



BUILD AMERICA BUY AMERICA

Your Guide for
BABA Act Basics



Building America's Future Together

Defining the BABA Act.

The Build America, Buy America (BABA) Act is a federal requirement introduced as part of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA). Its primary purpose is to ensure that federally funded infrastructure projects use domestically manufactured materials and goods.



Why It Exists:

BABA promotes domestic manufacturing to strengthen the U.S. economy, create jobs, and bolster national security by reducing reliance on foreign-made materials.

Industries Affected:

It applies to a wide range of industries, particularly those involved in public infrastructure projects like water systems, transportation, energy, and broadband. Examples include water pipe line or a bridge.

What BABA Means for You

How the BABA Act impacts a manufacturer and its customers.



For Manufacturers:

Compliance with BABA means ensuring that products meet domestic sourcing requirements. For A.Y. McDonald, this involves adjusting supply chains, ensuring raw materials and production processes meet the “Made in America” standards, and staying up to date with regulatory changes. Manufacturers may also need to provide certifications or documentation proving compliance.



For Customers:

Customers, such as contractors, utilities, or municipalities, are required to ensure the materials they use in federally funded projects comply with BABA. This adds an extra step in the procurement process, but working with a compliant manufacturer like A.Y. McDonald simplifies this process. The BABA Act applies to projects that receive federal funding. Non-compliance with BABA can result in financial penalties, loss of contracts, legal action, reputation damage, and remediation costs.

Certification Requirements Explained

What certification requirements surround the BABA and BAA Acts.

Certification	Applicability	Scope	General Interest Waivers
Build America, Buy American Act (BABA)	Any infrastructure project using federal funds, where: A. Planning was completed, and project funded after May 14, 2022 B. Additional federal funding was approved after May 14, 2022 C. Applies to products purchased by a non-government entity	All permanently installed infrastructure products: Iron and Steel Products: 95% of iron and steel content of domestic origin (1) Manufactured Products: 55% domestic content Construction Materials: 100% domestic content	(1) EPA and USDA only: Minor components waiver for 5% of iron and steel content of a primarily iron and steel product. (5% may be imported content) (2) De Minimis waiver for 5% of total project material costs (or \$1M, whichever is less)
Buy America Act (BAA)	The Buy American Act applies to all U.S. federal government agency purchases of goods where the project is larger than \$10,000	Iron and Steel Products: 95% domestic iron and steel content Manufactured Products: 65% domestic content through 2028, then 75%	

Many BABA Solutions

What A.Y. McDonald products are & aren't covered in the BABA Act.

Covered Products:

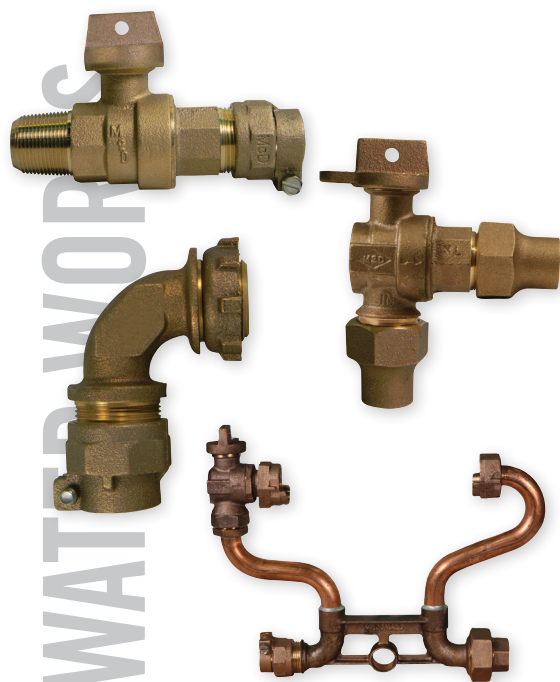
Many of A.Y. McDonald's water works and natural gas products comply with BABA requirements. This includes materials and components used in public water or natural gas systems, as well as specific valves, fittings, and other infrastructure-related items.

Certain products not directly used in federally funded projects or those in exempted categories may not fall under BABA. The tables below are a general guideline for BABA compliance. It's important to consult A.Y. McDonald for specific guidance on product eligibility prior to purchase. Please note that every product or project is certified independently as there is no blanket approval.

Many BABA Solutions *(Continued)*

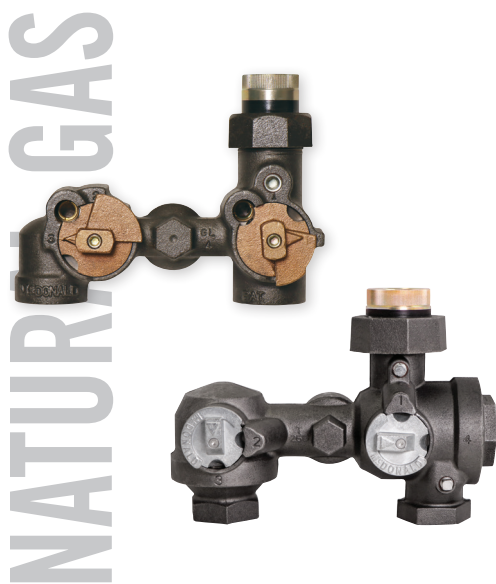
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For reference only, contact the factory for certifications prior to purchase.



Water Works

Product Category	BABA Compliant	Numerous Options are BABA Compliant – Contact Factory for Help Specifying
Couplings	X	
Plug Corporation Stops	X	
Ball Corporation Stops	X	
Angle Meter Valves	X	
Curb Stops	X	
Single & Dual Check Valves	X	
Service Saddles		X
Curb Boxes		X
Meter Setters/Resettters	X	
Frames & Covers		X
Iron Yokes	X	
Meter Boxes		X
Meter Pits	X	



Natural Gas

Product Category	BABA Compliant	Numerous Options are BABA Compliant – Contact Factory for Help Specifying
Ball Valves		X
Plug Valves		X
Risers		X
Standard Meter Bar		X
Multi Manifold Meter Bar	X	
Industrial Bypass Meter Bar	X	
Residential Bypass Meter Bars		X
Angle Ball Valve		X
Natural Gas Accessories		X



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Building America, One Project at a Time

Why you should choose A.Y. McDonald as your BABA project provider.

A.Y. McDonald is committed to supporting customers with high-quality, domestically manufactured products that meet BABA requirements. Here's why you can trust A.Y. McDonald as your BABA project provider:



Proven Compliance

With manufacturing experience that stems back to 1856, A.Y. McDonald understands the importance of compliance and ensures that products meet federal regulations.



Product Excellence

Customers can count on durable, reliable solutions that meet both BABA standards and industry needs.



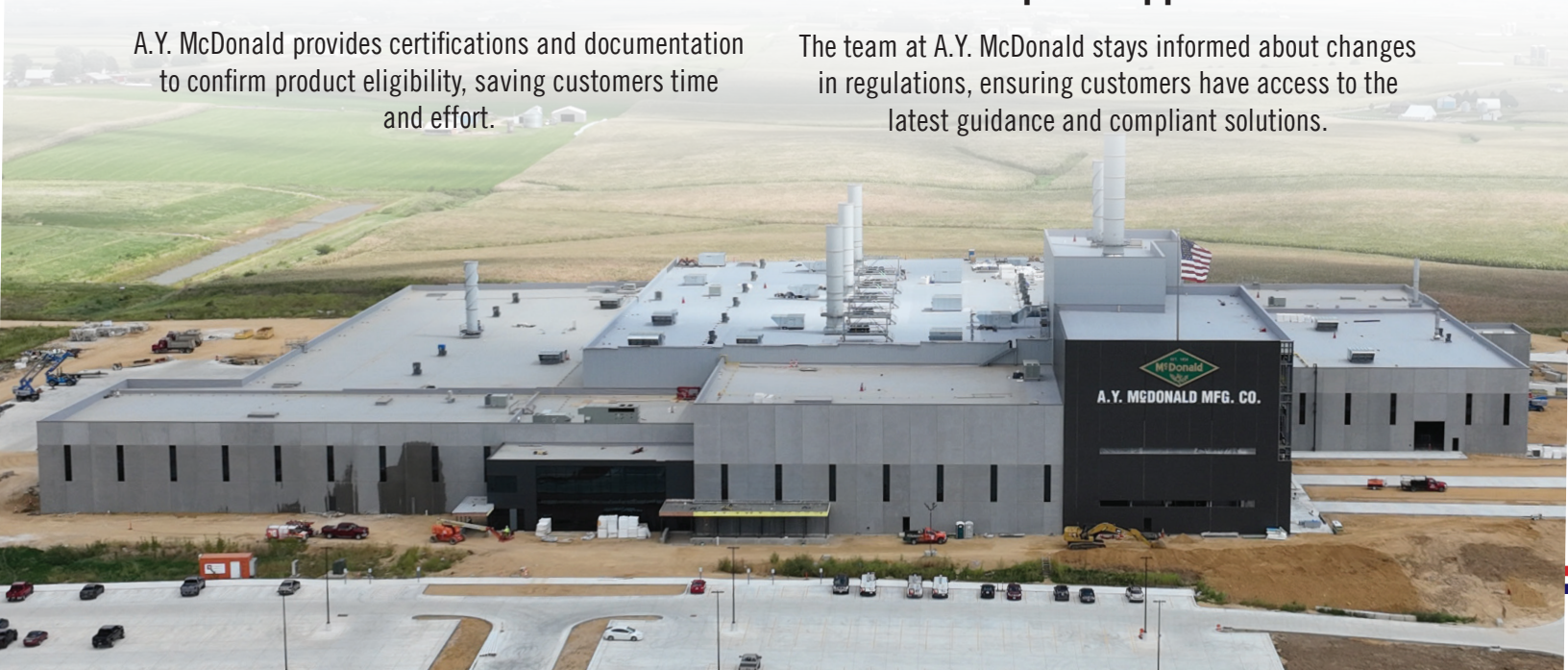
Streamlined Process

A.Y. McDonald provides certifications and documentation to confirm product eligibility, saving customers time and effort.



Expert Support

The team at A.Y. McDonald stays informed about changes in regulations, ensuring customers have access to the latest guidance and compliant solutions.





Your BABA Solution Starts Here

How and when to contact A.Y. McDonald for your BABA compliant products.

How to contact A.Y. McDonald about BABA projects.

A.Y. McDonald is ready to help customers navigate BABA requirements and find the right solutions for their projects. To learn more about BABA compliant products or to get assistance with your project, fill out our Contact Us form. Keep in mind that A.Y. McDonald may be compliant to other funding sources beyond BABA.

When to contact A.Y. McDonald as your BABA project provider.

It's important to reach out to A.Y. McDonald during the planning stages of your BABA project. In fact, the sooner, the better. For efficiency purposes, it's also important that you obtain your certifications before placing an order with our team. Below is information you may need to provide A.Y. McDonald in order to obtain a certification:

1. Reference to the project where the product will be installed
2. Reference the certification requirement (a link or copy of certification requirement is helpful)
3. Reference to the product(s) being utilized
4. Timeline for project

The certification provided by A.Y. McDonald will include the following:

1. Reference to the project where the product will be installed
2. Reference the certification requirement
3. Reference to the product(s) being utilized
4. Location (city and state) of manufacture
5. Signature of a company representative
6. Date

Quality Certification Request

* Required field (Note: Please input N/A for fields that do not apply.)

* Certificate Type

* Distributor

Municipality/End User

* Email Address

* Project/Job

* Location

* Contractor

* Engineer

A.Y. McDonald Project Quote #

* A.Y. McDonald Part Numbers (seven-digit) / Quantity

Part #: ###-###

Quantity:

Add

PO #

Comments

Documents (.png,.jpg,.jpeg,.pdf,.doc,.docx,.xls,.xlsx)

Choose Files

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Because each certification has specific project information, there are no blanket certifications available.



How you can stay ahead of the BABA Act changes/exceptions.

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