## **Certifications & Approvals**

**Matco-Norca** is committed to maintaining a high standard of quality for all the products we offer. Most products in this catalog are labeled with a designated approval or certification code. Below is a brief description of these approvals.



ANSI

**ADA** American Disabilities Act — Protecting the rights of people with physical or mental disabilities.



**American National Standards Institute** — Organization that coordinates work among U.S. Standards writing groups; Works in conjunction with other groups such as ISO, ASME, ASTM, etc.



**ASME** American Society of Mechanical Engineers — Develops standards and testing criteria for finished products.



**ASSE** American Society of Sanitary Engineering — Develops standards and qualifies products for plumbing and sanitary installations.



**ASTM** American Society for Testing Materials — Develops standards for materials, products, systems and services.



**AWWA** American Water Works Association — Promotes public health through improvement of water quality. Develops standards for valves, fittings and equipment.



**CSA** Canadian Standards Association — Develops standards, tests and qualifies products used in gas lines and gas appliance installations.



**FM** Factory Mutual — Develops standards and qualifies products for use by the general public.



ISO

SDWA

UPC

**International Organization for Standardization** — A worldwide organization that develops and publishes International Standards with the premise of answering a fundamental question: "What's the best way of doing this?" The ISO 9000 family addresses various aspects of quality management.



MSS Mechanics Standardization Society of the Valves & Fittings Industry, Inc. — A committee of manufacturers that develops technical codes and standards for the valve & fitting industry.



**NACE** National Association of Corrosion Engineers — Equips society to protect people, assets and the environment from the adverse effects of corrosion.



**NSF International** — An organization committed to public health that writes standards and certifies products for food, water and consumer products.



**The Safe Drinking Water Act** — Is the main federal law that ensures the quality of Americans' drinking water. Under SDWA, EPA sets standards for drinking water quality and oversees the states, localities, and water suppliers who implement those standards. Weighted average lead content of water contact components must be 0.25% or less.



**UL Underwriter's Laboratory** — Tests and qualifies valve and fittings products under UL standards for safety.



**Uniform Plumbing Code** — Developed by the International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials to govern the installation and inspection of plumbing systems as a means of promoting the public's health, safety and welfare.



**Usc University of Southern California** — Foundation for Cross-Connection Control and Hydraulic Research that lists approved backflow prevention assemblies.

**WS** Water Sense — A U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) program designed to encourage water efficiency in the United States through the use of a special label on consumer products.

