



WARNING

SAFETY GUIDE FOR SELECTING AND USING QUICK COUPLING DIVISION PRODUCTS AND RELATED ACCESSORIES



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DANGER: Failure or improper selection or improper use of Quick Coupling Division (QCD) products and related accessories can cause death, personal injury, and property damage. Possible consequences of failure or improper selection or improper use of QCD products or related accessories include but are not limited to:

- Couplings or parts thrown off at high speed.
- High velocity fluid discharge.
- Explosion or burning of the conveyed fluid.
- Contact with suddenly moving or falling objects that are to be held in position or moved by the conveyed fluid.
- Dangerously whipping hose.
- Contact with conveyed fluids that may be hot, cold, toxic, or otherwise injurious.
- Sparking or explosion while paint or flammable liquid spraying.

Before selecting or using any Parker quick action couplings or related accessories, it is important that you read and follow the following instructions.

No product from the Quick Coupling Division is approved for in-flight aerospace applications. For products used in in-flight aerospace applications, please contact Parker Aerospace Group.

1.1 Scope: This safety guide provides instructions for selecting and using (including installing, connecting, disconnecting, and maintaining) QCD products and related accessories. This safety guide is a supplement to and is to be used with, the specific Parker publications for the specific QCD products and related accessories being considered for use.

1.2 Fail-Safe: QCD products or the hose they are attached to can fail without warning for many reasons. Design all systems and equipment in a fail-safe mode, so failure of the QCD product or hose will not endanger persons or property.

1.3 Distribution: Provide a copy of this safety guide to each person responsible for selecting or using QCD products. Do not select or use QCD products without thoroughly reading and understanding this safety guide as well as the specific Parker publications for the products considered or selected.

1.4 User Responsibility: Due to the wide variety of operating conditions and uses for QCD products, Parker and its distributors do not represent or warrant any particular QCD product suitable for any specific end use system. This safety guide does not analyze all technical parameters that must be considered in selecting a product. The user, through its own analysis and testing, is solely responsible for:

- Making the final selection of QCD products.
- Assuring the user's requirements are met and the use presents no health or safety hazards.
- Providing all appropriate health and safety warnings on the equipment on which the QCD products are used.

1.5 Additional Questions: Call the appropriate Parker customer service department if you have any questions or require any additional information. For the telephone numbers of the appropriate customer service department, see the Parker publication for the product being considered or used.

2.0 QCD PRODUCT SELECTION INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 Pressure: QCD product selection must be made so the published rated pressure is equal to or greater than the maximum system pressure. Surge pressures in the system higher than the rated pressure will shorten the QCD products' life. Do not confuse burst pressure or other pressure values with rated pressure and do not use burst pressure or other pressure values for this purpose.

2.2 Fluid Compatibility: QCD product selection must assure compatibility of the products' materials of construction with the fluid media being used.

2.3 Temperature: Be certain fluid and ambient temperatures, both steady and transient, do not exceed the limitations of the QCD product. Use caution and proper PPE when handling QCD products heated or cooled by the media they are conducting or by their environment.

2.4 Size: Transmission of power by means of pressurized liquid varies with pressure and flow. The size of the QCD product and other components of the system must be adequate pressure losses to a minimum and avoid damage due to heat generation or excessive fluid velocity.

2.5 Pressurized Connect or Disconnect: If connecting or disconnecting under pressure is a requirement, use only quick couplings designed for that purpose. The rated operating pressure of a quick action coupling may not be the pressure at which it may be safely connected or disconnected.

2.6 Environment: Care must be taken to ensure QCD products are either compatible with or protected from the environment (that is, surrounding conditions) to which they are exposed. Environmental conditions including but not limited to ultraviolet radiation, ozone, moisture, water, salt water, chemicals, and air pollutants can cause degradation and premature failure.

2.7 Locking Means: Ball locking quick couplings can unintentionally disconnect if they are dragged over obstructions on the end of a hose or if the sleeve is bumped or moved enough to cause disconnect. Sleeves designed with flanges to provide better ripping for oily or gloved hands are especially susceptible to accidental disconnect and should not be used where these conditions exist. Sleeve lock or union (threaded) sleeve designs should be considered where there is a potential for accidental disconnect.

2.8 Mechanical Loads: External forces can significantly reduce QCD product life or cause failure. Mechanical loads which must be considered include excessive tensile or side loads, and vibration. Unusual applications may require special testing prior to QCD product selection.

2.9 Specifications and Standards: When selecting QCD products, government, industry, and Parker specifications must be reviewed and followed where applicable.

2.10 Vacuum: Not all QCD products are suitable or recommended for vacuum service. QCD products used for vacuum applications must be selected to ensure the product will withstand the vacuum and pressure of the system.

2.11 Fire Resistant Fluids: Some fire-resistant fluids require seals other than the standard nitrile used in many QCD products.

2.12 Radiant Heat: QCD product can be heated to destruction or loss of sealing integrity without contact by nearby items such as hot manifolds or molten metal. The same heat source may then initiate a fire. This can occur despite the presence of cool air around the QCD product.

2.13 Welding and Brazing: Heating of plated parts, including QCD products and port adapters, above 450°F (232°C) such as during welding, brazing, or soldering may emit deadly gases and may cause permanent product damage.

3.0 QUICK ACTION COUPLING INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

3.1 Pre-Installation Inspection: Before installing a QCD product, visually inspect it and check for correct style, body material, seal material, and catalog number. Before final installation, coupling halves should be connected and disconnected with a sample of the mating half with which they will be used.

3.2 Quick Coupling Halves from Other Manufacturers: If a quick coupling assembly is made up of one Parker half and one half from another manufacturer, the lowest pressure rating of the two halves should not be exceeded.

3.3 Fitting Installation: Use a thread sealant, lubricant, or a combination of both when assembling pipe thread joints on QCD products. Be sure the sealant is compatible with the system fluid or gas. To avoid system contamination, use a liquid or paste type sealant rather than a tape style. Use the flats provided to hold QCD product when installing fittings. Do not use pipe wrenches or a vice on other parts of the product

to hold it when installing or removing fittings as damage or loosening of threaded assembly joints in the product could result. Do not apply excessive torque to taper pipe threads because cracking or splitting of the female component can result.

3.4 Caps and Plugs: Use dust caps and plugs when quick couplings are not coupled to exclude dirt and contamination and to protect critical surfaces from damage.

3.5 Quick Coupling Location: Locate quick couplings where they can be reached for connect or disconnect without exposing the operator to slipping, falling, getting sprayed, or coming in contact with hot or moving parts.

3.6 Hose Whips: Use a hose whip (a short length of hose between the tool and the coupling half) instead of rigidly mounting a coupling half on hand tools or other devices. This reduces the potential for coupling damage if the tool is dropped and provides some isolation from mechanical vibration which could cause unintended disconnection.

4.0 QCD PRODUCT MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTIONS

4.1 Even with proper selection and installation, QCD product life may be significantly reduced without a maintenance program. Frequency should be determined by the severity of the application and risk potential. A maintenance program must be established and followed by the user and must include the following as a minimum:

4.2 Visual Inspection of QCD Product: Any of the following conditions require immediate shut down and replacement of the QCD product:

- Cracked, damaged, or corroded product.
- Leaks at the fitting, valve or mating seal.
- Broken mounting hardware, especially breakaway clamps.

4.3 Visual Inspection Other: The following items must be tightened, repaired or replaced as required:

- Leaking seals or port connections.
- Excess dirt buildup on the quick coupling locking mechanism or on the interface area of either coupling half
- Clamps, guards, and shields.
- System fluid level, fluid type and any air entrapment.

4.4 Functional Test: Operate the system at maximum operating pressure and check for possible malfunctions and leaks. Personnel must avoid potentially hazardous areas while testing and using the system.

4.5 Replacement Intervals: Specific replacement intervals must be considered based on previous service life, government, or industry recommendations, or when failures could result in unacceptable downtime, damage, or injury risk. See instruction 1.2 above.

Additional copies of the preceding safety information can be ordered by requesting "Safety Guide for Selecting and Using QCD Product and Related Accessories," Parker Publication DS6013.

Contact Parker's Quick Coupling Division, Minneapolis, MN.

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Goods: means any tangible part, system or component to be supplied by Seller.
Products: means the Goods, Services and/or Software as described in a Quote.
Quote: means the offer or proposal made by Seller to Buyer for the supply of Products.
Seller: means Parker-Hannifin Corporation, including all divisions and businesses thereof.
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8. **Confidential Information.** Buyer acknowledges and agrees that any technical, commercial, or other confidential information of Seller, including, without limitation, pricing, technical drawings or prints and/or part lists, which has been or will be disclosed, delivered or made available, whether directly or indirectly, to Buyer ("Confidential Information"), has been and will be received in confidence and will remain the property of Seller. Buyer further agrees that it will not use Seller's Confidential Information for any purpose other than for the benefit of Seller.

9. **Loss to Buyer's Property.** Any tools, patterns, materials, equipment or information furnished by Buyer or which are or become Buyer's property ("Buyer's Property"), will be considered obsolete and may be destroyed by Seller after two (2) consecutive years have elapsed without Buyer ordering the Products manufactured using Buyer's Property. Furthermore, Seller shall not be responsible for any loss or damage to Buyer's Property while it is in Seller's possession or control.

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12. **User Responsibility.** Buyer, through its own analysis and testing, is solely responsible for making the final selection of the Products and assuring that all performance, endurance, maintenance, safety and warning requirements of the application of the Products are met. Buyer must analyze all aspects of the application and follow applicable industry standards, specifications, and any technical information provided with the Quote or the Products, such as Seller's instructions, guides and specifications. If Seller provides options of or for Products based upon data or specifications provided by Buyer, Buyer is responsible for determining that such

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14. **Cancellations and Changes.** Buyer may not cancel or modify, including but not limited to movement of delivery dates for the Products, any order for any reason except with Seller's written consent and upon terms that will indemnify, defend and hold Seller harmless against all direct, incidental and consequential loss or damage and any additional expense. Seller, at any time, may change features, specifications, designs and availability of Products.

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17. **Waiver and Severability.** Failure to enforce any provision of these Terms will not invalidate that provision; nor will any such failure prejudice either party's right to enforce that provision in the future. Invalidation of any provision of these Terms shall not invalidate any other provision herein and, the remaining provisions will remain in full force and effect.

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