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L/D - Cylindrical Hopper
 NFPA 68 (2007), A.6.4.3 Example 1 (2)(b)

SERVICE : _____

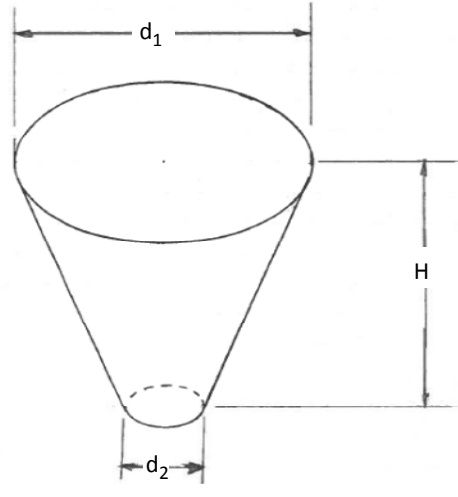
----- **Dimensions** -----
 Large Diameter : _____ in. (d₁) m
 Small Diameter : _____ in. (d₂) m
 Hopper Height : _____ in. (H) m

----- **Volume_{eff}** -----
 Volume of Hopper (V_{eff}) = $\frac{\pi \cdot H \cdot [(d_1)^2 + d_1 \cdot d_2 + (d_2)^2]}{12}$
 V_{eff} = _____ ft³ m³

----- **Area_{eff}** -----
 Effective Area (A_{eff}) = $\frac{V_{eff}}{H}$
 A_{eff} = _____ ft² m²

----- **Diameter_{hydraulic}** -----
 D_{he} = $\frac{4 \cdot A_{eff}}{\pi}$
 D_{he} = _____ ft m

----- **L/D** -----
 L/D = $\frac{H}{D_{he}}$
 L/D = _____

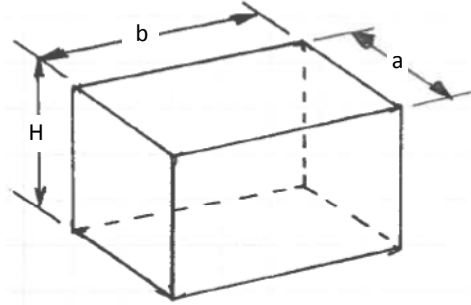


L/D - Rectangular Enclosure
 NFPA 68 (2007), A.6.4.3 Example 3 (2)(a)

SERVICE : _____

----- **Dimensions** -----

a : _____ in. m
 b : _____ in. m
 H : _____ in. m



----- **Volume_{eff}** -----

V_{eff} = a · b · H
 V_{eff} = _____ ft³ m³

----- **Area_{eff}** -----

A_{eff} = $\frac{V_{eff}}{H}$
 A_{eff} = _____ ft² m²

----- **Diameter_{hydraulic}** -----

D_{he} = (A_{eff})^{0.5}
 D_{he} = _____ ft m

----- **L/D** -----

L/D = $\frac{H}{D_{he}}$
 L/D = _____

L/D - Rectangular Hopper
 NFPA 68 (2007), A.6.4.3 Example 3 (2)(b)

SERVICE : _____

----- **Dimensions** -----

a1 : _____ in. m
 b1 : _____ in. m
 a2 : _____ in. m
 b2 : _____ in. m
 H : _____ in. m

----- **Volume_{eff}** -----

$$V_{\text{eff}} = \frac{a_1 \cdot H \cdot (b_2 - b_1)}{2} + \frac{b_1 \cdot H \cdot (a_2 - a_1)}{2} + \frac{H \cdot (a_2 - a_1) \cdot (b_2 - b_1)}{3} + (a_1 \cdot b_1 \cdot h)$$

V_{eff} = ft³ m³

----- **Area_{eff}** -----

$$A_{\text{eff}} = \frac{V_{\text{eff}}}{H}$$

A_{eff} = ft² m²

----- **Diameter_{hydraulic}** -----

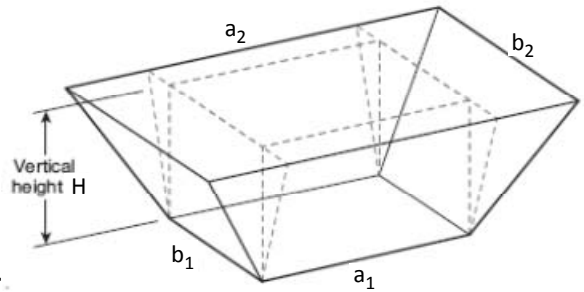
$$D_{\text{he}} = (A_{\text{eff}})^{0.5}$$

D_{he} = ft m

----- **L/D** -----

$$L/D = \frac{H}{D_{\text{he}}}$$

L/D =



L/D - Cylindrical Vessel with Hopper and Top Vent
 NFPA 68 (2007), Figure A.6.4.3(a)

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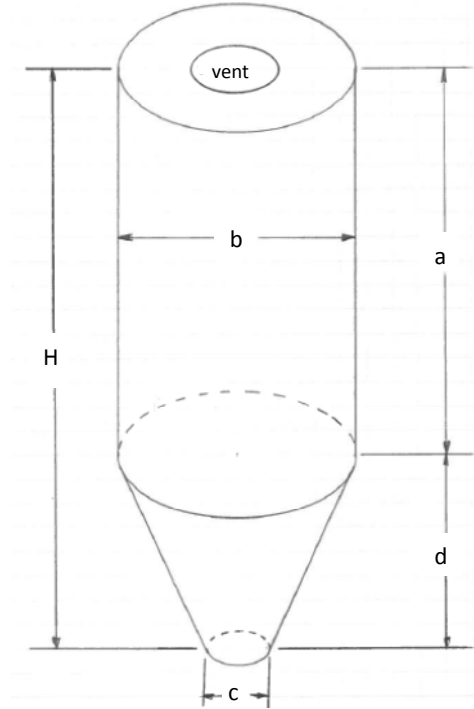
----- Dimensions -----		
Cylinder Height :	_____ in. (a)	m
Large Diameter :	_____ in. (b)	m
Small Diameter :	_____ in. (c)	m
Hopper Height :	_____ in. (d)	m
Total Height :	_____ in. (H)	m

----- Volume _{eff} -----		
Volume of Cylinder (V ₁) =	$\frac{\pi \cdot b^2}{4} \cdot a$	
V ₁ =	_____ ft ³	m ³
Volume of Hopper (V ₂) =	$\frac{\pi \cdot d \cdot (b^2 + b \cdot c + c^2)}{12}$	
V ₂ =	_____ ft ³	m ³
V _{eff} =	V ₁ + V ₂	
V _{eff} =	_____ ft ³	m ³

----- Area _{eff} -----		
Effective Area (A _{eff}) =	$\frac{V_{eff}}{H}$	
A _{eff} =	_____ ft ²	m ²

----- Diameter _{hydraulic} -----		
D _{he} =	$\frac{4 \cdot A_{eff}}{p}$	
D _{he} =	_____ ft	m

----- L/D -----	
L/D =	$\frac{H}{D_{he}}$
L/D =	_____



L/D - Cylindrical Vessel with Hopper and Extended Top Vent

NFPA 68 (2007), Figure A.6.4.3(a) modified

SERVICE : _____

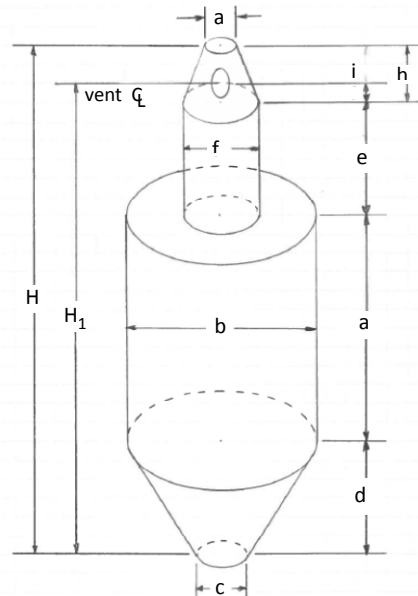
Dimensions		
Cylinder Height :	in. (a)	m
Large Diameter :	in. (b)	m
Small Diameter :	in. (c)	m
Hopper Height :	in. (d)	m
Vent Cylinder Height :	in. (e)	m
Vent Large Diameter :	in. (f)	m
Vent Small Diameter :	in. (g)	m
Vent Cone Height :	in. (h)	m
EV Centerline Height :	in. (i)	m
Total Height :	in. (H)	m
Total Flame Height :	in. (H ₁)	m

Volume _{eff}		
Volume of Cylinder (V ₁) =	$\frac{\pi \cdot b^2}{4} \cdot a$	
V ₁ =	ft ³	m ³
Volume of Hopper (V ₂) =	$\frac{\pi \cdot d \cdot (b^2 + b \cdot c + c^2)}{12}$	
V ₂ =	ft ³	m ³
Volume of Vent Cylinder (V ₃) =	$\frac{\pi \cdot f^2}{4} \cdot e$	
V ₃ =	ft ³	m ³
Volume of Vent Hopper (V ₄) =	$\frac{\pi \cdot h \cdot (f^2 + f \cdot g + g^2)}{12}$	
V ₄ =	ft ³	m ³
V _{eff} =	V ₁ + V ₂ + V ₃ + V ₄	
V _{eff} =	ft ³	m ³

Area _{eff}		
Effective Area (A _{eff}) =	$\frac{V_{eff}}{H}$	
A _{eff} =	ft ²	m ²

Diameter _{hydraulic}		
D _{he} =	$\frac{4 \cdot A_{eff}}{\pi}$	
D _{he} =	ft	m

L/D		
L/D =	$\frac{H_1}{D_{he}}$	
L/D =		



L/D - Cylindrical Vessel with Hopper and Side Vent
 NFPA 68 (2007), Figure A.6.4.3(b)

SERVICE : _____

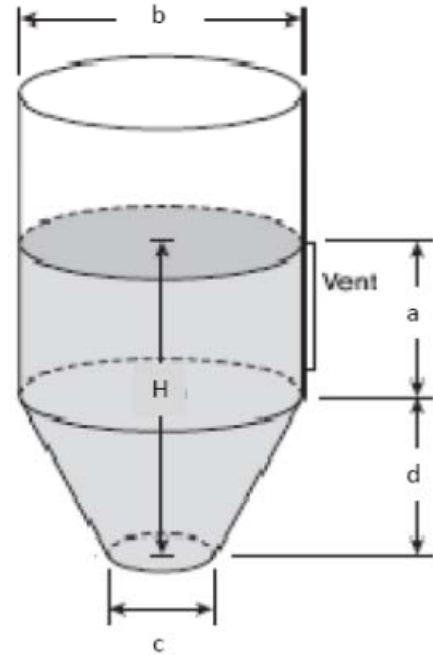
----- Dimensions -----		
Bottom Cyl. to Top Vent :		in. (a) m
Large Diameter :		in. (b) m
Small Diameter :		in. (c) m
Hopper Height :		in. (d) m
Total Flame Height :		in. (H) m

----- Volume _{eff} -----		
Volume of Cylinder (V ₁) =	$\frac{\pi \cdot b^2}{4} \cdot a$	
V ₁ =	ft ³	m ³
Volume of Hopper (V ₂) =	$\frac{\pi \cdot d \cdot (b^2 + b \cdot c + c^2)}{12}$	
V ₂ =	ft ³	m ³
V _{eff} =	V ₁ + V ₂	
V _{eff} =	ft ³	m ³

----- Area _{eff} -----		
Effective Area (A _{eff}) =	$\frac{V_{eff}}{H}$	
A _{eff} =	ft ²	m ²

----- Diameter _{hydraulic} -----		
D _{he} =	$\frac{4 \cdot A_{eff}}{p}$	
D _{he} =	ft	m

----- L/D -----	
L/D =	$\frac{H}{D_{he}}$
L/D =	

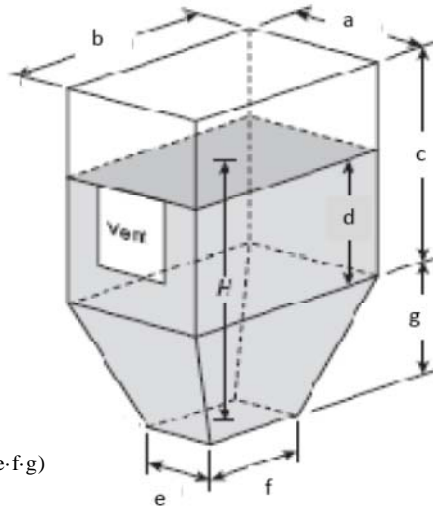


L/D - Rectangular Enclosure with Hopper and Side Vent
 NFPA 68 (2007), Figure A.6.4.3(c)

SERVICE : _____

----- **Dimensions** -----

- a : _____ in. m
- b : _____ in. m
- c : _____ in. m
- d : _____ in. m
- e : _____ in. m
- f : _____ in. m
- g : _____ in. m
- H : _____ in. m



----- **Volume_{eff}** -----

$$V_1 = a \cdot b \cdot d$$

$$V_1 = \text{ft}^3 \qquad \qquad \text{m}^3$$

$$V_2 = \frac{f \cdot g \cdot (a - e)}{2} + \frac{e \cdot g \cdot (b - f)}{2} + \frac{g \cdot (a - e) \cdot (b - f)}{3} + (e \cdot f \cdot g)$$

$$V_2 = \text{ft}^3 \qquad \qquad \text{m}^3$$

$$V_{\text{eff}} = V_1 + V_2$$

$$V_{\text{eff}} = \text{ft}^3 \qquad \qquad \text{m}^3$$

----- **Area_{eff}** -----

$$A_{\text{eff}} = \frac{V_{\text{eff}}}{H}$$

$$A_{\text{eff}} = \text{ft}^2 \qquad \qquad \text{m}^2$$

----- **Diameter_{hydraulic}** -----

$$D_{\text{he}} = (A_{\text{eff}})^{0.5}$$

$$D_{\text{he}} = \text{ft} \qquad \qquad \text{m}$$

----- **L/D** -----

$$L/D = \frac{H}{D_{\text{he}}}$$

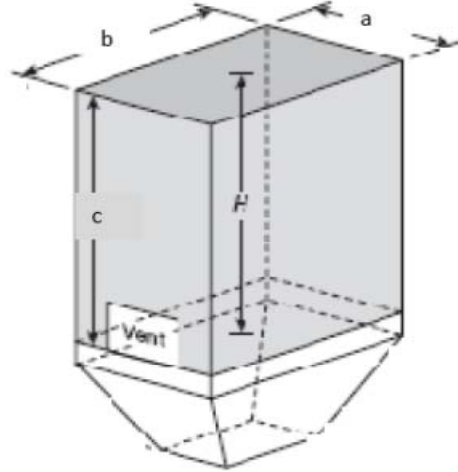
$$L/D =$$

L/D - Rectangular Enclosure with Hopper and Side Vent Close to Hopper
 NFPA 68 (2007), Figure A.6.4.3(d)

SERVICE :

----- **Dimensions** -----

a : in. m
 b : in. m
 c : in. m
 H : in. m



----- **Volume_{eff}** -----

$V_{eff} = a \cdot b \cdot c$
 $V_{eff} = \text{ft}^3 \qquad \qquad \qquad \text{m}^3$

----- **Area_{eff}** -----

$A_{eff} = \frac{V_{eff}}{H}$
 $A_{eff} = \text{ft}^2 \qquad \qquad \qquad \text{m}^2$

----- **Diameter_{hydraulic}** -----

$D_{he} = (A_{eff})^{0.5}$
 $D_{he} = \text{ft} \qquad \qquad \qquad \text{m}$

----- **L/D** -----

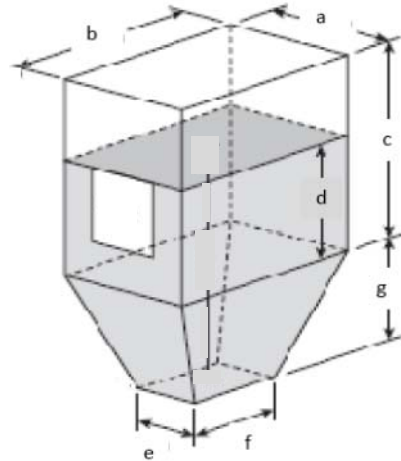
$L/D = \frac{H}{D_{he}}$
 $L/D =$

L/D - Rectangular Enclosure with Hopper and Two Vents on Opposite Sides
 NFPA 68 (2007), Figure A.6.4.3(f)

SERVICE : _____

Dimensions

a :		in.		m
b :		in.		m
c :		in.		m
d :		in.		m
e :		in.		m
f :		in.		m
g :		in.		m
H :		in.		m



Volume_{eff}

$$V_1 = a \cdot b \cdot d$$

$$V_1 = \text{ft}^3 \quad \text{m}^3$$

$$V_2 = \frac{f \cdot g \cdot (a - e)}{2} + \frac{e \cdot g \cdot (b - f)}{2} + \frac{g \cdot (a - e) \cdot (b - f)}{3} + (e \cdot f \cdot g)$$

$$V_2 = \text{ft}^3 \quad \text{m}^3$$

$$V_{\text{eff}} = V_1 + V_2$$

$$V_{\text{eff}} = \text{ft}^3 \quad \text{m}^3$$

Area_{eff}

$$A_{\text{eff}} = \frac{V_{\text{eff}}}{H}$$

$$A_{\text{eff}} = \text{ft}^2 \quad \text{m}^2$$

Diameter_{hydraulic}

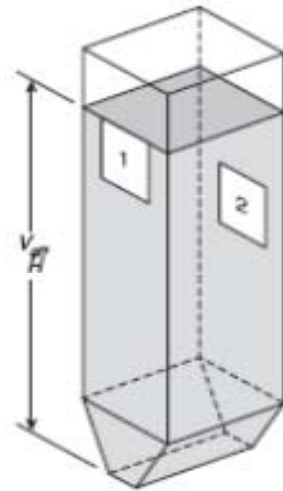
$$D_{\text{he}} = (A_{\text{eff}})^{0.5}$$

$$D_{\text{he}} = \text{ft} \quad \text{m}$$

L/D

$$L/D = \frac{H}{D_{\text{he}}}$$

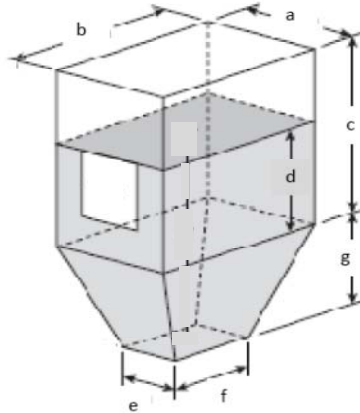
$$L/D =$$



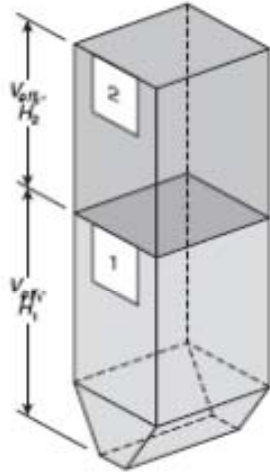
L/D - Rectangular Enclosure w/Hopper and 2 Vents on Same Sides of Enclosure
 NFPA 68 (2007), Figure A.6.4.3(g)

SERVICE : _____

Dimensions		
a :	in.	m
b :	in.	m
c :	in.	m
d :	in.	m
e :	in.	m
f :	in.	m
g :	in.	m
H ₁ :	in.	m
H ₂ :	in.	m



Volume _{eff}		
V ₁ =	a · b · d	
V ₁ =	ft ³	m ³
V ₂ =	$\frac{f \cdot g \cdot (a - e)}{2} + \frac{e \cdot g \cdot (b - f)}{2} + \frac{g \cdot (a - e) \cdot (b - f)}{3} + (e \cdot f \cdot g)$	
V ₂ =	ft ³	m ³
V _{eff1} =	V ₁ + V ₂	
V _{eff1} =	ft ³	m ³
V _{eff2} =	a · b · H ₂	
V _{eff2} =	ft ³	m ³



Area _{eff}		
A _{eff} =	$\frac{V_{eff}}{H}$	
A _{eff1} =	ft ²	m ²
A _{eff2} =	ft ²	m ²

Diameter _{hydraulic}		
D _{he} =	(A _{eff}) ^{0.5}	
D _{he1} =	ft	m
D _{he2} =	ft	m

L/D	
L/D =	$\frac{H}{D_{he}}$
L/D ₁ =	
L/D ₂ =	

Length to Diameter Ratio

BASIS : This program is for calculating the length to diameter ratio for use in determining explosion venting requirements.

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REFERENCES :

- 1) *NFPA 68 (2007), Section A.6.4*

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