

TRUSTED FOR 150 YEARS

Today, Anvil International is the largest and most complete fitting and hanger manufacturer in the world. Take a look at how we've grown in 150 years.

1850 Fredrick Grinnell purchases a controlling interest in the Providence Steam and Gas Pipe Co.

1892 Providence Steam & Gas Pipe Co. is combined with sprinkler manufacturers from New York and Ohio to form General Fire Extinguisher Co. Fredrick Grinnell is named President.

1909 Frederick Grinnell opens a foundry in Cranston, RI. Companies express interest in buying its piping products, laying the groundwork for what would become the Grinnell Supply Sales Division. It would be these manufacturing and sales operations that eventually become Anvil International.

1919 General Fire Extinguisher Co. becomes Grinnell® Co.

1960 Gruvlok line of grooved fittings is introduced.

1969 Grinnell Co. is acquired by International Telephone and Telegraph. Two years later, ITT divests the Fire Protection Division, but keeps the manufacturing and sales divisions that will become known as Anvil International.

1994 J.B. Smith and Catawissa join the Grinnell Supply Sales and Manufacturing division.

1999 Tyco sells the distribution and manufacturing operations known up to this point as "Grinnell Supply Sales," but keeps the Grinnell® trademark.

2000 The industry's trusted manufacturer of pipe fittings, hangers and grooved fittings is renamed Anvil International, Inc.

2001 Anvil International acquires Merit Manufacturing and Beck Manufacturing.

2004 Anvil International acquires Star Pipe Products Building and Construction Divisions (SPF) and forms AnvilStar™ Fire Products Division.

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