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## I.- PRESENTATION

This manual of technical drawings is part of the rope pump technology transference programme. It has as its goal to show in a clear and detailed manner the essentials of each component of this useful hand pump.

In addition to the current manual, the programme prepared manuals of the family well rope pump and the extra-strong rope pump. Their respective front page is shown in the back of this manual.

Each component is presented here with its corresponding measures, a list of all the necessary production materials, and complementary technical information.

In March 1996, the Governments of Nicaragua and Switzerland - through COSUDE signed a new three-year bilateral cooperation agreement by which the INAA-COSUDE programme activities are to continue for the 1996-1998 period. Within the framework of this agreement, the transference of rope pump technology seeks to promote rope pump production at the regional and international levels. The Technology Transfer Division of the Rope Pump Company will be in charge of carrying out the aforementioned production activities. The Division is provided technical consultancy services through the Dutch Ecumenic Development Cooperation Organization known as "Servicio Ultramar" ("Overseas Services") or DOG (for "Dienst Over de Grenzen").

This is an easy-to-understand document and is aimed at future producers, cooperation organizations working in the field of water and sanitation, and other persons interested in the rope pump technology.

Together with the rope pump production photomanual and the document "Experiences and Tolerances", this manual provides all the information necessary to carry out technology transference activities at the international level.

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## II.- EQUIPMENT CHARACTERISTICS

- Appropriate technology equipment effective at a depth of 50 meters.
- Produced with accessible materials.
- Maintenance and repair do not require expertise and complex tools.
- Easy to handle.
- Easy to install.
- Its relatively low cost makes it accesible to the rural population.
- Preserves the quality of the water and the population's health.


## III.- PUMPING CAPACITY

## PUMPING CAPACITY

| Depth <br> (meters) | Adults <br> (Liters/min) | Children <br> (Liters/min) | Time needed for <br> an adult to fill a <br> barrel (min) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 5 | 70 | 39 | 3 |
| 10 | 41 | 19 | 5 |
| 15 | 27 | 13 | 8 |
| 20 | 20 | 10 | 10 |
| 25 | 16 | 8 | 13 |
| 30 | 14 | 65 | 15 |
| 35 | 12 | 5.5 | 18 |
| 40 | 10 | 4.8 | 20 |

## A- PISTONS AND ROPE

- Piston diameter is determined by the type of pipe to be used and the well's depth. Pistons should be made of injected polypropylene or polyethylene. Neither rubber nor wood are recommended.
- Five different piston sizes are used.
- The rope's lenght, diameter and amount of pistons are determined by the well's depth.

Length and diameter variations for both the pistons and the rope

|  |  | Depth (meters) |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Component part | Unit | $0-11$ | $11-19$ | $19-29$ | $29-40$ |
| Piston nominal diameter | inches | 1 | $3 / 4$ | $1 / 2$ | $1 / 2$ |
| Rope length | Meters | 27 | 43 | 63 | 85 |
| Rope diameter | inches | $1 / 8$ | $1 / 8$ | $1 / 8$ | $1 / 4$ |
| Amount of pistons | unit | 26 | 42 | 62 | 84 |

- Two inch ( $0-3.5$ meters) and $11 / 2^{n}$ inch (3.5-5 meters) pistons are used in wells which are not too deep or when motor pumps are used.
- Deep wells (37-50 meters) use $1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ inch pistons with Rim \# 16, a double crank system, and wooden bearings. These pumps are installed as on drilled wells in order to increase the contact between the pulley wheel and the rope.




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## B.1. GUIDE BOX INTERNAL PIECE

- The guide box internal piece is made up of five components:
- $\quad$ The entrance pipe, pumping pipe and protector are made of PVC pipe. Diameter is determined by well depth.
- The ceramic piece and the base part do not vary regardless of well depth.

Measurement variations for the guide box internal piece

| Drawing <br> No | Component |  | Depth (meters) |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $0-11$ | $11-19$ | $19-50$ |  |
| 2 |  | - | - | - | - |
| 3 | Base diameter | Inches | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| 1 | Entrance pipe <br> diameter | Inches | $11 / 2$ | 1 | 1 |
| 4 | Pumping pipe <br> diameter | Inches | 1 | $3 / 4$ | $1 / 2$ |
| - | Diam. of pumping <br> pipe protector | Inches | 1 | $3 / 4$ | $1 / 2$ |

- PVC pipes may vary in diameter depending on the manufacturer. However, it is recommended that they correspond in diameter to the pistons' nominal diameter. This prevents water leaks and increases pumping efficiency.
- $\quad$ The ceramic piece may be replaced by an electric insulator or a bottle, provided that the rope does not wear away.




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## B.2. THE GUIDE



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## C. COMMUNITY WELL ROPE PUMP STRUCTURE

- For community wells serving 3 to 10 families.
- For school wells.
- For water and sanitation projects.
- Its structure is $80 \%$ galvanized.
- It has a wheel protection cover.








## C.a. THE CRANK

## MATERIALS FOR CRANK PRODUCTION

| Amount | Materials | Measures | Section |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | Galvanized pipe | $3 / 4^{\prime \prime} \times 110 \mathrm{~cm}$. | Shaft |
| 1 | Galvanized pipe | $1^{\prime \prime} \times 15 \mathrm{~cm}$ | Roller |
| 6 | Galvanized pipes | $1^{\prime \prime} \times 1 \mathrm{~cm}$ | Spacers |

- Pumps for 0-37 meter deep wells use one crank,
- Pumps for 37-50 meter deep wells are specially built with wooden bearings and double crank.
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## C.b. LEG ASSEMBLY

## LIST OF MATERIALS

| Amount | Materials | Measures | Section |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 | Galvanized pipe | $3 / 4 \times 127.5 \mathrm{~cm}$ | Legs |
| 2 | Galvanized pipe | $1^{\prime \prime} \times 4 \mathrm{~cm}$ | Bushings |





## C.c. LEG REINFORCEMENT

## LIST OF MATERIALS

| Amount | Materials | Measures | Section |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | Galvanized pipe | $3 / 4 \times 29 \mathrm{~cm}$ | Upper reinforcing bar |




## C.d. ANGLE IRONS

## LIST OF MATERIALS

| Amount | Materials | Measures | Section |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 | Angle irons | $11 / 2 \times 70 \mathrm{~cm}$ | Angle irons for base |
| 2 | Corrugated rod | $3 / 8^{\prime \prime} \times 34 \mathrm{~cm}$ | Reinforcing bars |

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C.e. THE PULLEY WHEEL HUB

LIST OF MATERIALS

| Amount | Materials | Measures | Section |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 12 | Smooth rods | $3 / 8^{\prime \prime} \times 23 \mathrm{~cm}$ | Spokes |
| 8 | Smooth rods | $3 / 8^{\prime \prime} \times 18 \mathrm{~cm}$ | Reinforcing bars |
| 8 | Steel strips | $1 / 8 \times 11 / 2 \times 10 \mathrm{~cm}$ | Staples |
| 1 | Galvanized pipe | $1^{\prime \prime} \times 10 \mathrm{~cm}$ | Bushings |
| 2 | Tire cuttings | rim\# $20^{\prime \prime}$ | Wheel |

- $\quad$ Tire cuttings rim \# 16 are used for 29 to 50 meter deep wells with wooden bearings and a double crank system which should be installed as on drilled wells.

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## C.f. THE BRAKE SYSTEM

## LIST OF MATERIALS

| Amount | Materials | Measures | Section |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | Rod | $1 / 2 \times 10 \mathrm{~cm}$ | Brake lever |
| 1 | Rod | $1 / 4 \times 17 \mathrm{~cm}$ | Lever stop pin |
| 2 | Pipes | $1 / 2 \times 2 \mathrm{~cm}$ | Bushings |
| 1 | Smooth rod | $3 / 8 \times 10 \mathrm{~cm}$ | Brake system frame |
| 1 | Smooth rod | $3 / 8^{\prime \prime} \times 18 \mathrm{~cm}$ | Brake system frame |

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## C.g. UPPER AND LOWER SUPPORTS

LIST OF MATERIALS

| Amount | Materials | Measures | Section |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | Steel strip | $1 / 8^{\prime \prime} \times 1^{\prime \prime} \times 69 \mathrm{~cm}$ | Upper support |
| 2 | Smooth rods | $1 / 4^{\prime \prime} \times 10 \mathrm{~cm}$ | Upper support clamps |
| 2 | Steel strips | $1 / 8^{\prime \prime} \times 1^{\prime \prime} \times 10 \mathrm{~cm}$ | Clamps |
| 2 | Steel strips | $1 / 8^{\prime \prime} \times 3 / 4^{\prime \prime} \times 6 \mathrm{~cm}$ | Clamp holders |
| 2 | Steel strips | $1 / 8^{\prime \prime} \times 1^{\prime \prime} \times 20 \mathrm{~cm}$ | Lower supports |
| 1 | Black pipe | $11 / 4^{\prime \prime} \times 2.5 \mathrm{~cm}$ | For pumping pipe |
| 1 | Black pipe | $11 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 2.5 \mathrm{~cm}$ | For return pipe |

- The community well pump has two upper supports and two lower supports which keep pipes in place.
- $\quad$ Nipple diameter varies with well depth. Three different size clamps are used for the upper support: 2" (0-11 meters), 1 12" (11-19 meters) and 1" (19-50 meters). They correspond to the PVC pipe nominal diameter.
- Return pipe diameter does not vary, thus just one clamp is used for the upper support for the $1 \frac{1}{2}$ " PVC pipe.
- $\quad$ The centre of the lower support for the pumping pipe has a nominal diameter of 1 1/4"
- The centre of the lower support for the return pipe has a nominal diameter of $11 / 2^{\prime \prime}$.

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## C.h. COVER FRAME

## LIST OF MATERIALS

| Amount | Materials | Measures | Section |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 | Angle irons | $1^{\prime \prime} \times 66 \mathrm{~cm}$ | Frame |
| 2 | Angle irons | $1^{\prime \prime} \times 16 \mathrm{~cm}$ | Frame |
| 1 | Rod | $3 / 8^{\prime \prime} \times 42 \mathrm{~cm}$ | Frame support |

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## C.i. WHEEL COVER

LIST OF MATERIALS

| Amount | Materials | Measures | Section |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | smooth zinc sheet caliber 24 | $89 \mathrm{~cm} \times 158 \mathrm{~cm}$ | Cover |



## D. INSTALLATION ACCESSORIES

ROPE PUMP INSTALLATION<br>(0-11 meter deep)

INSTALLATION ACCESSORIES

| No. | Accessories | Unit | DEPTH |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | 0-11 meters |
| 1 | Nipple | Inches | $2^{\text {" }}$ |
| 2 | Tee | Inches | $2^{\prime \prime}$ |
| 3 | Discharge elbow | Inches | 2 " |
| 4 | Discharge pipe | Inches | 2 " |
| 5 | Reduction | Inches | 2-1" |
| 6 | Primary wedge | Inches | $1^{\prime \prime}$ |
| 7 | Secondary wedge | Inches | $1^{\prime \prime}$ |
| 8 | Supporting wedge | Inches | $11 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ |
| 9 | Pumping pipes | Inches | $1^{\prime \prime}$ |

- Installation accessories vary according to well depth.
- The community well rope pumps are installed on a concrete cover and a drainage apron is constructed around the head wall.



## ROPE PUMP INSTALLATION

(19-50 meter deep)

## INSTALLATION ACCESSORIES

| No. | Accessories | Unit | DEPTH |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | 11-19 meters | 19-50 meters |
| 1 | Nipple | Inches | $11 / 2^{*}$ | 1 " |
| 2 | Tee | Inches | $11 / 2^{*}$ | 1 " |
| 3 | Discharge elbow | Inches | 11/2" | 1 " |
| 4 | Discharge pipe | Inches | $11 / 2{ }^{\prime \prime}$ | $1{ }^{\prime \prime}$ |
| 5 | Reduction | Inches | 11/2-3/4" | 1-1/2" |
| 6 | Primary wedge | Inches | 3/4" | $1 / 2^{\text {a }}$ |
| 7 | Secondary wedge | Inches | 3/4" | $1 / 2{ }^{\text {a }}$ |
| 8 | Reduction | Inches | 11/4-1" | 11/4-3/4* |
| 9 | Pumping pipes | Inches | 3/4" | $1 / 2{ }^{\prime \prime}$ |

- Installation accessories vary according to well depth.
- Reduction number 8 is used to keep the pumping piping in place in the lower support.
- The community well rope pumps are installed on a concrete cover and a drainage apron is constructed around the head wall.




## FAMILY WELL ROPE PUMP

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