

Table 14.4a. Pressure-Temperature Ratings of Soldered and Brazed Joints

	Service temperature °F	Fitting type	Maximum working gage pressure (psi), for standard water tube sizes ¹ Nominal or standard size, inches					
Joining material ⁴			¹ ⁄ ₈ - 1	1¼ - 2	2 ¹ ⁄ ₄ - 4	5 - 8	10 - 12	
Alloy Sn50 50-50 Tin-Lead Solder ⁵	100	Pressure 2	200	175	150	135	100	
		DWV ³	-	95	80	70	-	
	150	Pressure 2	150	125	100	90	70	
		DWV ³	-	70	55	45	-	
	200	Pressure 2	100	90	75	70	50	
		DWV ³	-	50	40	35	-	
	250	Pressure 2	85	75	50	45	40	
		DWV ³	-	-	-	-	-	
	Saturated steam	Pressure	15	15	15	15	15	
Alloy Sb5 95-5 Tin-Antimony Solder	100	Pressure 2	1090	850	705	660	500	
		DWV ³	-	390	325	330	-	
	150	Pressure 2	625	485	405	375	285	
		DWV ³	-	225	185	190	-	
	200	Pressure 2	505	395	325	305	230	
		DWV ³	-	180	150	155	-	
	250	Pressure 2	270	210	175	165	125	
		DWV ³	-	95	80	80	-	
	Saturated steam	Pressure	15	15	15	15	15	
Alloy E	100	Pressure 2	710	555	460	430	325	
		DWV ³	-	255	210	215	-	
	150	Pressure 2	475	370	305	285	215	
		DWV ³	-	170	140	140	-	

Joining material ⁴	Service temperature °F	Fitting type	Maximum working gage pressure (psi), for standard water tube sizes ¹ Nominal or standard size, inches						
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				200	Pressure 2	375	290	240	225
	DWV ³	-	135		110	115	-		
	250	Pressure 2	320	250	205	195	145		
		DWV ³	-	115	95	95	-		
	Saturated steam	Pressure	15	15	15	15	15		
Alloy HB	100	Pressure 2	1035	805	670	625	475		
		DWV ³	-	370	310	315	-		
	150	Pressure 2	710	555	460	430	325		
		DWV ³	-	255	210	215	-		
	200	Pressure 2	440	345	285	265	200		
		DWV ³	-	155	130	135	-		
	250	Pressure 2	430	335	275	260	195		
		DWV ³	-	155	125	130	-		
	Saturated steam	Pressure	15	15	15	15	15		
Joining materials melting at or above 1100°F ⁶	Pressure-temperature ratings consistent with the materials and procedures employed (see <u>Table 14.3</u> , annealed)								
	Saturated steam	Pressure	120	120	120	120	120		

For extremely low working temperatures in the 0°F to minus 200°F range, it is recommended that a joint material melting at or above 1100°F be employed (see reference ⁶ below).

¹ Standard water tube sizes per ASTM B 88.

² Ratings up to 8 inches in size are those given in ASME B16.22 *Wrought Copper and Copper Alloy Solder Joint Pressure Fittings* and ASME B16.18 *Cast Copper and Copper Alloy Solder Joint Fittings*. Rating for 10- to 12-inch sizes are those given in ASME B16.18 *Cast Copper and Copper Alloy Solder Joint Pressure Fittings*.

³ Using ASME B16.29 Wrought Copper and Wrought Copper Alloy Solder Joint Drainage Fittings – DWV, and ASME B16.23 Cast Copper Alloy Solder Joint Drainage Fittings – DWV.

⁴ Alloy designations are per ASTM B 32.

⁵ The Safe Drinking Water Act Amendment of 1986 prohibits the use in potable water systems of any solder having a lead content in excess of 0.2%.

⁶ These joining materials are defined as *brazing alloys* by the American Welding Society.