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FOREWORD

In 1913 a Committee on the Standardization of Pipe Threads was organized for the purpose of re-editing and expanding the Briggs Standard. The American Gas Association and The American Society of Mechanical Engineers served as joint sponsors. After six years of work, this committee completed the revised standard for taper pipe thread which was published in the ASME "Transactions" of 1919, and was approved as an American Standard by the then American Engineering Standards Committee (later changed to American Standards Association) in December, 1919. It was the first standard to receive this designation under the ASA procedure, and was later republished in pamphlet form.

In the years which followed, the need for a further revision of this American Standard became evident as well as the necessity of adding to it the recent developments in pipe threading practice. Accordingly, the Sectional Committee on the Standardization of Pipe Threads, B2, was organized in 1927 under the joint sponsorship of the A.G.A. and the ASME.

During the following 15 years, several meetings were held leading to approval by the members of the Sectional Committee, of the April 1941 draft. The revision was approved by the sponsors and ASA and published as an American Standard in October 1942.

Shortly after publication of the 1942 standard, the Committee undertook preparation of a complete revision. The text and tables were re-arranged and expanded to include Dryseal pipe threads, and an extensive appendix was added to provide additional data on the application of pipe threads and to record in abbreviated form the several special methods which were established for gaging some of the various applications of pipe threads.

The resulting proposal was designated an American Standard on December 11, 1945. The section covering Dryseal Pipe Threads in ASA B2.1-1945 was deleted and developed as a separate standard designated ASA B2.2-1960, Dryseal Pipe Threads. Another updating occurred with republication as USAS B2.2-1968.

In 1973, Standards Committee B2 was absorbed by American National Standards Institute Standard Committee B1 and reorganized as subcommittee 20. A complete rewrite of the B2.2-1968 document was undertaken with the product thread data in separate documents from the gaging standards for Dryseal Pipe threads. The system of renumbering, to include metric revisions, is as follows:

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Since the product thread documents are being published before completion of the new gaging standards, the gaging data in the B2.2-1968 Standard should be used until superseded by publication of the new B1.20.5 and B1.20.6 gaging standards.

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SECTION I
PRODUCT THREADS

1.1 Introduction

Dryseal pipe threads are based on the USA (American) pipe thread, however, they differ from the USA (American) pipe thread in that they are designed to seal pressuretight joints without the necessity of using sealing compounds. To accomplish this some modification of thread form and greater accuracy in manufacture is required. The roots of both the external and internal threads are truncated slightly more than the crests, i.e. roots have wider flats than crests, so that metal-to-metal contact occurs at the crests and roots coincident with or prior to flank contact, see Figure 1. Thus as the threads are assembled by wrenching, the roots of the threads crush the sharper crests of the mating threads. This sealing action at both the major and minor diameters tends to prevent spiral leakage and makes the joints pressuretight without the necessity of using sealing compounds, provided that the mating threads are in accordance with standard specifications and tolerances and are not damaged by galling in assembly. The control of crest and root truncation is simplified by the use of properly designed threading tools. Also, it is desirable that both external and internal threads have full thread height for the L_1 length. However, where not functionally objectionable, the use of a compatible lubricant or sealant may be used to minimize the possibility of galling. This is desirable in assembling Dryseal pipe threads in refrigeration and other systems to effect a pressuretight seal.¹

1.1.1 In order to obtain a pressure tight seal using Dryseal pipe threads without a sealer, it is necessary to hold crest and root truncation of both internal and external threads within the limits specified. Unless this is done by use of threading tools with the crest and root truncation controlled so as to assure repro-

duction on the product threads, it is necessary to use a system of measuring or a system of gaging and measuring to determine conformance.

1.1.2 Even without truncation gages, the standard practice of using two separate thread gages for Dryseal pipe threads, each with a difference in truncation, length of engagement and point of engagement, provides a more detailed check of angle, lead and taper deviations than is required for non-dryseal taper pipe threads.

1.1.3 One method of checking crest truncation is by using 6 step plain gages. It should be recognized that this method may give misleading results in that the crest truncation of the product threads is always less (flat narrower) than that indicated by the position of the gages, the degree of inconsistency depending on the angle, lead and taper deviations present in the product thread.

1.1.4 Another method employs both crest and root truncation check gages. The root check gage is made with a thread form having an included angle of 50 degrees and with a smaller gage crest flat than the root flat to be checked. The major diameter of this gage is controlled in relation to 6 gaging steps in a similar manner to the plain 6 step crest check gage. Like the crest check gage, the results may be somewhat misleading except that in the case of the root check gage, the root truncation of the product thread is always more (flat wider) than is indicated by the position of the gages.

1.1.5 Unless lead, angle and taper of product threads are very well controlled, use of 6 step crest and root check gages will result in product threads with narrower crest flats and wider root flats than envisioned by the dryseal tolerances. Use of such a gaging system could result in rejection of threads which would actually conform to the dryseal tolerances specified. The only completely reliable referee method for determining whether crest and root truncation has been

¹ The refrigeration industry has generally accepted the use of a sealant to obtain an absolute pressuretight joint, when assembling taper pipe threads.

held within tolerance is direct measurement of the external thread flats and measurement of these flats on a cast or section of the internal thread.

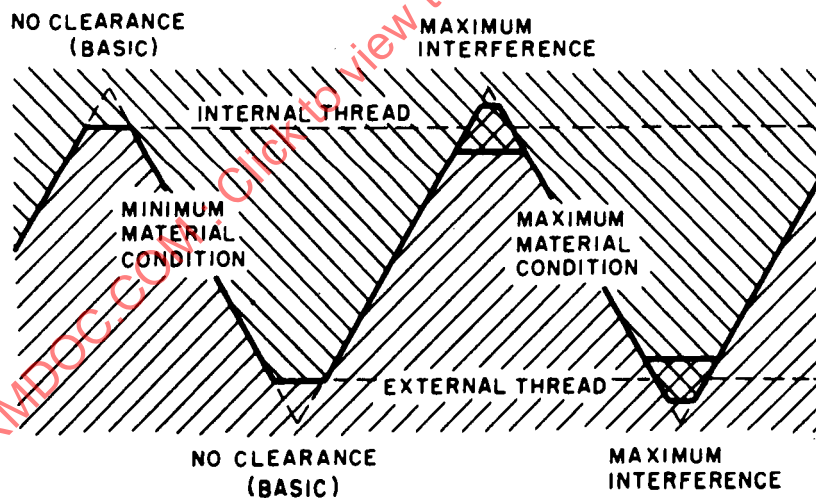
1.1.6 This standard covers two classes of NPTF Dryseal pipe threads; Class 1 and Class 2. The classes differ only in inspection requirements, with Class 1 threads exactly those standardized in ANSI B2.2-1968 (inspection of root and crest truncation not specified). Class 2 threads are identical to Class 1 threads except that inspection of root and crest truncation is required. For Class 2 threads, direct measurement of crest and root truncation is the referee method. These classes do not apply to other than NPTF Dryseal pipe threads.

1.1.7 All dimensions in this standard including all tables are in inches unless otherwise noted.

1.2 Thread Types

External Dryseal pipe threads are tapered only. Internal Dryseal pipe threads may be either straight or tapered, as specified. Also, thread lengths may be either "standard" or "short," depending on the requirements of the application. The short external thread is obtained by shortening the standard thread by one pitch at the small end. A short internal taper thread is obtained by shortening the standard thread by one pitch at the large end. Accordingly, there are four standard types of Dryseal pipe threads, as follows:

- Type 1 – Dryseal USA (American) Standard Taper Pipe Thread, NPTF
- Type 2 – Dryseal SAE Short Taper Pipe Thread, PTE-SAE SHORT
- Type 3 – Dryseal USA (American) Standard Fuel Internal Straight Pipe Thread, NPSF
- Type 4 – Dryseal USA (American) Standard Intermediate Internal Straight Pipe Thread, NPSI



The minimum material condition as shown at the left is established by having the mating crests and roots of equal truncation so as to assure metal to metal contact at these points coincident with flank contact. This condition is established at the sharpest root and the flattest crest and gives no clearance.

Tolerances at the crests and roots are established in the direction of interference only, therefore the maximum material condition shown at the right is established by having the extreme combination of sharpest crests and flattest roots, which provide the maximum interference.

NOTE: When threaded joints are made up wrenchtight, it is intended that the flanks and the crests and roots shall be in contact.

FIG 1 EXTREME MATING CONDITIONS FOR DRYSEAL PIPE THREADS

1.3 Thread Designations and Notation

The above types of Dryseal pipe threads are designated by specifying in sequence the nominal size designations, thread series symbol, and class, as follows:

$\frac{1}{8}$ -27 NPTF-1
 $\frac{1}{8}$ -27 NPTF-2
 $\frac{1}{8}$ -27 PTF-SAE SHORT
 $\frac{1}{8}$ -27 NPSF
 $\frac{1}{8}$ -27 NPSI

Each of the letters in the symbols has a definite significance as follows:

N = National (American) Standard
P = Pipe
T = Taper
S = Straight
F = Fuel and Oil
I = Intermediate

1.3.1 NPTF Thread Class. Two classes of NPTF threads have been established: Class 1 and Class 2. Class 1 signifies that specific inspection of root and crest truncation is not required, while class 2 signifies that such is required.

Since class notation is introduced in this standard there will undoubtedly be a long period of time before users completely adopt the new classification. In cases where class is not denoted, the thread shall be considered Class 1.

1.3.2 Designation of Plated Threads. The product specifications of this standard do not include an allowance for plating. If plating is desired, it may be necessary to modify the threads since the same final gaging requirements must be satisfied for plated and unplated parts. This may be emphasized by adding the words AFTER PLATING to the designation. For manufacturing purposes, notes for plated taper pipe threads may specify the gage limits (turns engagement) before plating followed by the words "BEFORE PLATING." These should be followed by the standard gage limits (turns engagement) after plating and the words "AFTER PLATING." Examples of optional designations for an external thread having 0.0002 inch plating thickness are:

$\frac{3}{8}$ -18 NPTF-1, or
 $\frac{3}{8}$ -18 NPTF-1 AFTER PLATING, or
 $\frac{3}{8}$ -18 NPTF-1, L_1 RING GAGE LIMITS
2¾ to 4¾ turns engagement before plating
2¾ to 4¾ turns engagement after plating
 $\frac{3}{8}$ -18 NPTF-1, L_2 RING GAGE LIMITS
2¾ to 3¾ turns beyond actual L_1 gage turns engagement before and after plating.

Example of optional designations for internal thread with 0.0002 inch plating thickness is:

$\frac{3}{8}$ -18 NPTF-1, or
 $\frac{3}{8}$ -18 NPTF-1 AFTER PLATING, or
 $\frac{3}{8}$ -18 NPTF-1, L_1 PLUG GAGE LIMITS
3 to 4¾ turns engagement before plating
2¾ to 4¾ turns engagement after plating
 $\frac{3}{8}$ -18 NPTF-1, L_3 PLUG GAGE LIMITS
2¾ to 3¾ turns beyond actual L_1 gage turns engagement before and after plating.

1.4 Applications

1.4.1 Type

1.4.1.1 NPTF. This type applies to both external and internal threads and is suitable for pipe joints in practically every type of service. Of all Dryseal pipe threads, NPTF external and internal threads mated are generally conceded to be superior for strength and seal since they have the longest length of thread and theoretically, interference (sealing) occurs at every engaged thread root and crest. Use of tapered internal threads, such as NPTF or PTF-SAE SHORT in hard or brittle materials having thin sections will minimize the possibility of fracture.

1.4.1.2 PTF-SAE Short. External threads of this type conform in all respects with NPTF threads, except that the thread length has been shortened by eliminating one thread from the small (entering) end. These threads are designed for applications where clearance is not sufficient for the full thread length of NPTF threads or for economy of material, where the full thread length is not necessary. PTF-SAE SHORT external threads are intended for assembly with NPSI threads, but may also be assembled with NPTF internal threads. They are not designed for and at extreme tolerance limits may not assemble with PTF-SAE SHORT internal or NPSF threads.

Internal threads of this type conform in all respects with NPTF threads, except that the thread length has been shortened by eliminating one thread from the large (entry) end. These threads are designed for thin materials where thickness is not sufficient for the full thread length of NPTF threads or for economy in tapping where the full thread length is not necessary. PTF-SAE SHORT internal threads are primarily intended for assembly with NPTF external threads. They are not designed for and at the extreme tolerance limits may not assemble with PTF-SAE SHORT external threads.

Pressure-tight joints without the use of lubricant or sealer can best be assured where mating components are both threaded with NPTF threads. This

should be considered before specifying PTF-SAE SHORT external or internal threads.

1.4.1.3 NPSF. Threads of this type are straight (cylindrical) instead of tapered and internal only. They are more economical to produce than tapered internal threads, but when assembled do not offer as strong a guarantee of sealing since root and crest interference will not occur for all threads. NPSF threads are generally used with soft or ductile materials which will tend to adjust at assembly to the taper of external threads, but may be used in hard or brittle materials where the section is thick. They are primarily intended for assembly with NPTF external threads. (For other applications see Appendix C.)

1.4.1.4 NPSI. Threads of this type are straight (cylindrical) instead of tapered, internal only, and are slightly larger in diameter than NPSF threads but have the same tolerance and thread length. They are more economical to produce than tapered threads and may be used in hard or brittle materials where the section is thick or where there is little expansion at assembly with external taper threads. As with NPSF threads, NPSI threads when assembled do not offer as strong a guarantee of sealing as do tapered internal threads. NPSI threads are primarily intended for assembly with PTF-SAE SHORT external threads, but can be used with NPTF external threads.

1.4.2 Class

1.4.2.1 NPTF Class 1. Threads made to this class are designed to interfere (seal) at root and crest when mated, but inspection of crest and root truncation for acceptance is not required. Consequently, Class 1 threads are intended for applications where close control of tooling is required for conformance of truncation or where sealing is accomplished by means of a sealant applied to the threads.

1.4.2.2 NPTF Class 2. Threads made to this class are theoretically identical to those made to Class 1, however, inspection of root and crest truncation is required. Consequently, where a sealant is not used, there is more assurance of a pressure-tight seal for Class 2 threads than for Class 1 threads.

1.5 Assembly Limitations

1.5.1 As described in par. 1.2, there are four types of standard Dryseal pipe threads. Types 1 and 2 are

tapered and can be made as both external and internal threads. Types 3 and 4 are straight threads and are made only as internal threads. When selecting the combination of external and internal threads to be mated, Table 1 should be used as a guideline. Approximate values for length of engagement for various assemblies are given in Table 2.

1.5.2 Another important factor to consider in the design and manufacture of Dryseal pipe threads is the effect of out-of-roundness which is possible between the wrench-tight mated parts in final assembly. This will vary depending on the method for producing the thread in conjunction with the elasticity and/or ductility of the mating parts and the resultant conformance at final assembly.

1.6 Thread Form and Tolerance

Dryseal pipe threads are triangular with truncated roots and crests. The angle between the flanks of the thread is 60 degrees when measured on an axial plane and the line bisecting this angle is perpendicular to the axis of both the taper and straight threads making each half angle equal to 30 degrees. Thread form and limits on crest and root truncation are given in Figure 2. Although the crests and roots of the Dryseal threads are theoretically flat, they may be rounded providing their contour is within the limits shown in Figure 2. They are truncated parallel to the pitch line on both product and gage threads.

There is no specified tolerance on product pitch diameter, except for internal straight pipe threads. Basic size of the product thread is defined using the basic dimensions covered in paragraph 1.7 and deviations from basic size not defined by a specific tolerance are defined entirely by the gages used for acceptance. In particular, the maximum deviation of functional size from basic is plus and minus 1 turn for NPTF, plus 0 minus 1½ turns for PTF-SAE SHORT, plus 0 minus 1½ turns for NPSF and plus 1 minus ½ turns for NPSI of the L_1 gage. In addition, the L_2 or L_3 gage must correlate within plus and minus ½ turns of the actual L_1 gage position on each specific taper threaded part.

Diametral taper of tapered threads is 0.0625 ± 0.0050 inch per inch of length.

Table 1 Recommended Limitation of Assembly among the Various Types of Dryseal Threads¹

External Dryseal thread:			For Assembly with Internal Dryseal thread:		
Type	Table	Description	Type	Table	Description
1	4	NPTF (tapered), ext thd	1 2 ^{2,4} 3 ^{2,5} 4 ^{2,5,6}	4 6 7 8	NPTF (tapered), int thd PTF-SAE SHORT (tapered), int thd NPSF (straight), int thd NPSI (straight), int thd
2 ^{2,3}	5	PTF-SAE SHORT (tapered) ext thd	4 1	8 4	NPSI (straight), int thd NPTF (tapered), int thd

¹ An assembly with straight internal pipe threads and taper external pipe threads is frequently more advantageous than an all taper thread assembly, particularly in automotive and other allied industries where economy and rapid production are major considerations. Dryseal threads are not used in assemblies in which both components have straight pipe threads.

² Pressure-tight joints without the use of a sealant can best be assured where both components are threaded with NPTF (full length threads), since theoretically interference (sealing) occurs at all threads, but there are two less threads engaged than for NPTF assemblies. When straight internal threads are used, there is interference only at one thread depending on ductility of materials.

³ PTF-SAE SHORT external threads are primarily intended for assembly with type 4-NPSI internal threads but can also be used with type 1-NPTF internal threads. They are not designed for, and at extreme tolerance limits may not assemble with, type 2-PTF-SAE SHORT internal threads or type 3-NPSF internal threads.

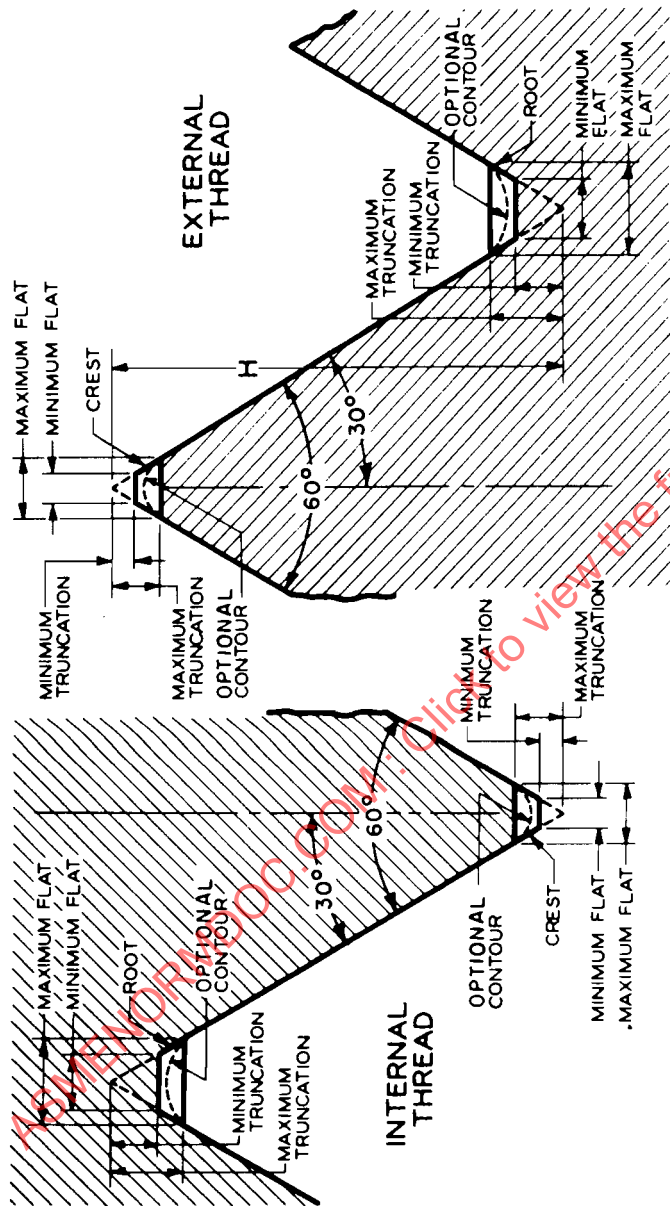
⁴ PTF-SAE SHORT internal threads are primarily intended for assembly with type 1-NPTF external threads. They are not designed for, and at extreme tolerance limits may not assemble with, type 2-PTF-SAE SHORT external threads.

⁵ There is no external straight Dryseal thread.

⁶ NPSI internal threads are primarily intended for assembly with type 2-PTF-SAE SHORT external threads but will also assemble with full length type 1 NPTF external threads.

Table 2 Reference Dimensions for Assembled Engagement of Dryseal Pipe Threads

Size	Approximate Length of Thread Engagement				Approximate Length of Thread Engagement			
	NPTF External Thread Assembled Into				PTF-SAE SHORT External Thread Assembled Into			
	NPSI Internal Thread,	NPTF Internal Thread,	NPSF Internal Thread,	PTF-SAE SHORT Internal Thread,	NPSI Internal Thread,	NPTF Internal Thread,	NPSF Internal Thread,	PTF-SAE SHORT Internal Thread,
	$L_1 + 3p$	$L_1 + 2.5p$	$L_1 + 2p$	$L_1 + 1.5p$	$L_1 + 2p$	$L_1 + 1.5p$	$L_1 + 1p$	$L_1 + 0.5p$
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1/16 - 27	0.27	0.25	0.23	0.22	0.23	0.22	0.20	0.18
1/8 - 27	0.27	0.25	0.23	0.22	0.23	0.22	0.20	0.18
1/4 - 18	0.39	0.37	0.34	0.31	0.34	0.31	0.28	0.26
3/8 - 18	0.41	0.38	0.35	0.32	0.35	0.32	0.29	0.27
1/2 - 14	0.53	0.50	0.46	0.43	0.46	0.43	0.39	0.36
3/4 - 14	0.55	0.52	0.48	0.45	0.48	0.45	0.41	0.37
1 - 11 1/2	0.66	0.62	0.57	0.53	0.57	0.53	0.49	0.44
1 1/4 - 11 1/2	0.68	0.64	0.59	0.55	0.59	0.55	0.51	0.46
1 1/2 - 11 1/2	0.68	0.64	0.59	0.55	0.59	0.55	0.51	0.46
2 - 11 1/2	0.70	0.65	0.61	0.57	0.61	0.57	0.52	0.48
2 1/2 - 8	1.06	0.99	0.93	0.87	0.93	0.87	0.81	0.74
3 - 8	1.14	1.08	1.02	0.95	1.02	0.95	0.89	0.83



Threads Per Inch	Height of Sharp V Thread (H)	Truncation						Equivalent Width of Flat					
		Minimum			Maximum			Minimum			Maximum		
		At Crest	At Root	At Crest	At Root	At Crest	At Root	At Crest	At Root	At Crest	At Root	At Crest	At Root
		Formula	Formula	Formula	Formula	Formula	Formula	Formula	Formula	Formula	Formula	Formula	Formula
27	0.03208	0.047p	0.0017	0.094p	0.0035	0.094p	0.0035	0.0020	0.108p	0.0040	0.108p	0.0040	0.162p
18	0.04811	0.047p	0.0026	0.078p	0.0043	0.078p	0.0043	0.0030	0.090p	0.0050	0.090p	0.0050	0.126p
14	0.06180	0.036p	0.0026	0.060p	0.0043	0.060p	0.0043	0.0030	0.070p	0.0050	0.070p	0.0050	0.098p
11½	0.07531	0.040p	0.0035	0.060p	0.0052	0.060p	0.0052	0.0040	0.069p	0.0060	0.069p	0.0060	0.103p
8	0.10825	0.042p	0.0052	0.055p	0.0069	0.055p	0.0069	0.0048p	0.064p	0.0080	0.064p	0.0080	0.088p

FIG 2 THREAD FORM AND LIMITS ON ROOT AND CREST TRUNCATION OF PRODUCT THREADS

1.7 Basic Dimensions

1.7.1 NPTF Threads

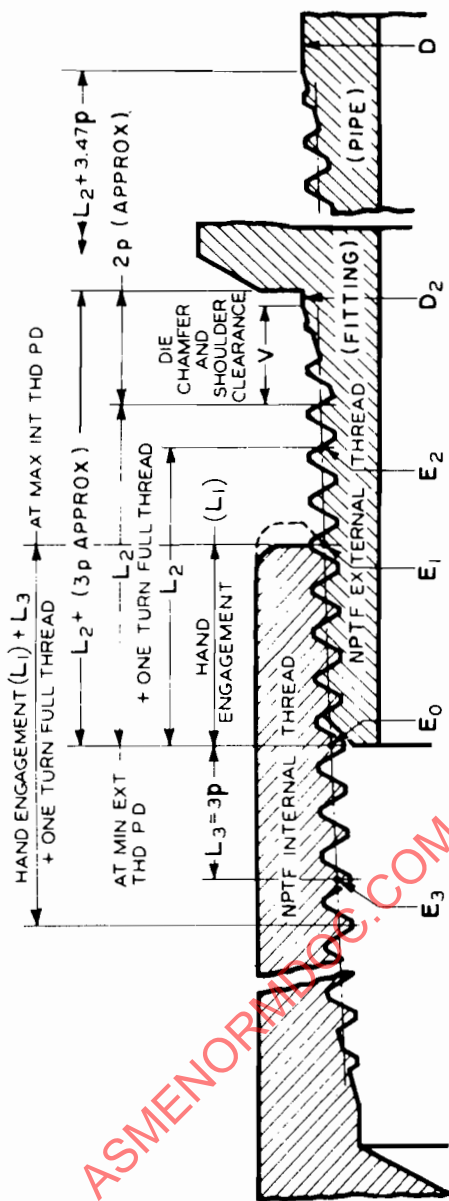


Table 3 Basic Dimensions for NPTF Threads

Size	Pitch (p)	PD at Small End of Ext. Thread (E ₀)		PD at Large End of Int. Thread (E ₁)		PD at Large End of Ext. Thread (E ₂)		PD at Small End of Int. Thread (E ₃)		Hand Engagement (L ₁)		Length of Full Thread (L ₂) ^a		Vanish Thds V Plus Full Thd Tol Plus Shoulder Clearance (V + 1p + 1/2p)		Shoulder Length (L ₃ + 3p Approx)		External Thread for Draw (L ₂ - L ₁)		Length of Internal Thread (L ₁ + L ₃) ^b		OD of Fitting (D ₂)		OD of Pipe (D)	
		Inch	Thd	Inch	Thd	Inch	Thd	Inch	Thd	Inch	Thd	Inch	Thd	Inch	Thd	Inch	Thd	Inch	Thd	Inch	Thd	Inch	Thd	Inch	Thd
1/16 - 27	0.03704	0.27118	0.28118	0.28750	0.2642	0.1600	4.32	0.2611	7.05	0.1439	3.075	0.3750	0.1011	2.73	0.2711	7.32	0.315	0.315	0.315	0.315	0.315	0.315	0.315	0.315	0.315
1/8 - 27	0.03704	0.36351	0.37360	0.38000	0.3566	0.1615	4.36	0.2639	7.12	0.1172	3.072	0.3750	0.1024	2.76	0.2726	7.36	0.407	0.407	0.407	0.407	0.407	0.407	0.407	0.407	0.407
1/4 - 18	0.05556	0.47739	0.49163	0.50250	0.4670	0.2278	4.10	0.4018	7.23	0.1607	2.892	0.5625	0.1740	3.13	0.3945	7.10	0.546	0.546	0.546	0.546	0.546	0.546	0.546	0.546	0.546
3/8 - 18	0.05556	0.61201	0.62701	0.63750	0.6016	0.2400	4.32	0.4078	7.34	0.1547	2.791	0.5625	0.1678	3.02	0.4067	7.32	0.681	0.681	0.681	0.681	0.681	0.681	0.681	0.681	0.681
1/2 - 14	0.07143	0.75843	0.77843	0.79179	0.7451	0.3200	4.48	0.5337	7.47	0.2163	3.028	0.7500	0.2137	2.99	0.5343	7.48	0.850	0.850	0.850	0.850	0.850	0.850	0.850	0.850	0.850
3/4 - 14	0.07143	0.96768	0.98887	1.00179	0.9543	0.3390	4.75	0.5457	7.64	0.2043	2.860	0.7500	0.2067	2.89	0.5533	7.75	1.060	1.060	1.060	1.060	1.060	1.060	1.060	1.060	1.060
1 - 11 1/2	0.08696	1.21363	1.23863	1.25630	1.1973	0.4000	4.60	0.6828	7.85	0.2547	2.929	0.9375	0.2828	3.25	0.6609	7.60	1.327	1.327	1.327	1.327	1.327	1.327	1.327	1.327	1.327
1 1/4 - 11 1/2	0.08696	1.55713	1.58338	1.60130	1.5408	0.4200	4.83	0.7068	8.13	0.2620	3.013	0.9688	0.2868	3.30	0.6809	7.83	1.672	1.672	1.672	1.672	1.672	1.672	1.672	1.672	1.672
1 1/2 - 11 1/2	0.08696	1.79609	1.82234	1.84130	1.7798	0.4200	4.83	0.7235	8.32	0.2765	3.180	1.0000	0.3035	3.49	0.6809	7.83	1.912	1.912	1.912	1.912	1.912	1.912	1.912	1.912	1.912
2 - 11 1/2	0.08696	2.26902	2.29627	2.31630	2.2527	0.4360	5.01	0.7565	8.70	0.2747	3.159	1.0312	0.3205	3.69	0.6969	8.01	2.387	2.387	2.387	2.387	2.387	2.387	2.387	2.387	2.387
2 1/2 - 8	0.12500	2.71953	2.76216	2.79062	2.6961	0.6820	5.46	1.1375	9.10	0.3781	3.025	1.5156	0.4555	3.64	1.0570	8.46	2.893	2.893	2.893	2.893	2.893	2.893	2.893	2.893	2.893
3 - 8	0.12500	3.34062	3.38850	3.41562	3.3172	0.7660	6.13	1.2000	9.60	0.3781	3.025	1.5781	0.4340	3.47	1.1410	9.13	3.518	3.518	3.518	3.518	3.518	3.518	3.518	3.518	3.518

^a External thread tabulated full thread lengths include chamfers not exceeding one pitch (thread) length.

^b Internal thread tabulated full thread lengths do not include countersink beyond the intersection of the pitch line and the chamfer cone (gaging reference point).

1.7.2 PTF-SAE SHORT, External Threads

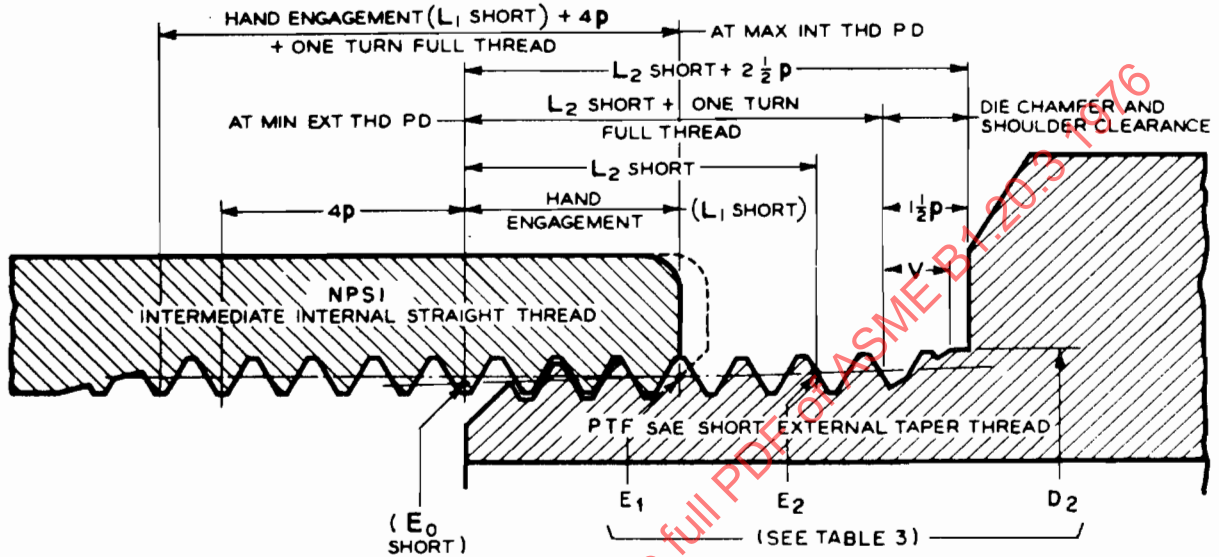


Table 4 Basic Dimensions for PTF-SAE Short, External Threads

Size	Pitch (p)	PD at End of Ext Thread (E_0 Short)	(L_1)		Hand Engagement (L_1 Short)		Length of Full Thread (L_2 Short) ^a		Vanish Thds V Plus Full Thd Tol Plus Shoulder Clearance ($V + 1p + \frac{1}{2}p$)		Minimum Shoulder Length (L_2 Short + $2\frac{1}{2}p$)	External Thread for Draw (L_2 Short - L_1 Short)		Length of Internal Full Thread (L_1 Short + $4p$) ^b	
	Inch	Inch	Inch	Thd	Inch	Thd	Inch	Thd	Inch	Thd	Inch	Inch	Thd	Inch	Thd
$\frac{1}{16}$ - 27	0.03704	0.27349	0.1600	4.32	0.1230	3.32	0.2241	6.05	0.0926	2.50	0.3167	0.1011	2.73	0.2711	7.32
$\frac{1}{8}$ - 27	0.03704	0.36582	0.1615	4.36	0.1244	3.36	0.2268	6.12	0.0926	2.50	0.3194	0.1024	2.76	0.2726	7.36
$\frac{1}{4}$ - 18	0.05556	0.48086	0.2278	4.10	0.1722	3.10	0.3462	6.23	0.1389	2.50	0.4851	0.1740	3.13	0.3945	7.10
$\frac{3}{8}$ - 18	0.05556	0.61548	0.2400	4.32	0.1844	3.32	0.3522	6.34	0.1389	2.50	0.4911	0.1678	3.02	0.4067	7.32
$\frac{1}{2}$ - 14	0.07143	0.76289	0.3200	4.48	0.2486	3.48	0.4623	6.47	0.1786	2.50	0.6409	0.2137	2.99	0.5343	7.48
$\frac{3}{4}$ - 14	0.07143	0.97214	0.3390	4.75	0.2676	3.75	0.4743	6.64	0.1786	2.50	0.6528	0.2067	2.89	0.5533	7.75
1 - 11½	0.08696	1.21906	0.4000	4.60	0.3130	3.60	0.5958	6.85	0.2174	2.50	0.8132	0.2828	3.25	0.6609	7.60
1½ - 11½	0.08696	1.56256	0.4200	4.83	0.3330	3.83	0.6198	7.13	0.2174	2.50	0.8372	0.2868	3.30	0.6809	7.83
2 - 11½	0.08696	1.80152	0.4200	4.83	0.3330	3.83	0.6365	7.32	0.2174	2.50	0.8539	0.3035	3.49	0.6809	7.83
2 - 11¼	0.08696	2.27445	0.4360	5.01	0.3490	4.01	0.6695	7.70	0.2174	2.50	0.8869	0.3205	3.69	0.6969	8.01
2½ - 8	0.12500	2.72734	0.6820	5.46	0.5570	4.46	1.0125	8.10	0.3125	2.50	1.3250	0.4555	3.64	1.0570	8.46
3 - 8	0.12500	3.34844	0.7660	6.13	0.6410	5.13	1.0750	8.60	0.3125	2.50	1.3875	0.4340	3.47	1.1410	9.13

a External thread tabulated full thread lengths include chamfers not exceeding one pitch (thread) length.

b Internal thread tabulated full thread lengths do not include countersink beyond the intersection of the pitch line and the chamfer cone (gaging reference point).

1.7.3 PTF-SAE SHORT, Internal Threads

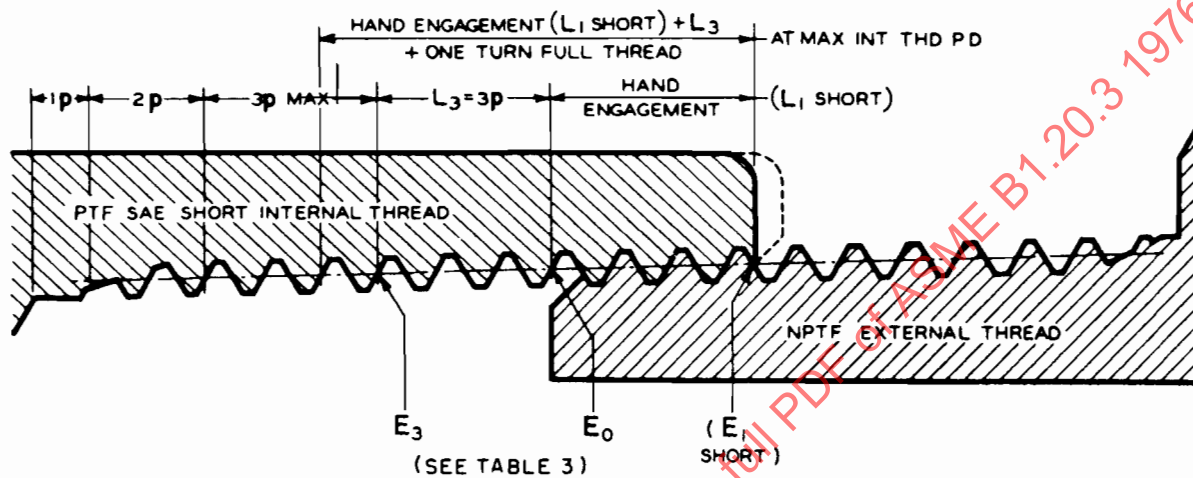


Table 5 Basic Dimensions for PTF-SAE Short, Internal Threads

Size	Pitch (p)	PD at End of Int Thread (E_1 Short)	(L_1)		Hand Engagement (L_1 Short)		Length of Internal Full Thread (L_1 Short + L_3) ^a		Hole Depth For SAE Short Tap
	Inch	Inch	Inch	Thd	Inch	Thd	Inch	Thd	Inch
$\frac{1}{16}$ - 27	0.03704	0.27887	0.1600	4.32	0.1230	3.32	0.2341	6.32	0.4564
$\frac{1}{8}$ - 27	0.03704	0.37129	0.1615	4.36	0.1244	3.36	0.2356	6.36	0.4578
$\frac{1}{4}$ - 18	0.05556	0.48815	0.2278	4.10	0.1722	3.10	0.3389	6.10	0.6722
$\frac{3}{8}$ - 18	0.05556	0.62354	0.2400	4.32	0.1844	3.32	0.3511	6.32	0.6844
$\frac{1}{2}$ - 14	0.07143	0.77397	0.3200	4.48	0.2486	3.48	0.4629	6.48	0.8915
$\frac{3}{4}$ - 14	0.07143	0.98441	0.3390	4.75	0.2676	3.75	0.4819	6.75	0.9105
1 - 11½	0.08696	1.23320	0.4000	4.60	0.3130	3.60	0.5739	6.60	1.0956
1¼ - 11½	0.08696	1.57795	0.4200	4.83	0.3330	3.83	0.5939	6.83	1.1156
1½ - 11½	0.08696	1.81691	0.4200	4.83	0.3330	3.83	0.5939	6.83	1.1156
2 - 11½	0.08696	2.29084	0.4360	5.01	0.3490	4.01	0.6099	7.01	1.1316
2½ - 8	0.12500	2.75435	0.6820	5.46	0.5570	4.46	0.9320	7.46	1.6820
3 - 8	0.12500	3.38069	0.7660	6.13	0.6410	5.13	1.0160	8.13	1.7660

^a Internal thread tabulated full thread lengths do not include countersink beyond the intersection of the pitch line and the chamfer cone (gaging reference point).

1.7.4 NPSF Threads

Table 6 Dimensional Data for NPSF Threads

Size	Pitch Diameter ^a		Minor Diameter ^b	Desired Minimum Full Thread Length ^c	
	Min ^d	Max ^e	Min	Inch	Thd
$\frac{1}{16}$ - 27	0.2768	0.2803	0.2482	0.31	8.44
$\frac{1}{8}$ - 27	0.3692	0.3727	0.3406	0.31	8.44
$\frac{1}{4}$ - 18	0.4852	0.4904	0.4422	0.47	8.44
$\frac{3}{8}$ - 18	0.6205	0.6257	0.5776	0.50	9.00
$\frac{1}{2}$ - 14	0.7700	0.7767	0.7133	0.66	9.19
$\frac{3}{4}$ - 14	0.9805	0.9872	0.9238	0.66	9.19
1 - 11½	1.2284	1.2365	1.1600	0.78	8.98

- a The pitch diameter of the tapped hole as indicated by the taper plug gage is slightly larger than the values given due to the gage having to enter approximately $\frac{3}{8}$ turn to engage first full thread.
b As the Dryseal American Standard pipe thread form is maintained, the major and minor diameters of the internal thread vary with the pitch diameter.
c Internal thread tabulated full thread lengths do not include countersink beyond the intersection of the pitch line and the chamfer cone (gaging reference point).
d Minimum pitch diameter is the maximum pitch diameter reduced by 1½ turns.
e Maximum pitch diameter is the same as the E_1 pitch diameter at large end of internal thread (Table 3) minus (small) $\frac{3}{8}$ thread taper.

1.7.5 NPSI Threads

Table 7 Dimensional Data for NPSI Threads

Size	Pitch Diameter ^a		Minor Diameter ^b	Desired Minimum Full Thread Length ^c	
	Min ^d	Max ^e	Min	Inch	Thd
$\frac{1}{16}$ - 27	0.2791	0.2826	0.2505	0.31	8.44
$\frac{1}{8}$ - 27	0.3715	0.3750	0.3429	0.31	8.44
$\frac{1}{4}$ - 18	0.4886	0.4938	0.4457	0.47	8.44
$\frac{3}{8}$ - 18	0.6240	0.6292	0.5811	0.50	9.00
$\frac{1}{2}$ - 14	0.7745	0.7812	0.7180	0.66	9.19
$\frac{3}{4}$ - 14	0.9850	0.9917	0.9283	0.66	9.19
1 - 11½	1.2338	1.2420	1.1655	0.78	8.98

- Footnotes a, b, c and d as shown under Table 6 apply also to Table 7.
e Maximum pitch diameter is the same as the E_1 pitch diameter at large end of internal thread (Table 3) plus (large) $\frac{5}{8}$ thread taper.

APPENDIX A

LETTER SYMBOLS AND FORMULAS

A.1 Symbols Designating the Dimensions of Pipe Thread Elements

Standard letter symbols to designate the dimensions of pipe threads are given in Table A1. The application of pipe thread symbols is illustrated in Figure A1.

A.2 Formulas for Diameter and Length of Thread

Basic diameter and length of thread for different sizes given in Tables 3, 4, and 5, are based on the following formulas:

Basic pitch diameter of thread at small end of NPTF external thread.

$$E_0 = D - (0.05D + 1.1)p$$

Basic pitch diameter of thread at small end of PTF-SAE Short external thread.

$$E_0 \text{ Short} = D - (0.05D + 1.037)p$$

Basic pitch diameter of thread at large end of NPTF internal thread.

$$E_1 = E_0 + (0.0625L_1 \text{ Basic})$$

Basic pitch diameter of thread at large end of PTF-SAE Short internal thread.

$$E_1 \text{ Short} = E_0 \text{ Short} + (0.0625L_1 \text{ Short})$$

Basic length of NPTF external full and effective length thread.

$$L_2 = (0.8D + 6.8)p$$

Basic length of PTF-SAE Short external full and effective length thread.

$$L_2 \text{ Short} = (0.8D + 5.8)p$$

Basic length of NPTF internal full and effective length thread = $L_1 \text{ Basic} + L_3$

Basic length of PTF-SAE Short internal full and effective length thread = $L_1 \text{ Short} + L_3$

where D = outside diameter of pipe

p = pitch of thread

APPENDIX A

Table A1 Pipe-thread Symbols (See Fig A1)

SYMBOLS	DIMENSIONS	REMARKS
D	Outside diameter of pipe	
d	Inside diameter of pipe	
t	Wall thickness of pipe	
D_x	Major diameter	Subscript x denotes plane containing the diameter. For axial positions of planes see below. Subscripts s , or n designating external and internal threads, respectively, may also be used if necessary. For axial position of plane containing basic diameter, see below.
E_x	Pitch diameter	
K_x	Minor diameter	
L_x	Length of thread from plane of pipe end to plane containing basic diameter D_x , E_x , or K_x .	
V	Length of vanish cone (washout) threads.	
β (beta)	Half apex angle of pitch cone of taper thread.	
γ (gamma)	Angle of chamfer at end of pipe measured from a plane normal to the axis.	
A	Handtight standoff of face of coupling from plane containing vanish point on pipe.	
M	Length from plane of handtight engagement to the face of coupling on internally threaded member.	
S	Distance of gaging step of plug gage from face of ring gage for handtight engagement. Standoff.	
L_n	Length from center line of coupling, face of flange, or bottom of internal thread chamber to face of fitting.	
b	Width of bearing face on coupling.	
τ (tau)	Angle of chamfer at bottom of recess or counterbore measured from the axis.	
ϵ (epsilon)	Half apex angle of vanish cone.	
J	Length from center line of coupling, face of flange, or bottom of internal thread chamber to end of pipe wrenched engagement.	
L_t	(1) Length of straight full thread (see Table 1). (2) Length from plane of handtight engagement to small end of full internal taper thread.	
Q	Diameter of recess or counterbore in fitting.	
q	Depth of recess or counterbore in fitting.	
W	Outside diameter of coupling or hub of fitting.	

DEFINITIONS OF PLANES DENOTED BY SUBSCRIPT x

$x = 0$	Plane of pipe end.
$x = 1$	Plane of handtight engagement or plane at mouth of coupling (excluding recess, if present). On British pipe threads this is designated the "gauge plane" and the major diameter in this plane is designated the "gauge diameter."
$x = 2$	Plane at which vanish threads on pipe commence.
$x = 3$	Plane in coupling reached by end of pipe in wrenched condition. (L_3 is measured from plane containing pipe end in position of handtight engagement.)
$x = 4$	Plane containing vanish point of thread on pipe.
$x = 5$	Plane at which major diameter cone of thread intersects outside diameter of pipe.

Note: Additional special subscripts are as follows: Plane $x = 6$ is the plane of the pipe end for railing joints. Plane $x = 7$ is the plane of the API gage point at a specified length from the plane of vanish point. Plane $x = 8$ is the plane of the large end of the " L_8 thread ring gage" for the National Gas Taper (compressed-gas cylinder valve inlet connection) thread. Plane $x = 9$ is the plane of the small end of the " L_9 thread plug gage" for the National Gas Taper (compressed-gas cylinder inlet) thread.

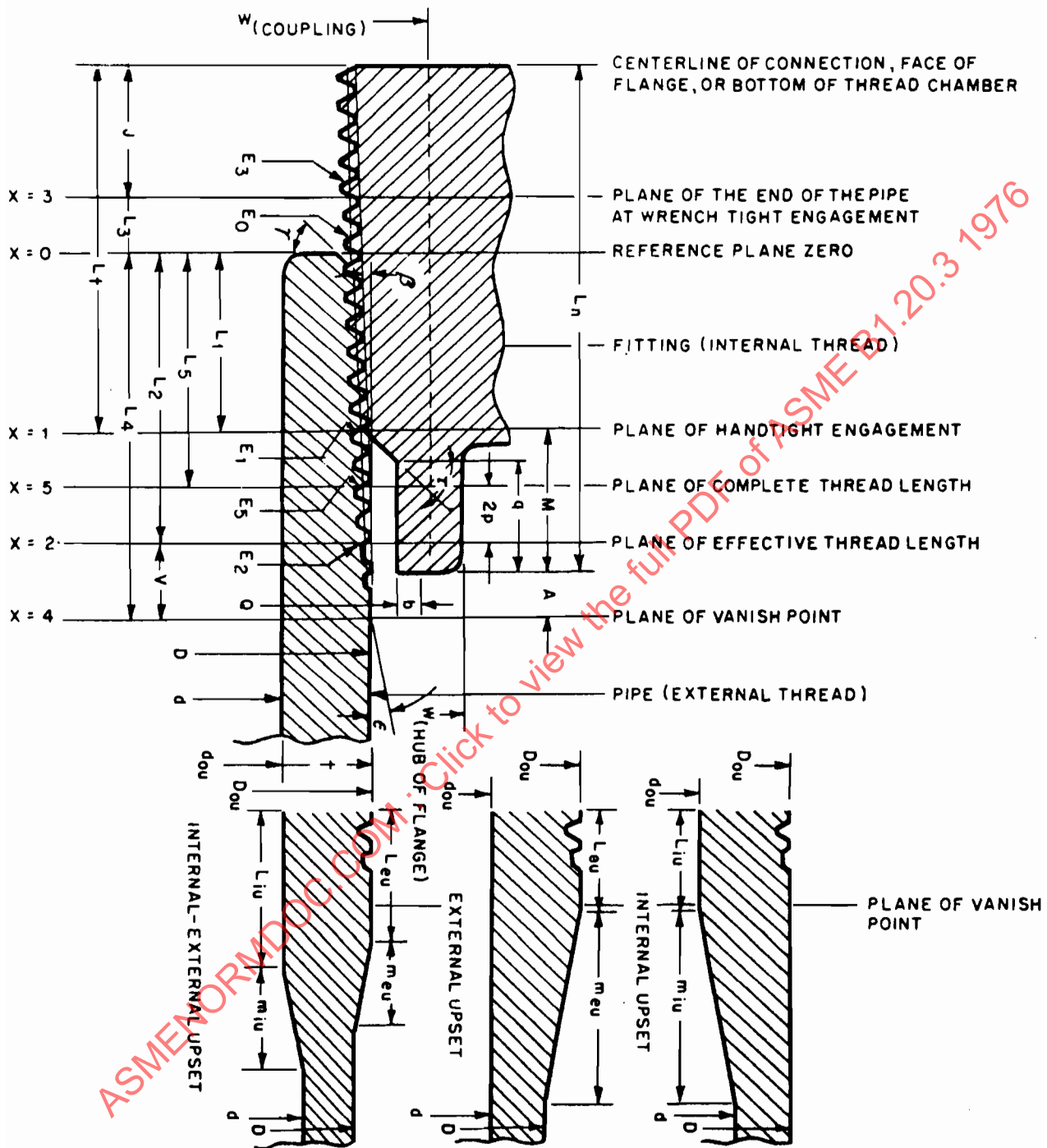


FIG A1 APPLICATION OF PIPE THREAD SYMBOLS
(See Table A1)

APPENDIX B

SUGGESTED TAP DRILL SIZES FOR INTERNAL DRYSEAL PIPE THREADS

The drill diameters given in Table B1 are for taper and straight internal pipe threads and will usually permit the tapping of acceptable threads in free-machining brass or steel provided the drill is correctly sharpened. When hard metals or other similar materials are to be drilled and tapped, it may be necessary to use a drill of slightly larger diameter whereas some soft materials may require a smaller size.

Taper pipe threads of improved quality are obtained when the holes are taper reamed after drilling and before tapping. Standard taper pipe reamers are used and, as in drilling, the actual size of the hole depends upon the material and is best determined by trial.

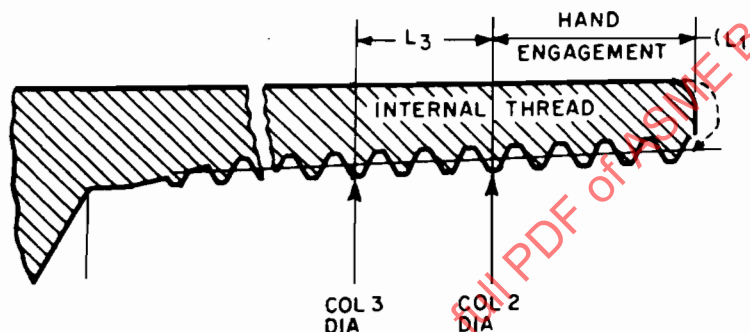


Table B1 Suggested Tap Drill Sizes For Internal Dryseal Pipe Threads

Size	Probable Drill Oversize Cut (Mean)	Taper Pipe thread						Straight Pipe Thread			
		Minor Diameter At Distance		Drill For Use Without Reamer		Drill For Use With Reamer		Minor Diameter		c Theoretical Drill Size	d Suggested Drill Size
				a	d	b	d				
		L ₁ From Large End	L ₁ + L ₃ From Large End	Theoretical-Drill Size	Suggested Drill Size	Theoretical Drill Size	Suggested Drill Size	NPSF	NPSI		
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1/16 - 27	0.0038	0.2443	0.2374	0.2405	"C" (0.242)	0.2336	"A" (0.234)	0.2482	0.2505	0.2444	"D" (0.246)
1/8 - 27	0.0044	0.3367	0.3298	0.3323	"Q" (0.332)	0.3254	21/64 (0.328)	0.3406	0.3429	0.3362	"R" (0.339)
1/4 - 18	0.0047	0.4362	0.4258	0.4315	7/16 (0.438)	0.4211	27/64 (0.422)	0.4422	0.4457	0.4375	7/16 (0.438)
3/8 - 18	0.0049	0.5708	0.5604	0.5659	9/16 (0.562)	0.5555	9/16 (0.563)	0.5776	0.5811	0.5727	37/64 (0.578)
1/2 - 14	0.0051	0.7034	0.6901	0.6983	45/64 (0.703)	0.6850	11/16 (0.688)	0.7133	0.7180	0.7082	45/64 (0.703)
3/4 - 14	0.0060	0.9127	0.8993	0.9067	29/32 (0.906)	0.8933	57/64 (0.891)	0.9238	0.9283	0.9178	59/64 (0.922)
1 - 11 1/2	0.0080	1.1470	1.1307	1.1390	1 9/64 (1.141)	1.1227	1 1/8 (1.125)	1.1600	1.1655	1.1520	1 5/32 (1.156)
1 1/4 - 11 1/2	0.0100	1.4905	1.4742	1.4805	1 31/64 (1.484)	1.4642	1 15/32 (1.469)				
1 1/2 - 11 1/2	0.0120	1.7295	1.7132	1.7175	1 23/32 (1.719)	1.7012	1 45/64 (1.703)				
2 - 11 1/2	0.0160	2.2024	2.1861	2.1864	2 3/16 (2.188)	2.1701	2 11/64 (2.172)				
2 1/2 - 8	0.0180	2.6234	2.6000	2.6054	2 39/64 (2.609)	2.5820	2 37/64 (2.578)				
3 - 8	0.0200	3.2445	3.2211	3.2245	3 15/64 (3.234)	3.2011	3 13/64 (3.203)				

a Column 4 values equal column 2 values minus column 1 values.

b Column 6 values equal column 3 values minus column 1 values.

c Column 10 values equal column 8 values minus column 1 values.

d Some drill sizes listed may not be standard drills, and in some cases, standard metric drill sizes may be closer to the theoretical drill size.