



Positive Pressure (supply)



Negative Pressure (return or exhaust)





Arrow indicates air flow direction



Flow patterns





Thermostat





Double Line





Section











Diffuser Selection Criteria

- Air flow
- Throw
- Noise Criteria (NC) Level
- Appearance

Air Flow Throw NC Level

Performance Data TXS & TXR

24 x 24 Module Size

Duct	Neck Veloci	ty, FPM	300	400	500	600	700	800	1000	1200	1400
Size	Vel. Press.,	In. W.G.	.006	.010	.016	.023	.031	.040	.063	.090	.123
	Tot. Press.;	In. W.G.	.010		.028	.040		.070		.157 4	.215
	TA Flow Rate	CFM	40	Val: 55	70	80 4	Se 95	110	Se 135	165.	190 .5
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	Throw, Ft.	3-WAY	1-2-4	2-3-6	2-3-7	2-4-8	3-5-9	4-6-10	5-7-10	6-8-12	6-9-13
		2-WAY	1-2-5	2-3-6	2-4-8	3-5-10	4-6-10	4-7-12	6-8-13	7-10-14	7-10-15
		1-WAY	2-3-6	2-4-8	3-5-9	4-6-10	5-7-11	6-8-13	6-9-13	8-10-14	9-10-15
	Tot. Press.;	In. W.G.		.021	.034			.084	.132	.189 😤	.258
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	Throw, Ft.	3-WAY	1-2-4	2-3-6	3-3-8	3-4-9	3-5-10	4-6-10	5-8-11	6-9-13	7-10-14
		2-WAY	1-2-5	2-3-7	3-4-9	3-5-10	4-6-11	4-7-12	6-9-14	7-10-15	8-11-17
		1 WAY	2-3-6	3-4-9	3-5-11	4-6-11	5-8-12	6-9-13	7-10-15	9-10-16	10-12-17
	Tot. Press.,	In. W.G.	.014	.023	··· .037	.053	.071	.092	.145	.207	.283
	Flow Rate	CFM	80	105	135	160 ***	190	215	-270	320	375
7" RD	NC.	17 10 201		13	19	24		32		43	47
or		4-WAY	1-2-5	2-3-6	3-4-9	3-5-10	4-6-10	4-8-11	6-9-12	8-10-13	9-10-14
6 x 6	Throw, Ft.	3-WAY	1-2-5	2-4-7	3-4-10	3-5-11	4-6-12	5-8-13	6-10-14	7-11-16	9-12-17
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	Contract Contract	1-WAY	2-4-8	3-5-11	4-6-12	5-8-13	6-10-14	8-11-15	9-12-17	11-13-18	12-14-20
	Tot. Press.,	In. W.G.	.014 .	.024	.038	.055	.075			.216	.295
	Flow Rate	, CFM	105	140	175	210			350	420	490
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		4-WAY	1-3-6	2-4-8	4-4-10	4-6-11	4-7-12	5-8-12	6-10-13	8-11-14	9-12-16
	Throw, Ft.	3-WAY	1-3-6	2-4-8	4-5-11	4-6-13	5-7-13	5-9-14	7-11-16	9-13-18	10-13-19
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		1-WAY	3-4-9	4-6-12	5-7-13	6-9-14	7-10-15	8-12-17	10-13-19	13-14-21	13-16-22

Throw:

Distance of air movement

Avoid

- Gaps and overlap
- Obstructions/deflectors



1. Use Room Sensible Load (no latent, no ventilation) to determine air flow

 $\textbf{Q}_{s} \texttt{=} \textbf{1.08} \times \textbf{CFM} \times \textbf{\DeltaT}$

where T=|T_{sa}-T_{ra}|

thus

CFM= <u>Qs</u> (1.08 × ΔT)

2. Define Supply Air temperatures

Heating: T_{sa} range is 90-110°F T_{ra}=68°F

Cooling: T_{sa} range is 45-55°F T_{ra}=78°F

3. Define ΔT

Heating: ΔT=|110-68|=42°F

Cooling: $\Delta T = |55-78| = 23^{\circ}F$

4. Determine Air Flow (CFM)

$$\frac{\text{CFM}_{\text{htg}}}{(1.08 \times \Delta T_{\text{htg}})}$$

$$\frac{\text{CFM}_{\text{clg}}}{(1.08 \times \Delta T_{\text{clg}})}$$

Larger result determines air flow

5. Revise discharge air temperature to match required air flow

$$CFM_{peak} = \frac{Qs}{(1.08 \times |T_{sa}T_{ra}|)}$$

solve for T_{sa}

6. Select diffuser layout

Regular pattern Uniform coverage

Avoid "short circuiting" with exhaust/return registers

Office space with overhead heating and cooling supply

NC level 35



Heating Qs= 11,800 Btuh @ 68°F Cooling Qs=8,600 Btuh @ 78°F

$$CFM_{htg} = \underline{Qs}$$
(1.08 × ΔT)
=11,800/(1.08 × 42)=260 CFM

$$CFM_{clg} = \underline{Qs}$$
(1.08 × ΔT)
=8,600/(1.08 × 23)=346 CFM

Revise Heating T_{sa}

 $\frac{\text{CFM}_{\text{peak}}}{(1.08 \times \Delta T)}$

 $=346=11,800/(1.08 \times |T_{sa}-68|)$

T_{sa}=99.6°F

Define Pattern

346 Cfm

Round up to 0 or 5 cfm

1@350 cfm 2@175=350 cfm 3@115=345 cfm 4@90=360 cfm



NC 35 Air Flow Throw

Select 8" Rd 4-way

Performance Data TXS & TXR

24 x 24 Module Size

Duct	Neck Veloc	ity, FPM	300	400	500	600	700	800	1000	1200	1400	
Size	Vel. Press.,	In. W.G.	.006	.010	.016	.023	.031	.040	.063	.090	.123	
	Tot. Press.;	In. W.G.	.010		.028	.040		.070		.157	.215	
	TA Flow Rate	, CFM	40	Sec. 55	70 .	80 4	· 95	110	Se 135	165	190	
5" RD	-dia - NC	84 (gia ta)	100-10	· 810-0	14	. 19	et 23	27		38		
		4-WAY	1-2-4	2-2-5	2-3-6	2-4-7	3-5-7.	3-6-8	5-6-9	6-7-10	6-7-10	
	Throw, Ft.	3-WAY	1-2-4	2-3-6	2-3-7	2-4-8	3.5.9	4-6-10	5-7-10	6-8-12	6-9-13	
		2-WAY	1-2-5	2-3-6	2-4-8	3-5-10	4-6-10	4-7-12	6-8-13	7-10-14	7-10-15	
		1-WAY	2-3-6	2-4-8	3-5-9	4-6-10	5-7-11	6-8-13	6-9-13	8-10-14	9-10-15	
	Tot. Press.;	In. W.G.		.021	.034			.084	- 132	.189 🚓		
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		3-WAY	1-2-4	2-3-6	3-3-8	3-4-9	3-5-10	4-6-10	5-8-11	6-9-13	7-10-14	
		2-WAY	1-2-5	2-3-7	3-4-9	3-5-10	4-6-11	4-7-12	6-9-14	7-10-15	8-11-17	
		1 WAY	2.3.6	3-4-9	3-5-11	4-6-11	5-8-12	6-9-13	7-10-15	9-10-16	10-12-17	
	Tot. Press.,	In. W.G.	.014	.023		.053		.092	.145	.207	.283	
	Flow Rate	, CFM	80	1 105	135	+ 160 + -	190	215	270	320	375	
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or		4-WAY	1-2-5	2-3-6	3-4-9	3-5-10	4-6-10	4-8-11	6-9-12	8-10-13	9-10-14	
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		2-WAY	1-2-6	2-4-9	3-5-11	4-6-12	5-8-14	5-9-15	7-11-17	9-13-18	10-14-20	
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	Throw, Ft.	3-WAY	1-3-6	2-4-8	4-5-11	4-6-13	5-7-13	5-9-14	7-11-16	9-13-18	10-13-19	
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Return Register Selection

Selection Criteria

- Air flow
- Noise Criteria (NC) Level
- Appearance

Return Register Selection

Return Grille & Register Performance

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Core Style 25R Steel, 30° Louvers

NC Level

Air Flow

Core				Core Vel	400	500	600	700	800	900	1000	1100	1200.	1300	
Area				Vel. Press	.010	.016	.022	.031	.040	.050	.062	.075	.090	.105	
Square		Nominal Siz	e	Neg SP	.042	.067	.094	.130	.169	.212	.262	.317	.379	.444	
Feet															1
16	7x4			CFM	60	. 75	90	105	120	135	150	165	180	195	1
.15	6x5			NC	-	-	-	15	20	25	29	33	36	39	4
4.0	8x4	6x6		CFM	72	90	108	126	144	162	180	198	216	234	1
.18	7x5			NC	-		1,1	17	22	26	30	34	38	41	1
	10x4	7x6	1.1.1	CFM	88	110	132	154	176	198	220	242	264	286	1
.22	8x5			NC		-	12	18	23	28	32	36	39	42	ł
0.0	12x4	8x6		CFM	104	130	156	182	208	234	260	286	312	338	
.26	10x5			NC	-	-	13	19	24	29	33	37	40	43	1
	14x4	19 19 18 1	Sec. 1. A	CFM	120	150	180	210	240	270	300	330	360	390	
.30				NC		<u> </u>	14	20	25	30	.34	38	41	44	
24	16x4	10x6		CFM	136	170	204	238	272	306	340	374	408	442	
.34	12x5			NC	-	-	15	21	26	31	35	39	42	45	1
	18x4	12x6		CFM	156	195	234	273	312	351	390	429	468	507	1
.39	14x5	8x8		NC	- I	-	16	22	27	32	36	40	43	46	1
40	20x4	14x6		CFM	184	230	276	322	368	414	460	506	552	598	1
.46	16x5	10x8		NC	-	10	17	23	29	33	37	41	44	48	
50	24x4	16x6		CFM	208	260	312	364	416	468	520	572	624	676	
.52	18x5		4	NC	-	411	18	24	29	34	38	42	45	48	
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.69	24x5	14x8		NC	-	13	20	26	32	1.36	40	44	47	51	4
	36x4	22x6 14x	:10	CFM	324	405	486	567	648	729	810	891	972	1053	
.81	28x5	16x8		NC	- 1	14	21	28	33	37	41	45	49	52	
00	40x4	26x6 16x	10	CFM	360	450	.540	630	720	810	900	990	1080	1170	1
.90	30x5	18x8 12x	12	NC	1. <u>.</u>	15	22	28	34		42	46	49	52	
	48x4	30x6 14x	12	CFM	428	535	642	749	856	963	1070	1177	1284	1391	
1.07	36x5	18x10		NC	-	16	24	30	35	39	43	47	51	54	

## Return Register Layout

#### Avoid

- Short circuiting with supply diffusers
- Locating in visually obtrusive location

### Return Register Layout





### **Return Register Selection**

#### Air Flow 350 cfm

#### NC Level 35

#### **Return Grille & Register Performance**

Core Style 25R Steel, 30° Louvers

#### Select 10" x 8" 350 cfm NC 27db

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Core			Core Vel	400	500	600	700	800	900	1000	1100	1200.	1300	
Area			Vel. Press	.010	.016	.022	.031	.040	.050	.062	.075	.090	.105	
Square		Nominal Size	Neg SP	.042	.067	.094	.130	.169	.212	.262	.317	.379	.444	
Feet														
	7x4	•	CFM	60	. 75	.90	105	120	135	150	165	180	195	
.15	6x5		NC	-	-	-	15	20	25	29	33	36	39	40
	8x4	6x6	CFM	72	90	108	126	144	162	180	198	216	234	
.18	7x5		NC	-	-	11	17	22	26	30	34	38	41	
	10x4	7x6	CFM	88	110	132	154	176	198	220	242	264	286	
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	16x4	10x6	CFM	136	170	204	238	272	306	340	374	408	442	L
.34	12x5		NC	-	-	15	21	26	31	35	39	42	45	
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.46	16x5	10x8	NC	-	10	17	23	29	33	37	41	44	48	
	24x4	16x6	CFM	208	260	312	364	416	468	520	572	624	676	
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.60	20x5	12x8	NC	-	12	19	25	31	35	39	43	46	50	4
	30x4	20x6 12x10	CFM	276	345	414	483	552	621	690	759	828	897	
.69	24x5	14x8	NC	-	13	20	26	32	36	40	44	47	51	1
	36x4	22x6 14x10	CFM	324	405	486	567	648	729	810	891	972	1053	
.81	28x5	16x8	NC	-	14	21	28	33	37	41	45	49	52	
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1.07	36x5	18x10	NC	-	16	24	30	35	39	43	47	51	54	1

### Return Register Layout



8'



### **Ductwork Sizing**

## Volume (Q) is a function of cross sectional area (A) and velocity (V)

#### Q=AV

however, momentum, friction and turbulence must also be accounted for in the sizing method

#### Momentum

## As air leaves fan, centrifugal motion creates momentum



### Friction

#### As air moves along a duct, friction slows the velocity at the edges



#### Turbulence

## As ducts change direction or cross-sectional dimensions, turbulence is created



#### Static Pressure

## Force required to overcome friction and loss of momentum due to turbulence

## As air encounters friction or turbulence, static pressure is reduced

Fans add static pressure

#### Pressure Measurement

## Static pressure is measured in inches of force against a water column

#### **Inches-water gauge**

**Positive pressure pushes air Negative pressure draws air** 

#### Pressure Measurement

#### Straight ducts have a pressure loss of

#### "w.g./100'

#### based on diameter and velocity



### Equivalent Length

#### Describes the amount of static pressure lost in a fitting that would be comparable to a length of straight duct



Fig. 12 Equivalent Length in Feet of Angles and Elbows for Branch Ducts (ACCA 1984)

#### **Ductwork Comparison**

## Round ductwork is the most efficient but requires greater depth

Rectangular ductwork is the least efficient but can be reduced in depth to accommodate smaller clearances

**Avoid aspect ratios greater than 5:1** 

### **Equal Friction Method**

#### Presumes that friction in ductwork can be balanced to allow uniform friction loss through all branches

### **Equal Friction Method**

- **1. Find effective length (EL) of longest run**
- 2. Establish allowed static pressure loss/100' ΔP=100(SP)/EL
- **3. Size ducts**
- 4. Repeat for each branch

Note: velocity must be higher in each upstream section

### Equal Friction Method Example

## Size ductwork serving office diffusers from earlier example

Elbow equivalent length: 10' Straight fitting equiv. length: 5' AHU connection: 50'



### Equal Friction Method Example

Supply Diffuser pressure loss: 0.038" Return Register pressure loss: 0.159"

Fan: 0.535"w.g. (75% for supply)

### **Equal Friction Method**

#### **1. Find effective length of longest run**

#### Identify longest run Label duct sections



#### Worksheet





### **Equal Friction Method**

2. Establish allowed static pressure loss/100'

Fan SP: 0.533" -Supply Diff: 0.038" -Return Reg: 0.159" Available: 0.336" × 0.75= 0.252"

 $\Delta P/100' = 100(SP)/EL$ = 100(.252)/126= <u>0.2"/100'</u>

#### Worksheet

Duct	Actual	Equiv	Effective	Air	ΔΡ	Duct	Air
Section	Length	Length	Length	Vol.	"/100'	Diam	Velocity
1	6'	10′	16′	175	0.2		
2	8′	5′	13′	175	0.2		
3	12′	5′	17′	350	0.2		
4	30′	50′	80'	700	0.2		
	56′	70′	126′				



### **Equal Friction Method**

#### **3. Size ducts**





#### **3. Size ducts**

#### Equal Friction Method



#### Worksheet

Duct	Actual	Equiv	Effective	Air	ΔΡ	Duct	Air
Section	Length	Length	Length	Vol.	<i>"</i> /100′	Diam	Velocity
1	6'	10′	16′	175	0.2	7″	620 fpm
2	8'	5′	13′	175	0.2	7″	620 fpm
3	12′	5′	17′	350	0.2	9″	800 fpm
4	30′	50′	80′	700	0.2	12″	900 fpm
	56′	70′	126′				

