Made in the USA
Since 1883
Since 1883, EJ has remained committed to providing Made in the USA products to build America’s infrastructure. Products manufactured by EJ USA, Inc. are melted, poured, finished, machined, coated, and assembled exclusively in the United States of America.

This includes but is not limited to: manhole frames and covers, curb inlets and frames, utility castings, airport and port authority castings, tree grates, trench grates, drainage grates, WaterMaster® fire hydrants, FlowMaster® RW gate valves, valve boxes, and meter boxes.

In addition, all of these domestically manufactured products fully comply with federal Buy America, Buy American, and American Iron and Steel (AIS) requirements.

Material certifications are available by request per project.
Government regulations at a glance

Buy American Act
Passed by Congress in 1933 and signed by President Hoover, this broad act stated that all goods for public use (government projects) must be produced or manufactured in the U.S. from “substantially all” U.S. materials.

Federal Railroad Administration, and AMTRAK. This includes (but is not limited to): efforts to construct, maintain or improve roads, highways, interstates, bridges, airports, transportation infrastructure drainage systems, and utility relocations.

Buy America Act
A number of Buy America laws apply to various federal assistance infrastructure programs. These laws require that American-made municipal castings must be used in federally-assisted, state and local-level public works infrastructure projects that are funded or financed with federal U.S. taxpayer dollars.

As a condition for the award of federal financial assistance from these programs, states must agree to construct transportation infrastructure projects with iron, steel, and manufactured products produced in the United States. These federal-assistance Buy America laws apply to federal assistance provided by the Federal Highway Administration, Federal Transit Administration, High-Speed and Intercity Passenger Rail Program, Federal Aviation Administration, Federal Railroad Administration, and AMTRAK. This includes (but is not limited to): efforts to construct, maintain or improve roads, highways, interstates, bridges, airports, transportation infrastructure drainage systems, and utility relocations.

The municipal castings covered by these laws include: access hatches; ballast screens; benches (iron or steel); bollards; cast bases; cast iron hinged hatches; square and rectangular; cast iron riser rings; catch basin inlet; cleanout/monument boxes; construction covers and frames; curb and corner guards; curb openings; detectable warning plates; downspout shoes (boot, inlet); drainage grates; frames and curb inlets; inlets; junction boxes; lampposts; manhole covers; rings and frames; risers; meter boxes; service boxes; steel hinged hatches; square and rectangular; steel riser rings; trash receptacles; tree grates; tree guards; trench grates; and valve boxes, covers and risers.

Waivers may be obtained if applying for these requirements would be inconsistent with the public interest, iron and steel products are not available in sufficient and reasonably available quantities, or the inclusion of domestic materials would increase the cost of the overall project by more than 25 percent.

EPA American Iron and Steel (AIS)
Various “American Iron and Steel” laws also apply Buy America requirements to the Nation’s primary federal-assistance programs for clean and drinking water infrastructure. These American Iron and Steel laws require that clean and drinking water projects receiving financial assistance and financing from the Environmental Protection Agency’s Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF), Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF), or Water Infrastructure Finance Innovation Act program, or the Department of Agriculture’s Rural Utilities Service program to use only iron and steel products that were produced in the United States.

Presidential Executive Order
In 2017, President Trump issued Executive Order 13788, Buy American & Hire American, directing federal agencies to “scrupulously monitor, enforce, and comply with” applicable Buy American laws.
Request EJ for your projects
We can help make sure your projects comply with these acts. Certification concerning country of origin and technical drawings of products manufactured by EJ USA, Inc. are available upon request.
Committed to American manufacturing

We remain committed to providing made in the USA access solutions to build America’s infrastructure.

We have stood the test of time by focusing on our customer needs, efficient manufacturing processes, being good stewards of our environmental resources, and hiring the right employees to get the job done.

We take pride in our modern manufacturing plants that employ world class machinery, systems, and processes. Specified products are produced efficiently, on time, and to the highest standards for our loyal customers.

Our foundries use an all electric induction melting process that is a clean and energy efficient technology. This provides flexibility and minimizes our impact on the environment.

Manufacturing locations are found in:
- East Jordan, Michigan
- Ardmore, Oklahoma
- Cicero, New York
- St. Clair, Pennsylvania
- Muskegon, Michigan
- Tooele, Utah
Our Customer Connection

Through the years, we’ve forged strong bonds with our customers. As a company with strong roots in family and heritage, it’s no wonder that we regard our customers as part of our family as well. We call it our customer connection.

EJ offers a comprehensive portfolio of products and services, including municipal and construction castings, fabricated products, water distribution solutions, and other infrastructure access solutions.

Our distribution network, manufacturing facilities, and highly developed understanding of local cultures and standards puts us in a perfect place to back our solutions with knowledgeable and responsive customer service.

Our modern, regional production capabilities put inventories within quick reach of our customers throughout the United States.

Wherever you are, EJ provides access solutions that adhere to the local specifications in a timely and competitive manner. We also work with our customers to produce access solutions to meet their specialized requirements. Our sales staff understands the unique needs of your market.

The result: Our customers have unrivaled access to innovations, inventories and service in the field.
Located near you

Manufacturing, distribution and sales branch offices are located across the USA. Contact your local sales representative in your area to get started on your project.
Clearly marked with pride

Country of origin markings are cast in EJ products in compliance with federal country-of-origin marking requirements. A special statutory marking law for manhole rings, frames and covers states markings must be on the top surface so you can visually see where the product was made once installed.
A legacy of innovation

EJ is an entrepreneurial family-owned company that has a long history of fostering strong customer relationships throughout North America.

The first foundry was established in East Jordan, Michigan, USA in 1883. In the 1990s, new acquisitions throughout the United States allowed the company to expand product lines, sales offices, distribution capabilities, and customer service across North America. Distribution coverage continues to expand into new markets.

To learn more about Buy America and Buy American provisions, contact us at 800 626 4653.