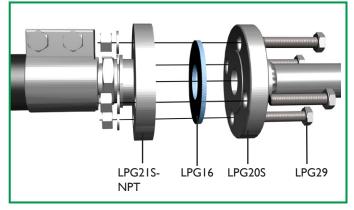
Use the LPG10-AS-NPT insert and LPG21S threaded flange.

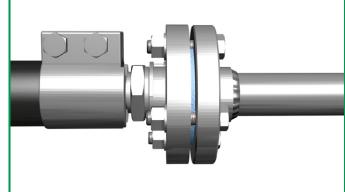


Assembly for transition via threaded flang

Finished assembly.

#### Use a pipe wrench or wrench 41 to hold the LPG10-AS-NPT insert when the threaded flange is mounted.



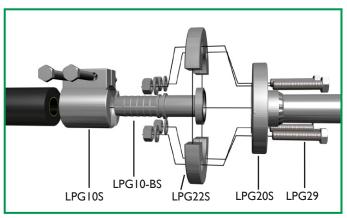


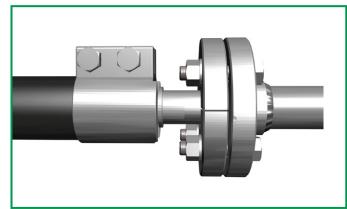
Use a fibre gasket between flanges.

Finished assembly.

#### Transition with weldable flange

For transition directly to a weldable flange, use the LPG10-BS insert, the LPG22S flange halves and the LPG20S weldable flange. The weldable flange LPG20S must be welded before it is mounted.





Assembly for transition via weldable flange.

Finished assembly.

Check that the O-ring in the LPG10-BS insert is undamaged. A damaged O-ring will result in an untight installation. If necessary, replace with a LPG17 O-ring.



If the LPG10-BS insert needs a new O-ring, use the LPG17 O-ring only.

#### Manifolding LPG lines

When manifolding two LPG product or vapor return lines the following assembly can be used. See also Appendix B for drawing with bill of materials.



Manifolding of LPG lines.



#### Sealing of threads



All fittings are NPT threads and should be sealed with thread sealing tape (gas resistant).

The conical seals on fittings, tees and elbows must NOT be lubricated and no sealant must be used.

#### Lubrication of threads



All threads on bolts and nuts must be lubricated with copper paste, ceramic paste or MoS2.

#### Safety relief valves

A seafety relief valve must be fitted on all sections of pipe that may be shut by valves of any kind. The safety relief valve should be set to max 25 bar to prevent excessive pressure caused by thermal expansion of the LPG or any system malfunction.



Manifold prepared to be fitted with safety relief valve.

### 8. PRESSURE AND TIGHTNESS TESTING

Correctly performed pressure and tightness tests are essential to ensure the quality of the installation and problem-free operation.

All pressure and tightness testing must comply with local, national or regional rules and regulations. The pressures and test times specified here are the minimum requirements for a valid KPS warranty. Local, national or regional rules and regulations may require stricter testing to be performed. Special accreditations or permits may be required for pressure testing with gases at high pressures.

#### Safety

When fuel has been present in any part of the system to be tested, nitrogen must be used for testing. Ensure that all pipes have been thoroughly flushed from fuel and fuel vapors using nitrogen before commencing any work.

Unauthorized people must not have access to the site during the time when high pressures are applied to the system. Only the necessary personnel should be present. Everyone on site should be warned about the pressure test and avoid standing at an angle where they risk being hit by any components from the piping system that may come loose during the pressure test.

Before applying pressure to the system, make a risk assessment and ensure that all personnel keep a secure distance to the system when it is under pressure. All national, regional and local safety regulations must be adhered to.

#### Equipment.

- Equipment to blank off the pipe run in both ends.
- Metal flanges or plugs with test ports.
- Pneumatic tubing.
- Compressed air or nitrogen.
- Soap solution, made from water and a bit of detergent, such as soap, washing-up liquid or similar. Put in a spray bottle for easy application or use sponge and a bucket.
- Pressure gauge for pressure test.
- Pressure gauges for tightness test. The scale of the gauges should show the pressure used for testing in the middle of the scale.
- Mirror.

### 8.1 Pressure Test - Mandatory

Objective	Test method	Verification		
• Finding potentially weak parts in the system.	<ul> <li>25 bar (363 psi) for 5 minutes. (Max. 40 bar / 580 psi)</li> </ul>	• No parts should come loose.		

• Always disconnect or separate the pipe run to be tested from the tank and from the dispenser. Any testing of the tank or the connection of the pipes to the tank should be done in a separate step.

• Pressurize with air or nitrogen to a pressure of 25 bar (363 psi) and hold the pressure for 5 minutes. If regulations require testing with a higher pressure, follow the regulations, but do not apply a higher pressure than 40 bar (580 psi).

If correctly installed, no parts should come loose.

#### 8.2 **Tightness Test - Mandatory**

Objective	Test method	Verification			
• Finding any leaks in the system.	<ul> <li>0.02-0.70 bar (0.3-10 psi) for 1 hour. Adapt the pressure to the resolution of the manometers used. (Max. 25 bar / 363 psi)</li> <li>Soaping of all joints.</li> <li>Document pressure and tempera- ture during test period.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Bubbles indicate leakage.</li> <li>Declining pressure that cannot be explained by a temperature drop indicates leakage.</li> </ul>			

The tightness of a piping system before backfill is validated by:

- Soaping all joints when the pipe is pressurized. Bubbles indicate leakage. Ι.
- Reading any pressure and temperature variations during a test period. A declining pressure indicates leakage. 2.



Soaping is the best method for locating a leak.

The formation of bubbles is a sure indication of leakage.

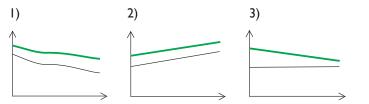
#### **Procedure**

- Pressurize the pipe with air or nitrogen to a pressure of 0.02 to 0.70 bar (0.3-10 psi). Adapt the test pressure to the resolution of the pressure gauges used so that variations in pressure can be read easily. If regulations require testing with a higher pressure, follow the regulations, but do not use a pressure higher than 25 bar (363 psi) for tightness testing.
- Document the starting pressure.
- Apply soap solution to all joints (starting with the test equipment and its connections) and look for bubbles that indicate leakage. Pay attention to the soaping under the pipes and if necessary use a mirror for a clear view of the bottom of the pipes.
- Document the pressure and ambient temperature at 10 minute intervals for a period of 1 hour. There should be no pressure variations that do not have a reasonable explanation in recorded temperature variations.
- After I hour re-test all joints with soap solution.

If using a less accurate pressure gauge, prolong the test period to 4-24 hours.

#### Guidelines for judging pressure variations during tightness testing

All pressure variations should have a reasonable explanation in documented temperature variations. The pressure of the gas used for tightness testing increases and decreases with the temperature.



Temperature and pressure as a function of time. Green curve = pressure. Black curve = temperature.

#### Scenario I

Over the test period the pressure has varied and dropped some, but the temperature shows very similar changes. Unless any leaks were identified during soaping, the system is likely to be tight.

Scenario 2

Over the test period the pressure has increased some. This is explained by the increase in ambient temperature recorded during the same period. Unless any leaks were identified during soaping, the system is likely to be tight.

Scenario 3

The temperature has kept quite still during the test period, but the pressure dropped slightly. This is very likely due to a leak. Identify the place of the leak by soaping.

### 8.3 Tightness Testing During Backfill - Optional

Objective			est method	Verification		
•	Get immediate indication of dam-	•	0.02-0.20 bar (0.3-2.9 psi).	•	Declining pressure indicates leak-	
	age caused by backfill operations.				age.	

By maintaining a low pressure in the pipes during backfill operations, any damage caused by operations may be detected at once as sudden pressure changes.

As people will be working close to the piping system during backfill, a pressure of 0.02 bar to maximum 0.20 bar (0.3-2.9 psi) is recommended during this time.

### 8.4 Tightness Testing After Backfill - Optional

Objective	Test method	Verification		
• Finding any leaks in the system. Temperature changes should be minimal after backfill and pressure stable during the test period.	<ul> <li>0.02-0.70 bar (0.3-10 psi) for 1 hours. Adapt the pressure to the resolution of the manometers used.</li> <li>Document pressure during the test period.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Declining pressure indicates leak- age.</li> </ul>		

After backfill, pressure variations due to temperature changes are reduced to almost zero. A repeated tightness test will confirm that the piping system has not been damaged by backfill operations.

#### Procedure

- Check that the pipe is blanked off at both ends.
- Pressurize the pipe with air or nitrogen to a pressure of 0.02 to 0.70 bar (0.3-10 psi). Adapt the test pressure to the resolution of the pressure gauges used so that variations in pressure can be read.
- Document the starting pressure.
- Document the pressure at 10 minute intervals for a period of 1 hours.

A dropping pressure indicates leakage.

### 9. COMPLETING THE INSTALLATION

### 9.1 Documentation

The KPS LPG Installation Checklist must always be filled in by the installing contractor and saved for the duration of the warranty period. This is a requirement for the 30 year KPS product warranty.

It is a strong recommendation to also save the following documentation:

- Documentation of conductivity testing.
- Documentation of pressure and leakage testing.
- Photos of the installation before backfill.
- As-installed-drawing.

### 9.2 Backfill

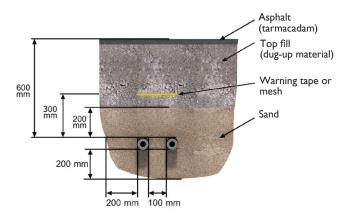
Backfill may be undertaken only after successful completion of conductivity, pressure and leakage tests. Check that pipe arrangement is according to instructions.

Proper backfill supports the pipe, protects it from mechanical damage and handles the effects of thermal expansion/ retraction, heavy traffic or other loading imposed on the pipe system.

Clean sand (3 mm grains) shall be used for backfill. The sand needs to be mechanically compacted with a machine approximately every 20 cm. The optimal layer depth depends on the machine used. Compacting can be done using hand-held tampers, diesel driven impact tampers or vibratory plates. Saturating sand with water can help compacting, but is not sufficient as the only compacting method.

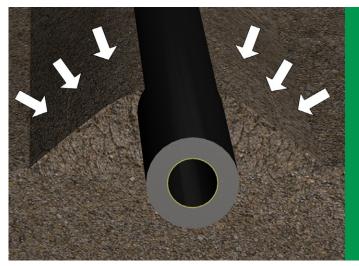
Take care that the pipes are not damaged or moved out of position during compacting. Do not compact on top of the pipes until at least 30 cm of backfill material has been put over the pipes. Increase this distance when heavy or powerful devices are used.

The space within 200 mm of the pipes should always be filled with sand. The sand must be free of organic material, snow, ice or fuel contamination.



Minimum clearances.

Special attention should be given to backfill under the pipes to make sure there are no voids under the pipe. Compact the sand also under, on the sides of, and in between the pipes for best long term performance.



Backfill carefully under the pipes.

The pipe should be buried at a minimum of 600 mm from the top of the pipe to finished forecourt level. Deeper burial depths may be required in areas with car or truck traffic and in warmer climates. Follow standard requirements and regulations for ground work.

Place marker tape minimum 30 cm above the pipes or according to applicable laws and regulations.

### 9.3 Before commissioning

Make sure the inside of the piping system is free from dirt and contamination. Flush with air or nitrogen to clean the pipes.

# **10.1** Preparations and Safety Considerations

It is a strong recommendation that the filling station is closed during any modification or repair works. Access to the site should be restricted and all relevant safety regulations strictly adhered to. Equipment used at the site should be checked to ensure operational condition.

The tanks and the piping system must be emptied and flushed clean or otherwise secured to make sure no fuel or fuel residue or vapors are present where work is to be done.

Electrical equipment such as dispensers and pumps should be disconnected.

### 10.2 Modification and Repair

All KPS stainless steel fittings, **except** the compression coupling LPG10S and the inserts LPG10-AS-NPT and LPG10-BS, can be re-used in case of modification and repair to the installation, unless there is visible damage to the components. Always check that O-rings and gaskets are intact and in good condition before they are used again. Replace them if necessary.

If the KPS LPG pipe has been damaged, the whole pipe must be replaced. An undamaged existing pipe can be reused, either in its full length with the existing bends or for a shorter pipe line.

If an existing pipe needs to be shortened for re-use, first cut away the exisiting bend before making a new one. Do not try to modify an already bent section of pipe.

### 10.3 Pressure and Tightness Testing After Modification and Repair

After modifications or repairs of a system where fuel has been present, only nitrogen must be used for pressure and tightness testing. Never use air or fuel for pressure testing.

### **II. SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS**

KPS recommends that a job safety analysis is done to assess potential risks for work on site. Appropriate safety measures should then be taken and protective equipment used to prevent accidents, injuries and incidents. Special attention should be paid to safety in potentially hazardous areas when doing repair, maintenance or upgrading work.

### II.I Releasing and Cutting Coils

Be careful when releasing coils as the pipe can straighten with considerable force. A minimum of two people is needed to uncoil the pipe. The end of the pipe should be constrained with a rope and a slipknot before cutting the bands around the coil.



One person should hold the pipe and another do the cutting.

Be careful when cutting pipe that have been coiled, even if it has already been uncoiled as the cut ends tend to bend back into a curved form and risk hitting you or others causing injury. One person should do the cutting while another person holds the pipe.

### II.2 Use of Equipment

To avoid personal injury, exercise caution when using cutting tools.

Always perform the conductivity test in an area free from flammable liquids or vapors.

### **11.3 Pressure Testing**

Follow any local, national or regional regulations and make a risk assessment before applying high pressures.

Use nitrogen for pressure and tightness testing whenever fuel

has been present in the system.

Blank off the pipe from the tank before pressurizing. Do not pressurize a tank with fuel in it.

Unauthorized people must not have access to the site during the time when high pressures are applied to the system. Only the necessary personnel should be present. Everyone on site should be warned about the pressure test and avoid standing at an angle where they risk being hit by any components from the piping system that may come loose during the pressure test.

### II.4 Repair, Maintenance and Upgrading Work

Before starting modification and repair work, make detailed risk assessments and take due precautions to eliminate or minimize risks. Follow all applicable health and safety regulations and make sure permit-to-work systems are in place.

It is a strong recommendation that the filling station is closed during any modification or repair works. Access to the site should be restricted and all relevant safety regulations strictly adhered to. Equipment used at the site should be checked to ensure operational condition and suitablity for intended use.

The tanks and the piping system must be emptied and flushed clean or otherwise secured to make sure no fuel or fuel residue or vapors are present where work is to be done. Electrical equipment such as dispensers and submersible pumps should be disconnected.

Equipment and tools to be used in potentially hazardous areas, where an explosive atmosphere may be present, must be classified as safe for this use according to national or regional regulations. See for example the European ATEX directive at http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/atex/guide/.

### 11.5 Hazardous Substances

#### LPG

Hazard summary

- Liquefied petroleum gas can affect you when breathed in.
- Contact with liquefied petroleum gas may cause frostbite.
- Exposure to high levels can cause you to feel dizzy and lightheaded. Higer levels can cause suffocation and death from lack of oxygene.
- Liquefied petroleum gas is highly flammable and a dangerous fire hazard.

#### Ways of reducing exposure to hazardous substances

- Work in a well ventilated area.
- Wear protective clothing.
- Wash thoroughly immediately after exposure.
- On skin contact, immediately submerse the affected body part in warm water.

#### First aid

#### Eye Contact

 Immediately flush with large amounts of water for at least 15 minutes, occasionally lifting upper and lower lids. Remove contact lenses, if worn, while rinsing.

#### Skin Contact

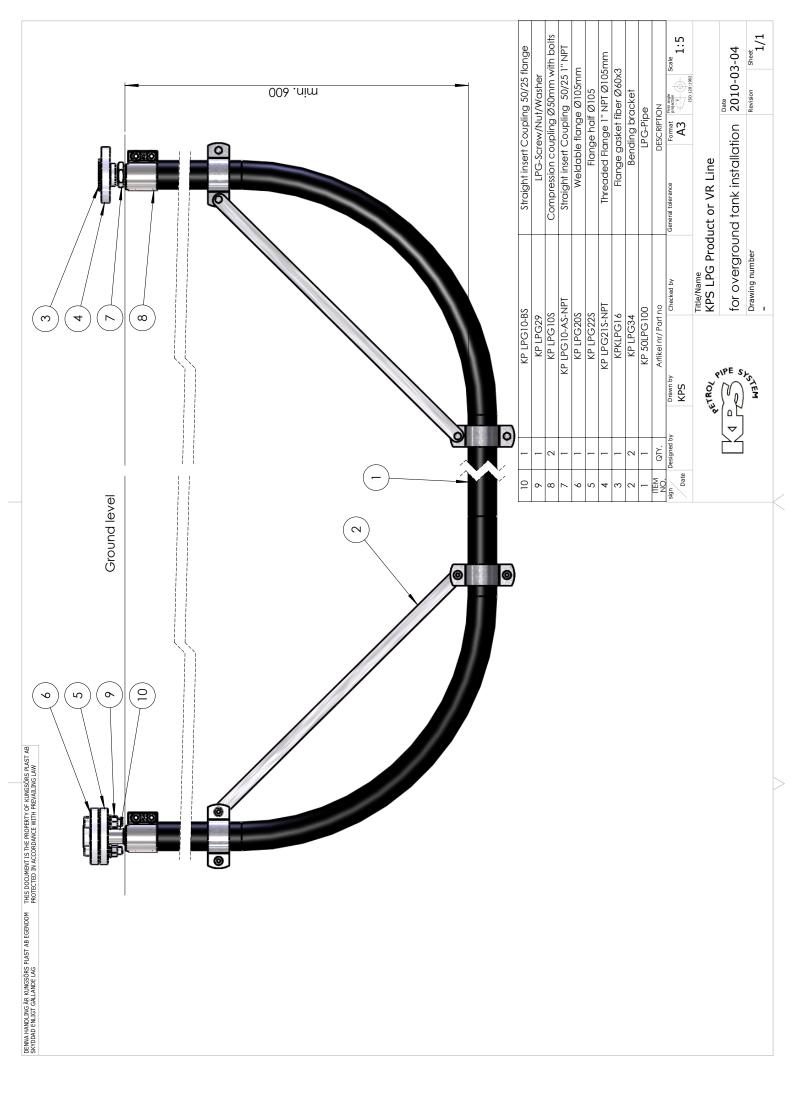
• Immerse affected part in warm water. Seek medical attention.

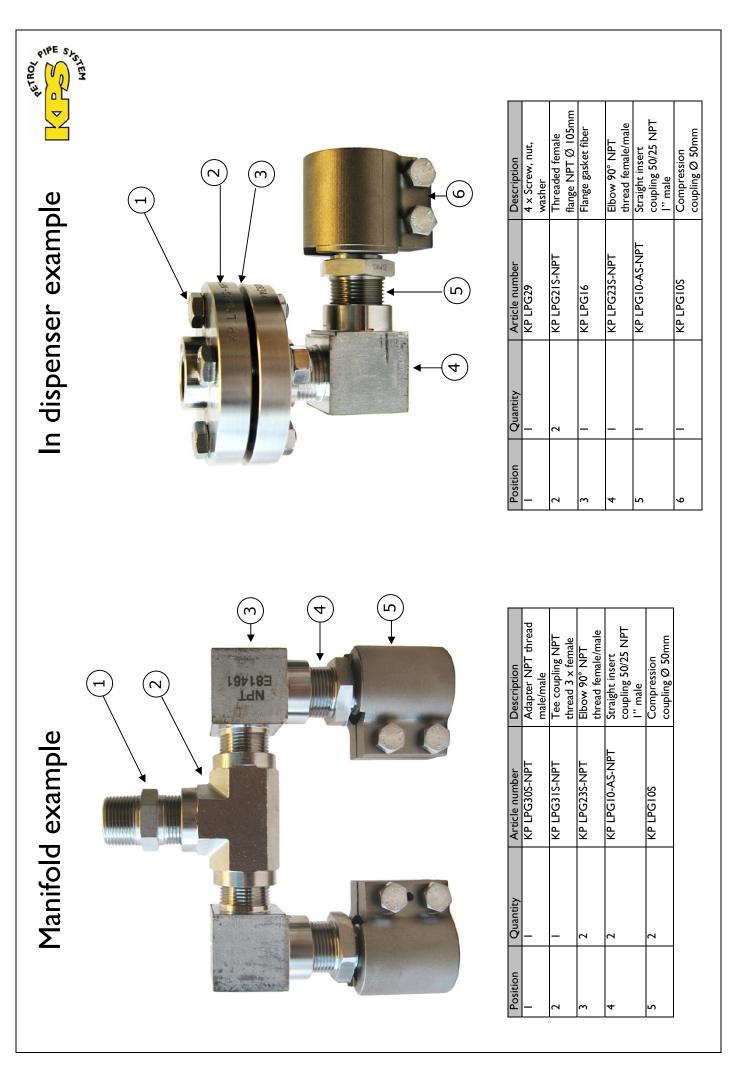
#### Breathing

- Remove the person from exposure.
- Begin rescue breathing (using universal precautions) if breathing has stopped and CPR if heart action has stopped.
- Transfer promptly to a medical facility.

### **APPENDICES**

- A. LPG Installation Example
- **B. LPG Installation Example**
- **C. LPG Pipe Installation Checklist**
- **D. LPG Pipe Test Document**
- E. LPG Pipe Tightness Test







# LPG PIPE INSTALLATION CHECKLIST

, , ,	
Installing Contractor Information:	Site Information:
Installer:	Owner:
Address:	Site address:
Phone:	Phone:
Contact:	Contact:

To be completed and filed by the installing contractor during the warranty period.

- □ All KPS products used for installation were checked upon arrival at the site and free from freight and handling damages.
- □ All KPS products were handled with care during unloading and installation.

□ All pipe trenches were excavated for a burial depth of 60 cm or more and to provide a minimum of 10 cm free space on either side of every pipe and minimum 20 cm free space to the trench wall.

- □ All pipes have been installed on a correctly prepared, 20 cm thick bed of sand (3 mm).
- □ All KPS pipes were cut squarely with KPS recommended pipe scissors or pipe cutters.
- □ The pipe was bent using the KPS LPG bending tool according to instructions in the KPS LPG installation manual.
- □ All KPS fittings were installed in accordance with instructions in the KPS LPG installation manual.
- □ All pipes were installed in accordance with the KPS LPG installation manual in order to allow for expansion and contraction.
- □ Conductivity test on all LPG pipes is performed according to the KPS LPG installation manual.
- □ Pressure test (of pressure lines) and leakage test (of all lines) with soaping has been performed in accordance with the KPS LPG installation manual and no leaks were detected.
- □ All backfill material consists of sand (3 mm) and the backfill has been performed according to the KPS LPG installation manual.
- □ The conductivity of the pipe runs has been tested and all lines passed the test.
- □ The system has been properly earthed and adjacent conductive objects bonded as advised by a competent electrician.
- □ Installing Contractor acknowledges that the warranty will be void unless a KPS certified LPG installer, i.e. trained and approved by a KPS approved instructor, has carried out the installation.

Certified Installer (license number, signature and company name)

Installing Contractor (signature and company name)

Print Name

Date

Date



## LPG PIPE TEST DOCUMENT

To be filled in and saved by the installing contractor. Copy to customer/authorities if required.

Installing Contractor Information:						
Installer:						
Address:						
Phone:						
Contact:						

Site Information:							
Owner:							
Site address:							
Phone:							
Contact:							

Conductivity test: Strength test: Tightness test: Before the pipe is connected to tank or to dispenser. 25 bar (363 psi) for 5 minutes. 0.02 - 0.7 bar (0.29 psi - 10.15 psi) for 1 hours + soaping.

Pipe:	I	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	VR I	VR 2	VR 3	VR 4	VR 5	VR 6	VR 7	VR 8
Conductivity																
Strength																
Tightness																

Certified Installer (license number, signature and company name)

Installing Contractor (signature and company name)

Print Name

Date

Print Name

Date



## LPG PIPE TIGHTNESS TEST

To be filled in during tightness test.

Site name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Line: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Time</b> (minutes)	<b>Temperature</b> (°C/°F)	<b>Pressure</b> (bar/psi)
0		
10		
20		
30		
40		
50		
60		

Soaping:	

Certified Installer (license number and signature)

Print Name

Date



## **Our offices**



KPS Head office Sweden Box 70 SE-736 22 Kungsör Sweden

**Telephone** +46 (0) 227 422 00 **Telefax** +46 (0) 227 422 01

Internet www.kpsystem.com E-mail info@kpsystem.com

KPS United Kingdom KPS UK Ltd. Unit 2, Mid Suffolk Business Park Progress Way Eye, Suffolk IP23 7HU United Kingdom	KPS France KPS France S.A.R.L 73 Avenue Carnot 94230 Cachan France	KPS Central and Eastern Europe KPS CEE s.r.o Nádražná 1387/65 92041 Leopoldov Slovakia	<b>KPS Ibérica</b> Kungsors Plast System Ibérica S.L. Avda. Diagonal Plaza 14, Nave 41 Poligono Industrial Plaza 50197 Zaragoza Spain	KPS China KPS Beijing Petroleum Equipment Trading Co. Ltd Room 205 G, Floor 2, 23 Dongzhimenwai Street Dongwai Diplomatic Office Building in Chaoyang District Beijing 100600 · P.R. of China	KPS South East Asia KPS Fueling Solutions Sdn Bhd I 4 Jalan Teknologi 3/1 Selangor Science Park I Kato Damansara 47810 Petaling Jaya Selangor Darul Ehsan Malaysia
Telephone +44  3 79 870 725 Telefax +44  3 79 873 050	Telephone +33   4663 0400 Telefax +33   4663 0463	Telephone +42   33 734  410 Telefax +42   33 734 2465	Telephone +34 876 76 8928 Telefax +34 876 76 8985	Telephone +86 10 6532 6342 Telefax +86 10 6532 6341	Telephone +60 3 615 616 44 Telefax +60 3 615 613 44
Internet www.kpsystem.com E-mail info@kpsystem.com	Internet www.kpsystem.com E-mail info@kpsystem.com	Internet www.kpsystem.com E-mail info@kpsystem.com	Internet www.kpsystem.com E-mail info@kpsystem.com	Internet www.kpsystem.com.cn E-mail info@kpsystem.com.cn	Internet www.kpsystem.com E-mail info@kpsystem.com





KP 50LPG100 LPG pipe PN25 Ø 50 mm 100 m



KP LPG10S Compression coupling Ø 50mm



KP LPG10-AS-NPT Straight insert coupling 50/25 NPT I" male



KP LPG10-AS-NPT-3/4 Straight insert coupling 50/25 NPT 3/4" male



KP LPG10-BS Straight insert coupling 50/25 Flange



KP LPG23S-NPT Elbow 90° NPT thread Female / Male



KP LPG31S-NPT Tee coupling NPT thread  $3 \times Female$ 





KP LPG30S-NPT Adapter NPT thread

KP LPG32S-NPT

Female / Male

KP LPG33S-NPT

Female / Female

Adapter NPT thread

Adapter NPT thread







KP LPG17 O-ring I" for LPG10-BS NBR 70



KP LPG20S Weldable flange Ø 105 mm



KP LPG21S-NPT Threaded female flange NPT Ø 105mm



KP LPG22S Flange halves Ø 105mm for KP LPG10-BS



KP LPG16 Flange gasket fiber Ø 60x3



KP LPG29 4 x Screw, nut, washer



KP LPG34 LPG Fixing strap



KP LPG50 LPG Bending tool



KP LPG67 Thread sealing tape for LPG



