

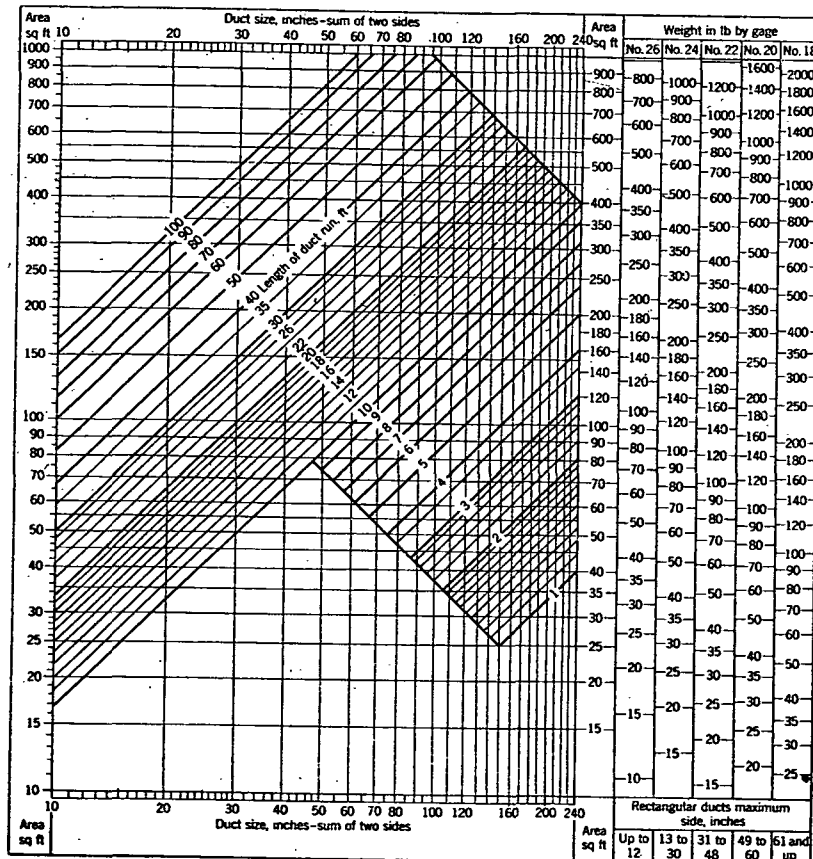


FIG. 9. AREA AND WEIGHT OF RECTANGULAR SHEET METAL DUCTS

HEAT LOSSES FROM DUCTS

The thermal transmittance U for ducts can be found as follows:

For uninsulated metal duct, $U = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{f_i} + \frac{1}{f_o}}$ (8)

For uninsulated non-metallic ducts, $U = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{f_i} + \frac{x}{k} + \frac{1}{f_o}}$ (9)

where U , f_i , f_o , x and k are as defined on page 769.

Where x is small and k is large, however, this factor $\frac{x}{k}$ is of little importance and may be neglected.

Film conductance f_i for air flowing in ducts apparently depends only on the velocity of the air and the diameter of the duct. A fairly reliable inside coefficient can be calculated from Schultz's modified equation:

$$f_i = \frac{0.32 V_a^{0.8}}{D^{0.25}} \quad (10)$$

TABLE 7. WEIGHTS OF SHEET METAL USED FOR DUCT CONSTRUCTION

U. S. Std. GAGE	BLACK SHEETS				GALVANIZED SHEETS*			
	Approximate Thickness, In.		Weight Per Square Foot		Approximate Thickness, In.		Weight Per Square Foot	
	Steel	Iron	Ounces	Pounds	Steel	Iron	Ounces	Pounds
30	0.0123	0.0125	8	0.500	0.0163	0.0165	10.5	0.656
28	0.0153	0.0156	10	0.625	0.0193	0.0196	12.5	0.781
26	0.0184	0.0188	12	0.750	0.0224	0.0228	14.5	0.906
24	0.0245	0.0250	16	1.000	0.0285	0.0290	18.5	1.156
22	0.0306	0.0313	20	1.250	0.0346	0.0353	22.5	1.406
20	0.0368	0.0375	24	1.500	0.0408	0.0415	26.5	1.656
18	0.0490	0.0500	32	2.000	0.0530	0.0540	34.5	2.156
16	0.0613	0.0625	40	2.500	0.0653	0.0665	42.5	2.656
14	0.0766	0.0781	50	3.125	0.0806	0.0821	52.5	3.281
12	0.1072	0.1094	70	4.375	0.1112	0.1134	72.5	4.531
11	0.1225	0.1250	80	5.000	0.1265	0.1290	82.5	5.156
10	0.1379	0.1406	90	5.625	0.1419	0.1446	92.5	5.781

*Galvanized sheets are gaged before galvanizing and are therefore approximately 0.004 in. thicker.

where

V_a = velocity of air in duct, feet per second.

D = inside diameter of duct, feet.

Film conductance f_o depends on a number of variables including temperature, diameter, and emissivity of the outer surface and can be calculated from data in Chapter 5. From this explanation, it is seen that it is unwise to recommend a given value of U for all uninsulated metal ducts.

The heat loss from a given length of duct can be expressed by:

$$Q = UPl \left[\left(\frac{t_1 + t_2}{2} \right) - t_a \right] \quad (11)$$

The heat given up by the air in the duct is:

$$Q = 0.24 W (t_1 - t_2) = 14.4 A V_m \rho_v (t_1 - t_2) \quad (12)$$

Equating (11) and (12):

$$\frac{t_1 + t_2 - 2t_a}{t_1 - t_2} = \frac{28.8 A V_m \rho_v}{UPl}$$

Let $y = \frac{28.8 A V_m \rho_v}{UPl}$ for rectangular ducts, and $\frac{7.2 D V_m \rho_v}{Ul}$ for round

TABLE 8. WEIGHTS AND THICKNESSES OF STANDARD COPPER SHEETS^a
Rolled to Weight

WEIGHT PER SQUARE FOOT		THICKNESS, INCHES		NEAREST GAGE NO.		
Ounces	Pounds	Decimal Equivalent	Nearest Fraction	B. & S.	Stubs	U. S. Std.
10	0.625	0.0135	$\frac{1}{8}$	27	29	29
12	0.750	0.0162	$\frac{1}{8}$	26	27	28
14	0.875	0.0189	$\frac{1}{8}$	25	26	26
16	1.000	0.0216	$\frac{1}{8}$	23	24	25
18	1.125	0.0243	$\frac{1}{8}$	22	23	24
20	1.250	0.0270	$\frac{1}{8}$	21	22	23
24	1.500	0.0324	$\frac{1}{8}$	20	21	22
28	1.750	0.0378	$\frac{1}{8}$	19	20	20
32	2.000	0.0432	$\frac{1}{8}$	17	19	19
36	2.250	0.0486	$\frac{1}{8}$	16	18	18
40	2.500	0.0540	$\frac{1}{8}$	15	17	17
44	2.750	0.0594	$\frac{1}{8}$	14	16	16
48	3.000	0.0648	$\frac{1}{8}$	13	15	14
56	3.500	0.0756	$\frac{1}{8}$	11	14	13
64	4.000	0.0864	$\frac{1}{8}$			

^aVariations from these weights must be expected in practice.