







INTEGRATED FRAME& COVER SYSTEM

NEW INSTALLATIONS

IFC-25 MH SYSTEM OVERVIEW

The IFC-25 MH System is a patented (CA 2643874, filed 2008-11-14) an enhanced maintenance hole design called the Integrated Frame and Cover Maintenance Hole System, also known as the IFC-25 MH System. The IFC-25 MH System eliminates inflow and infiltration, increases sewer capacity and groundwater recharge, minimizes road deterioration, reduces MH rehabilitation cost and frequency, and provides substantial life-cycle costs savings compared to conventional maintenance hole installations.

The IFC-25 MH System can be installed on new and existing tapered tops, flat caps and chambers. Numerous municipalities and organizations are now specifying and accepting the IFC-25 MH System. Over 4,000 systems have been installed across Ontario.

To demonstrate how confident we are in the IFC-25 MH System, there is a 25-year material guarantee for all systems that are installed following the correct procedures detailed in this report. Additionally, in the event of any third-party damage to the IFC-25 frame and/or concrete components, most repairs are simple and quick using a recommended product.

WE **GUARANTEE** OUR PRODUCT!

The IFC-25 MH System eliminates the currently used grade adjustment rings for conventional maintenance holes. Conventional, standard "grade rings" split and crumble allowing unwanted inflow and infiltration which accelerates deterioration and failure of the asphalt road surface and granular foundation. Constant and frequent rehabilitations of conventional MHs are required due to traffic loading and the forces of the freeze-thaw cycle.



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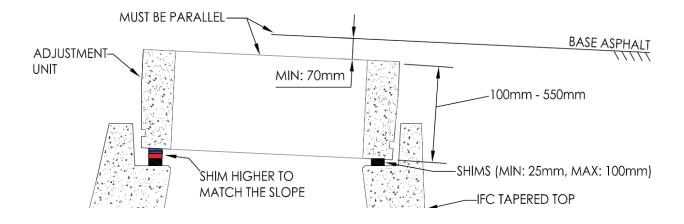
INSTALLATION PROCESS

For new IFC-25 MH System installations, the IFC-25 tapered top (with the grouting bell as described above) is used. The lower sections up to the tapered top are the same as the conventional design. To rehabilitate existing conventional maintenance holes, or installations on flat tops and chambers, the IFC-25 system can still be used but the installation procedure has some simple modifications.

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STEP 1: SETTING THE CONCRETE ADJUSTMENT UNIT

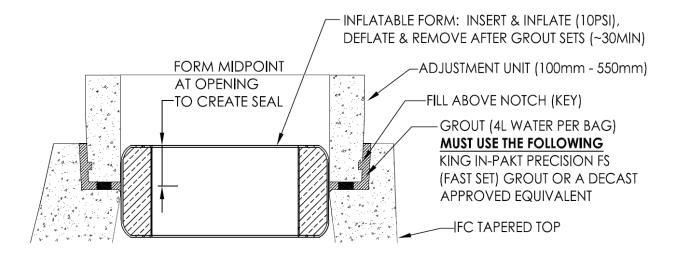
- Once the road is constructed, the maintenance hole is to be adjusted to grade
- Measurements are taken and an adjustment unit size is selected, available in 50mm increments, 100mm 550mm
- The adjustment unit is placed on HDPE shims to match the subbase height and required cross slope
- The top of the adjustment unit is to be 70mm minimum lower than the specified base course asphalt layer (50mm for asphalt and 20mm for the frame thickness)





STEP 2: GROUT JOINT TO CREATE A MONOLITHIC STRUCTURE

- An interior inflatable form creates a watertight seal to allow grout to be poured on the exterior to permanently bond the adjustment unit to the tapered top
- The prepackaged, high-strength grout is mixed on-site to a fluid consistency to uniformly fill the joint. The shims are encapsulated within the grout
- Removing the form reveals a clean finished surface that requires no further work

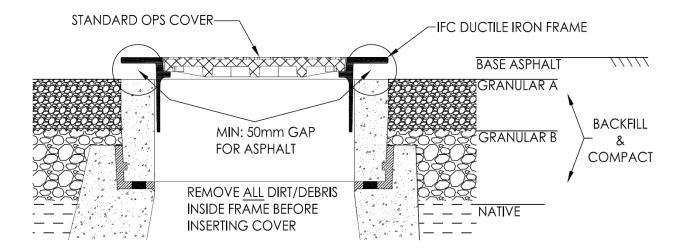






STEP 3: INSTALL IFC-25 FRAME, STANDARD COVER, BACKFILL AND COMPACT

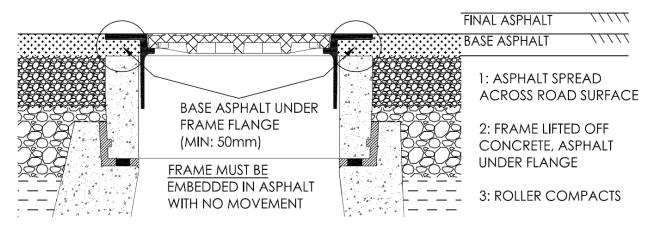
- The telescopic ductile iron frame and standard OPS cover are set into the concrete monolithic structure
- The surrounding road subbase granular material is reinstated up to the top surface of the adjustment unit and compacted





STEP 4: BASE COURSE ASPHALT

- An asphalt paver spreads asphalt across the entire road surface and drives directly over the IFC-25 MH System. The crew following the paver adjusts the frame and cover during the process
- A minimum of 50mm of asphalt between the frame flange and concrete adjustment unit at base course asphalt is required
- Asphalt rollers drive directly over the frame and cover, compacting the asphalt under the frame flange and surrounding area, this ensures proper cushioning and embeds the system into the road surface



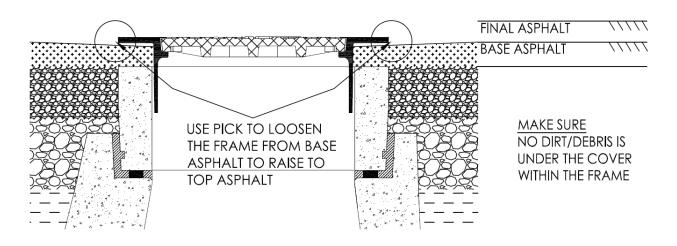


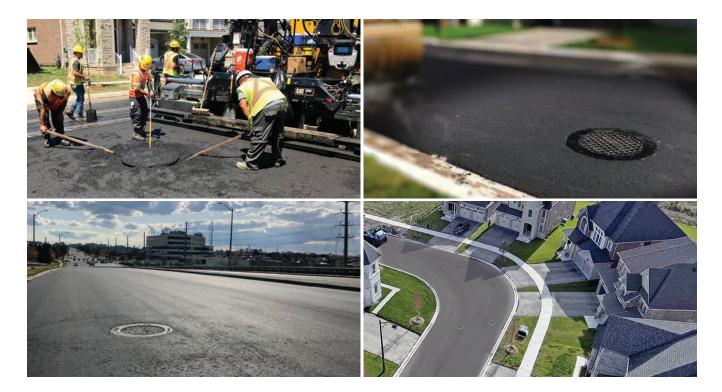


STEP 5: FINAL (SURFACE) COURSE ASPHALT PREPARATION

- For final (surface) asphalting, the conventional MH installation requires cutting the base asphalt, excavating the granular material, and mortaring additional grade rings.

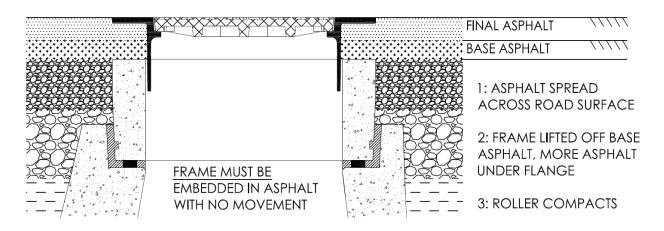
 The IFC-25 MH System eliminates these time-consuming, expensive steps!
- The base course asphalt and subbase are <u>not</u> disturbed during the placement of the final lift of asphalt. The frame is simply loosened using a pick or jackhammer chisel to raise the frame to the final height during the asphalting process





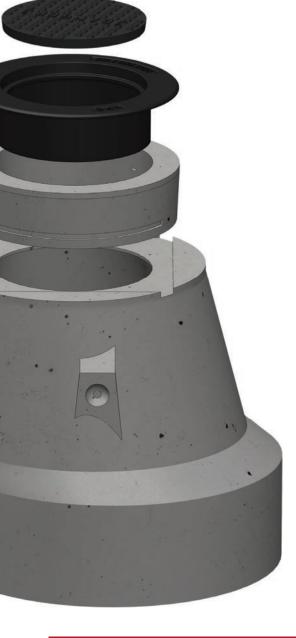
STEP 6: FINAL (SURFACE) COURSE ASPHALT

- Similar to Step 4: Base Course Asphalt, an asphalt paver spreads asphalt across the entire road surface and drives directly over the IFC-25 MH System. The crew following the paver adjusts the frame and cover using pry bars
- An additional 50mm of asphalt is compacted between the frame flange and concrete adjustment unit
- Asphalt rollers drive directly over the frame and cover, compacting the asphalt under the frame flange and surrounding area
- The IFC-25 MH System is embedded in the road surface, as the road moves with the forces of the freeze-thaw cycle the frame remains flush and level, while the underground structure remains impenetrable, which protects the surrounding granular foundation





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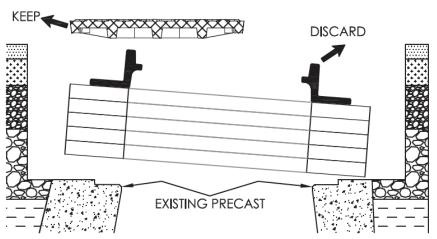
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INSTALLATION PROCESS

REHABILITATION, FLAT TOP AND CHAMBER INSTALLATIONS

STEP 1: EXCAVATION (ONLY FOR EXISTING MHS)

- Sawcut a square perimeter and excavate down to the conventional tapered top, flat top or chamber and remove existing grade rings
- Typically, the cover can be reused and the conventional MH frame and most likely broken grade rings are discarded



1: EXCAVATE TO THE TOP SURFACE OF THE EXISTING PRECAST

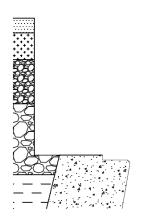
2: REMOVE & KEEP COVER, IT WILL BE REUSED

3: REMOVE & DISCARD CONVENTIONAL FRAME & GRADE RINGS



STEP 2: MEASURE & SELECT THE CONCRETE ADJUSTMENT UNIT

■ Measurements are taken and an adjustment unit size is selected, available in 50mm increments from 100mm - 550mm

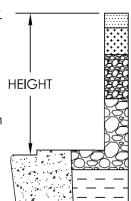


1: MEASURE HEIGHT FROM TOP OF EXISTING PRECAST TO FINAL ROAD SURFACE

2: DETERMINE ADJUSTMENT UNIT SIZE

UNIT SIZE = HEIGHT-150mm

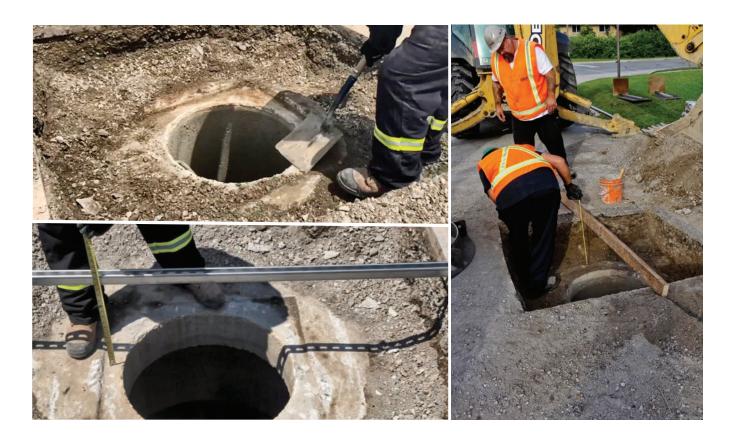
ROUND DOWN TO THE NEAREST 50



EXAMPLE IF HEIGHT = 470mm 470mm - 150mm = 320mm

ROUND DOWN TO NEAREST 50, SELECT THE 300mm ADJUSTMENT UNIT

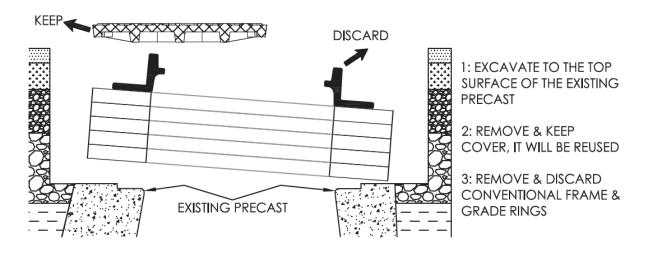
ADJUSTMENT UNITS: 100mm - 550mm IN 50mm INCREMENTS





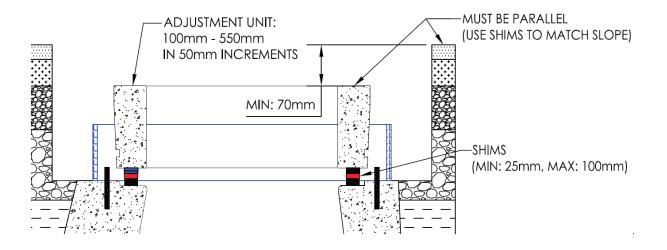
STEP 3: SET SONOTUBE & INSTALL REBAR STIRRUPS

- Center a 40" cardboard sonotube around the opening of the tapered top, flat top or chamber
- Using a hammer drill, drill 4 sets of 1/2" holes spaced evenly around the opening, 50mm within the sonotube, to install the curb stirrups
- This step creates the "grouting bell" that the revised IFC-25 tapered top has to accommodate one solid precast grade adjustment unit



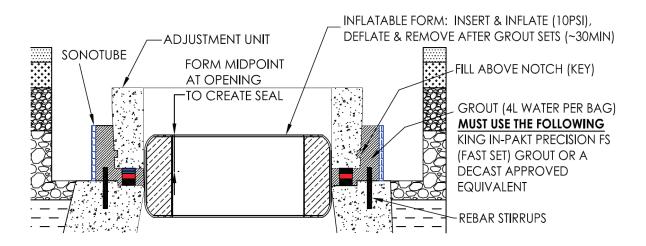
STEP 4: SET CONCRETE ADJUSTMENT UNIT ON SHIMS

■ The selected adjustment unit is placed on HDPE shims to be approximately 100mm below the road surface and angled to match the required cross slope



STEP 5: GROUT CONCRETE ADJUSTMENT UNIT

- The inflatable form is inserted and creates a watertight seal to allow grout to be poured on the exterior of the adjustment unit, within the cardboard sonotube, to permanently bond the adjustment unit to the tapered top, flat cap or chamber
- The rebar stirrups provide reinforcement and anchor the structure together

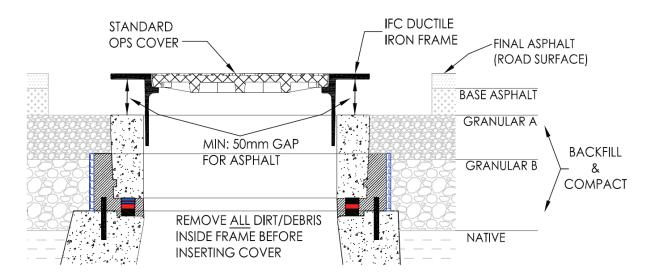






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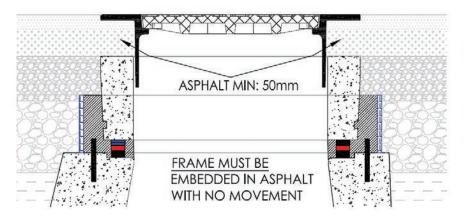
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STEP 7: ASPHALT

- Asphalt is compacted between the frame and concrete structure to ensure the frame is cushioned and acts as one unit with the surrounding asphalt
- The asphalt roller compactor drives directly over the frame and cover



- 1: ASPHALT SPREAD ACROSS EXCAVATED AREA
- 2: FRAME LIFTED OFF CONCRETE, ASPHALT COMPACTED UNDER FRAME FLANGE
- 3: ROLLER COMPACTS



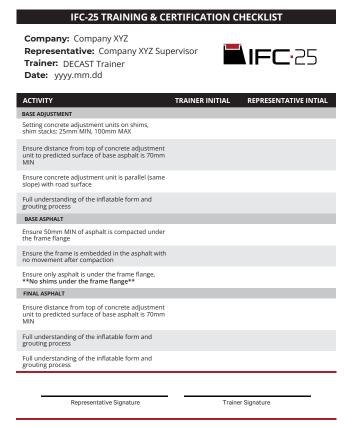


TRAINING & CERTIFICATION PROGRAM

FOR CONTRACTORS, MUNICIPALITIES AND CONSULTANTS

All contractors installing IFC-25 MH Systems shall complete the IFC-25 Training & Certification Program, offered free of charge by all distributors. All companies sign off on the training checklist and receive a certificate permitting the company to install the IFC-25 MH System on future projects.

Trainers will not give a passing grade until the contractors prove they can follow the correct process. The current list of approved companies is maintained on the IFC-25 website, www.ifcmhsystem.com. Additionally, all distributors will train and certify inspectors from municipalities and consultants as requested.



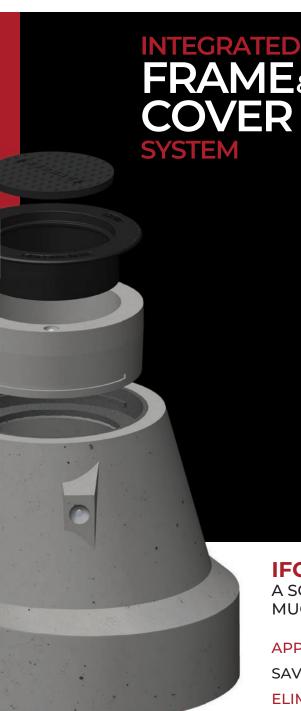


Installation guides (compact sized hardcopies and downloadable electronic versions online) were developed for contractors to have a quick reference for proper installation procedures.

All distributors completes continuous monitoring and inspections of all IFC-25 MH System projects.

The IFC-25 website, www.ifcmhsystem.com, was created to be the central hub for all current IFC-25 material; Installation Video, Brochure, Installation Guides, Certified Contractors & Partners, Manufacturers & Distributors and Contact Information. It is important to note, DECAST has manufacture/distribution license agreements with Cedar Infrastructure Products, M CON (Ayr), M CON (Ottawa), Rinker Materials to eliminate sole sourcing limitations.







IFC-25 MAINTENANCE HOLE SYSTEM

A SOLID, ROBUST, IMPENETRABLE MH SYSTEM THAT LASTS MUCH LONGER THAN CONVENTIONAL INSTALLATIONS

APPROVED, SPECIFIED & LICENSED ACROSS ONTARIO

SAVES MILLIONS OF TAXPAYER DOLLARS

ELIMINATES INFLOW & INFILTRATION

MINIMIZES ROAD DETERIORATION, LONGER LIFE-CYCLE

DUCTILE IRON FRAME (270% STRONGER THAN CAST IRON)

PRECAST ADJUSTMENT UNIT (200% STRONGER THAN GRADE RINGS)

QUICK ADJUSTMENTS, LESS TRAFFIC DISRUPTIONS, IMPROVES SAFETY

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