Snubbers may be further categorized into two groups: those accessible and those inaccessible during reactor operation. Each group may be inspected independently in accordance with the above schedule.

b. Visual Inspection Acceptance Criteria

Visual inspections shall verify: (1) that there are no visible indications of damage or impaired operability, and (2) that the attachments to the foundation or supporting structure are secure. Snubbers which appear inoperable as a result of visual inspections may be determined operable for the purpose of establishing the next visual inspection interval, provided that: (1) the cause of the rejection is clearly established and remedied for that particular snubber and other snubbers. irrespective of type, that may be generically susceptible; or (2) the affected snubber is functionally tested in the as-found condition and determined operable per Specification 4.14.1.d. When a fluid port of a hydraulic snubber is found to be uncovered the snubber shall be declared inoperable and shall not be determined operable via functional testing unless the test is started with the piston in the as-found setting, extending the piston rod in the tension mode direction. All snubbers connected to an inoperable common hydraulic fluid reservoir shall be counted as inoperable snubbers.

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