

# Rectangular to Round Conversion

b\la	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24	26	28	30	32	34	36	38	40
3	3.8	4.6	5.2	5.7	6.2	6.6	7.0	7.3	7.7	8.0	8.3	8.5	8.8	9.0	9.3	9.5	9.7	9.9	10.1
4	4.4	5.3	6.1	6.7	7.3	7.8	8.3	8.7	9.1	9.5	9.8	10.1	10.4	10.7	11.0	11.3	11.5	11.8	12.0
5	4.9	6.0	6.9	7.6	8.3	8.9	9.4	9.9	10.3	10.8	11.2	11.5	11.9	12.2	12.6	12.9	13.2	13.5	13.8
6	5.3	6.6	7.6	8.4	9.1	9.8	10.4	11.0	11.5	12.0	12.4	12.8	13.2	13.6	14.0	14.4	14.7	15.0	15.3
7	5.7	7.1	8.2	9.1	9.9	10.7	11.3	11.9	12.5	13.0	13.5	14.0	14.5	14.9	15.3	15.7	16.1	16.5	16.8
8	6.1	7.6	8.7	9.8	10.7	11.5	12.2	12.9	13.5	14.1	14.6	15.1	15.6	16.1	16.5	17.0	17.4	17.8	18.2
9	6.4	8.0	9.3	10.4	11.3	12.2	13.0	13.7	14.4	15.0	15.6	16.2	16.7	17.2	17.7	18.2	18.6	19.0	19.5
10	6.7	8.4	9.8	10.9	12.0	12.9	13.7	14.5	15.2	15.9	16.5	17.1	17.7	18.3	18.8	19.3	19.8	20.2	20.7
11	7.0	8.8	10.2	11.5	12.6	13.5	14.4	15.3	16.0	16.8	17.4	18.1	18.7	19.3	19.8	20.4	20.9	21.4	21.8
12	7.3	9.1	10.7	12.0	13.1	14.2	15.1	16.0	16.8	17.6	18.3	19.0	19.6	20.2	20.8	21.4	21.9	22.4	22.9
13	7.6	9.5	11.1	12.4	13.7	14.7	15.7	16.7	17.5	18.3	19.1	19.8	20.5	21.1	21.8	22.4	22.9	23.5	24.0
14	7.8	9.8	11.5	12.9	14.2	15.3	16.4	17.3	18.2	19.1	19.9	20.6	21.3	22.0	22.7	23.3	23.9	24.5	25.0
15	8.0	10.1	11.8	13.3	14.6	15.8	16.9	17.9	18.9	19.8	20.6	21.4	22.1	22.9	23.5	24.2	24.8	25.4	26.0
16	8.3	10.4	12.2	13.7	15.1	16.4	17.5	18.5	19.5	20.4	21.3	22.1	22.9	23.7	24.4	25.1	25.7	26.4	27.0
17	8.5	10.7	12.5	14.1	15.6	16.8	18.0	19.1	20.1	21.1	22.0	22.9	23.7	24.4	25.2	25.9	26.6	27.2	27.9
18	8.7	11.0	12.9	14.5	16.0	17.3	18.5	19.7	20.7	21.7	22.7	23.5	24.4	25.2	26.0	26.7	27.4	28.1	28.8
19	8.9	11.2	13.2	14.9	16.4	17.8	19.0	20.2	21.3	22.3	23.3	24.2	25.1	25.9	26.7	27.5	28.2	28.9	29.6
20	9.1	11.5	13.5	15.2	16.8	18.2	19.5	20.7	21.9	22.9	23.9	24.9	25.8	26.6	27.5	28.3	29.0	29.8	30.5
22	9.5	12.0	14.1	15.9	17.6	19.1	20.4	21.7	22.9	24.0	25.1	26.1	27.1	28.0	28.9	29.7	30.5	31.3	32.1
24	9.8	12.4	14.6	16.5	18.3	19.9	21.3	22.7	23.9	25.1	26.2	27.3	28.3	29.3	30.2	31.1	32.0	32.8	33.6
26	10.1	12.8	15.1	17.1	19.0	20.6	22.1	23.5	24.9	26.1	27.3	28.4	29.5	30.5	31.5	32.4	33.3	34.2	35.1
28	10.4	13.2	15.6	17.7	19.6	21.3	22.9	24.4	25.8	27.1	28.3	29.5	30.6	31.7	32.7	33.7	34.6	35.6	36.4
30	10.7	13.6	16.1	18.3	20.2	22.0	23.7	25.2	26.6	28.0	29.3	30.5	31.7	32.8	33.9	34.9	35.9	36.8	37.8
32	11.0	14.0	16.5	18.8	20.8	22.7	24.4	26.0	27.5	28.9	30.2	31.5	32.7	33.9	35.0	36.1	37.1	38.1	39.0
34	11.3	14.4	17.0	19.3	21.4	23.3	25.1	26.7	28.3	29.7	31.1	32.4	33.7	34.9	36.1	37.2	38.2	39.3	40.3
36	11.5	14.7	17.4	19.8	21.9	23.9	25.7	27.4	29.0	30.5	32.0	33.3	34.6	35.9	37.1	38.2	39.4	40.4	41.5
38	11.8	15.0	17.8	20.2	22.4	24.5	26.4	28.1	29.8	31.3	32.8	34.2	35.6	36.8	38.1	39.3	40.4	41.5	42.6
40	12.0	15.3	18.2	20.7	22.9	25.0	27.0	28.8	30.5	32.1	33.6	35.1	36.4	37.8	39.0	40.3	41.5	42.6	43.7
42	12.3	15.6	18.5	21.1	23.4	25.6	27.6	29.4	31.2	32.8	34.4	35.9	37.3	38.7	40.0	41.3	42.5	43.7	44.8
44	12.5	15.9	18.9	21.5	23.9	26.1	28.1	30.0	31.8	33.5	35.1	36.7	38.1	39.5	40.9	42.2	43.5	44.7	45.8
46	12.7	16.2	19.3	21.9	24.4	26.6	28.7	30.6	32.5	34.2	35.9	37.4	38.9	40.4	41.8	43.1	44.4	45.7	46.9

$$De = 1.30 [(ab)^{0.625}/(a+b)^{0.250}]$$

- a = length of one side of rectangular duct (inch)
- b = length of adjacent side of rectangular duct (inch)
- De= circular equivalent of rectangular duct for equal friction and capacity (inch)

Source: 2001 ASHRAE Fundamentals, p. 32.10

**Example**  
 Convert rectangular duct 22" x 12" to equivalent round

a = 22, b = 12; from above table  
 De= 17.6, use 18" diameter