



Hydraulic Assembly Basics

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• Setup

Overview

- Fitting Types
- Hose Sizing
- Assembly Techniques





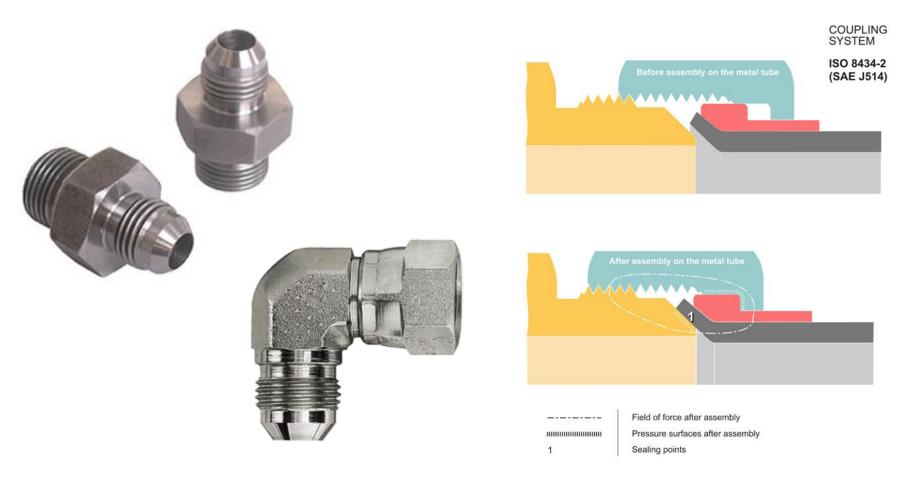
- Assume everything will get coated in hydraulic oil. Everything.
 - Drop cloths on all tables and surfaces
 - Absorbent media available at all times
 - Cleaning station to degrease tools
- Wear gloves at all times, wash hands immediately after working with oil



Fitting Types



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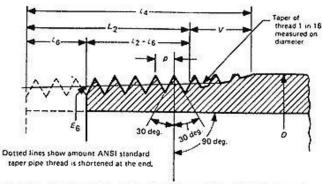
- Sealing surface:
 - 37 degree flare on nose of male fittings
- Tensioning mechanism:
 - Free-swiveling, floating hex nuts on straight threads
- Pros:
 - Easy to assemble
 - Widely available
 - New industry standard
- Cons
 - Easy to not tighten enough

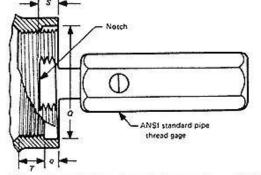


Fitting Types - NPT

NPTR Thread Definition







Nom. Pipe Size	0.D. of Pipe (D) 2	Threads/ in. (n) 3	Height of Thread (h) 4	Pitch Diamoter at End of External Thread (E ₆)	Shortening of Threads (L 6)		Length of Effective Thread (L ₂ - L ₆)		Total Length of External Thread, max. (L4 - L6)		Incomplete Threads due to Chamfer of Die, max. (1/)		Depth of Recess in Fitting (g)	Dia. of Recess in Fitting (Q)	Length (7)	Distance Gage ² Notch comes below Face of Fitting (S)	
					in. 6	Threads 7	in. 8	Threads 9	in. 10	Threads	in. 12	Threads	Minimum 14	Minimum 15	Minimum 16	in, 17	Threads
11/4 11/2 2	1,315 1,660 1,900 2,375	11.5 11.5 11.5 11.5	0.0696 0.0696 0.0696 0.0696	1.2299 1.5734 1.8124 2.2853	0.261 0.261 0.261 0.261	3 3 3 3	0.422 0.446 0.463 0.496	4.85 5.13 5.32 5.70	0.639 0.707 0.724 0.757	7.35 8.13 8.33 8.70	0.217 0.261 0.261 0.261	21/2 3 3 3	0.22 0.26 0.26 0.26	1.34 1.68 1.92 2.40	0.30 0.39 0.43 0.43	0,348 0,348 0,348 0,348	4
2½ 3 3½ 4	2,875 3,500 4,000 4,500	\$ \$ \$	0.1000 0.1000 0.1000 0.1000	2.7508 3.3719 3.8688 4.3656	0.500 0.500 0.500 0.500	4 4 4 4	0.638 0.700 0.750 0.800	5.10 5.60 6.00 6.40	1.013 1.075 1.125 1.175	8.10 8.60 9.00 9.40	0.375 0.375 0.375 0.375	3 3 3 3	0.38 0.38 0.38 0.38 0.38	2.90 3.53 4.04 4.54	0.63 0.63 0.63 0.63	0.625 0.625 0.625 0.625	5 5 5 5

NOTES:

(1) These dimensions agree with those developed by the Manufacturers Standardization Society of the Valve and Fittings Industry. Thread lengths are specified to three

decimal places for convenience,

(2) American National Standard Taper Pipe Thread Plug Gage.

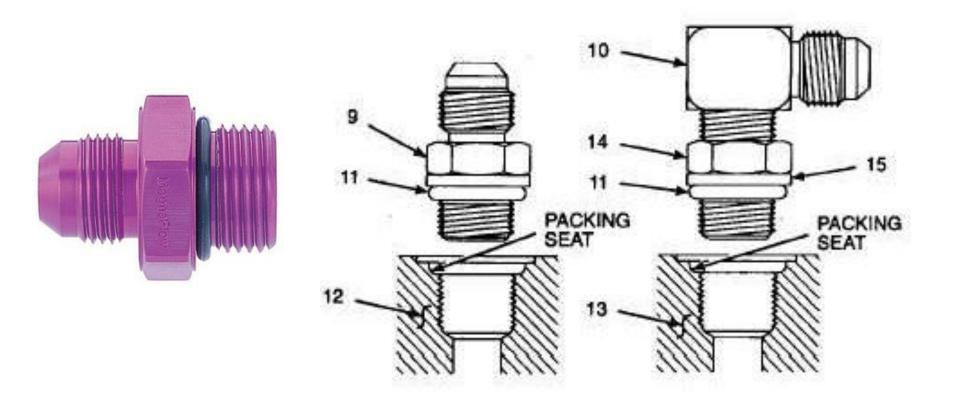
Fitting Types - NPT



- Sealing surface:
 - Tapered screw with seal lubricant
- Tensioning mechanism:
 - Non-swiveling or swiveling tapered screw
- Pros:
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- Cons
 - Almost always leak
 - Difficult to assemble
 - Easy to screw up



Fitting Types - ORB



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- Sealing surface:
 - O-Ring touching down on machined surface
- Tensioning mechanism:
 - Straight non-swiveling thread
- Pros:
 - Easy to assemble
 - Widely available
 - Very robust
- Cons
 - O-Ring tearing if mishandled





Fitting Types - Flange Mount

- Sealing surface:
 - O-Ring touching down on machined surface
- Tensioning mechanism:
 - Bolt pattern
- Pros:
 - Easy to assemble
 - Widely available
 - Very robust
- Cons
 - O-Ring tearing if mishandled



Hose Sizing





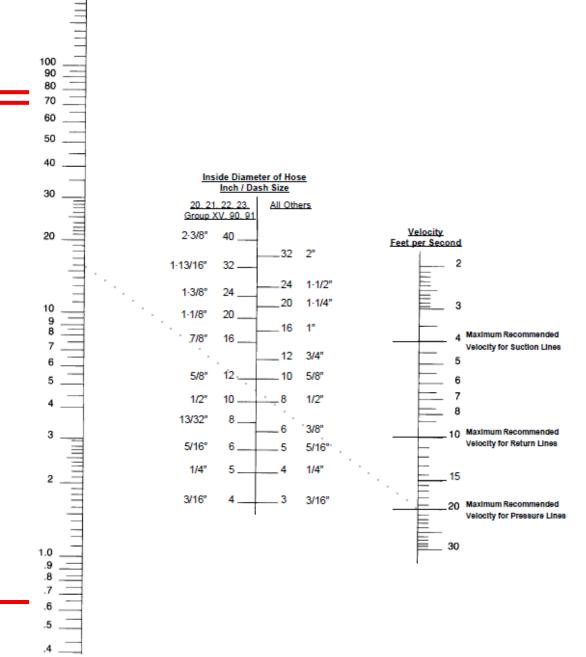
- Hoses are sized by "Dash Number"
- Dash number is hose inner diameter in inches:
 - I.D. = Dash Number / 16
 - "Dash 8" = 0.5" I.D.

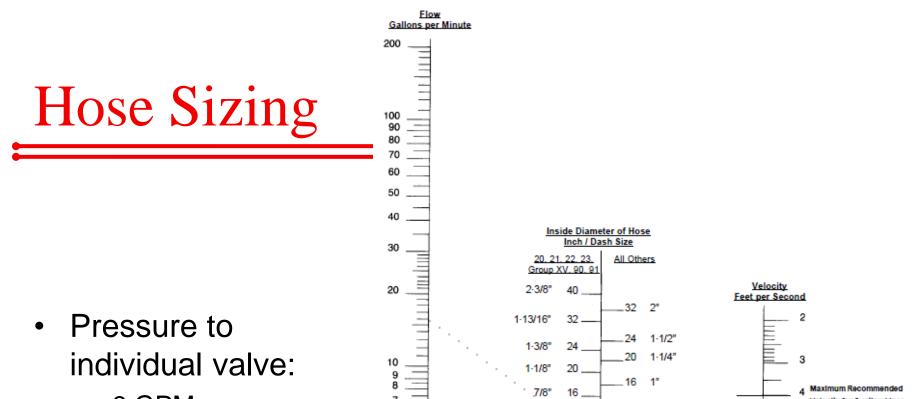


Elow Gallons per Minute

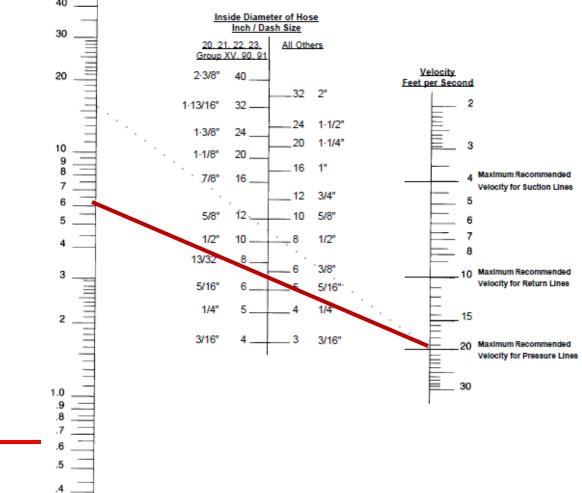
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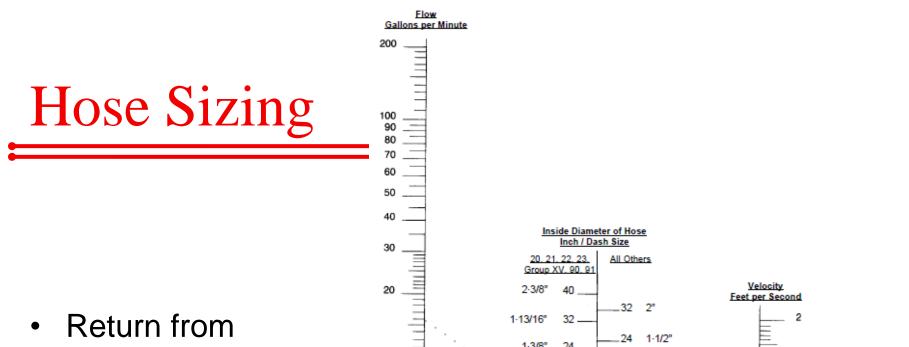
 Draw a line between desired flow rate and minimum or maximum flow velocities for your type of hydraulic path



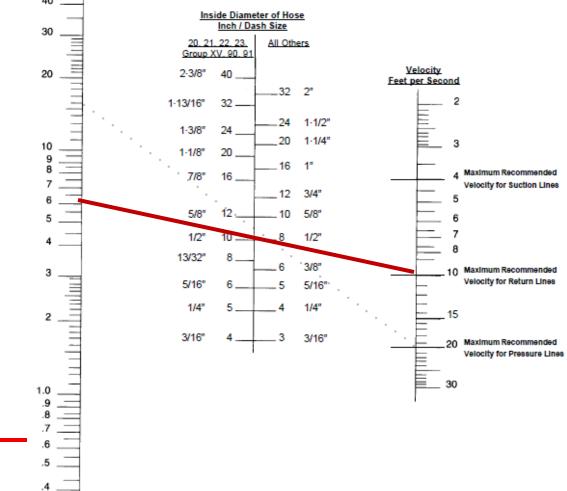


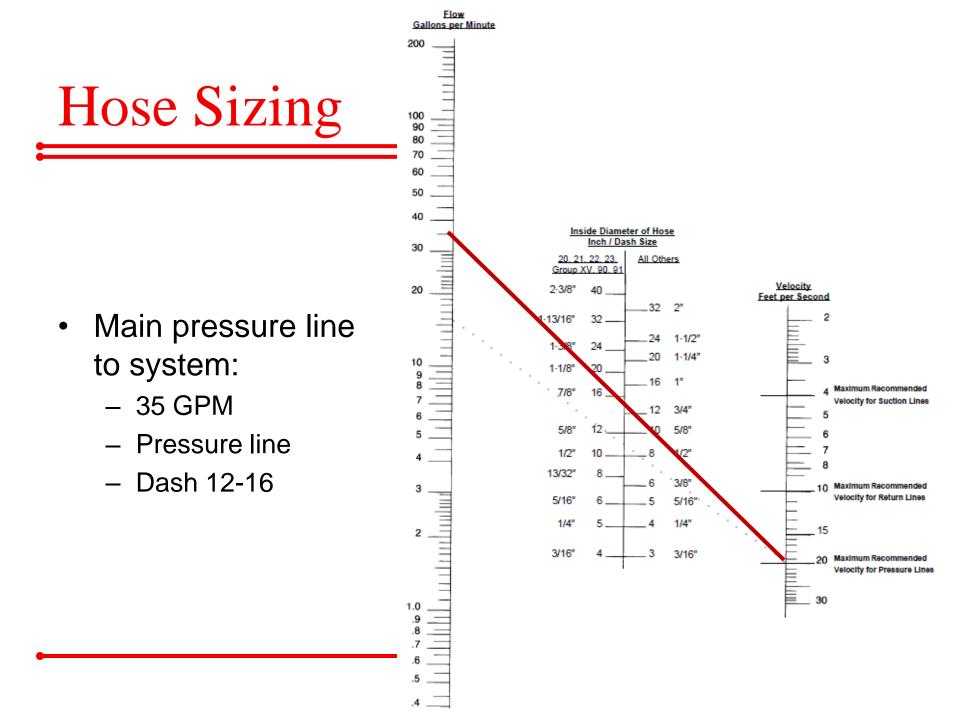
- 6 GPM
- Pressure line
- Dash 5-6

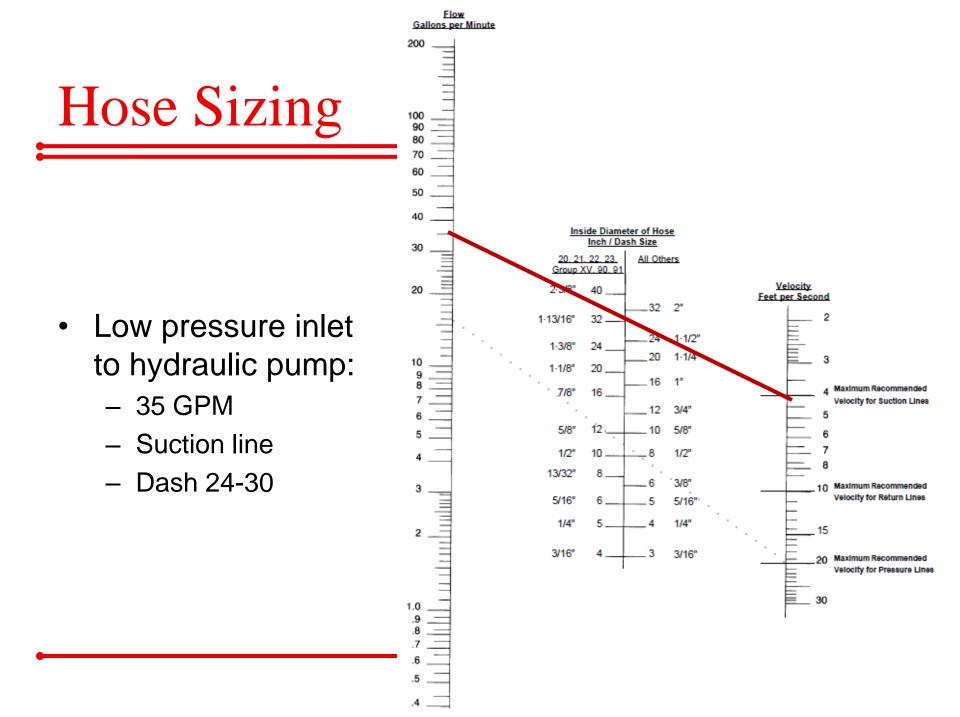




- individual valve:
 - 6 GPM
 - Return line
 - Dash 8









Assembly Techniques

Basics



- Essentials:
 - Hydraulic oil acts like a grit/dust magnet
 - Grit/dust destroys hydraulic systems
 - All surfaces must be cleaned and oiled before assembly
- Set up in as clean an environment as possible
- Never leave hydraulic oil or cavities uncovered for any longer than necessary



- All components must be filled with hydraulic oil before being attached to a system
 - Fill a small squeeze bottle with hydraulic fluid, use it to fill components as much as possible before assembly
- Consequence if not followed: pumps, cylinders, and valves die or misbehave









- Traditional hydraulic systems have some way of "bleeding" – removing air from hydraulic lines as much as possible
- Open circuit systems suffer less than closed circuit systems
- We have no effective way to do that right now; therefore, caution is called for
- Fill everything as much as possible





- All fittings must be wetted
 - Threaded surfaces coated in hydraulic oil before assembly to lubricate tightening procedure
- NPT fittings must be coated in seal lube
 - ABSOLUTELY NO TEFLON TAPE
 - No seal lube for any other type of fitting
- Fittings should be tightened as much as humanly possible