



CSST Frequently Asked Questions

1. Can CSST be buried?
 - a. Yes, however it must be sleeved in a non-metallic conduit ½” larger than the pipe. The underground section must not contain a fitting and it should be vented to the surface. If connected to the home’s metal pipe gas distribution, it should be bonded. See section 4.10 of the HOME-FLEX® CSST System Design & Installation Manual (available at [homeflex.com / resources](http://homeflex.com/resources).)
2. Is Home-Flex® CSST pipe certified?
 - a. HOME-FLEX CSST has been tested and certified by CSA and IAPMO for compliance with the industry standard ANSI LC-1 / CSA 6.26, “Fuel Gas Piping Systems using Corrugated Stainless Steel Tubing (CSST).”
3. Are Home-Flex® products available for use in my area?
 - a. Home-Flex® CSST and Underground products meet all necessary requirements, but check your local codes prior to purchase and installation.
4. Why CSST over black pipe?
 - a. 80% lighter, 70% faster (no cutting and threading of pipe) 50% labor saving.
5. Can I connect CSST to existing black pipe?
 - a. Yes. You can view a video at homeflex.com.
6. Can I connect CSST directly a gas appliance?
 - a. If it is a fixed appliance, yes. If not, we recommend terminating the HOME-FLEX pipe and attaching a gas connector. You can view a video at homeflex.com.
7. Do I have to use Home-Flex® CSST gas fittings with Home-Flex® CSST pipe?
 - a. Yes, HOME-FLEX (previously name alpha-flex) will only work with HOME-FLEX, or alpha-flex, tubing and fittings.
8. How do I get certified?
 - a. Thoroughly read the Home-Flex® Underground and CSST Design & Installation Manuals available in the “Resource” section of this website. Then use the “get certified” button on the site to answer a few basic questions. You will be emailed a pdf version of your certification card for use with inspectors if required.
9. Do I have to be certified to purchase Home-Flex® CSST products?
 - a. No, but you do need to be certified to install Home-Flex CSST.
10. Does Home-Flex® CSST need to be bonded?
 - a. According to NFPA 54 Section 7.13, all gas systems must be electrically bonded. You can view a video at homeflex.com.
11. How do I bond Home-Flex® CSST?
 - a. Please view the video at homeflex.com and read section 4.10 of the CSST System Design & Installation Manual (also available in the “resources” section on homeflex.com).
12. Can I purchase HOME-FLEX® products directly from you?
 - a. No, we’re a distributor only and are not set up for direct consumer purchases.