

PRESSURE

Maximum Rated Working Pressure

The maximum pressure that the hose should be subjected to on a continuous basis. OmegaFlex establishes this rating by multiplying the nominal rated burst pressure by 25%. Published pressure is calculated at 70°F.

Maximum Rated Test Pressure

The maximum pressure the hose should be subjected to during proof pressure or system testing. Hose corrugation deformation will occur if the maximum rated test pressure is exceeded. The maximum rated working pressure is multiplied by 150% to determine the maximum rated test pressure.

Nominal Rated Burst Pressure

The average pressure at which the core or braid will rupture at ambient temperature. Proper hose assembly fabrication techniques must be used to ensure the hose will meet OmegaFlex published pressures.

Pulsating or Shock Pressure

The performance of metal hose can be greatly reduced under this type of working pressure. Pressures are normally reduced by 50% in pulsating or shock pressure applications. Contact OmegaFlex for additional information on this application.

Pressure/Temperature Correction

Metal hose pressure capabilities decrease as the temperature increases. Consult the temperature correction factor table on page 28 to determine pressure rating at elevated temperatures.

Safety Factors

The maximum working pressure should not be greater than 25% of the nominal rated burst pressure after correcting for the application temperature. The safety factor is generally expressed as a ratio of 4:1.

Pressure Drop

Pressure drop occurs in long hose runs. The charts on page 35 list pressure drop in 100 feet of hose. Contact OmegaFlex if more information is required.

FLOW VELOCITY

Liners

Liquid or gas applications conveying media at high velocity should incorporate an interlock liner in the hose assembly design. The liner will decrease the turbulence caused by the high velocity and reduce the resonant vibration that may occur. A liner is recommended if the velocity is greater than the following:

Media	Hose Alignment	Maximum Velocity without Liner (ft./sec.)
liquid	straight	75
liquid	45° bend	56
liquid	90° bend	37
gas	straight	150
gas	45° bend	112
gas	90° bend	75

Conversion Formulas

Definitions ^a	Feet Per Second (ft./sec.)
gph: gallons per hour	$(\text{gph} \div \text{ID}^2) \times 0.0068$
gpm: gallons per minute	$(\text{gpm} \div \text{ID}^2) \times 0.4083$
cfh: cubic feet per hour	$(\text{cfh} \div \text{ID}^2) \times 0.0509$
cfm: cubic feet per minute	$(\text{cfm} \div \text{ID}^2) \times 3.0558$
cfs: cubic feet per second	$(\text{cfs} \div \text{ID}^2) \times 183.35$

^aID = nominal hose size in inches

Example

Given:

3" nominal hose size
500 gallons per minute flow
Media is water
Hose is installed in 90° bend

Computation:

From the formula above,
 $(\text{gpm} \div \text{ID}^2) \times 0.4083$ or
 $(500 \div 9) \times 0.4083 = 22.68 \text{ ft./sec. flow velocity}$

Result:

Since the calculated flow velocity of 22.68 ft./sec. is less than 37 ft./sec., a liner is not required for this application.

