



Fort Wayne Wire Die, Inc.

# “BLUE BOOK”

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As a worldwide industry leader, Fort Wayne Wire Die, Inc., has taken great pride for more than 70 years in manufacturing quality, precision-made, wire drawing dies and hard-material components for the wire industry. Having been an ISO 9001:2000 registered company for many years, Fort Wayne Wire Die is committed to "... providing total customer satisfaction through the continuous improvement of our products, services and internal processes."

## REPEATABILITY IS THE MEASUREMENT OF SUCCESS

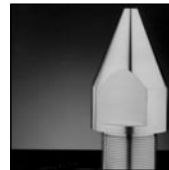
Fort Wayne Wire Die's precision manufacturing capabilities are unique within the industry. A disciplined approach throughout the manufacturing process, as well as consistent quality assurance methods, have allowed us to manufacture to the customer's defined specifications each and every time.

## GLOBAL ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE NOW

Operating from facilities in the United States, Canada, Germany, China and the Philippines and through representative offices located throughout the world, Fort Wayne Wire Die brings global expertise to service its international customer base.

## DAILY TECHNICAL SUPPORT

Through this *Wire Drawing Reference Guide*, Fort Wayne Wire Die will be able to support your need for technical wire drawing information. From wire drawing definitions and equations to diamond and tungsten carbide die specifications, this one source incorporates it all.



- Single Crystal Natural Diamond Dies
- Single Crystal Synthetic Diamond Dies
- Poly-Di® Polycrystalline Diamond Dies
- Tungsten Carbide Dies
- Extrusion Tips and Dies
- Dual-Draw™ Wire Dies
- Multiwire Elongation Sets of Dies
- Shaped Wire Drawing Dies
- Poly-Strand™ Stranding, Bunching and Compacting Dies
- Calibrating / Enameling Dies
- Tubing Dies and Mandrels
- Shaving Dies
- Di-Pro™ Diamond Powder / Compound
- Die Recutting Services
- Die Reconditioning, Inspection and Measurement Equipment
- Ultra-Hard Wear Parts

# AMERICAN WIRE GAUGE—INCHES

# AMERICAN WIRE GAUGE—MILLIMETERS

FULL SIZES	GAUGE	HALF SIZES	COPPER lb/1000 ft*	FULL SIZES	GAUGE	HALF SIZES	COPPER lb/1000 ft*
580049	6/0		1,017.9020	.010025	30		.3041
518549	5/0		807.2330		30.5	.009461	.2708
460000	4/0		640.1648	.008928	31		.2411
409842	3/0		507.8738		31.5	.008425	.2147
384739	2/0		402.6036	.007950	32		.1912
324861	1/0		319.2792		32.5	.007503	.1703
289297	1		253.1999	.007080	33		.1516
	1.5	.273003	225.4810		33.5	.006681	.1350
257626	2		200.7967	.006305	34		.1203
	2.5	.243116	178.8146		34.5	.005950	.1071
229423	3		159.2390	.005615	35		.0954
	3.5	.216501	141.8064		35.5	.005298	.0849
204307	4		126.2823	.005000	36		.0756
	4.5	.192800	112.4576		36.5	.004718	.0674
181941	5		100.1464	.004453	37		.0600
	5.5	.171693	89.1829		37.5	.004202	.0534
162023	6		79.4197	.003965	38		.0476
	6.5	.152897	70.7253		38.5	.003742	.0425
144285	7		62.9827	.003531	39		.0377
	7.5	.136159	56.0877		39.5	.003332	.0336
128490	8		49.9475	.003145	40		.0299
	8.5	.121253	44.4796		40.5	.002967	.0266
114424	9		39.6102	.002800	41		.0237
	9.5	.107979	35.2739		41.5	.002643	.0211
101897	10		31.4123	.002494	42		.0188
	10.5	.096158	27.9735		42.5	.002353	.0168
090742	11		24.9111	.002221	43		.0149
	11.5	.085631	22.1840		43.5	.002096	.0133
080808	12		19.7554	.001978	44		.0118
	12.5	.076257	17.5927		44.5	.001866	.0105
071962	13		15.6667	.001761	45		.0094
	13.5	.067909	13.9516		45.5	.001662	.0084
064084	14		12.4243	.001568	46		.0074
	14.5	.060474	11.0642		46.5	.001480	.0066
057068	15		9.9529	.001397	47		.0059
	15.5	.053854	8.7743		47.5	.001318	.0053
050821	16		7.8137	.001244	48		.0047
	16.5	.047958	6.9583		48.5	.001174	.0042
045257	17		6.1966	.001108	49		.0037
	17.5	.042708	5.5182		49.5	.001045	.0033
040303	18		4.9141	.000986	50		.0029
	18.5	.038033	4.3761		50.5	.000931	.0026
035891	19		3.8971	.000878	51		.0023
	19.5	.033869	3.4704		51.5	.000829	.0021
031961	20		3.0905	.000782	52		.0019
	20.5	.030161	2.7522		52.5	.000738	.0016
028462	21		2.4509	.000697	53		.0015
	21.5	.026859	2.1826		53.5	.000657	.0013
025347	22		1.9436	.000620	54		.0012
	22.5	.023919	1.7309		54.5	.000585	.0010
022572	23		1.5414	.000552	55		.0009
	23.5	.021300	1.3726		55.5	.000521	.0008
020101	24		1.2224	.000492	56		.0007
	24.5	.018969	1.0885		56.5	.000464	.0007
017900	25		.9694	.000438	57		.0006
	25.5	.016892	.8633		57.5	.000413	.0005
015941	26		.7688	.000390	58		.0005
	26.5	.015043	.6846		58.5	.000368	.0004
014196	27		.6096	.000347	59		.0004
	27.5	.013396	.5429		59.5	.000328	.0003
012641	28		.4835	.000309	60		.0003
	28.5	.011929	.4305				
011258	29		.3834				
	29.5	.010624	.3414				

\*Approximate—density of copper may vary.

FULL SIZES	GAUGE	HALF SIZES	COPPER g/m*	FULL SIZES	GAUGE	HALF SIZES	COPPER g/m*
14.733252	6/0		1,514.8295	0.254639	30		0.4525
13.120340	5/0		1,201.3144		30.5	0.240297	0.4030
11.684000	4/0		952.6856	0.226763	31		0.3588
10.404902	3/0		755.5141		31.5	0.213991	0.3196
9.265833	2/0		599.1499	0.201938	32		0.2844
8.251463	1/0		475.1475		32.5	0.190564	0.2534
7.348140	1		376.8091	0.179831	33		0.2257
	1.5	6.934268	335.5582		33.5	0.169702	0.2010
6.543707	2		298.8232	0.160144	34		0.1790
	2.5	6.175144	266.1097		34.5	0.151124	0.1594
5.827340	3		236.9776	0.142612	35		0.1419
	3.5	5.499125	211.0346		35.5	0.134580	0.1264
5.189396	4		187.9317	0.127000	36		0.1126
	4.5	4.897112	167.3581		36.5	0.119847	0.1002
4.621291	5		149.0366	0.113097	37		0.0893
	5.5	4.361004	132.7210		37.5	0.106727	0.0795
4.115378	6		118.1914	0.100716	38		0.0708
	6.5	3.883586	105.2525		38.5	0.095043	0.0630
3.664850	7		93.7301	0.089690	39		0.0561
	7.5	3.458434	83.4680		39.5	0.084638	0.0500
3.263643	8		74.3313	0.079871	40		0.0445
	8.5	3.079824	66.1940		40.5	0.075372	0.0396
2.906358	9		58.9474	0.071127	41		0.0353
	9.5	2.742663	52.4942		41.5	0.067121	0.0314
2.588187	10		46.7474	0.063341	42		0.0280
	10.5	2.442412	41.6298		42.5	0.059773	0.0249
2.304847	11		37.0724	0.056406	43		0.0222
	11.5	2.175030	33.0139		43.5	0.053229	0.0198
2.052525	12		29.3987	0.050231	44		0.0176
	12.5	1.936920	26.1812		44.5	0.047402	0.0157
1.827827	13		23.3151	0.044732	45		0.0140
	13.5	1.724877	20.7627		45.5	0.042213	0.0124
1.627727	14		18.4897	0.039835	46		0.0111
	14.5	1.536048	16.4655		46.5	0.037592	0.0099
1.449532	15		14.6630	0.035474	47		0.0088
	15.5	1.367890	13.0578		47.5	0.033476	0.0078
1.290846	16		11.6283	0.031591	48		0.0070
	16.5	1.218141	10.3553		48.5	0.029812	0.0062
1.149531	17		9.2216	0.028132	49		0.0055
	17.5	1.084786	8.2121		49.5	0.026548	0.0049
1.023687	18		7.3131	0.025053	50		0.0044
	18.5	0.966030	6.5125		50.5	0.023642	0.0039
0.911620	19		5.7995	0.022310	51		0.0035
	19.5	0.860274	5.1646		51.5	0.021053	0.0031
0.811821	20		4.5983	0.019868	52		0.0028
	20.5	0.766097	4.0958		52.5	0.018749	0.0025
0.722947	21		3.6474	0.017693	53		0.0022
	21.5	0.682229	3.2481		53.5	0.016696	0.0019
0.643803	22		2.8925	0.015756	54		0.0017
	22.5	0.607542	2.5758		54.5	0.014868	0.0015
0.573323	23		2.2939	0.014031	55		0.0014
	23.5	0.541032	2.0427		55.5	0.013241	0.0012
0.510559	24		1.8181	0.012495	56		0.0011
	24.5	0.481803	1.6200		56.5	0.011791	0.0010
0.454666	25		1.4426	0.011127	57		0.0009
	25.5	0.429058	1.2847		57.5	0.010500	0.0008
0.404892	26		1.1440	0.009909	58		0.0007
	26.5	0.382087	1.0188		58.5	0.009351	0.0006
0.360567	27		0.9073	0.008824	59		0.0005
	27.5	0.340258	0.8079		59.5	0.008327	0.0005
0.321094	28		0.7195	0.007858	60		0.0004
	28.5	0.303009	0.6407				
0.285942	29		0.5706				
	29.5	0.269837	0.5081				

\*Approximate—density of copper may vary.

## SCND STANDARD CASING SIZES

SIZE RANGE (in)	CASING SIZE (in) D X T	SIZE RANGE (mm)	CASING SIZE (mm) D X T
.0163 and smaller	1" or 1 1/8" x 5/16"	0.1 and smaller	25 x 6 or 8
.0164-.041	1" or 1 1/8" x 3/8"	0.101-.040	25 or 28 x 8
.042 and larger	1" or 1 1/8" x 1/2"	0.401-1.0	25 or 28 x 10
		1.01 and larger	25 or 28 x 12

\*Special casing sizes available upon request.

## PCD STANDARD CASING SIZES

BLANK SIZE	CASING SIZE (in) D X T	CASING SIZE (mm) D X T
D-6 thru D-12	1" or 1 1/8" x 3/8"	25 or 28 x 10
D-15 thru D-24	1" or 1 1/8" x 1/2"	25 or 28 x 12
D-27 thru D-30	1 1/2" x 7/8"	38 x 22
D-33	2" x 1 1/8"	51 x 28
D-36	3" x 2"	76 x 51

\*Special casing sizes available upon request.

## TYPICAL DIE SPECIFICATIONS FOR VARIOUS WIRE MATERIALS

WIRE MATERIAL	DEGREE OF BLENDING	SINGLE CRYSTAL DIAMOND		POLYCRYSTALLINE DIAMOND	
		REDUCTION ANGLE	BEARING LENGTH	REDUCTION ANGLE	BEARING LENGTH
Bare Copper	Well Blended	18° ± 2°	40% ± 10%	18° ± 2°	25% ± 10%
Aluminum	Well Blended	20° ± 2°	25% ± 10%	20° ± 2°	25% ± 10%
Tin or Silver-Plated Copper	Very Well Blended	20° ± 2°	20% ± 10%	20° ± 2°	20% ± 10%
Stainless Steel	Slightly Blended	14° ± 2°	50% ± 10%	15° ± 2°	35% ± 10%
Tungsten	Slightly Blended	14° ± 2°	50% ± 10%	14° ± 2°	30% ± 10%
Brass- or Copper-Covered Steel	Slightly Blended	12° ± 2°	35% ± 10%	12° ± 2°	30% ± 10%

## TYPICAL DIE MATERIAL & DIAMETERS BY WIRE TYPE

WIRE TYPE	DIE SIZE RANGE											
Stainless Steel	[Range: .0005 to .128]											
Tungsten	[Range: .0005 to .128]											
Brass-Covered Steel	[Range: .0005 to .128]											
Copper-Coated Steel	[Range: .0005 to .128]											
Bare Copper	[Range: .0005 to .128]											
Tinned Copper	[Range: .0005 to .128]											
Aluminum	[Range: .0005 to .128]											
<b>INCHES</b>	.0005	.001	.002	.004	.008	.016	.032	.064	.128	.256	.512	
<b>MILLIMETERS</b>	0.0125	0.025	0.05	0.10	0.20	0.40	0.80	1.60	3.20	6.40	12.80	

SCND   
 PCD

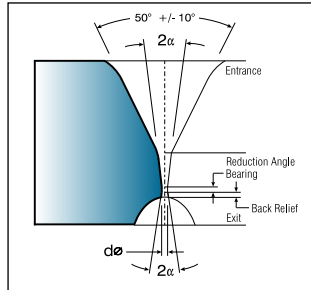
## NEW AND RECUT WIRE DRAWING DIES

INCHES Size Range	Standard Hole Size Tolerance	Standard Quality Tolerance	Min. "Tightest" Hole Size Tolerance
	STD102	STD102	STD301
.0006 or less	.000024	.000020	.000010
.00061-.0008	.000024	.000020	.000012
.00081-.0010	.000028	.000020	.000014
.00101-.0020	.000036	.000020	.000016
.00201-.0030	.000040	.000020	.000020
.00301-.0040	.000050	.000030	.000030
.00401-.0080	.000060	.000040	.000040
.00801-.0100	.000080	.000040	.000040
.01001-.0160	.000080	.000040	.000050
.01601-.0200	.000120	.000080	.000060
.02001-.0300	.000120	.000080	.000080
.03001-.0400	.000160	.000100	.000080
.04001-.0600	.000160	.000100	.000100
.06001-.1500	.000200	.000120	.000120
.1501-.5000	.000500	.000500	.000500

## MILLIMETERS

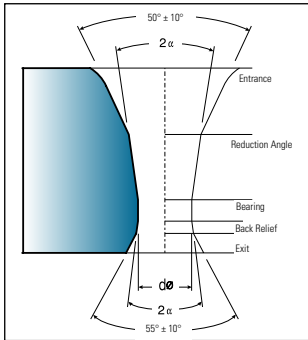
Size Range	Standard Hole Size Tolerance	Standard Quality Tolerance	Min. "Tightest" Hole Size Tolerance
	STD102	STD102	STD301
0.015 or less	0.0006	0.0005	0.00025
0.0151-0.020	0.0006	0.0005	0.0003
0.0201-0.025	0.0007	0.0005	0.00035
0.0251-0.050	0.0009	0.0005	0.0004
0.0501-0.075	0.0010	0.0005	0.0005
0.0751-0.100	0.0012	0.0008	0.0008
0.101-0.200	0.0015	0.0010	0.0010
0.201-0.250	0.0020	0.0010	0.0010
0.251-0.400	0.0020	0.0010	0.0012
0.401-0.500	0.0030	0.0020	0.0015
0.501-0.750	0.0030	0.0020	0.0020
0.751-1.000	0.0040	0.0025	0.0020
1.001-1.500	0.0040	0.0025	0.0025
1.501-3.80	0.0050	0.0030	0.0030
3.801-12.70	0.0127	0.0127	0.0127

**DIES UNDER .004" (0.100 mm)**



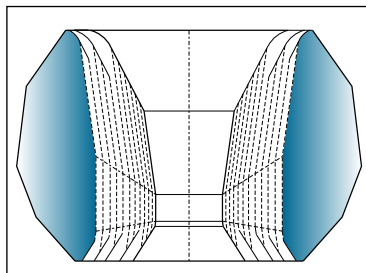
Typical Profile of New Single Crystal Diamond and Polycrystalline Diamond Dies under .004" (0.100 mm)

**DIES OVER .004" (0.100 mm)**



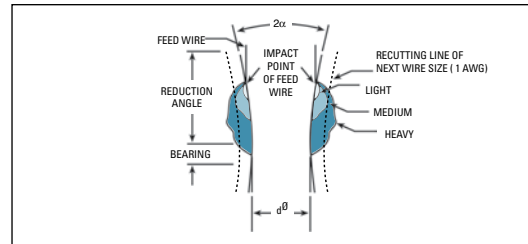
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**RECUT DIE PROFILE**



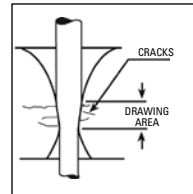
Typical profile of SCD or PCD die above .004" (0.100 mm) as it is recut to larger sizes, keeping the reduction angle and bearing length percentage constant.

**DEGREES OF DIE WEAR**

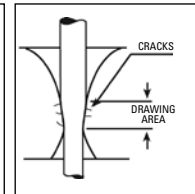


**RECUT QUALITY DEFINITIONS**

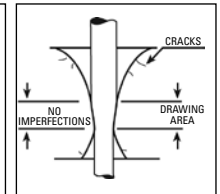
- X** The recut die may have cracks anywhere in the drawing area, but must be able to draw round wire, without clicks.
- XX** The recut die may have small cracks or imperfections in the reduction area but not in the bearing.
- XXX** The recut die must have no imperfections in the drawing area of the die.



**X QUALITY**



**XX QUALITY**

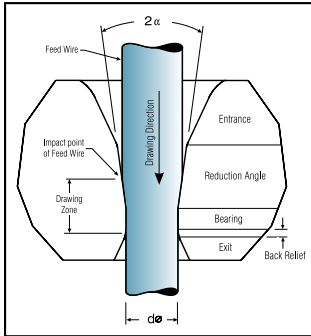


**XXX QUALITY**

**SUGGESTED MICROSCOPE VIEWING RANGES**

HOLE SIZE (in)	HOLE SIZE (mm)	MAGNIFICATION
.002 and smaller	0.05 and smaller	120–160X
.00201–.004	0.0501–0.10	90–120X
.00401–.010	0.101–0.25	60–90X
.0101–.090	0.2501–2.30	30–45X
.0901 and larger	2.301 and larger	10–20X

## NOMENCLATURE



## HOW TO ORDER DIAMOND DIES

To ensure prompt service, please make sure the following information appears on the order.

## SINGLE CRYSTAL DIAMOND DIES

- 1) Casing Dimensions
- 2) Hole Size
- 3) Hole Size Tolerance
- 4) Reduction Angle
- 5) Bearing Length
- 6) Quantity per Hole Size
- 7) Wire Material

## RECUT DIAMOND DIES

- 1) First and Second Requested Hole Size
- 2) Hole Size Tolerance
- 3) Reduction Angle
- 4) Bearing Length
- 5) Wire Material
- 6) Recut Quality Level (See pg. 9)

BUNCHING, STRANDING,  
COMPACTING DIES

- 1) Entry Angle of Maximum Wires
- 2) Reduction of Area
- 3) Hole Size and Tolerance
- 4) Reduction Angle
- 5) Bearing Length
- 6) Quantity per Hole Size
- 7) Wire Material
- 8) Casing Dimensions

## POLYCRYSTALLINE DIAMOND DIES

- 1) Blank Number
- 2) Casing Dimensions
- 3) Hole Size
- 4) Hole Size Tolerance
- 5) Reduction Angle
- 6) Bearing Length
- 7) Quantity per Hole Size
- 8) Wire Material

## ELONGATION SETS

- 1) Hole Size
- 2) Finished Die Hole Size Tolerance
- 3) Reduction Angle
- 4) Bearing Length
- 5) Wire Material
- 6) Transmission Diagram
- 7) Number of Die Positions in Machine
- 8) % Elongation Between Each Die
- 9) Diameter of Supply Wire
- 10) Die Material Type
- 11) Stamping Instructions
- 12) Casing Dimensions

## TUNGSTEN CARBIDE DIES

- 1) Nib Number (R-Series)
- 2) Casing Dimensions
- 3) Hole Size
- 4) Hole Size Tolerance
- 5) Reduction Angle
- 6) Bearing Length
- 7) Carbide Grade
- 8) Back Relief Angle
- 9) Quantity Per Hole Size
- 10) Wire Material

**ENTRANCE** – The entrance zone provides access of the lubrication and wire to the working parts of the die, i.e., the reduction angle and the bearing. The entrance should be designed, particularly in the case of wet drawing, so that a consistent film of lubricant is formed between the die wall and the drawn product.

**REDUCTION ANGLE** – The deformation of the wire takes place in this area. The reduction angle should be specified by degrees included ( $2\alpha$ ).

**BEARING** – The die bearing determines the size of the wire. The bearing length is specified as a percent of the hole diameter.

**BACK RELIEF** – The back relief is a highly polished area that allows the wire to exit from the bearing smoothly to reduce the generation of metallic fines and minimize shaving due to misalignment.

**EXIT** – The wire exits the die through this zone. The exit height must be adequate to provide support for the axial mechanical stress produced by the drawing process.

**BLEND** – The transition between the various zones of the die must be blended in accordance with the purpose for which the die was designed. When dies are designed to draw hard metals, the blending radii should be small. When dies are designed to draw soft nonferrous metals, the blending radii should be larger; however, the transition from the reduction zone to the bearing must not be excessively blended, as this will result in a reduction angle that is smaller than desired for the metal to be drawn.

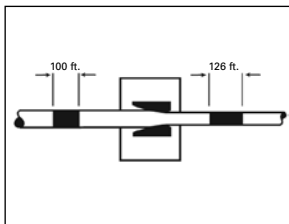
**DRAWING ZONE** – The drawing zone is the area that is touched by the wire during normal drawing.

**IMPACT POINT** – The impact point is the first area in contact with the wire. The wear ring will first develop just below this point.



Wire drawing is a deformation process that involves pulling metal through a die by means of a tensile force applied to the exit side of the die. The wire passes through the die in a general converging flow; its velocity increases as the wire approaches the exit. Because the volume of the wire does not change, the wire elongates as the cross section reduces.

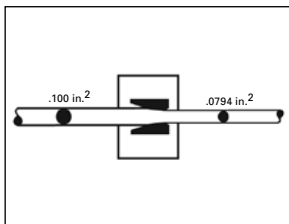
Below are definitions of terms commonly used in the wire drawing industry to describe these occurrences.



**ELONGATION (E)** is the lengthening of the wire as it is drawn through the die, and is expressed as a percentage of the original length.

**Example:** Wire length before the die = 100 feet. Wire length after it is drawn through the die = 126 feet.  
Elongation = 26%

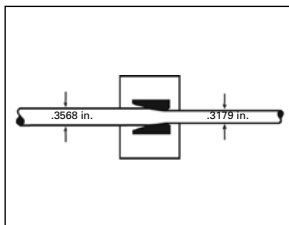
**Formula:** 
$$E = \frac{100A_r}{100 - A_r}$$



**REDUCTION OF AREA (A<sub>r</sub>)** is the reduction of the cross-sectional area of the wire that occurs as the wire is drawn through the die. Reduction of area is expressed as a percentage of the original cross-sectional area.

**Example:** Cross-sectional area before the die = .100 square inches. Cross-sectional area after it is drawn through the die = .0794 square inches. Reduction of area = 20.7%

**Formula:** 
$$A_r = \frac{100E}{100 + E}$$



**REDUCTION OF DIAMETER (D<sub>r</sub>)** is the amount that the wire diameter is reduced as it is drawn through the die. It is expressed as a percentage of the original diameter.

**Example:** .3568-inch diameter before the die. .3179-inch diameter after it is drawn through the die. Reduction of diameter = 10.9%

**Formula:** 
$$D_r = 100 \left( 1 - \sqrt{\frac{A_r}{E}} \right)$$

This chart shows the relationship between elongation, reduction of area, reduction of diameter, and the die diameter ratios used in calculating a die sequence.

**HOW TO USE:** To calculate a die sequence, multiply the die diameter ratio applicable to your wire drawing practice by the finish die hole size to find the next larger die size in the sequence and so forth.

EXAMPLE:	FACTOR	DIE SEQUENCE
Elongation: 26.0983%		
Reduction of Area: 20.70%	.025347	Finish Die
Reduction of Diameter: 10.94%	.028462 in x 1.12293 = .028462	2nd Die
Finish Hole Size: .025347	.028462 in x 1.12293 = .031961	3rd Die
Die Diameter Ratio: 1.12293	.031961 in x 1.12293 = .035891	4th Die

**NOTE:** To ensure accuracy in calculating a die sequence, use six decimal places.

AWG	WIRE ELONG. %	RED. OF AREA %	RED. OF DIA. %	DIE DIA. RATIO	AWG	WIRE ELONG. %	RED. OF AREA %	RED. OF DIA. %	DIE DIA. RATIO
5	4.76	2.43	1.02469	25.5	20.32	10.73	1.12026		
5.5	5.21	2.67	1.02719	26	20.63	10.92	1.12349		
6	5.66	2.87	1.02956	1	26.098	20.70	10.94	1.12293	
6.5	6.10	3.13	1.03198	26.5	20.95	11.09	1.12472		
7	6.54	3.34	1.03440	27	21.26	11.26	1.12694		
7.5	6.98	3.53	1.03682	27.5	21.57	11.44	1.12915		
8	7.41	3.76	1.03923	28	21.88	11.60	1.13137		
8.5	7.83	4.02	1.04163	28.5	22.18	11.78	1.13357		
9	8.26	4.20	1.04403	29	22.48	11.96	1.13578		
9.5	8.68	4.41	1.04642	29.5	22.78	12.12	1.13798		
10	9.09	4.66	1.04880	30	23.08	12.29	1.14017		
10.5	9.50	4.88	1.05118	30.5	23.37	12.47	1.14236		
11	9.91	5.08	1.05356	31	23.66	12.64	1.14455		
11.5	10.31	5.32	1.05593	31.5	23.95	12.80	1.14673		
12	10.71	5.53	1.05830	32	24.24	12.97	1.14891		
1/2	12.293	10.95	5.62	1.05968	32.5	24.53	13.12	1.15108	
12.5	11.11	5.72	1.06066	33	24.81	13.29	1.15325		
13	11.50	5.95	1.06301	33.5	25.09	13.46	1.15542		
13.5	11.89	6.15	1.06536	1/4	33.824	25.16	13.50	1.15595	
14	12.28	6.34	1.06770	34	25.37	13.62	1.15758		
14.5	12.66	6.56	1.07004	34.5	25.65	13.77	1.15974		
15	13.04	6.76	1.07238	35	25.93	13.93	1.16189		
15.5	13.42	6.95	1.07470	35.5	26.20	14.09	1.16404		
16	13.79	7.16	1.07703	36	26.47	14.25	1.16619		
16.5	14.16	7.36	1.07935	36.5	26.74	14.41	1.16833		
17	14.53	7.55	1.08166	37	27.01	14.56	1.17046		
17.5	14.89	7.76	1.08397	37.5	27.27	14.72	1.17260		
18	15.25	7.96	1.08627	38	27.54	14.87	1.17473		
18.5	15.61	8.14	1.08857	38.5	27.80	15.02	1.17686		
18.996	15.96	8.34	1.09085	39	28.06	15.18	1.17898		
19	15.97	8.32	1.09087	39.5	28.32	15.33	1.18110		
19.5	16.32	8.52	1.09316	40	28.57	15.49	1.18321		
20	16.67	8.70	1.09544	40.5	28.83	15.63	1.18532		
20.5	17.01	8.91	1.09772	41	29.08	15.78	1.18743		
21	17.36	9.08	1.10000	41.5	29.33	15.93	1.18953		
21.5	17.70	9.27	1.10227	1/2	41.6	29.38	15.96	1.18995	
22	18.03	9.47	1.10453	42	29.58	16.08	1.19163		
22.5	18.37	9.64	1.10679	42.5	29.82	16.24	1.19373		
23	18.70	9.83	1.10905	43	30.07	16.38	1.19582		
23.5	19.03	10.01	1.11130	43.5	30.31	16.53	1.19791		
24	19.35	10.21	1.11355	44	30.56	16.66	1.20000		
24.5	19.68	10.37	1.11579	44.5	30.80	16.81	1.20208		
25	20.00	10.56	1.11803	45	31.03	16.96	1.20415		



Below are some of the most commonly used equations in the wire drawing industry and examples of their use.

**LEGEND**

d=Smaller Exit Diameter  
 D=Larger Entrance Diameter  
 A<sub>r</sub>=Total Reduction of Area %  
 E=Elongation %  
 fpm=Feet Per Minute  
 Vd=Velocity of Wire Exiting Die  
 VD=Velocity of Wire Entering Die  
 A<sub>re</sub>=Even Reduction of Area %  
 n=Number of Dies in a Set

**ENTRANCE DIAMETER (D)**

**Formula:** 
$$D = \frac{d}{(1 - (A_r/100))^{1/2}}$$

**Example:** d=.0179 A<sub>r</sub>=84.3%  

$$D = \frac{.0179}{(1 - (84.3/100))^{1/2}}$$
  
 D=.0452

**EXIT DIAMETER (d)**

**Formula:** 
$$d = D(\sqrt{1 - (A_r/100)})$$

**Example:** A<sub>r</sub>=84.3% D=.0452  

$$d = .0452(\sqrt{1 - (84.3/100)})$$
  
 D=.0179

**ELONGATION % (E)**

**Formula:** 
$$E = 100 \left[ \left( \frac{D}{d} \right)^2 - 1 \right]$$

**Example:** D=.0452 d=.0179  

$$E = 100 \left[ \left( \frac{.0452}{.0179} \right)^2 - 1 \right]$$
  
 E=537.6%

**TOTAL REDUCTION OF AREA % (A<sub>r</sub>)**

**Formula:** 
$$A_r = 100 \left[ 1 - \left( \frac{d}{D} \right)^2 \right]$$

**Example:** D=.0452 d=.0179  

$$A_r = 100 \left[ 1 - \left( \frac{.0179}{.0452} \right)^2 \right]$$
  
 A<sub>r</sub>=84.3%

**EVEN REDUCTION OF AREA (A<sub>re</sub>)**

**Formula:** 
$$A_{re} = 100 \left[ 1 - \sqrt[n]{\left( \frac{d}{D} \right)^2} \right]$$

**Example:** d=.0179 D=.0452 n=9  

$$A_{re} = 100 \left[ 1 - \sqrt[9]{\left( \frac{.0179}{.0452} \right)^2} \right]$$
  
 A<sub>re</sub>=18.6%

**VELOCITY OF WIRE ENTERING DIE (VD)**

**Formula:** 
$$VD = Vd \left( \frac{d}{D} \right)^2$$

**Example:** d=.0179 D=.0452 Vd=1000 fpm  

$$VD = 1000 \left( \frac{.0179}{.0452} \right)^2$$
  
 VD=156.8 fpm

**VELOCITY OF WIRE EXITING DIE (Vd)**

**Formula:** 
$$Vd = \frac{VD}{1 - (A_r/100)}$$

**Example:** VD=156.8 fpm A<sub>r</sub>=84.3%  

$$Vd = \frac{156.8}{1 - (84.3/100)}$$
  
 Vd=1000 fpm

**NUMBER OF DIES IN A SET WITH EVEN REDUCTION (n)**

**Formula:** 
$$n = \frac{\text{Log}[1 - (A_r/100)]}{\text{Log}[1 - (A_{re}/100)]}$$

**Example:** A<sub>r</sub>=84.3% A<sub>re</sub>=18.6%  

$$n = \frac{\text{Log}[1 - (84.3/100)]}{\text{Log}[1 - (18.6/100)]}$$
  
 n=9

**LEGEND**

d=Wire Diameter (in or mm)  
 W=Weight/Length (lb/ft or g/m)  
 DN=Density (lb/in<sup>3</sup> or g/mm<sup>3</sup>)  
 WP=Weight Produced (lb/h or kg/h)  
 Vf=Final Wire Speed (ft/min or m/s)  
 K=Units Factor

**CROSS SECTION OF ROUND WIRE**

**Formula:** 
$$\text{Area} = \frac{\pi d^2}{4} = .7854 \times d^2$$

**Example:** The area for a .035" diameter wire:  
 Area=.7854 x .035<sup>2</sup>=.000962 in<sup>2</sup>

**WEIGHT/LENGTH RELATIONSHIP**

**Formula:** 
$$W = K \times d^2 \times DN$$
  
 For lb/ft, K=9.425 For g/m, K=785.4

**Example:** The weight per foot of .090" bare copper wire is:  
 W=9.425 x .090<sup>2</sup> x .321=.0245 lb/ft

**PRODUCTION RATE**

**Formula:** 
$$WP = Vf \times d^2 \times DN \times K$$
  
 For lb/h, K=565.5 For kg/h, K=2827

**Example:** Production rate for an .090" diameter bare copper wire drawn at a finishing speed of 1000 ft/minute:

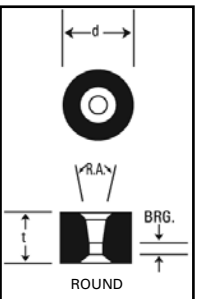
$$WP = 1000 \times .090^2 \times .321 \times 565.5 = 1470 \text{ lb/h}$$

**DENSITY**

Electrolytic Copper	DN=.321 lb/in <sup>3</sup>	DN=0.00889 g/mm <sup>3</sup>
Tungsten	DN=.697 lb/in <sup>3</sup>	DN=0.0193 g/mm <sup>3</sup>
Stainless Steel	DN=.283 lb/in <sup>3</sup>	DN=0.00783 g/mm <sup>3</sup>

POLYCRYSTALLINE DIAMOND CORE DIMENSIONS

ADDDMA NO.	MFG. NO.	GRAIN SIZE CLASS	NIB FEATURE	THERMAL STABILITY IN AIR	CORE DIM.	
					d in	t
D-6	5010	F	1	1200°C	1.22	.039
D-12	5815	F	2	630°C	1.05	.059
D-12	5015	F	1	1200°C	1.22	.059
D-12	5235	M	2	630°C	1.05	.059
D-15	5823	F	2	630°C	1.50	.088
D-15	5025	F	1	1200°C	2.05	.088
D-15	5223	M	2	630°C	1.50	.088
D-15	5430	C	2	630°C	1.50	.088
D-18	5829	F	2	630°C	1.50	.112
D-18	5035	F	1	1200°C	2.05	.138
D-18	5229	M	2	630°C	1.50	.112
D-18	5435	C	2	630°C	1.50	.112
D-21	5840	F	2	630°C	2.68	.152
D-21	5240	M	2	630°C	2.68	.152
D-21	5530	C	2	630°C	2.68	.152
D-24	5853	F	2	630°C	2.68	.202
D-24	5253	M	2	630°C	2.68	.202
D-24	5225	M	2	630°C	5.00	.275
D-24	5535	C	2	630°C	2.68	.202
D-24	5725	C	2	630°C	5.00	.275
D-27	5208	M	2	630°C	5.00	.343
D-27	5730	C	2	630°C	5.00	.343
D-30	5211	M	2	630°C	5.00	.457
D-30	5735	C	2	630°C	5.00	.457
D-30	5913	M	2	630°C	5.00	.457
D-33	5915	M	2	630°C	7.17	.610
D-33	5917	M	2	630°C	7.17	.689
D-36	5918	M	2	630°C	7.17	.728

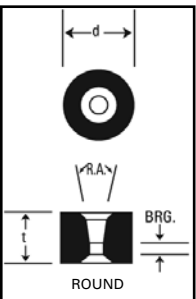


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- Nib features:**  
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D-12	5015	F	1	1200°C	3.1	1.5
D-12	5235	M	2	630°C	1.4	1.5
D-15	5823	F	2	630°C	3.8	2.24
D-15	5025	F	1	1200°C	5.2	2.5
D-15	5223	M	2	630°C	3.8	2.24
D-15	5430	C	2	630°C	3.8	2.24
D-18	5829	F	2	630°C	3.8	2.84
D-18	5035	F	1	1200°C	5.2	3.5
D-18	5229	M	2	630°C	3.8	2.84
D-18	5435	C	2	630°C	3.8	2.84
D-21	5840	F	2	630°C	6.8	3.86
D-21	5240	M	2	630°C	6.8	3.86
D-21	5530	C	2	630°C	6.8	3.86
D-24	5853	F	2	630°C	6.8	5.13
D-24	5253	M	2	630°C	6.8	5.13
D-24	5225	M	2	630°C	12.7	6.88
D-24	5535	C	2	630°C	6.8	5.13
D-24	5725	C	2	630°C	12.7	6.88
D-27	5208	M	2	630°C	12.7	8.7
D-27	5730	C	2	630°C	12.7	8.7
D-30	5211	M	2	630°C	12.7	11.6
D-30	5735	C	2	630°C	12.7	11.6
D-30	5913	M	2	630°C	18.2	13.5
D-33	5915	M	2	630°C	18.2	15.5
D-33	5917	M	2	630°C	18.2	17.5
D-36	5918	M	2	630°C	18.2	18.5



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**MAXIMUM RECOMMENDED HOLE SIZE RANGE\*\***

REDUCTION ANGLE (R.A.)	BEARING PERCENTAGE (BRG.)																				
	10%					30%					50%										
	8	12	16	20	24	8	12	16	20	24	8	12	16	20	24	8	12	16	20	24	
D-6	5010	.016	.023	.030	.037	.043	.014	.019	.024	.028	.031	.013	.017	.020	.022	.025	.012	.015	.018	.020	.022
D-12	5815	.027	.032	.032	.032	.032	.024	.032	.032	.032	.032	.021	.028	.032	.032	.032	.018	.021	.024	.026	.028
D-12	5015	.027	.039	.051	.062	.072	.024	.033	.040	.047	.053	.021	.028	.034	.038	.042	.018	.021	.024	.026	.028
D-12	5235	.027	.032	.032	.032	.032	.024	.032	.032	.032	.032	.021	.028	.032	.032	.032	.018	.021	.024	.026	.028
D-15	5823	.045	.065	.084	.102	.112	.039	.054	.067	.078	.087	.035	.047	.056	.063	.069	.032	.035	.038	.041	.044
D-15	5025	.050	.073	.094	.114	.133	.044	.061	.075	.087	.098	.038	.052	.062	.070	.077	.032	.035	.038	.041	.044
D-15	5223	.045	.065	.084	.102	.112	.039	.054	.067	.078	.087	.035	.047	.056	.063	.069	.032	.035	.038	.041	.044
D-15	5430	.045	.065	.084	.102	.112	.039	.054	.067	.078	.087	.035	.047	.056	.063	.069	.032	.035	.038	.041	.044
D-18	5829	.057	.082	.107	.129	.149	.050	.069	.085	.099	.109	.045	.059	.070	.080	.087	.035	.038	.041	.044	.047
D-18	5035	.070	.102	.131	.153	.153	.062	.085	.105	.122	.137	.055	.073	.087	.098	.108	.035	.038	.041	.044	.047
D-18	5229	.057	.082	.107	.129	.149	.050	.069	.085	.099	.109	.045	.059	.070	.080	.087	.035	.038	.041	.044	.047
D-18	5435	.057	.082	.107	.129	.149	.050	.069	.085	.099	.109	.045	.059	.070	.080	.087	.035	.038	.041	.044	.047
D-21	5840	.077	.112	.145	.176	.204	.068	.093	.115	.134	.151	.061	.080	.096	.108	.119	.035	.038	.041	.044	.047
D-21	5240	.077	.112	.145	.176	.204	.068	.093	.115	.134	.151	.061	.080	.096	.108	.119	.035	.038	.041	.044	.047
D-21	5530	.077	.112	.145	.176	.204	.068	.093	.115	.134	.151	.061	.080	.096	.108	.119	.035	.038	.041	.044	.047
D-24	5853	.103	.149	.193	.199	.199	.090	.124	.153	.178	.199	.080	.107	.127	.144	.158	.035	.038	.041	.044	.047
D-24	5253	.103	.149	.193	.199	.199	.090	.124	.153	.178	.199	.080	.107	.127	.144	.158	.035	.038	.041	.044	.047
D-24	5225	.140	.203	.262	.318	.372	.123	.169	.208	.243	.272	.109	.145	.173	.196	.215	.035	.038	.041	.044	.047
D-24	5535	.103	.149	.193	.199	.199	.090	.124	.153	.178	.199	.080	.107	.127	.144	.158	.035	.038	.041	.044	.047
D-24	5725	.140	.203	.262	.318	.372	.123	.169	.208	.243	.272	.109	.145	.173	.196	.215	.035	.038	.041	.044	.047
D-27	5208	.077	.112	.145	.176	.204	.068	.093	.115	.134	.151	.061	.080	.096	.108	.119	.035	.038	.041	.044	.047
D-27	5730	.174	.253	.327	.378	.378	.153	.211	.260	.302	.339	.136	.181	.216	.244	.268	.035	.038	.041	.044	.047
D-30	5211	.232	.337	.366	.366	.366	.204	.281	.346	.366	.366	.182	.241	.287	.325	.357	.035	.038	.041	.044	.047
D-30	5735	.232	.337	.366	.366	.366	.204	.281	.346	.366	.366	.182	.241	.287	.325	.357	.035	.038	.041	.044	.047
D-30	5913	.270	.392	.507	.540	.540	.237	.327	.403	.469	.527	.212	.280	.335	.379	.415	.035	.038	.041	.044	.047
D-33	5915	.317	.461	.540	.540	.540	.279	.384	.474	.540	.540	.249	.330	.393	.445	.489	.035	.038	.041	.044	.047
D-33	5917	.365	.530	.540	.540	.540	.321	.442	.540	.540	.540	.286	.379	.452	.512	.540	.035	.038	.041	.044	.047
D-36	5918	.389	.540	.540	.540	.540	.342	.471	.540	.540	.540	.305	.404	.482	.540	.540	.035	.038	.041	.044	.047

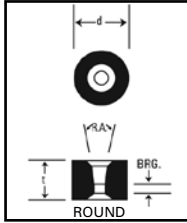
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**MAXIMUM RECOMMENDED HOLE SIZE RANGE\*\***

REDUCTION ANGLE (R.A.)	BEARING PERCENTAGE (BRG.)																				
	10%					30%					50%										
	8	12	16	20	24	8	12	16	20	24	8	12	16	20	24	8	12	16	20	24	
D-6	5010	.041	.059	.076	.093	.108	.036	.049	.061	.071	.079	.032	.042	.050	.057	.063	.031	.034	.037	.040	.043
D-12	5815	.069	.081	.081	.081	.081	.060	.081	.081	.081	.081	.054	.071	.081	.081	.081	.054	.071	.081	.081	.081
D-12	5015	.069	.100	.129	.156	.183	.060	.081	.102	.119	.136	.054	.071	.085	.096	.106	.054	.071	.081	.081	.081
D-12	5235	.069	.081	.081	.081	.081	.060	.081	.081	.081	.081	.054	.071	.081	.081	.081	.054	.071	.081	.081	.081
D-15	5823	.114	.165	.214	.260	.284	.100	.138	.170	.198	.222	.089	.118	.141	.160	.175	.089	.118	.141	.160	.175
D-15	5025	.127	.184	.238	.290	.328	.112	.154	.190	.221	.248	.100	.132	.157	.178	.195	.089	.118	.141	.160	.175
D-15	5223	.114	.165	.214	.260	.284	.100	.138	.170	.198	.222	.089	.118	.141	.160	.175	.089	.118	.141	.160	.175
D-15	5430	.114	.165	.214	.260	.284	.100	.138	.170	.198	.222	.089	.118	.141	.160	.175	.089	.118	.141	.160	.175
D-18	5829	.144	.209	.271	.278	.278	.127	.175	.215	.251	.278	.113	.150	.179	.202	.222	.113	.150	.179	.202	.222
D-18	5035	.178	.258	.334	.388	.388	.156	.215	.265	.309	.347	.139	.185	.220	.249	.274	.139	.185	.220	.249	.274
D-18	5229	.144	.209	.271	.278	.278	.127	.175	.215	.251	.278	.113	.150	.179	.202	.222	.113	.150	.179	.202	.222
D-18	5435	.144	.209	.271	.278	.278	.127														

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ADDDA NO.	MFG. NO.	GRAIN SIZE CLASS	M	NIB FEATURE	THERMAL STABILITY IN AIR	CORE DIM.				
						F	d			
		0-2µ	3-10µ	11-29µ						
D-6	WD705	F	M	C	E	1	700°C	.998	.039	
D-6	WD905	F	M	C	E	2	1000°C	.998	.039	
D-12	WD710	F	M	C	E	1	700°C	1.26	.059	
D-12	WD810	F	M	C	E	2	1000°C	1.26	.059	
D-12	WD910	F	S	M	C	E	3	700°C	.069	.059
D-15	WD715	F	M	C	E	1	700°C	.205	.098	
D-15	WD815	F	M	C	E	2	1000°C	.205	.098	
D-15	WD915	F	S	M	C	E	3	700°C	.157	.091
D-18	WD720	F	M	C	E	1	700°C	.205	.138	
D-18	WD820	F	M	C	E	2	1000°C	.205	.138	
D-18	WD920	F	S	M	C	E	3	700°C	.157	.114
D-21	WD925	-	S	M	C	E	3	700°C	.276	.157
D-24	WD930	-	S	M	C	E	3	700°C	.276	.209
D-27	WD940	-	M	C	E	3	700°C	.354	.295	
D-27	WD945	-	M	C	E	3	700°C	.512	.354	
D-30	WD950	-	M	C	E	3	700°C	.512	.472	
D-33	WD960	-	-	C	E	3	650°C	.630	.630	
D-36	WD970	-	-	E	3	650°C	.748	.748		
D-36	WD975	-	-	E	3	650°C	.894	.787		
D-36	WD980	-	-	E	3	650°C	1.181	.866		
D-36	WD990	-	-	E	3	650°C	1.575	.984		
D-36	WD995	-	-	E	3	650°C	1.772	1.063		



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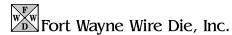
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	8	12	16	20	8	12	16	20	8	12	16	20				
REDUCTION ANGLE (R.A.)	8	12	16	20	8	12	16	20	8	12	16	20				
D-6	WD705	.016	.023	.030	.037	.043	.014	.019	.024	.028	.031	.013	.017	.020	.022	.025
D-6	WD805	.016	.022	.030	.037	.043	.014	.019	.024	.028	.031	.013	.017	.020	.022	.025
D-12	WD710	.027	.039	.051	.062	.072	.024	.033	.040	.047	.053	.021	.028	.034	.038	.042
D-12	WD810	.027	.039	.051	.062	.072	.024	.033	.040	.047	.053	.021	.028	.034	.038	.042
D-12	WD910	.027	.035	.035	.035	.035	.024	.033	.035	.035	.035	.021	.028	.034	.035	.035
D-15	WD715	.050	.073	.094	.114	.133	.044	.061	.075	.087	.098	.039	.052	.062	.070	.077
D-15	WD815	.050	.073	.094	.114	.133	.044	.061	.075	.087	.098	.039	.052	.062	.070	.077
D-15	WD915	.046	.067	.086	.105	.118	.040	.056	.069	.080	.090	.036	.048	.057	.065	.071
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D-18	WD820	.070	.102	.131	.153	.153	.062	.085	.105	.122	.137	.055	.073	.087	.098	.108
D-18	WD920	.058	.084	.109	.116	.116	.051	.070	.087	.101	.113	.046	.060	.072	.081	.089
D-21	WD925	.080	.116	.150	.183	.210	.070	.097	.119	.139	.156	.063	.083	.099	.112	.123
D-24	WD930	.106	.154	.199	.205	.205	.083	.128	.158	.184	.205	.083	.110	.131	.149	.163
D-27	WD940	.150	.218	.281	.330	.330	.115	.175	.205	.220	.261	.118	.156	.186	.210	.231
D-27	WD945	.180	.261	.338	.387	.387	.158	.219	.269	.313	.351	.141	.187	.223	.253	.277
D-30	WD950	.240	.348	.474	.574	.574	.211	.291	.358	.374	.374	.188	.249	.297	.337	.369
D-33	WD960	.329	.467	.467	.467	.467	.289	.399	.467	.467	.467	.258	.342	.408	.462	.467
D-36	WD970	.400	.566	.566	.566	.566	.352	.485	.566	.566	.566	.314	.416	.497	.562	.566
D-36	WD975	.424	.616	.765	.765	.765	.373	.514	.634	.738	.765	.333	.441	.526	.596	.653
D-36	WD980	.472	.685	.887	.887	.887	.415	.571	.705	.820	.921	.370	.490	.585	.662	.726
D-36	WD990	.543	.789	1.021	1.240	1.261	.478	.658	.811	.944	1.060	.426	.564	.673	.762	.836
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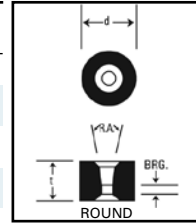
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D-15	WD815	F	M	C	E	2	1000°C	5.2	2.5	
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D-18	WD820	F	M	C	E	2	1000°C	5.2	3.5	
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D-21	WD925	-	S	M	C	E	3	700°C	7.0	4.0
D-24	WD930	-	S	M	C	E	3	700°C	7.0	5.3
D-27	WD940	-	M	C	E	3	700°C	9.0	7.5	
D-27	WD945	-	M	C	E	3	700°C	13.0	9.0	
D-30	WD950	-	M	C	E	3	700°C	13.0	12.0	
D-33	WD960	-	-	C	E	3	650°C	16.0	16.0	
D-36	WD970	-	-	E	3	650°C	19.0	19.0		
D-36	WD975	-	-	E	3	650°C	25.0	20.0		
D-36	WD980	-	-	E	3	650°C	30.0	22.0		
D-36	WD990	-	-	E	3	650°C	40.0	25.0		
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D-6	WD705	0.41	0.59	0.76	0.93	1.08	0.36	0.49	0.61	0.71	0.79	0.32	0.42	0.50	0.57	0.63
D-6	WD805	0.41	0.59	0.76	0.93	1.08	0.36	0.49	0.61	0.71	0.79	0.32	0.42	0.50	0.57	0.63
D-12	WD710	0.69	1.00	1.29	1.56	1.83	0.60	0.83	1.02	1.19	1.34	0.54	0.71	0.85	0.96	1.06
D-12	WD810	0.69	1.00	1.29	1.56	1.83	0.60	0.83	1.02	1.19	1.34	0.54	0.71	0.85	0.96	1.06
D-12	WD910	0.69	0.89	0.89	0.89	0.89	0.60	0.83	0.89	0.89	0.89	0.54	0.71	0.85	0.89	0.89
D-15	WD715	1.27	1.84	2.38	2.90	3.38	1.12	1.54	1.90	2.21	2.48	1.00	1.32	1.57	1.78	1.95
D-15	WD815	1.27	1.84	2.38	2.90	3.38	1.12	1.54	1.90	2.21	2.48	1.00	1.32	1.57	1.78	1.95
D-15	WD915	1.17	1.70	2.19	2.67	3.00	1.03	1.41	1.74	2.02	2.28	0.92	1.21	1.45	1.64	1.80
D-18	WD720	1.78	2.58	3.34	3.88	3.88	1.56	2.15	2.65	3.09	3.47	1.39	1.85	2.20	2.49	2.74
D-18	WD820	1.78	2.58	3.34	3.88	3.88	1.56	2.15	2.65	3.09	3.47	1.39	1.85	2.20	2.49	2.74
D-18	WD920	1.47	2.14	2.77	2.94	2.94	1.29	1.78	2.20	2.56	2.87	1.15	1.53	1.83	2.07	2.27
D-21	WD925	2.03	2.95	3.82	4.63	5.34	1.79	2.46	3.03	3.53	3.96	1.59	2.11	2.52	2.85	3.13
D-24	WD930	2.69	3.91	5.06	5.19	5.19	2.37	3.26	4.02	4.68	5.19	2.11	2.79	3.34	3.78	4.14
D-27	WD940	3.81	5.53	6.83	6.83	6.83	3.35	4.61	5.69	6.62	6.62	2.59	3.56	4.72	5.34	5.86
D-27	WD945	4.57	6.64	8.58	9.83	9.83	4.02	5.53	6.83	7.94	8.92	3.58	4.74	5.66	6.41	7.03
D-30	WD950	6.09	8.85	9.50	9.50	9.50	5.36	7.38	9.10	9.50	9.50	4.78	6.33	7.55	8.55	9.38
D-33	WD960	8.36	11.86	11.86	11.86	11.86	7.35	10.13	11.86	11.86	11.86	6.56	8.68	10.37	11.74	11.86
D-36	WD970	10.17	14.38	14.38	14.38	14.38	8.94	12.32	14.38	14.38	14.38	7.98	10.57	12.61	14.28	14.38
D-36	WD975	10.77	15.05	19.42	19.42	19.42	9.47	13.05	16.10	18.73	19.42	8.45	11.19	13.36	15.13	16.59
D-36	WD980	11.98	17.41	22.52	23.62	23.62	10.54	14.51	17.90	20.82	23.39	9.40	12.45	14.86	16.82	18.45
D-36	WD990	13.79	20.40	25.92	31.49	32.03	12.13	17.07	21.62	23.98	26.93	10.82	14.33	17.30	19.36	21.10
D-36	WD995	15.00	21.79	28.19	34.24	36.23	13.19	18.17	22.41	26.08	29.28	11.77	15.58	18.60	21.06	23.10

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Provide us with your specifications, and we'll provide you with long-lasting, custom-made extrusion tips and dies to help your extrusion process run efficiently and economically.

**SUPERIOR EXTRUSION TIP CONCENTRICITY**

Fort Wayne Wire Die guarantees that all our precision natural diamond and polycrystalline diamond extrusion tips are concentric within .0002 in (0.005 mm) total indicator reading.

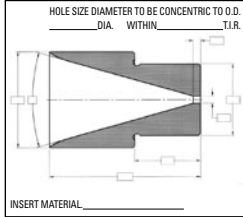
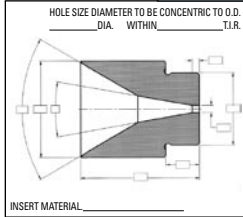
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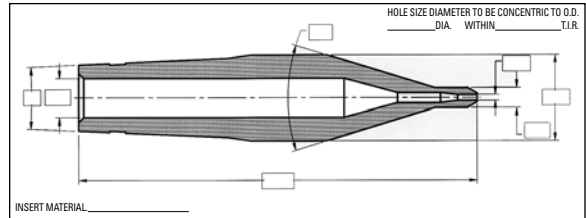
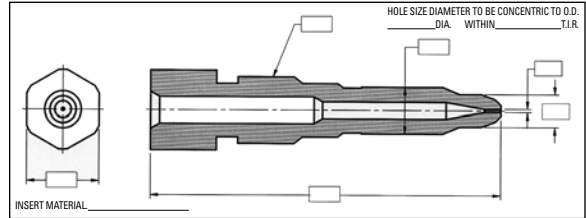
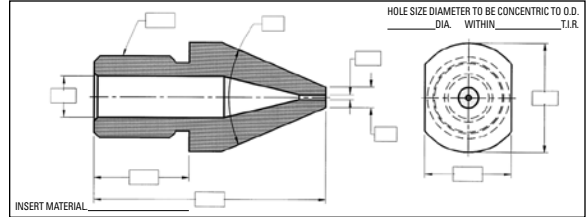
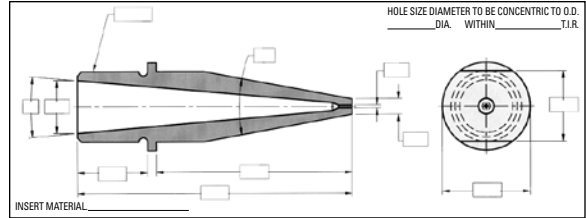
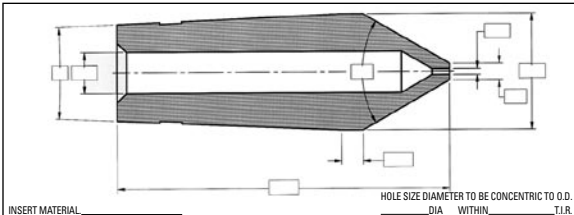
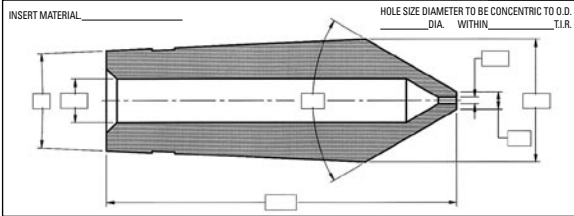
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3. Locate each dimension guideline. Determine whether a length, width, diameter or angle measurement is needed.
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- PCD** – Polycrystalline Diamond
- TC** – Tungsten Carbide
- TS** – Tool Steel

**DIES**



**TIPS**



HOLE SIZES	
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<b>TC</b> : .020 in (0.50 mm) to .500 in (12.5 mm)	<b>TS</b> : up to 1.0 in (25 mm)

**DIE MATERIAL SELECTION TABLE**

Material Characteristics	Die Material		
	SCND	PCD	WC
Surface Finish	***	*	**
Resistance to Galling	***	*	**
Ease of Polishing / Recutting	**	*	***
Particle Pull Out	***	*	**
Toughness / Impact Strength	*	***	***
Generation of Micro-Fines (< 1 um)	***	*	**
Abrasive Wear Resistance	**	***	*
Corrosive Wear Resistance (Low C-steel)	**	**	***
Die Pull (Resistance to Drawing Forces)	***	*	**
Purchase Price	*	**	***
Uniformity of Wear / Roundness	**	***	*

\* = Good \*\* = Better \*\*\* = Best  
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**RELATIVE DIE LIFE BY MATERIAL DRAWN**

Wire Type	Die Material		
	SCND	PCD	WC
Copper	50-100X	150-400X	1
Brass or Zinc Plated High-Carbon Steel	2-5X	5-20X	1
Stainless Steel Ni-Chrome Alloys	5-10X	10-20X	1
Aluminum	10-20X	60-100X	1

**PHYSICAL AND MECHANICAL PROPERTIES OF DIE MATERIALS**

Properties	SCND	PCD	WC
Hardness (Knoop, x10 <sup>3</sup> MPa)	80 – 120	60 – 80	17-18
Transverse Rupture Strength (MPa)	300	1800	1800
Compression Strength (MPa)	2200-8750	7340	6100
Young's Modulus (x10 <sup>3</sup> MPa)	11900	8800	6300
Thermal Conductivity Coefficient (kJ/s.m <sup>2</sup> .K)	71 - 92	12.5 - 21	7.1 – 13.7

**MATCHED ELONGATION DIE SETS**

A matched elongation set is a set of dies that has been engineered to optimize the performance of your drawing machine taking the machine elongation and accumulation of slip into account. They are recommended for multiwire drawing machines or ultrafine single wire machines and offer several advantages during the drawing process.

**Eliminate wirebreaks / Reduce downtime / Improve wire surface finish  
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Fort Wayne Wire Die has developed proprietary software to aid in the calculation of precision-made die sets with correct tolerances that have been matched to the wire drawing machine elongation and are controlled to a tolerance of ± 0.5% elongation. We calculate each individual die size to minimize slip on the capstans and improve the surface finish of the wire.

Each die is performance tested to check for the correct wire elongation and die pull. The dies are then certified, stamped with set numbers and shipped to the customer as a set. When die sets are made to hole size tolerances alone, big variations in elongation can result, as seen below.

**THE EFFECT OF HOLE SIZE TOLERANCE ON ELONGATION**

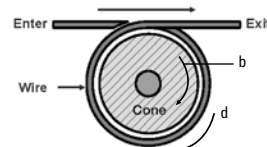
**Example: Hole Size Tolerance +/- .000020 in (+/- 0.0005 mm)  
 Target Elongation: 26.0% Elongation Tolerance +/- 0.5%**

	Size (in)	Size (mm)	Maximum	Size (in)	Size (mm)	Elongation
Minimum	.00440	0.1118	Maximum	.00396	0.1005	results in 23.6% (-2.4%)
Nominal	.00442	0.1123	Nominal	.00394	0.1000	results in 26.0%
Maximum	.00444	0.1128	Minimum	.00392	0.0995	results in 28.4% (+2.4%)

**TYPES OF DIES USED**

Matched elongation sets can utilize both single crystal natural diamond (SCND) and polycrystalline diamond (PCD) dies or a combination of both.

SCND dies will produce the best wire surface finish and are typically used for sizes smaller than .016 -.024" (0.4-0.6 mm) and for finish dies.



$$\% \text{ Slip} = \frac{\text{Roll Speed (b)} - \text{Wire Speed (d)}}{\text{Roll Speed (b)}}$$

**SLIP**

On a wire drawing machine, slip is the difference between the circumferential speed of the drawing cone and the surface speed of the wire.

The cone or roll is driven "faster" than the wire which slides over them.

Too much slip results in grooves on the rolls, bad surface finish on the wire, excessive fine generation and cross-over wire breaks. Too little slip causes tension wire breaks. Slip should be minimized but must always be positive. Slip accumulates from the finish die backwards through the machine.

NIB NUMBER	REDUCTION ANGLE	GRADE	MAX. HOLE SIZE	NIB O.D.	NIB HEIGHT	CASING O.D.	CASING HEIGHT	INCHES
R-2	12°	FW6	.128	.325	.330	1 or 1 1/2	9/16 or 3/4	
R-2	16°	FW6	.128	.325	.330	1 or 1 1/2	9/16 or 3/4	
R-3	12°	FW6	.182	.450	.380	1 or 1 1/2	9/16 or 3/4	
R-4	12°	FW6	.230	.500	.450	1 1/4 or 1 1/2	7/8	
R-4	16°	FW6	.230	.500	.450	1 1/4 or 1 1/2	7/8	
R-5	12°	FW6	.280	.525	.600	1 1/4 or 1 1/2	7/8	
R-5	16°	FW6	.280	.525	.600	1 1/4 or 1 1/2	7/8	
R-5	12°	FW12	.280	.525	.600	1 1/4 or 1 1/2	7/8	
R-5	16°	FW12	.280	.525	.600	1 1/4 or 1 1/2	7/8	
R-6	16°	FW12	.350	.710	.700	1 1/2 or 2	1 1/8	
R-7	16°	FW12	.425	.768	.768	2 or 3	1 3/8	
R-8	16°	FW12	.516	1.000	.820	3	1 3/4	
R-9	16°	FW12	.687	1.187	.820	3	1 3/4	
R-10	16°	FW12	.875	1.500	1.000	3 or 4	2	
R-11	16°	FW12	1.250	1.830	1.250	4	2 1/4	
R-12	16°	FW12	1.500	2.185	1.375	4	2 3/8	
R-14	22°	FW12	1.750	2.560	1.375	6 or 7	2 1/2	
R-15	22°	FW12	2.250	3.000	1.375	6 or 7	2 1/2	
R-16	22°	FW15	2.500	3.500	1.375	6 or 7	2 1/2	
R-17	30°	FW15	3.000	4.000	1.500	9	3	
R-18	Made to Specs	FW15	3.750	5.500	2.125	11	4 1/2	
R-19	Made to Specs	FW15	4.500	6.500	2.125	13	4 1/2	

NIB NUMBER	REDUCTION ANGLE	GRADE	MAX. HOLE SIZE	NIB O.D.	NIB HEIGHT	CASING O.D.	CASING HEIGHT	MILLIMETERS
R-2	12°	FW6	3.25	8.26	8.38	25.4 or 38.1	14.3 or 19.1	
R-2	16°	FW6	3.25	8.26	8.38	25.4 or 38.1	14.3 or 19.1	
R-3	12°	FW6	4.62	11.43	9.65	25.4 or 38.1	14.3 or 19.1	
R-4	12°	FW6	5.84	12.70	11.43	31.8 or 38.1	22.2	
R-4	16°	FW6	5.84	12.70	11.43	31.8 or 38.1	22.2	
R-5	12°	FW6	7.11	15.88	15.24	31.8 or 38.1	22.2	
R-5	16°	FW6	7.11	15.88	15.24	31.8 or 38.1	22.2	
R-5	12°	FW12	7.11	15.88	15.24	31.8 or 38.1	22.2	
R-5	16°	FW12	7.11	15.88	15.24	31.8 or 38.1	22.2	
R-6	16°	FW12	8.89	18.03	17.78	38.1 or 50.8	28.6	
R-7	16°	FW12	10.80	19.51	19.51	50.8 or 76.2	34.9	
R-8	16°	FW12	13.11	25.40	20.83	76.2	44.5	
R-9	16°	FW12	17.45	30.15	20.83	76.2	44.5	
R-10	16°	FW12	22.23	38.10	25.40	76.2 or 101.6	50.8	
R-11	16°	FW12	31.75	46.48	31.75	101.6	57.2	
R-12	16°	FW12	38.10	55.50	34.93	101.6	60.3	
R-14	22°	FW12	44.45	65.02	34.93	152.4 or 177.8	63.5	
R-15	22°	FW12	57.15	76.20	34.93	152.4 or 177.8	63.5	
R-16	22°	FW15	63.50	88.90	34.93	152.4 or 177.8	63.5	
R-17	30°	FW15	76.20	101.60	38.10	228.6	76.2	
R-18	Made to Specs	FW15	95.25	139.70	53.98	279.4	114.3	
R-19	Made to Specs	FW15	114.30	165.10	53.98	330.2	114.3	

All back relief angles R-2 through R-6 are 90°; R-7 through R-12 are 30°.

**DEFINITION OF MEETING POINT**

The use of the meeting point concept enables one to control the length of the bearing in the die.

A meeting point is the hole diameter where the reduction angle and exit angle meet after the die has been ripped to remove the bearing. To finish a die to a required bearing length for a given hole size, the die must first be brought to a meeting point, which is a calculated hole size, based upon the angle of reduction and back relief.

**HOW TO USE:**

Multiply the bearing length desired by the factor in the column applying to proper back relief. Subtract this product from the finished hole diameter to arrive at the meeting point hole diameter.

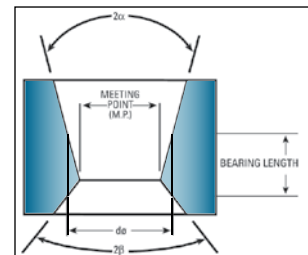
**TUNGSTEN CARBIDE FACTOR TABLE**

Included Reduction Angle	90° Inc.	30° Inc.
8°	.131	.111
10°	.161	.132
12°	.190	.151
14°	.219	.168
16°	.246	.184
18°	.273	.199
20°	.300	.213
22°	.325	.225
24°	.351	.237
26°	.375	.248
28°	.399	.258
30°	.423	.268

**LEGEND:** d = Finished Hole Size Diameter  
 $2\alpha$  = Reduction Angle (inclusive)  
 L = Percent Bearing  
 $2\beta$  = Back Relief Angle (inclusive)

**EXAMPLE:** Finish Hole Size: .0179  
 Bearing Length: .00537 (30%)  
 Reduction Angle: 16°  
 Back Relief Angle: 90°  
 Factor From Table: .246  
 Meeting Point = .0179 - (.00537 x .246)  
 Meeting Point = .0166

**FORMULA:** Meeting Point =  $d - \left[ \frac{2x \tan\left(\frac{2\alpha}{2}\right) \times \tan\left(\frac{2\beta}{2}\right)}{\tan\left(\frac{2\alpha}{2}\right) + \tan\left(\frac{2\beta}{2}\right)} \right] \times \left( \frac{L}{100} \right)$





**DI-PRO DIAMOND COMPOUND** is an abrasive specially formulated for ripping, polishing and sizing wire drawing dies. A 100% virgin diamond compound, DI-PRO is designed for precision repolishing and sizing of both diamond and tungsten carbide dies. Available in water-soluble, oil-based or grease-based carriers.

**DI-PRO-D** has been exclusively developed to be used with diamond dies.

**DI-PRO-C** has been specially formulated to be used with tungsten carbide dies.

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GRADE NUMBER	COLOR	MICRON SIZE RANGE
1/10	Gray	0-2/10
1/8	Gray	0-1/4
1/4	Lt. Green	0-1/2
1/2	Pink	0-1
1	Pink	0-2
1 1/4	Pink	1/2-3
3 1/2	Yellow	2-4
4 1/2	Yellow	3-6
6	Orange	4-8
7 1/2	White	5-10
9	Dk. Green	6-12
11 1/2	Dk. Green	8-15
15	Blue	12-22
30	Red	20-40
45	Brown	30-60

Special sizes available upon request.

**DI-PRO DIAMOND COMPOUND SELECTION CHART**

MATERIAL TYPE	JOB PROCEDURE	MICRON SIZE RANGE	CARRIER TYPE	CLEANING METHOD
Polycrystalline Diamond	Ripping	4-8, 6-12, 12-22, 20-40, 30-60	#30 Water-Based	Water
	Polishing	0-1/4, 0-1/2, 0-2, 2-4, 4-8, 6-12	#22 Oil-Based	Naptha
Single Crystal Diamond	Sizing	0-1/4, 0-1/2, 0-2, 2-4	#22 Oil-Based	Naptha
	Ripping	12-22, 20-40, 30-60	#30 Water-Based	Water
	Polishing	2-4, 3-6, 4-8, 5-10, 6-12	#15 Grease-Based	Naptha
Tungsten Carbide	Sizing	2-4, 3-6, 4-8, 5-10, 6-12	#15 Grease-Based	Naptha
	Ripping	6-12, 12-22	#22 Oil-Based	Naptha
	Polishing	2-4, 4-8, 6-12, 12-22	#22 Oil-Based	Naptha
	Sizing	0-1/4, 0-2, 2-4, 4-8, 6-12	#30 Water-Based	Water
			#22 Oil -Based	Naptha

**DI-PRO POWDER SELECTION CHART FOR ULTRASONIC POLISHING MACHINES**

MATERIAL TYPE	JOB PROCEDURE	MICRON SIZE RANGE	CLEANING METHOD
Fine Grain	Shaping	8-15	Water
Polycrystalline Diamond	Roughing	1/2-3	Water
	Polishing	0-2/10	Water
Coarse Grain	Shaping	12-22	Water
Polycrystalline Diamond	Roughing	3-6	Water
	Polishing	0-1	Water

**HOW TO ORDER DI-PRO**

When ordering DI-PRO, please specify the following information:

1. DI-PRO-D or DI-PRO-C
2. Micron Size Range
3. Carrier Type
4. Diamond Compound or Dry Diamond Powder
5. Number of Jars or Number of Carats (if Dry Powder)

Fort Wayne Wire Die produces dies in a wide variety of shapes, including half-round, oval, hexagon, rectangle, triangle, square and flat. Fort Wayne Wire Die will also custom-manufacture specially shaped dies upon request. For uniquely shaped wire requirements, Fort Wayne Wire Die designers can create a series of dies that will gradually deform the wire from round to the desired shape in a sequence of reductions that optimize your drawing machine capabilities.



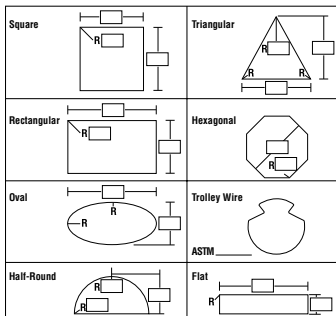
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## DIMENSIONAL LIMITS

	Tungsten Carbide / Tool Steel	Polycrystalline Diamond
Minimum Height and Width	.020 in / 0.5 mm	.040 in / 1.0 mm
Minimum Corner Radius	.004 in / 0.1 mm	.010 in / 0.25 mm
Minimum Tolerance	.0005 in / 0.0125 mm	.0005 in / 0.0125 mm

\*Limits not applicable in all applications.

## TYPICAL DIE SHAPES



Special shapes available by request.

## ORDERING INFORMATION

To ensure prompt service, please be sure that the following information appears on the quotation request.

1. Finish Profile
2. Material Being Drawn
3. Incoming Wire Size and Shape
4. All Critical Dimensions
5. Corner Radius (R)
6. Reduction Angle
7. Die Nib Size
8. Bearing Length
9. Casing Size







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