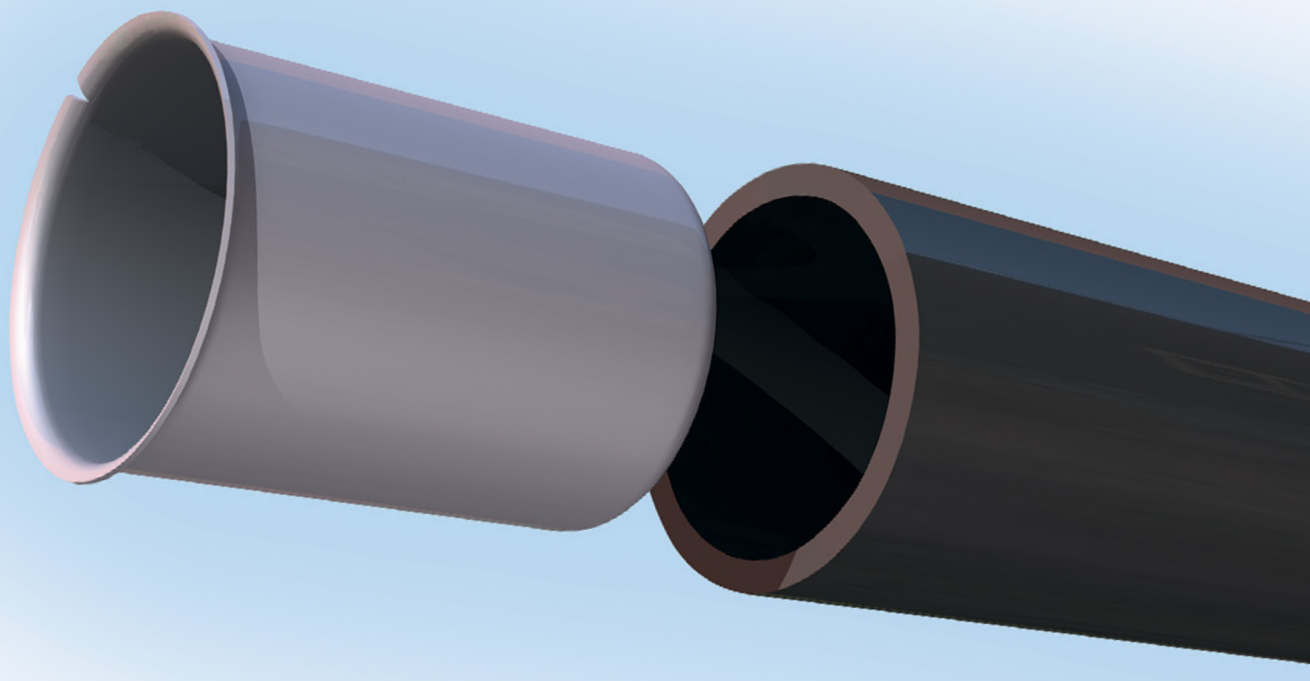


Need Pipe Support?

FORD OFFERS 3" - 36" STIFFENING INSERTS



High Density Polyethylene pipe (HDPE) must be supported to prevent slippage or crimping in a setting where the pipe is compressed. The flexible nature of HDPE makes it vulnerable to the compressive force of a coupling or restraint and susceptible to pulling free from the connection. The pressure exerted by restraints and couplings on the pipe wall can sometimes cause the pipe to "toe-in," making it difficult to maintain a seal because the pipe is pushed away from the gasket. An insert helps prevent this problem by supporting the pipe wall, allowing the restraint or coupling to perform properly. Ford now offers a full line of 3" - 36" stainless steel inserts to help maintain a durable HDPE pipe connection.

Ford's inserts are available in 13 GA type 304 or optional 316 stainless steel. Each insert is chemically passivated to maintain its corrosion resistant state. Ford Meter Box inserts are tapered on one end and have a lip on the other end to allow for easy insertion while preventing over-insertion. Just slide the insert into the pipe or tubing before connecting the pipe to a compression fitting or restraint. Available in DIPS or IPS sizes, simply measure the pipe or tubing ID to ensure the correct size is used.

