

Pipe wrench breaks off

What Happened?

When attending to a malfunction in the spraying installation an RX pipe wrench broke off. The pipe wrench had been used correctly to unscrew a pipe nipple.

Conclusions

The matter was discussed with the supplier of the wrench. The conclusion of this meeting was that the quality of the current RX pipe wrenches is unreliable and that the wrenches must no longer be used.

With a view to safety, the supplier recommends discontinuing the use of all RX pipe wrenches, handing them in, and switching to a better quality pipe wrench.

Recommendations

The current supply of RX pipe wrenches has been halted and will be replaced by the Gedore 175 pipe wrench

All RX pipe wrenches still in use are to be collected and handed in for replacement.