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The simple steps listed below will make your job easier and assure fast, safe, and watertight connections:

1. Service tubing should always be **snaked** in the ditch.
2. Use a tube cutter to assure a square end. Surface should be clean.
3. Insert stiffeners **must** be used on all plastic pipe.
4. Use only on PE pipe per ASTM D2239 SIDR 7. "-3Q" fittings only work for part of the range of the standard. Reference A.Y. McDonald O.D. charts dated 2007 or later for more information.
5. Stab tube or pipe through the nut and into the socket of the valve or fitting until it bottoms out (some fittings may or may not have a stop).
6. Tighten the PEP "-3Q" Series nut to the stop. The end face of the nut is to contact the stop face of the body.

**PRESSURE TEST FOR LEAKS BEFORE BACKFILLING.**

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