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## How Capacity Affects Friction

The following table was developed to indicate loss of head due to friction – in feet loss per fitting or in feet loss per foot of tubing – through stainless steel tubing and sanitary fittings.

## **Friction Loss in Sanitary OD Tubing and Fittings**

Capacity	O.D. Tube Size															
in U.S. G.P.M.	1 I.D.=.870		1-1/2 I.D.=1.370		2 I.D.=1.870			2-1/2 I.D.=2.370			3 I.D.=2.870			4 I.D.=3.834		
	Tubing Elbow Tee	Tubing Ell			Elbow			Elbow	Tee		Elbow		Tubing			
2	.01 .01 .1															
4	.025 .02 .2															
5	.035 .025 .25															
10	.12 .06 .4	.02 .0 <sup>-</sup>	1 .15	.005	.015	.1										
15	.25 .1 .8	.04 .02	2 .25	.013	.02	.15										
20	.43 .22 1.5	.06 .03	3 .3	.02	.025	.2	.005	.02	.1	.003	.02	.06				
25	.66 .4 2.3	.08 .04	1 .4	.025	.03	.25	.006	.03	.15	.004	.03	.08				
30	.93 .7 3.3	.105 .06	5 .55	.035	.05	.3	.008	.05	.2	.005	.04	.1				
35	1.22 1.25 5.2	.135 .09	8. (	.04	.06	.4	.011	.06	.25	.006	.05	.13				
40		.17 .1	I 1.0	.05	.08	.5	.015	.07	.3	.007	.06	.15				
45		.21 .10	3 1.3	.063	.1	.6	.02	.09	.35	.008	.065	.18				
50		.25 .2	1.6	.073	.12	.7	.022	.1	.4	.01	.07	.2				
60		.34 .3	5 2.2	.1	.18	.9	.03	.12	.45	.015	.08	.25				
80		.57 .70	3.7	.16	.3	1.5	.05	.15	.55	.02	.1	.4				
100		.85 1.3	35 5.8	.23	.44	2.3	.075	.18	.6	.03	.11	.5	.008	.04	.1	
120		1.18 2.0	05 9.1	.32	.64	3.3	.105	.21	1.0	.04	.13	.6	.01	.05	.15	
140				.42	.85	4.5	.14	.23	1.25	.05	.16	.8	.013	.06	.2	
160				.54	1.13	5.8	.17	.28	1.6	.07	.2	1.1	.015	.07	.25	
180				.67	1.45	7.4	.205	.31	2.0	.08	.21	1.3	.02	.08	.3	
200				.81	1.82	9.0	.245	.35	2.5	.1	.26	1.6	.025	.09	.4	
220				.95	2.22	11.0	.29	.41	3.0	.12	.3	1.9	.028	.1	.5	
240				1.10	2.63	13.5	.34	.48	3.7	.14	.33	2.2	.035	.11	.55	
260							.39	.53	4.5	.165	.39	2.5	.04	.115	.6	
280							.45	.61	5.3	.19	.42	2.8	.045	.12	.65	
300							.515	.7	6.2	.22	.5	3.1	.05	.13	.7	
350							.68	1.05	8.5	.28	.67	4.1	.07	.15	.9	
400							.86	1.55	11.0	.36	.88	5.2	.085	.18	1.2	
450							1.05	2.25	13.5	.44	1.1	6.6	.105	.2	1.5	
500										.54	1.4	8.0	.13	.23	1.75	
550										.64	1.7	9.5	.15	.27	2.1	
600										.75	2.05	10.2	.175	.3	2.5	
650										.87	2.41	13.0	.2	.34	2.8	
700										1.0	2.8	15.0	.23	.4	3.4	
750													.26	.43	3.8	
800													.3	.5	4.4	
850													.33	.56	5.	
900													.37	.62	5.7	
950													.41	.7	6.3	
1000			FI			A	<b>T</b>	h1					.45	.8	7.0	
1100			Flow thro										.53	1.06	8.6	