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Subject:	Scope – Bounds of vessel					
Question:	The definition of vessel is as follows (PED article 1§2.1.1 : "a housing designed and built to contain fluids under pressure including its direct attachments up to the coupling point connecting it to other equipment."					
	What does "its o	lirect attachmei	nts" mean?			
Answer:	Direct attachments to the housing under pressure are attachments such as flanges, nozzles, couplings, lifting lugs which have common junction zones with this housing by means of permanent joining (welding, gluing, crimping,)					
	See also fiche CLAP 275.					