

## CHEMICAL RESISTANCE DATA

These recommendations are based upon information from material suppliers and careful examination of available published information and are believed to be accurate. However, since the resistance of metals, plastics and elastomers can be affected by concentration, temperature, presence of other chemicals and other factors. **This information should be considered as a general guide rather than an unqualified guarantee. Ultimately, the customer must determine the suitability of the pump used in various solutions.**

All recommendations assume ambient temperatures unless otherwise noted.

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**NOTE:** The materials shown below in **BOLDFACE TYPE** are used in the construction of Little Giant chemical pumps.

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<b>Acetaldehyde<sup>5</sup></b>	A A A	B A A	D		C			D D A		A A D C	B	A A A			D B	B D B C A						Silicon		
<b>Acetamide</b>	B A				C					B						A A	A A A	A A D A					Neoprene	
<b>Acetate Solvent<sup>2</sup></b>	A B A B B				A C B A			B D A		A	B D					D D	A A	D D	D				Ethylene Propylene (EPM)	
<b>Acetic Acid, Glacia<sup>1</sup></b>	B A A B A A	C C D A				C B A	C	D D D B	B	A A A		D B				D D	B C B C B						Rubber (Natural)	
<b>Acetic Acid 20%</b>	B A	A A	C		A	B	A A	D		A A	A					A C	C						Epoxy	
<b>Acetic Acid 80%</b>	B A	A A	C		A	D	A B	D		B						A C	D							
<b>Acetic Acid</b>	B A B B A A	C C D C	B	A B A A	D D C B	A	A A A			B A A A		C C				C C	C B C A							
<b>Acetic Anhydride</b>	B A A B B A A	C D B D	D	D D A	D D D D A	A A A A	D D D D A A A A					D A C B B C A												
<b>Acetone<sup>6</sup></b>	A A A B A A A	A A A A D	D D D A	D B A D C	B A A A A A							D D B C A D B												
<b>Acetyl Chloride</b>	C A		D					A								A	A							
<b>Acetylene<sup>2</sup></b>	A A A A A B	B A A A	B	A A A	B			A A		D A A A	A A A A					A A C B A C A								
<b>Acrylonitrile</b>	A A C	B B B	A	C						B	D	B A A A	C D	D D										
<b>Alcohols:</b>	<b>Amyl</b>	A A A	C A A	A B C C	A	A B A	C A A B B	B A A A								A A D A A C A								
	<b>Benzyl</b>	A A	B A A	A C				D B	A A A D D A							A D	B B D A							
	<b>Butyl</b>	A A A	B B A	B C C C	A	A B A	A A A A	B B A A A A								A A D A A A A								
	<b>Diacetone<sup>2</sup></b>	A A	A A A	A C C A	A	D	A A A			D A A	D D D A D D A	D D	D D	D D	D D									
	<b>Ethyl</b>	A A A B A A	A C A A	A C A A	A C	A C	A B A B B A	A A A A A A								A A B A B A A								
	<b>Hexyl</b>	A A	A A A	A C A	A					A A A	A A A	A A A	A A A	A A A	A A A	A A D B A A A								
	<b>Isobutyl</b>	A A	B A A	A C A	A					A A A B	A A A B	A A A B	A A A B	A A A B	A A A B	A C B A A A A								

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<b>Chlorine, Anhydrous Liquid</b>	D	D	D	D	D	A	D		C		D	B	A	D	D	D	D	D	C	A	D	A	D	D	B	D	B				
<b>Chlorine (dry)</b>	B	A		D	D	A	A	B	A			A							C	A	A	D		D	D	D	D	D			
<b>Chlorine Water</b>	D	D	D	A	B	D	D	D	A	A	A	C	D			D	C	C	A	A	A	D	D	C	D						
<b>Chlorobenzene (Mono)</b>	A	A	A	B	A	B	B	C	A	D	D	A	D	A	A	D	D	D	A	A	A	A	D	D	D	D	A				
<b>Chloroform</b>	A	A	A	A	D	A	A	B	D	C	C	D	C	A	D	C	D	D	C	A	A	A	D	D	D	D	A				
<b>Chlorosulfonic Acid<sup>1</sup></b>	D	D	D	A	B	D		D	D	C	C	A	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	C	D	D	D	D	D	C					
<b>Chlorox (Bleach)</b>	A	A	C	A	A	D	C		A	B	A	D	D	B		D	C	A	A	A	C	B	B	D	A						
<b>Chocolate Syrup</b>	A	A	A	A		D									A	A	A		A	A	A	A	A	A	D	A					
<b>Chromic Acid 5%</b>	A	A	B	C	A	A	D	D	D		A	B	C	D	D	B	B	A	A	D	C	A	D	C	D	A	B	B			
<b>Chromic Acid 10%</b>	B			A	A		D			A	A	A	A	D			A		A	A	A	D		D		C					
<b>Chromic Acid 30%</b>	B			A	A		D		B	A	A	D	D			A		A	A	A	D	D		D		D		D			
<b>Chromic Acid 50%</b>	C	B	B	C	A	A	D	D	D	C	B	B	A	D	D	D	C	C	B	B	D	A	A	D	D	A	D	C			
<b>Cider</b>	A	A	A	B		A	D			A		A	B	B				A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A		
<b>Citric Acid</b>	A	A	A	C	A	A	D	C	D	A	A	A	A	B	C	B	B		A	A	B	A	D	C	A	A	A	A			
<b>Citric Oils</b>	A	A	C		B										A	B			A	A	A	A	A	C	D		A				
<b>Coffee</b>	A	A	A	A	A	B	C							A	A	A	A		A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A		
<b>Copper Chloride</b>	C	D	D	B	D	A	A	D	D	A	A	B	A	B	D	B	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A			
<b>Copper Cyanide</b>	A	A	A	D	A	A	C	D	A	A	A	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	A	A	B	B	A	A	C	A	C				
<b>Copper Fluoroborate</b>	D	D	D	B	D	D			A	A	B		A			A		A	A	B	A	A	A								
<b>Copper Nitrate</b>	B	A	A	B	D	A	A	D		A	A	A	B	D		B	A		A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A			
<b>Copper Sulfate (5% Solution)</b>	A	A	A	D	A	A	D	D	D	A	A	A	B	D	B	A	A	A	A	A	A	C	A	C	A						
<b>Copper Sulfate</b>	B	B		A	A	C	D		A	A	A	A	C			A		A	A	B	B	A	A	A							
<b>Cream</b>	A	A	A	A	C	D						A	A	A				A	A	A	A	A	A	C		A					
<b>Cresols<sup>2</sup></b>	A	A	B		D	C				D	D		D	D	C	A	A	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	A				
<b>Cresylic Acid</b>	B	A	A	C	A	B	C		B	B	D	A		D	D	C		A	A	A	D	D	D	D	D	A					
<b>Cyclohexane</b>	A		A	A	A	A	A	A	D	D	A					D	A	A	A	A	A	A	D	D	D	D	A				
<b>Cyanic Acid</b>	A														D				C	D											
<b>Detergents</b>	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	B	A	B	B	A	A	A	A	B	A	C	A	B	C	A					
<b>Dichlorethane</b>	A	A			A			D	D	A				A	D			B	D		D	D	D	D	A						
<b>Diesel Fuel</b>	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A			D	A			D	A	A	A	A	A	A		D	D	D	A				
<b>Diethylamine</b>	A	A	A	A	A	A	A		D	A	B	D		C		A	A	D	B	B	B	C	A								
<b>Diethylene Glycol</b>	A					A					A	A	A	B	B		A	A	A	A	A	C	A	A	A	A	A				
<b>Diphenyl Oxide</b>	A					A					A			A			A		A	A	D	D	D	D	A						
<b>Dyes</b>	A	A	B	C						A	A								A	C											
<b>Epsom Salts (Magnesium Sulfate)</b>	B	A	A	A	A	B	B		A		A	A				A		A	A	A	A	A	A	C	A						
<b>Ethane</b>	A	A		A	A						D	A						A	A	A	A	B	D	D	A						
<b>Ethanolamine</b>	A	A					C				D			D			A	A	A	D	B	C	B	C	A						
<b>Ether<sup>3</sup></b>	A	A	A	A	A	B	B	A	B	D	C	D	A	C		A	A	A	C	D	D	C	D	A							
<b>Ethyl Acetate<sup>2</sup></b>	A	A	B	B	B	C	D	D	A	D	A	D	C	C	A	A	D	C	D	C	D	B	D	A							
<b>Ethyl Chloride</b>	A	A	A	B	A	B	B	C	D	A	D	D	A	D	A	D	D	A	A	D	B	B	C	A	A	A	A	A			
<b>Ethyl Sulfate</b>	D											B							A	A	A	A									
<b>Ethylene Chloride<sup>2</sup></b>	A	A	C	B	B	A	C	C	D	A	D	A	D	D	A	A	A	D	A	A	A	D	D	D	C	D	A				
<b>Ethylene Dichloride</b>	A	A	D	A	B	C	C	C	D	D	A	D	A	A	D	A	A	C	A	A	D	D	D	C	D	A					
<b>Ethylene Glycol<sup>4</sup></b>	A	A	A	A	B	B	B	C	A	A	B	A	A	B	B	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	C	A	A	A	A				

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Ethylene Oxide		A	A		A					D	A	A	A	A	A					A	A	D	D	D	D	C	D	A							
Fatty Acids		A	A	B	A	C	D	A	A	A	B	A	B	A	A	B	A	A	A	A	A	C	C	B	C	C	A								
Ferric Chloride		D	D	D	A	B	D	D	A	A	B	A	A	B	D	B	A	A	A	A	A	D	C	B	A	A									
Ferric Nitrate		A	A	A	D	A	A	D		A	A	A	A	B	D	B	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	D	A	A	A	A							
Ferric Sulfate		A	C	A	D	A	D	D	D	A	A	B	A	A	B	C	A	A	C	A	A	B	C	A	A	A	A								
Ferrous Chloride		D	D	D	A	B	C	D	A	A	B	A	A	B	D	B	A	A	A	A	A	B	C	A	A	A	A								
Ferrous Sulfate		B	A	C	D	A	B	C	D	D	A	A	B	A	A	B	D	B	A	A	A	A	B	A	A	A	A								
Fluoboric Acid		D	B		D	A		D		A	A	B	B	C	B	C	B	A	D	A	B	A	A												
Fluorine		D	D	D	D	A	D	D		C	C		D	C	D										D										
Fluosilicic Acid			B	D	D	B		D	A	A	B	A	A	B	D	B	A	A	D	B	A	A	C												
Formaldehyde 40%			A		A	A				B	B	A	A	D		A	A	A	A	D	B	B	A	A											
Formaldehyde		A	A	A	A	B	A	B	D	A	A	B	A	D	A	A	B	A	A	A	D	C	B	D	B	C	A								
Formic Acid <sup>6</sup>		C	A	B	B	D	C	A	C	C	D	D	A	D	B	A	D	B	A	A	B	B	D	C	D	A	C	B							
Fruit Juice		A	A	A	A	B		B	D	D	A	D	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A							
Fuel Oils		A	A	A	A	A	B	C	B	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	D	B	A	A	A	A	A	C	B	D	D	A							
Furan Resin		A	A	A	A	A		A	A	A		A	A			A	A		A	A	A	A	D	D	D	D	D	A							
Furfural <sup>1</sup>		A	A	A	A	B	A		A	D	D	A	D	B	A	D	D	D	A	A	A	D	D	D	D	B	D	A							
Gallic Acid		B	A	A	A	A	A	D	D		A	A	A	A	A				A			B	A												
Gasoline <sup>1</sup> <sup>4</sup>		A	A	A	A	D	A	A	A	A	C	A	A	D	A	A	D	D	C	A	A	A	A	A	D	D	C	D	A						
Gelatin		A	A	A	A	A	A	C	D	D	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A							
Glucose		A	A	A		A	A	A	B	B	A	B	A	B	A	B	B	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	B	A	A							
Glue P.V.A. <sup>1</sup>		B	B	A	B	A	A	A	A	A	B	A	A	B	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A							
Glycerine		A	A	A	A	A	A	A	B	B	B	A	A	B	A	A	A	C	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	B	A	A							
Cyclic Acid						A						A	A	C		B	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A						
Gold Monocyanide			A				A	D						A			A		A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A						
Grape Juice			A	A	B		B	D		A		A	B	B	B			A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A							
Grease <sup>4</sup>		A	A	A	A	B	A	A	A		A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	D	A							
Heptane <sup>1</sup>		A	A	A	A	A	A	B	A	A	B	A	A	D	A	A	C	D	D	A	A	A	A	A	B	D	A								
Hexane <sup>1</sup>		A	A	A	A	A	B	A	B	B	A	C	A	D	A	A	D	C	A	A	A	A	A	A	B	B	D	D							
Honey		A	A	A		A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	B	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A							
Hydraulic Oils (Petroleum) <sup>1</sup>		A	A	A	A		B	A	A			A	A	A	A	D	A	A	D	A	A	A	A	A	B	D	D	A							
Hydraulic Oils (Synthetic) <sup>1</sup>		A	A	A	A		A	A						A	A		D	A	A	A	C	D				A									
Hydrazine		A	A				C							D					A		A	B	D	B	A	C	A								
Hydrobromic Acid 20%		D		A	A					A	A	A	A	D		A		B	A	D	C	B	A	A	D	C	B		B						
Hydrobromic Acid <sup>4</sup>		D	D	D	D	A	A	D	D	A	A	B	A	C	D	D	B	B	A	A	A	D	D	D	A	A	A	A							
Hydrochloric/Muratic Acid (Dry gas)		D	C	A	D	A			D	A	A	A	A	A					A																
Hydrochloric/Muratic Acid (20%) <sup>4</sup>		D	D	D	D	C	B	D	D	A	A	B	A	D	D	B	A	A	D	A	A	D	A	C	C	A	C	A							
Hydrochloric/Muratic Acid (37%) <sup>4</sup>		D	D	D	D	C	B	D	D	A	A	B	A	D	D	C	A	A	D	A	C	D	A	C	C	C	C	D							
Hydrochloric/Muratic Acid (100%)		D	D	D	D	C	D	D	D	A	A	A	A	A			D	A	A	C	C	D	C	C	C	C	D	A							
Hydrocyanic Acid		A	A	A	C	A	A	A	D	D	C	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	A	A	C	B	A	C	B	A	A	A							
Hydrocyanic Acid (Gas 10%)		D	D								A	A														C	A	C	A						
Hydrofluoric Acid (20%) <sup>1</sup>		D	D	D	D	D	B	D	D	D	D	B	A	D	D	D	C	A	C	B	C	D	A	D	C	A	C	B							
Hydrofluoric Acid (75%) <sup>1,2</sup>		C	D	D	D	C	D	D	D	A	C	B	A	D	D	D	C	B	C	D	D	A	D	D	D	C	C	C							
Hydrofluoric Acid 100%		D	D	D	D	D	B	D	D	D	C	D	A				D	C	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	A						

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Hydrofluosilicic Acid	D D	C C	C D				C A				A			D A				
Hydrogen Gas	A A A	A		A B B	A A	A A							A				A	
Hydrogen Peroxide 10%	C C	A C A	D D D			A A A		D A	B A A			A	D	C D				
Hydrogen Peroxide 30%	B	B A	D			A A A		D	A C			A C	A D	C		B		
Hydrogen Peroxide	A B A A B A	D D D D	C	A C A B D D					B A C	A A	A A	A D C D C C A						
Hydrogen Sulfide, Aqueous Solution	D A C C A A	D C D		A A B A A	D D				B A A A A A D C			B A D C	B A D A					
Hydrogen Sulfide (dry)	A C A	D A	D C B B			A A A		D		A A	A A	D				A A		
Hydroxyacetic Acid (70%)		D B				A		D		A A	A A	A A	A A A A				A A	
Ink	A A A	C		C D D				B A A B		A A A A A A							A A	
Iodine	D D D D A B	D	D			D B A A C	D D D D	D	D A A B			D A A B		D B D A				
Iodine (In Alcohol)	B	D A				D A C	D	B	A A D			A A D	D					
Iodoform	B C A	A	C C B			A	A					A						
Isotane <sup>2</sup>		A				D A			D	A A A A				D A			D A	
Isopropyl Acetate	B C						A			A A	D D			D B D A				
Isopropyl Ether <sup>2</sup>	A A A	A	A A	A A		A D A		D	A A A A	D B		D B	D D D					
Jet Fuel (JP#, JP4, JP5)	A A A	A	A A A A A A	A A A B A A D A	D A A B D D	D A A A A A A A A	D A A A A A A A A	D A A A A A A A A	D A A A A A A A A	D A A A A A A A A	D A A A A A A A A	D A A A A A A A A	D D D D D A D A					
Kerosene <sup>2</sup>	A A A A A A A A A A	A A A B A A A D D D A	D A A B D B A	D A A B D D A	D A A B D D A	D A A B D D A	D A A B D D A	D A A B D D A	D A A B D D A	D A A B D D A	D A A B D D A	D A A B D D A	D D D A D A					
Ketones	A A A	B A A	A A A	D D D A	D B A	D D D A	D B A	D D A C A	D D A C A	D D A C A	D D A C A	D D A C A	D D C C					
Lacquers	A A A	A	A C C C	D	C A A A	D C A A	A	A A A A	D D	D D D D	D D D D	D D D D	D D D D	D D D D	D D D D	D D D D		
Lacquer Thinners	A	A A A A	C		C A D A	A D A	B	B A A A	A D D	D D D D	D D D D	D D D D	D D D D	D D D D	D D D D	D D D D		
Lactic Acid	A A B C C A A D	D D D C	C A B A A B C	B A A B C	B A A A A A A	B A A A A A A	B A A A A A A	B A A A A A A	B B A A A A B B	B B A A A A B B	B B A A A A B B	B B A A A A B B	B B A A A A B B	B B A A A A B B	B B A A A A B B	B B A A A A B B	B B A A A A B B	
Lard	B A A A A	A A C	A	A A C	A	A A C	A A C	A A A A	A A A A	A A A A	A A A A	A A A A	A A A C B	D A				
Latex	A A A	A A A	A				A A A A		A A A B		A A A A		A A A A	C A	A A		A A	
Lead Acetate	B A A	D A A C	D	A B A A A A	B A A A A A	B A A A A A	B A A A A A	B A A A A A	B A A A A A	B A A A A A	B A A A A A	B A A A A A	D B	D A A A				
Lead Sulfamate							A		A A A A		A A A A		A A B C A D C A					
Ligroin <sup>3</sup>	A	A	A			D A		D	A A A A	D A	A A A A	B A D A						
Lime	A A	C A	A A A			A	A D C		A A A A	A A C B D	A A A C B D	A A C B D	A A C B D	A A C B D	A A C B D	A A C B D	A A C B D	
Lubricants	A A	A A A B	A A A		A A A A	A A A B	A A A B	A A A A	A A A A	A A A A	A A A A	A A A A	A A C D	D A				
Magnesium Carbonate	A A A	B				A	A A A	B A	A A A A	B A	A A A A	A A A A	A A A A	A A A A	A A A A	A A A A	A A A A	
Magnesium Chloride	B B B A D A A	B C D C	A B C D C	A B C D C	A B A A A A A A	B A A A A A A	B A A A A A A	B A A A A A A	B A A A A A A	B A A A A A A	B A A A A A A	B A A A A A A	B A A A A A A	B A A A A A A	B A A A A A A	B A A A A A A	B A A A A A A	
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Maleic Anhydride			A				C			A A A A A D	D D D A	D D D A	D D D A					
Malic Acid	B A A	C A D	D A			A A A A A A A A	A			A A B	A A B	A A B	A A A A A A A A				A A	
Mash	A A		A				A A			A A		A A	A A A A A A A A				A A	
Mayonnaise	A A A	D	D D D D	D D D D		A A A A A B	A	A A A A A B	A A A A A B	A A A A A B	A A A A A B	A A A A A B	A A A A A B	A A A A A B	A A A A A B	A A A A A B	A A A A A B	
Melamine	D D		D				D		A A A A A C	C	A A A A A C	A A A A A C	A A A A A C	A A A A A C	A A A A A C	A A A A A C	A A A A A C	A A A A A C
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<b>Cadmium Plating</b> <b>Fluoborate Bath 100° F</b>		A	D	A								A	A	A	D			A		D	A	B	C			B				
<b>Chromium Plating</b> <b>Chromic-Sulfuric Bath 130° F</b>		C	A	A								A	A	D	D			A		A	C	D	D			D	D			
<b>Fluosilicate Bath 95° F</b>	C	C	A									A	A	D	D			A		B	C	D	D	D	D		D	D		
<b>Fluoride Bath 130° F</b>	D	C	A									A	A	D	D			A		B	C	D	D	D	D		D	D		
<b>Black Chrome Bath 115° F</b>	C	A	A									A	A	D	D			A		A	C	D	D	D	D		D	D		
<b>Barrel Chrome Bath 95° F</b>	D	C	A									A	A	D	D			A		A	C	D	D	D	D		D	D		
<b>Copper Plating (Cyanide)</b> <b>Copper Strike Bath 120° F</b>		A	A	A									A	A							C	B	A							
<b>Rochelle Salt Bath 150° F</b>	A	A	A										D	A	A	A			A		D	A	A	B			C			
<b>High Speed Bath 180° F</b>	A	A	A										D	A	A	A			A		D	A	A	B			C			
<b>Copper Plating (Acid)</b> <b>Copper Sulfate Bath R.T.</b>	D	A	A									A	A	A	D			A		D	A	A	A			D				
<b>Copper Fluoborate Bath 120° F</b>	D	D	A									A	A	A	D			A		D	A	B	C			D				
<b>Copper (Misc.)</b> <b>Copper Pyrophosphate 140° F</b>	A	A	A									A	A	A	A			A		B	A	A	A			B				
<b>Copper (Electroless) 140° F</b>				D								A	A	A	A			A		D	A	D	D			B				
<b>Gold Plating</b> <b>Cyanide 150° F</b>	A	A	A	C								D	A	A	A			A		B	A	A	A			D				
<b>Neutral 75° F</b>	C	A	A									A	A	A	A			A		A	A	A	A			A				
<b>Acid 75° F</b>	C	A	A									A	A	A	A			A		A	A	A	A			A				
<b>Indium Sulfamate Plating R.T.</b>	C	A	A									A	A	A	D			A		A	A	A	A			A				
<b>Iron Plating</b> <b>Ferrous Chloride Bath 190° F</b>	D	A	D									D	A	A	D			C		A	A	B	D			D				
<b>Ferrous Sulfate Bath 150° F</b>	C	A	A									D	A	A	D			A		A	A	A	B			D				
<b>Ferrous Am. Sulfate Bath 150° F</b>	C	A	A									D	A	A	D			A		A	A	A	B			D				
<b>Sulfate-Chloride Bath 160° F</b>	D	A	D									D	A	A	D			A		A	A	B	C			D				
<b>Fluoborate Bath 145° F</b>	D	D	B									D	A	A	D			A		D	A	B	C			D				
<b>Sulfamate 140° F</b>	D	A	B									A	A	A	D			A		A	A	A	A			A				
<b>Lead Fluoborate Plating</b>	C	D	A									A	A	A	D			A		D	A	B	C			A				
<b>Nickel Plating</b> <b>Watts Type 115 - 160° F</b>	C	A	A									D	A	A	A			A		A	A	A	A			D				
<b>High Chloride 130 - 160° F</b>	C	A	A									D	A	A	D			A		A	A	A	B			D				
<b>Fluoborate 100 - 170° F</b>	C	D	A	D								D	A	A	D			A		D	A	B	C			D				
<b>Sulfamate 140° F</b>	C	A	A									A	A	A	A			A		A	A	A	A			A				
<b>Electroless 200° F</b>												D	A	D	D			D		A	A	D	D			B				
<b>Rhodium Plating 120° F</b>	D	D	D									A	A	A	D	D		A		A	A	A	B			A				
<b>Silver Plating 80 - 120° F</b>	A	A	A									A	A	A	A			A		B	A	A	A			A				
<b>Tin-Fluoborate Plating 100° F</b>	C	D	A									A	A	A	D			A		D	A	B	C			A				
<b>Tine-Lead Plating 100° F</b>	C	D	A									A	A	A	D			A		D	A	B	C			A				
<b>Zinc Plating</b> <b>Acid Chloride 140° F</b>	D	A	D									A	A	A	D			A		A	A	A	A			A				
<b>Acid Sulfate Bath 150° F</b>	C	A	A									D	A	A	D			A		A	A	A	B			D				
<b>Acid Fluoborate Bath R.T.</b>	C	D										A	A	A	D			A		D	A	B	C			A				
<b>Alkaline Cyanide Bath R.T.</b>		A	A	A								A	A	A	A			A		D	A	A	A			A				
<b>Potash</b>	A	A	C	A	C	B						A	B	A	B	A	B	A		A	A	A	A	B	B	A				
<b>Potassium Bicarbonate</b>	A	B	C	A	B	B	D					A	A	A	C	A	C	B		A	A	A	A	A	A	B	A			
<b>Potassium Bromide</b>	A	A	B	C	A	B	C	D	D	A	A	A	A	A	C	B	A	C	A	A	A	A	A	A	B	A				

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Potassium Carbonate	B	A	A	C	A	C		B	B	A	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	B	A	B	A			
Potassium Chlorate	B	A	A	B	A	B		B	B	A	B	A	B	D	B	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	B	A				
Potassium Chloride	C	A	B	B	A	C	C	B	B	A	A	A	A	B	C	B	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A				
Potassium Chromate		B	B	A	B	A	A		A			A	C		B	A	A	D	A	A	A	A	A	B	C					
Potassium Cyanide Solutions	B	A	B	A	D	A	D	B	B	A	A	A	A	C	A	B	A	C	A	B	A	A	A	A	A	A				
Potassium Dichromate	B	A	A	A	A	B	C	B	C	A	A	A	A	C	D	B	A	A	A	B	A	A	A	A	A	A				
Potassium Ferrocyanide	B	A	A	C	B	A	C		A	A		A	A							D						A	A			
Potassium Hydroxide (50%)	A	B	B	D	C	A	D	D	D	C	A	D	A	C	B	A	A	D	A	D	B	C	A	A	C	A				
Potassium Nitrate	B	A	B	A	B	B		B	A	A	C	A	A	B	C	B	C	A	A	B	A	A	A	A	A	A				
Potassium Permanganate	B	A	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	A	A	A	A	C	D	C	B	A	A	A	B	A	A	B	B					
Potassium Sulfate	B	A	B	B	A	A	B	B	B	A	A	A	A	B	C	B	A	A	A	A	A	A	C	A	A					
Potassium Sulfide	A	A	A	B	B	B	B	B	B	A	A										A									
Propane (Liquified) <sup>12</sup>	A	A	A	A		A	A	B		D	A	D	A	A		D	A	A	A	A	D	B	D	D	A					
Propylene Glycol	B	B	A	A		B	B	B			A		B	B	B	B		A	A	A	A	C		A						
Pyridine	C	B	B			B	A	D		D	A	D	D		C	B	A	A	D	D	D	B	D	A						
Pyrogallic Acid	B	A	A	B	A	B	B	B		A	A		A	D	A		A	A	A	A			A			A				
Rosins	A	A	A	A	A	B	A	C	C		A		A	B	A		A	A	A	A					A					
Rum	A	A								A			A	A	A		A		A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A			
Rust Inhibitors	A	A	A			A	A						A			A		A	A	A	A	C		A						
Salad Dressing	A	A	B		B	D		A				A	A	A		A		A	A	A	A					A				
Sea Water	A	A	C	A	C	A	C	D		A	A	A	A	A	B	A	A	A	A	A	B	B	A	A	A					
Shellac (Bleached)	A	A	A	A		A	B	B	A			A	A	A	A	A		A		A						A				
Shellac (Orange)	A	A	A	A		A	C	C	A			A	A	A	A	A		A		A						A				
Silicone	B	A	B		A								A	A	A		A	A	A	A	A	B	A	A	A	A				
Silver Bromide	C	C	B	D									A	C				A									A			
Silver Nitrate	B	A	B	D	A	A	D	D	D	A	A	B	A	A	C	A	B	A	A	A	C	A	C	A	A					
Soap Solutions <sup>1</sup>	A	A	A	C	A	B	B	B	A	B	B	A	A	A	B	A	B	A	A	A	A	B	B	C	A					
Soda Ash (See Sodium Carbonate)																														
Sodium Acetate	B	A	A	B	B	A		B	C	C	A	A	A	B	A	B	A	A	A	D	D	C	A	A						
Sodium Aluminate	B		A	C	B	B			C			A	A	B	A		A	A	A	A	A	A	A	B	B					
Sodium Bicarbonate	B	A	A	A	A	A	B	A	C	C	A	A	B	A	A	B	B	A	A	A	A	A	C	A	A					
Sodium Bisulfate	A	A	A	D	B	B	C	C	D	A	A	B	A	A	B	C	C	B	A	A	A	B	A	C	A					
Sodium Bisulfite	A	A	A	A	B	C	D	A	A	B	A	A	B	D	B	B	A	A	A	A	A	A	C	A	A					
Sodium Borate	B	A	A	C	A	A	C	C	C	A	A	C	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	B	A							
Sodium Carbonate	B	A	B	B	C	A	A	B	B	B	A	B	A	A	A	C	B	A	A	B	A	A	A	A	A	A				
Sodium Chlorate	B	A	A	B	A	B		C	A	A	B	A	A	D	A	B	A	A	A	A	D	A	A	A	A					
Sodium Chloride	B	A	C	B	C	A	A	B	C	B	C	A	A	A	B	B	A	A	A	A	A	A	C	A	B					
Sodium Chromate	A	A	A	D	B	B	B	B	B		A	A	D	A		A	A	A	B	A	B	A	A	C						
Sodium Cyanide	B	A	A	D	A		D	D	B	B	A	A	A	D	C	B	A	A	A	A	A	A	D	A	A	A				
Sodium Fluoride	B	C	C	C	A	A	C	D	D	D	A	D	A	A	C		A	C		B	D	D	A	D	D	A				
Sodium Hydrosulfite					A	A	C				C	A	A		A		A			A	A	A	A	A	A	A				
Sodium Hydroxide/Caustic Soda (20%)	A	A	A	D	A	A	C	D	A	A	B	A	A	D	C	C	B	A	A	C	D	A	A	D	B	A				
Sodium Hydroxide/Caustic Soda (50%)	A	B	D	A	A	C	D	B	D	A	B	A	A	D	C	C	A	B	C	D	A	D	D	C	A					
Sodium Hydroxide/Caustic Soda (80%)	A	D	D	A	B	C	D	C		A	B	A	D	C	C	A	B	C	D	B	D	D	C	B	A					

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	302 Stainless Steel	304 Stainless Steel	316 Stainless Steel	440 Stainless Steel	Aluminum	TITANIUM	NICKEL ALLOY C276 (HASTELLOY®)	Cast Bronze	Brass	Cast Iron	Carbon Steel	POLYVINYLIDENE FLUORIDE (KYNAR®)	PVC (Type 1) Tygon (E-3606)	PTFE	Polyphenylene Oxide (Noryl®)	Polyacetal	Nylon® ABS (Cyclohexane)	Polyethylene	POLYPROPYLENE	POLYPHENYLENE SULFIDE (RYTON®)	CARBON	CERAMIC	CERAMAGNET "A"	FLUOROELASTOMER (Viton®)	BUNA N (NITRILE)	Silicon	Neoprene	Ethylen Propylene (EPM)	Rubber (Natural)	Epoxy
Trichlorethane	C	A	C	A	A	C	C					A	D	A																
Trichlorethylene <sup>2</sup>	B	A	A	B	A	A	B	A	C	B	A	D		A	D	A	C	D	D	C	A	A	C	A	D	D	D	D	D	
Trichloropropane		A				A								D	A	D					A	A		A	A					
Tricresylphosphate	A		B	A	A					D		A	C	C							A	A	B	D		D	A		A	
Triethylamine						A				A		B	D							A	A	A	A	D	B			A		
Turpentine <sup>3</sup>	B	A	A	C	A	B	C	B	B	A	A	B	A	D	A	A		D	B	A	A	A	A	D		D	D	D		
Urine	A	A	B		C	B			A		A	A	A		B	A			B	A	A	A	A	A	D	A		A		
Vegetable Juice	A	A	A		C	D						A	A	A						A	A	A	A	A	B	D		D	A	
Vinegar	A	A	A	A	D	A	A	B	B	C	D	A	A		A	A	B	B	A	A	A	A	A	C		B	A	C		
Varnish (Use Viton for Aromatic)	A	A	A	A	A			A	B	C			A	D	A	A			A		A	A	A	A	B	C	D	A		
Water, Acid, Mine	A	A	C		C	D	C			A	B		A	D	A	B			A	B	A	A	A	A	A	B		B	A	
Water, Distilled, Lab Grade 7	A	A	B		A	D			A	B	A	A	A	A	A				A	A	A	A	A	A		B	A	A	A	
Water, Fresh	A	A	A	A		A	C	B	D		A	B	A	A	A	A	A		A	A	A	A	A	A		B	A	A	A	
Water, Salt	A	A	B		B	C	D			A	B	A	A	A					A	A	A	A	A	A		B	A	A	A	
Weed Killers	A	A	C		C								A	A						A	A	A	B	C		A				
Whey	A	A	B											A						A	A	A	A						A	
Whiskey and Wines	A	A	A	A	D			B	B	D	D	A	A	A	A	A		B	A	A	A	A	A	A	B	A	A	A	A	
White Liquor (Pulp Mill)	A	A			A	D	C		A		A	A	A	D	A			A	A	A	A	A	A	A		A		A		
White Water (Paper Mill)	A	A				A								B	A			A		A	A	A	A	A	A		A		A	
Xylene <sup>2</sup>	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	B	A	D	A	D	A	A	D	D	D	A	A	A	A	D	D	D	D	A		
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Zinc Hydrosulphite		A	D		D	D							A	C					A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	
Zinc Sulfate	B	A	A	A	D	A	B	B	C	C	D	A	C	B	A	A	C	A	B	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	C	A		

A — No effect — Excellent

B — Minor effect — Good

C — Moderate effect — Fair

D — Severe effect — Not recommended

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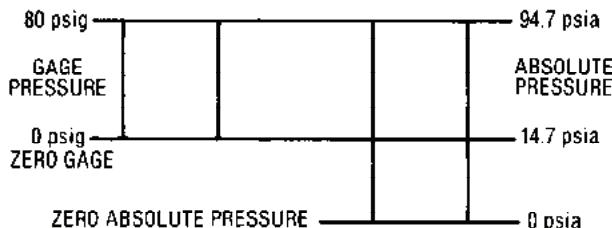
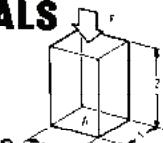
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# HYDRAULIC FUNDAMENTALS

**Pressure** The basic definition of pressure is force per unit area. As commonly used in hydraulics and in this manual, it is expressed in pounds per square inch (PSI).

**Atmospheric Pressure** is the force exerted on a unit area by the weight of the atmosphere. At sea level, the atmospheric standard pressure is 14.7 pounds per square inch.

**Gage Pressure** Using atmospheric pressure as a zero reference, gage pressure is a measure of the force per unit area exerted by a fluid. Units are PSIG.



**Absolute Pressure** is the total force per unit area exerted by a fluid. It equals atmospheric pressure plus gage pressure. Units are expressed in PSIA.

**Outlet Pressure** or discharge pressure is the average pressure at the outlet of a pump during operation, usually expressed as gage pressure (psig).

**Inlet Pressure** is the average pressure measured near the inlet port of a pump during operation. It is expressed either in units of absolute pressure (psig) preferably, or gage pressure (psig).

**Differential Pressure** is the difference between the outlet pressure and the inlet pressure. Differential pressure is sometimes called Pump Total Differential pressure.

**Vacuum** or **Suction** are terms in common usage to indicate pressures in a pumping system below normal atmospheric pressure, and are often measured as the difference between the measured pressure and atmospheric pressure in units of inches of mercury vacuum, etc. It is more convenient to discuss these in absolute terms; that is from a reference of absolute zero pressure, in units of psia.

	INCHES Hg VACUUM	MM Hg VACUUM	SUCTION LIFT FT OF WATER	FT. OF WATER ABSL	MM Hg ABSL	INCHES Hg ABSL	PSIA ABSL
ZERO 0 psig	10	200	10	30	600	29.9	14.7
	20	400	20	40	400	29.9	10
ZERO ABSOLUTE	29.9	760	30	33.9	200	0	0

# FLUID FUNDAMENTALS

Fluids include liquids, gases, and mixtures of liquids, solids, and gases. For the purposes of this manual, the terms **fluid** and **liquid** are used interchangeably to mean pure liquids, or liquids mixed with gases or solids which act essentially as a liquid in a pumping application.

**Density** or **Specific Weight** of a fluid is its weight per unit volume, often expressed in units of pounds per cubic foot, or grams per cubic centimeter.

**Example:** If weight is 80#/cu. ft.

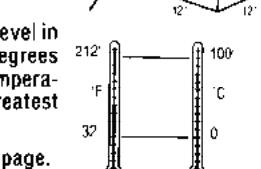
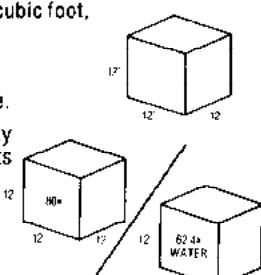
The density of a fluid changes with temperature.

**Specific gravity** of a fluid is the ratio of its density to the density of water. As a ratio, it has no units associated with it.

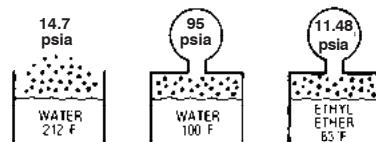
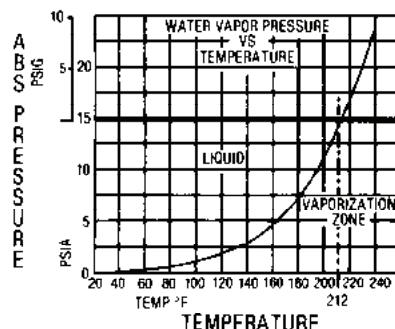
**Example:** Specific gravity is  $\frac{80\#}{62.4\#}$  or SG = 1.282

**Temperature** is a measure of the internal energy level in a fluid. It is usually measured in units of degrees fahrenheit ( $^{\circ}\text{F}$ ) or degrees centigrade ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ). The temperature of a fluid at the pump inlet is usually of greatest concern.

See  $^{\circ}\text{F} - ^{\circ}\text{C}$  conversion chart on Technical Data page.



**Vapor Pressure** of a liquid is the absolute pressure (at a given temperature) at which a liquid will change to a vapor. Vapor pressure is best expressed in units of psi absolute (psia). Each liquid has its own vapor pressure-temperature relationship.



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**Viscosity** — the viscosity of a fluid is a measure of its tendency to resist a shearing force. High viscosity fluids require a greater force to shear at a given rate than low viscosity fluids.

The **CENTIPOISE** (cps) is the most convenient unit of absolute viscosity measurement.

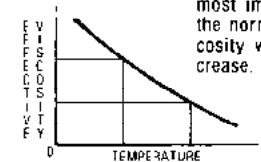
Other units of viscosity measurement such as the centistoke (cst) or Saybolt Second Universal (SSU) are measures of Kinematic viscosity where the specific gravity of the fluid influences the viscosity measured. Kinematic viscometers usually use the force of gravity to cause the fluid to flow down a calibrated tube, while timing its flow.

The absolute viscosity, measured in units of centipoise (1/100 of a poise) is used throughout this manual as it is a convenient and consistent unit for calculation.

Other units of viscosity can easily be converted to centipoise.

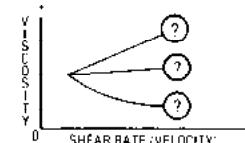
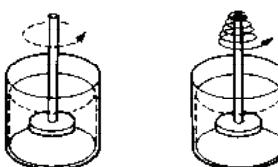
Kinematic viscosity	X	Specific Gravity	Absolute Viscosity
Centistokes	X	S.G.	Centipoise
SSU X 216	X	S.G.	Centipoise

Viscosity unfortunately is not a constant, fixed property of a fluid, but is a property which varies with the conditions of the fluid and the system.



In a pumping system, the most important factors are the normal decrease in viscosity with temperature increase.

And the viscous behavior properties of the fluid in which the viscosity can change as shear rate or flow velocity changes.



**EFFECTIVE VISCOSITY** is a term describing the real effect of the viscosity of the ACTUAL fluid, at the SHEAR RATES which exist in the pump and pumping system at the design conditions.

Centrifugal pumps are generally not suitable for pumping viscous liquids. When pumping more viscous liquids instead of water, the capacity and head of the pump will be reduced and the horsepower required will be increased.

pH value for a fluid is used to define whether the aqueous solution is an acid or base (with values of pH usually between 0 and 14):

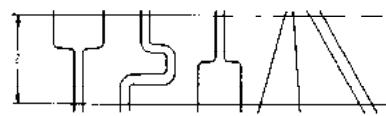
1. Acids or acidic solutions have a pH value less than 7
2. Neutral solutions have pH value of 7 at 25°C (example: pH of pure water = 7)
3. Bases or alkaline solutions have a pH value greater than 7

## RELATION OF PRESSURE TO ELEVATION

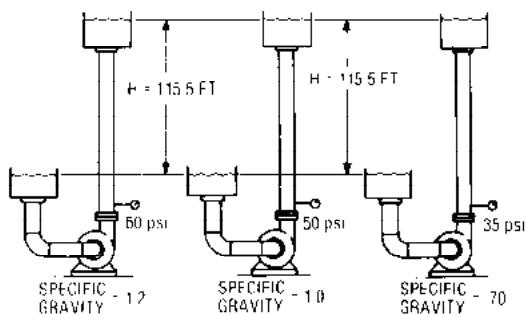
In a static liquid (a body of liquid at rest) the pressure difference between any two points is in direct proportion only to the vertical distance between the points.

This pressure difference is due to the weight of the liquid and can be calculated by multiplying the vertical distance by the density (or vertical distance x density of water x specific gravity of the fluid). In commonly used units:

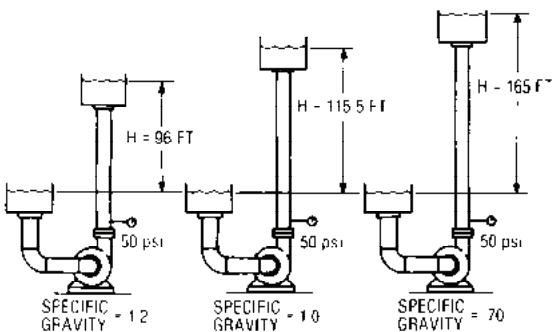
$$P_{\text{static}} (\text{in PSI}) = Z (\text{in feet}) \times \frac{62.4 \text{ lbs./cu. ft.} \times S}{144 \text{ sq. in./sq. ft.}}$$



**PUMP HEAD — PRESSURE — SPECIFIC GRAVITY** — in a centrifugal pump the head developed (in feet) is dependent on the velocity of the liquid as it enters the impeller eye and as it leaves the impeller periphery and, therefore, is independent of the specific gravity of the liquid. The pressure head developed (in psi) will be directly proportional to the specific gravity.



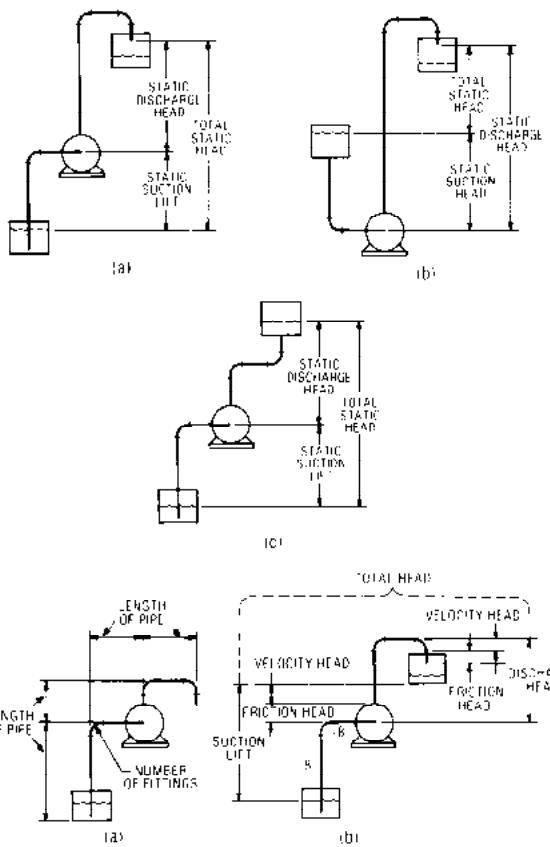
Pressure-Head relationship of identical pumps handling liquids of differing specific gravities.



Pressure-head relationship of pumps delivering same pressure handling liquids of differing specific gravity.

This relationship, the elevation equivalent of pressure, is commonly called head and is still frequently used. Pressure converted to the equivalent height of fluid that would produce that pressure can be referred to as ligad.

- Static Head** • The hydraulic pressure at a point in a fluid when the liquid is at rest.
- Friction Head** • The loss in pressure or energy due to frictional losses in flow.
- Velocity Head** • The energy in a fluid due to its velocity, expressed as a head unit.
- Pressure Head** • A pressure measured in equivalent head units.
- Discharge Head** • The outlet pressure of a pump in operation.
- Total Head** • The total pressure difference between the inlet and outlet of a pump in operation.
- Suction Head** • The inlet pressure of a pump when above atmospheric.
- Suction Lift** • The inlet pressure of a pump when below atmospheric.



## FRictionAL LOSSES

The nature of frictional losses in a pumping system can be very complex. Losses in the pump itself are determined by actual test, and are allowed for in the manufacturers curves and data. Similarly, manufacturers of processing equipment, heat exchangers, static mixers etc. usually have data available for friction losses.

Frictional losses due to flow in pipes are directly proportional to the:

- length of pipe
- flow rate
- pipe diameter
- viscosity of fluid

Pipe friction tables have been established by the Hydraulic Institute and many other sources which can be used to compute the friction loss in a system for given flow rates, viscosities and pipe sizes.

Tables of equivalent lengths for fittings and valves are also available. See page 3 in this manual.

## NPSH

Fluid will only flow into the pump head by atmospheric pressure or atmospheric pressure plus a positive suction head. If suction pressure at suction pipe is below the vapor pressure of the fluid, the fluid may flash into a vapor. A centrifugal pump cannot pump only vapor. If this happens, fluid flow to the pump head will drop off and cavitation may result.

**NET POSITIVE SUCTION HEAD, AVAILABLE (NPSHA)** is based on the design of the system around the pump inlet. The average pressure (in psia) is measured at the inlet port during operation, minus the vapor pressure of the liquid at operating temperature. It indicates the amount of useful pressure energy available to fill the pump head.

**NET POSITIVE SUCTION HEAD, REQUIRED (NPSHR)** is based on pump design. This is determined by test of the pump of what pressure energy (in psia) is needed to fill the pump inlet. It is a characteristic which varies primarily with the pump speed and the viscosity of the fluid.

For satisfactory pump operation under any set of conditions (capacity versus head) the NPSH, available, must be greater than the NPSH, required. Generally, a two foot head safety margin is normally used.



# CONVERSION FACTORS

FLOW	
Lbs of Water/Hr x .002	= Gal Min
Gal/Min x 500	= Lbs of Water/Hr
<u>Lbs of Fluid/Hr</u> x .002	= Gal Min
Specific Gravity	= Gal/Min (US)
Liters/Min x .264	= Liters/Min
GPM x 3.785	= Gal/Min (US)
Cu Meters/Hr x 4.4	= Cu Meters/Hr
Gal/Min x .227	= Gal/Min (US)
Kg of Water/Min x .264	= Kg of Water/Min
Gal/Min x 3.8	
PRESSURE	
Ft of Water x .433	= PSI
PSI x 2.31	= Ft of Water
Inches Hg x .491	= PSI
Inches Hg x 1.133	= Ft of Water
ATM x 14.7	= PSI
ATM x 33.9	= Ft of Water
Kg/Sq cm x 14.22	= PSI
Meters of Water x 1.42	= PSI
ATM x 760	= mm Hg
mm Hg x .039	= Inches Hg
Bar x 14.5	= PSI
Newton/Meter <sup>2</sup> x 1	= Pascal
PSI x 6.9	= kPa (Kilopascal)
kPa x .145	= PSI
VOLUME	
Lbs Water x .119	= Gal
Gal (Brit) x 1.2	= Gal (US)
Gal x 128	= Fluid Ounces
Cubic Ft x 7.48	= Gal
Cubic In x .00433	= Gal
Gal x 3.785	= Liters
Liter x .264	= Gal
Cubic Meters x 264.2	= Gallons
Cubic Meter x 1000	= Liter
Liters x 1000	= Cubic Centimeters
Cubic Centimeters x .0338	= Fluid Ounces
Fluid Ounces x 29.57	= Cubic Centimeters
LENGTH	
Mils x .001	= Inches
Meters x 3.281	= Feet
Centimeters x .394	= Inches
Millimeters x .0394	= Inches
Microns x .0000394	= Inches
MASS	
Gal of Water x 8.336	= Lbs
Cubic Ft of Water x 62.4	= Lbs
Ounces x .0625	= Lbs
Kilograms x 2.2	= Lbs
Lbs x .454	= Kilo
Metric Ton x 2205	= Lbs
METRIC PREFIXES	
	Mega = 1,000,000
	Killo = 1,000
	Hecto = 100
	Deca = 10
	Deci = .1
	Centi = .01
	Milli = .001
	Micro = .000.001

## LIQUID PUMP TERMINOLOGY

**Flooded suction** — Liquid source is higher than pump, and liquid flows to pump by gravity. Preferable for centrifugal pump installations.

**Flow** — The measure of the liquid volume capacity of a pump. Given in Gallons Per Hour (GPH) or Gallons Per Minute (GPM), as well as Liters Per Minutes. (LPM) and milliliters per minute, (ml/m).

**Head** — Another measure of pressure, expressed in feet. Indicates the height of a column of water being lifted by the pump, neglecting friction losses in piping.

**Lift** — (Suction Lift) - Liquid source is lower than the pump. Pumping action creates a partial vacuum and atmospheric pressure forces liquid up to pump. Theoretical limit of suction lift is 34 feet, practical limit is 25 feet or less, depending on pump type and elevation above sea level.

**Pressure** — The force exerted on the walls of a container (tank, pipe, etc.) by the liquid. Measured in pounds per square inch (PSI).

**Prime** — A charge of liquid required to begin pumping action of centrifugal pumps when liquid source is lower than pump. May be held in pump by a foot valve on the intake line or a valve or chamber within the pump.

**Seal** — A device mounted in the pump housing and/or on the pump shaft, to prevent leakage of liquid from the pump. There are two types:

**Mechanical** — Has a rotating part and stationary part with highly polished touching surfaces. Has excellent sealing capability and life, but can be damaged by dirt or grit in the liquid.

**Lip** — A flexible ring (usually rubber or similar material) with the inner edge held closely against the rotating shaft by a spring.

**Seal-less** — (Magnetic Drive). No seal is used, power is transmitted from motor to pump impeller by magnetic force, through a wall that completely separates motor from impeller.

**Specific Gravity** — The ratio of the weight of a given volume of liquid to the same volume of pure water. Unless stated otherwise, power requirements of all pumps listed herein are based on pumping water. Pumping heavier liquids (Specific Gravity greater than 1.0) will require more drive horsepower.

**Static Discharge Head** — Vertical Distance (in Feet) from pump to point of discharge.

**Sump** — A well or pit in which liquids collect below floor level, sometimes refers to an oil reservoir.

**Total Head** — The sum of discharge head, suction lift and friction losses.

**Viscosity** — The thickness of a liquid, or its ability to flow. Temperature must be stated when specifying viscosity, since most liquids flow more easily as they get warmer. The more viscous the liquid, the slower the pump speed required.

**Gland** — A groove made to hold the o-ring seal so that desired compression for proper sealing is maintained.

**Strainers** — A device installed in the inlet of a pump to prevent foreign particles from damaging the internal parts.

### Valves:

**Check Valve** — Allows liquid to flow in one direction only. Generally used in discharge line to prevent reverse flow.

**Foot Valve** — A type of check valve with a built-in strainer. Used at point of liquid intake to retain liquid in the system, preventing loss of prime when liquid source is lower than pump.

**Relief Valve** — Usually used at the discharge of a positive displacement pump. An adjustable, spring-loaded valve opens, or "relieves" when a pre-set pressure is reached. Used to prevent excessive pressure and pump or motor damage if discharge line is closed off.

**Unloader Valve** — Similar to relief valve, but not adjustable.

### Pump Types

**Centrifugal** — consists of a fan-shaped impeller rotating in a circular housing, pushing liquid towards a discharge opening. Simple design, only wearing parts are the shaft seal and bearings (if so equipped). Usually used where a flow of liquid at relatively low pressure is desired. Not self-priming unless provided with a priming reservoir or foot valve; works best with the liquid source higher than the pump (flooded suction/gravity feed). As the discharge pressure (head) increases, flow and driven power requirements decrease. Maximum flow and motor loading occur at minimum head.

**Flexible Impeller** — a flexible, vaned member, usually rubber, rotating in an eccentric housing. The volume of the spaces between the vanes changes as the pump rotates, and pumping action is created. Usually used with pressures up to 30 PSI.

**Submersible** — A pump which operates only when totally submerged in the fluid which is being pumped, with water-proof electrical connections, using a motor which is cooled by the liquid.

**Peristaltic Tube** — Fluid only contacts tubing. A bushing rotates in a housing squeezing a tube creating a suction which draws fluid through the tubing.

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