4.4.3 QUALITY CONTROL. All underground pipelines shall be installed in accordance with these standards and tested as outlined below. These are minimum requirements and additional testing may be required.

4.4.3.1 TRENCH BACKFILL MOISTURE/DENSITY TESTING. Minimum testing of trench backfill shall be as follows:

Soil Proctor	One determination for each significant change in soil type as necessary to provide required compaction testing. Tests shall be ASTM D-1557 Method A or D (modified proctor).
Trench backfill moisture/ density determination -	Tests are required for trench backfill for every two hundred (200) lineal feet of trench or portion thereof and all service laterals, valve locations and manholes. Tests shall be run at the following trench elevations: One test at top of pipe zone. One test per two (2) feet of depth measured from the bottom of the subgrade to the top of the pipe zone. Tests shall be evenly spaced vertically through the trench with one (1) test at top of trench (bottom of subgrade). Additional testing may be required by the City's Representative or soils testing laboratory to verify compaction. Tests shall be according to ASTM D-1556 or D-2922 and D-3017. Moisture/density determinations shall be made in accordance with Section 3 of these standards. Proctors for all trench backfill compaction shall be determined using ASTM D-1557 modified proctor method.

4.4.3.2 SANITARY AND STORM SEWER LINE TESTING AND ACCEPTANCE. This subsection specifies requirements for the testing and acceptance of all sewer systems. Prior to testing, all sewer lines shall be cleaned. On main lines, invert elevations of the inlet/outlet of each manhole and the distance measurements between manholes shall be verified with surveying practices prior to installation of manhole floor. For service laterals, grades shall be verified by a carpenter's level or surveying instruments. All sewer trench compaction testing shall be completed and

approved prior to performing air and deflection tests. The sewer lines, service laterals and manholes shall be tested for leakage and alignment in the presence of the City's Representative as follows.

A. **DISPLACEMENT TEST.** The displacement test shall be conducted by the Contractor in accordance with the following procedure.

A light shall be flashed between manholes or, if the manholes have not as yet been constructed, between the locations of the manholes, by means of a flashlight or by reflecting sunlight with a mirror. If the illuminated interior of the pipe shows broken, misaligned or displaced pipe, or other defects, the defects identified by the City's Representative shall be remedied by the Contractor. After cleaning and inspection have been completed, the line shall be tested for leakage.

B. **AIR TESTING.** The air test shall be performed on all sanitary sewer and other storm sewer lines as directed by the City's Representative. This test applies to all types of pipe. When concrete pipe is used, it shall be pre-wetted prior to testing.

The reach of pipe to be tested shall be isolated by completely plugging all outlets in the section under test. Careful attention shall be given to blocking all plugs. Prior to installing the lower and upper plugs, any concrete pipe and manholes used shall be wetted to minimize any loss of air through the pipe or manhole walls as a result of permeability in the dry condition. One of the plugs used at the manhole must be equipped to control the air entry rate and to prevent the pressure from exceeding five p.s.i.g. which shall be done by means of a blow-off valve set to operate at five p.s.i.g.

After the plugs are installed (and any concrete pipe has been wetted) the air shall be allowed to slowly fill the pipe until a constant pressure of four p.s.i.g. is maintained for at least two minutes. During the two-minute stabilization period, all plugs and exposed fittings shall be checked with a soap solution. If a leak is found, the air shall be bled off, the leak repaired and a new two minute stabilization period begun. When the temperature of the air has reached equilibrium with that of the pipe wall, the air pressure shall be brought to four p.s.i.g. and the supply shall then be disconnected. When the pressure gauge reaches three and one-half p.s.i.g., a stop watch shall be started. The watch shall then be stopped when the pressure reaches two and one-half p.s.i.g. The time shown on the watch for a

loss of one p.s.i.g. at an average pressure of three p.s.i.g. is used to calculate the rate of air loss. The pipeline may be considered to have passed the air test successfully if the loss of air is not greater than a rate of 0.0030 cubic feet per minute per square foot of internal pipe surface. The following table shows the allowable time for the pressure to drop from three and one-half to two and one-half p.s.i.g. for respective pipe diameters.

Pipe Diameter	Time Min.	Time Sec.	Pipe Diameter	Time Min.	Time Sec.
6-inch	3	0	18-inch	8	30
8-inch	3	45	20-inch	9	30
10-inch	4	45	21-inch	10	0
12-inch	5	45	24-inch	11	15
14-inch	6	30	27-inch	12	45
15-inch	7	0	30-inch	14	0
16-inch	7	30	36-inch	17	0

C. **EXFILTRATION TEST.** In lieu of the standard air test, the Contractor may make an exfiltration test in accordance with the following procedure:

The test section shall be plugged at both ends and the pipe subjected to a hydrostatic pressure produced by a head of water at a depth of three feet above the invert of the sewer at the upper manhole under test. In areas where ground water exists, the head of water shall be three feet above the existing water table.

For concrete pipe, the three foot head of water shall be maintained for a period of one hour to obtain full absorption of the pipe body and thereafter for a further period of one hour for the actual leakage test. For all other types of pipe, the three foot head of water shall be maintained for a period of one hour only. During the one hour test period the measured maximum allowable rate of exfiltration for any section of sewer, including service stubs, shall be as listed below.

Sewer Main Diameter (inches)	Maximum Drop in Head in a 4-ft. Diameter Manhole (Non-taper sect.) per 100 ft. of sewer pipe	Maximum Allowable Leakage (Exfiltration) (Gallons/Hour/100 ft.)
6	0.1563 inch	1.2
8	0.2031 inch	1.6
10	0.2500 inch	2.0
12	0.3125 inch	2.4
15	0.3594 inch	2.8
18	0.4063 inch	3.2
21	0.4531 inch	3.6
24 or larger	0.5156 inch	4.0

When measurements indicate an exfiltration greater than the maximum allowable leakage, additional measurements shall be taken and continued until all leaks are located and the necessary repairs and corrective work have reduced the leakage in the section being tested below the maximum allowable by these standards. For purposes of the exfiltration test, the line between adjoining manholes will be considered a section and will be tested as such.

The Contractor shall furnish the plugs and other material and labor for placing the plugs in the sewer and shall assist the City's Representative in making all measurements required. The introduction of any substance into the testing water with the intent of sealing leaks will not be permitted.

When the results of the air test or the exfiltration test is not satisfactory, repairs or pipe replacement shall be required until the City's Representative is satisfied that the leakage requirements have been met. All repair methods and materials used shall be approved and accepted by the City's Representative.

D. **PVC DEFLECTION TEST.** All PVC sewer pipe shall be tested for deflection with a mandrel. The mandrel shall be a rigid device sized to pass through a pipe having five percent (5%) or less deflection. These allowances shall include deformations due to all causes (wall thickness variations, shipping, production, backfill, heat, etc.). The mandrel device shall be cylindrical in shape and shall comply with the manufacturer's recommendations.