

# **Screen Openings for Basket Strainers**

## Factors To Consider

### **Purpose**

If the basket strainer is being used for protection rather than direct filtration, IFC's standard screens will suffice in most applications.

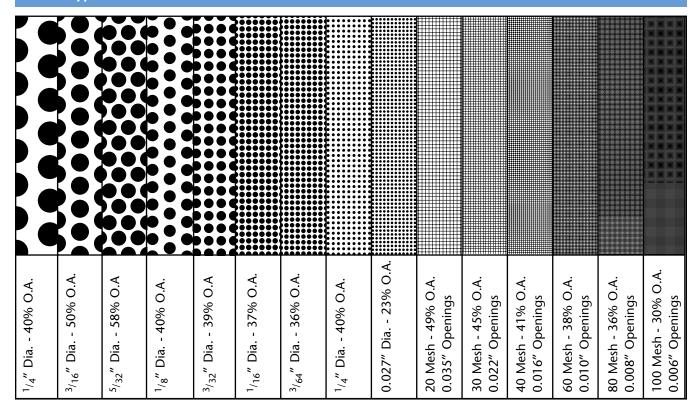
#### Service

With services that require extremely sturdy screens, such as high pressure/ temperature applications or services with high viscosities, IFC recommends that perforated screens without mesh liners be used. If mesh is required to obtain a certain level of filtration, then IFC recommends a trapped perf./mesh/perf. combination.

### Filtration Level

When choosing a perf. or a mesh/perf. combination attention should be given to ensure overstraining does not occur. As a general rule the specified level of filtration should be no smaller than half the size of the particle to be removed. If too fine a filtration is specified the pressure drop through the strainer will increase very rapidly, possibly causing damage to the basket.

## **Screen Types/Dimensions**



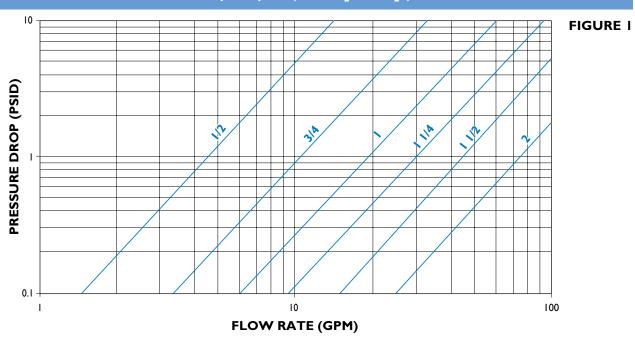
**Notes:** I. Screen openings other than those shown above are readily available. IFC inventories various mesh sizes as fine as 5 micron and perforated plate as coarse as I/2" Dia.

- Screens are available in a wide range of materials. IFC inventories various screen material in carbon steel, stainless steel (304, 316), alloy 20, monel 400, hastalloy C and titanium grade 2.
- 3. Custom manufactured screens are available upon request. Please consult factory.

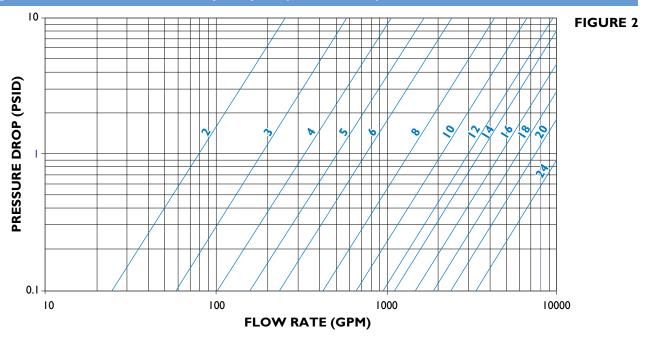


# Engineering Data Basket Strainer Pressure Drop-Liquids

# Threaded Basket Strainer Pressure Drop - Liquids (Sizes 1/2 - 1 1/2)



# Flanged Basket Strainer Pressure Drop - Liquids (Sizes 2 - 24)



Notes: I. Pressure drop curves are based on water flow with standard screens.

See page 16 for correction factors to be used with other fluids and/or screen openings.

2. For Style I basket strainers multiply value obtained in figure 2 by 1.15 to obtain clean pressure drop.



# **Engineering Data Screen Correction Factor Chart**

### For Non-Standard and Mesh Lined Screens

\*Multiply values obtained from figure 1 thru 2 by the appropriate values shown below

Chart #1

	SCREEN OPENINGS								
Size	Perforated Plate % Screen Material Open Area					Mesh lined standard screens % Screen Material Open Area			
Range	60%	50%	40%	30%	20%	50%	40%	30%	
1/4" - 11/2"	0.45	0.55	0.7	I	1.15	1.05	1.05	1.2	
2" - 16"	0.65	0.8	1	1.4	2.15	1.05	1.05	1.2	

Notes: I. See page 14 for % Open Area's of IFC inventoried perforated plate.

- 2. Standard screens for sizes 1/4" to 1-1/2" is approximately a 30% open area screen media.
- 3. Standard screens for sizes 2" and larger is approximately a 40% open area screen media.

### **Example:**

Strainer Size: 2" Style 2

Filtration: 100 Mesh lined 1/8" perf.

Flow rate: 70 GPM

Service: Water

- A) Using figure I the pressure drop is determined to be 0.9 psig with IFC's standard screen.
- B) Looking at page 14 we find that the % Open area of 100 mesh is 30%.
- **C)** Using chart I we read the correction factor to be 1.2 for 100 mesh lined 1/8" perf.
- **D)** Total pressure drop equals  $0.9 \times 1.2 = 1.08$  psig clean.

## **Viscosity and Density Correction Factor Chart**

\* For use see instructions below.

Chart #2

Size Component factor (CF)

1/4" - 11/2" 0.25

2" - 16" 0.35

					Chart #3		
Viscosity	<b>Body Loss</b>	Screen Loss Factor					
Ср	Factor (BF)	Perf alone (PF)	20 mesh lined (MF)	30 & 40 mesh lined (MF)	60 to 300 mesh lined (MF)		
10	I	1.15	1.3	1.4	1.5		
25	1.2	1.25	2	2.2	2.5		
100	1.6	1.4	3	4	6.5		
200	2.2	1.5	4.5	7	11.5		
500	4.4	1.6	10	15	25		
1000	8	1.7	15	30	50		
2000	15.2	1.9	30	60	100		

#### How to Use:

- 1) Using figures 1 or 2 determine the pressure drop (P1) through the strainer with water flow and standard screens.
- 2) If non-standard screens (i.e. 40 mesh, etc.) are being used apply factors in chart #1 to determine corrected pressure drop (P2).
- 3) Multiply P1 or P2 (is used) by the specific gravity of the fluid actually flowing through the strainer to get P3.
- 4) Using chart #2 multiply P3 by the appropriate Component Factor (CF) to get P4.
- **5)** Let P5 = P3 P4.
- 6) Multiply P4 by the appropriate Body Loss Factor (BF) in chart #3 to get P6.
- 7) Multiply P5 by the appropriate Screen Loss factor (PF or MF) in chart #3 to get P7.
- 8) Total pressure drop P8 = P6 + P7.

### **Example:**

Strainer Size: 2" Style 2

**Filtration:** 100 mesh lined 1/8" perf.

Flow rate: 70 GPM

**Specific Gravity:** 

Viscosity: 100 cP

- A) As shown in the above example, the corrected pressure drop (P2) = 1.08 psig
- **B)** Since S.G. = 1, P3 = P2 = 1.08 psig
- **C)** Using chart #2 P4 =  $0.35 \times P3 = 0.38$  psig
- **D)** P5 = 1.08 0.38 = 0.70 psig
- **E)** Using chart #3 P6 =  $0.38 \times 1.6 = 0.61$  psig
- **F)** Again using chart #3 P7 =  $0.70 \times 6.5 = 4.55$  psig
- **G)** Total pressure drop P8 = 0.61 + 4.55 = 5.16 psig



# **Engineering Data Correction Factors For Clogged Screens**

\* Multiply values obtained from figures 1 thru 2 and charts #1, #2 and #3 (if used) by the appropriate values shown below

		I	Ratio of Fre	e Screen Ar	ea to Pipe A	rea	Chart #4
% Clogged	10:1	8: I	6: I	4:1	3:1	2:1	1:1
10%	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.15
20%	-	-	-	-	-	1.15	3.9
30%	-	-	-	-	-	1.4	5
40%	-	-	-	-	-	1.8	6.65
50%	-	-	-	-	1.25	2.5	9.45
60%	-	-	-	1.15	1.8	3.7	14.5
70%	-	-	-	1.75	2.95	6.4	26
80%	-	1.1	1.75	3.6	6.25	14	58
90%	2.3	3.45	6	13.5	24	55	-

Notes: I. See page 14 for the ratio of free area to pipe area for IFC Basket Strainers equipped with standard screens.

2. For screens other than IFC's standard use the following formula to calculate the ratio free area to pipe area:

$$R = \frac{Ag \times OA}{100Ap}$$

where; R = Ratio free area to pipe area

Ag = Gross screen area, sq. in. (See page 19)

OA = Open area of screen media, % (See page 14, i.e.  $\frac{1}{16}$ " perf. = 37%)

Ap = Nominal area of pipe fitting, sq. in. (See page 19)

### Example #1

Strainer Size: 10"

IFC Series: B150F(Style 2)

Filtration: 1/8" perf.

Flow rate: 3000 GPM

Service: Water

% Clogged: 60%

A) Using figure #1 the pressure drop is determined to be 2.0 psig with IFC's standard screen.

**B)** Looking at page 19 the ratio of free area to pipe area for a 10" IFC series B150F (Style 1) strainer is equal to 2.1:1 (2:1 approx.).

**C)** Using chart #4 we read the correction factor to be 3.7 at 60% clogged.

**D)** Total pressure drop equals  $2.0 \times 3.7 = 7.4$  psig when 60% clogged.

### Example #2

Strainer Size: 12"

IFC Series: B150F(Style 2)

Filtration:  $^{3}/_{16}$ " perf.

Flow rate: 3000 GPM

Service: Water

% Clogged: 70%

**A)** Using figure #1 the pressure drop is determined to be 1.0 psig with IFC's standard screen.

**B)** Looking at page 14 we find that the % Open area (OA) of  $\frac{3}{16}$ " perf. is 50%.

**C)** Using chart #I we read the correction factor to be 0.8 for  $\frac{3}{16}$ " perf.

**D)** Total clean pressure drop equals  $1.0 \times 0.8 = 0.8$  psig.

**E)** Since a non-standard screen is being used we must calculate the ratio free area to pipe area using the above formula.

**F)** Looking at page 27 we find AG = 693.85 in2, Ap = 113.10 in2.

**G)** The ratio free area to pipe area is calculated as 3.07:1. (3:1 approx.)

**H)** Using chart #4 we read the correction factor to be 2.95 at 70% clogged.

I) Total pressure drop equals  $0.8 \times 2.95 = 2.36$  psig when 70% clogged.