The Pipefitter's Stainless Steel Square is a precision square that was designed for the welder, pipefitter, boilermaker or layout man. Once you are familiar with the scales and table of this square, you will be able to solve many problems in pipefitting and layout work with speed and accuracy. The D248 can be used with the Small or Large Square Positioner (D238S, D243L), Protractor Square Holder (D242), Small or Large Pipefitter's Protractor and Square Set (239S, D239L).

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PIPEFITTER'S SQUARE
INSTRUCTIONS
No. 248

Proper names for parts of the square.

Body (Face)

Body (Back)

Tongue

"O" Point

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**Chart No. 1**

**Weld Tee**

Center to End Dimension

- Nominal Pipe Size
- Standard Weld Tee

**Chart No. 2**

**Standard 45° Weld Ell**

Center to End Dimension

- Nominal Pipe Size
- Standard 45° Weld Ell
CHART NO. 5

OUTSIDE DIAMETER OF 150# FLANGE

This gives outside diameter of 150# Flanges.

CHART NO. 6

OUTSIDE DIAMETER OF 300# FLANGE

This gives outside diameter of 300# Flanges.
**CHART NO. 7**

**DIAMETER OF 150# SLIP OR (PAN-CAKE) BLIND**

Bolt Circle of Flange may be found by adding the diameter of one bolt hole to the diameter of Blind. Gasket O.D. is found by adding 1/8" to diameter of Blind.

**CHART NO. 8**

**DIAMETER OF 300# SLIP OR (PAN-CAKE) BLIND**

Bolt Circle of Corresponding Flange may be found by adding the diameter of one bolt hole to the diameter of Blind. Gasket O.D. is found by adding 1/8" to diameter of Blind.
First number in line is pipe size. Second number is circumference of pipe in inches. Third number is 1/8 circumference of pipe.
CHART NO. 12

TANGENT CHART FROM 1° TO 45° OPPOSITE EACH DEGREE. YOU WILL FIND THE TANGENT.

X Degree x Radius = Arc or Length of Bend

Example:
For 20° bend on 6” radius

\[ 20 \times 6 = 120 \]
\[ 0.01745 \times 120 = 2.094 \]

2.094 = Length of Arc or Length of Bend.

Layout Completed

Bending Completed
This scale is divided into inches and 12ths of an inch, which may be used as feet and inches when scaling work down.

**Example:** Figure 1. 3 \(\frac{1}{4}\)" = 3' - 3"

To convert sixteenths to twelfths, lay rule on square as shown.
This scale shows the dimension of "X".

Used for layout work.

To convert inches into MM or MM into inches.
To find Degree Off Horizontal use square and level as shown.

To find Degree Off Vertical use squares and level as shown.
This scale is divided into 16 parts which represent parts of an inch. Each mark to be 1/16". Therefore (figure 2.) would show - 2 inches and 3 sixteenths (2 3/16").

Fraction of an inch decimal equivalent.
90° SADDLE 1-2 IN, 3-4 ON

SADDLE ON
I.D. of Standard Pipe

1 1/2”
Pipe Branch

Base Line

LENGTH
3 = 3/16”
4 = 7/16”

3-3
Are Ordinate Lengths
4-4

1 1/2” Header

Note: See Page 27 for applying length to pipe.

SADDLE IN
I.D. of Standard Pipe

1 1/2” Pipe Branch

Base Line

LENGTH
1 = 1/4”
2 = 3/4”

1-1
Are Ordinate Lengths
2-2

1 1/2” Header

Note: See Page 27 for applying length to pipe.
LAYING OUT THE PIPE FOR A BASE ELL

All Cuts Are Radial.

Example:
1. To saddle 2" pipe on 4" Ell, on the top line you find the No. 2 which means 2" pipe.
2. Follow the top line to 4" Ell. Here you find the following: 5/16, 1 1/4, 2 & 2 1/4. These are applied to the pipe as shown above - 5/16, 1 1/4, 2-2; 2, 3-3; and 2 1/2, 4-4.
**ARC 90°**

ARC LENGTH FOR A GIVEN RADIUS OF A 90° BEND

**Example:**

To bend pipe 90° on a 3" radius, lay scale on pipe and mark 0 and 3. This will be Arc; or Length of Bend. For 45° bends use 1/2 of Arc. For 30° bends use 1/3 of Arc.

When radius is greater than scale use multiples of scale.

**Example:**

If you want 9" radius, mark 0 and 6, then move scale with 0 on 6 and mark 3 (equals 9).

**Note:**

Standard radius is five times the nominal pipe diameter.
CHART NO. 22
TO ESTABLISH 1/4 MARKS ON PIPE

On the inside of Tongue and Body you will find the numbers 1 to 24. These are used to establish 1/4" marks on pipe as shown above.
EXAMPLE NO. 1

FINDING CUT-BACK FOR ANY MITER.

O.D. of Pipe

Cut Back

Degree of Miter

22 1/2"

Degree of Miter

45° Degree of Turn

This scale is calibrated in Degree and 1/4 Degree.

Note: Degree of miter = 1/2 Degree of turn.

EXAMPLE NO. 2

TO CONVERT SLOPE IN INCHES PER FOOT TO DEGREE

Lay squares as shown with scales touching. Read Degree opposite given inch mark. This will be Degree of Slope.

Slope = 2" per 1' - 0"
The Degree = 9 1/2°
EXAMPLE NO. 3

LAYING OUT LATERALS
When Branch and Header are the same size, the miter cuts may be taken directly from the square.

STEP 1

Length 1-1
1/2 O.D. of Pipe

1/2 Degree of Lateral

STEP 2

Length 2-2
1/2 O.D. of Pipe

1/2 Degree of Lateral

See Page 28 for applying lengths to pipes.

EXAMPLE NO. 4

SOLVING TRIANGLES OR OFFSETS
Travel may be found by measuring across run and set.

Travel

Set

Run

Degree

This Point Must Touch.

Travel may be found by measuring across run and set.
EXAMPLE NO. 5

LAYING OUT LATERALS

1. Draw straight line on flat surface. (Line "A")

2. Then set tongue on zero. Set body on desired degree of lateral. Draw base line. (Line B)

If degrees is greater than 45°; set body on 45° and set tongue on 90° minus the degree of lateral.

Example: For 60° lateral - 90° minus 60°; set tongue on 30°.
EXAMPLE NO. 5

Continued

Set on nominal pipe.
*Example:* 6" pipe, set body on 6" mark.

Draw line "C" along Tongue of Square.

Move down to half the nominal pipe size.
*Example:* 1/2" of 6" = 3".

Draw Center Line D along Tongue.

Place Body (Face Side) of square along Base Line.
Place end along Center Line.
Mark off 6 (for 6" pipe), making line "E" for line "F". Move 6 to match Center Line.
Mark on end of square.

Use chart No.14.
"X" Dimensions of Standard Pipe.
Place Body of Square along Base Line and mark lines off at "X" Points, thus making lines "E" and "F".

**STEP 6**

Using 90° Saddles Table on the Back Side, place body of square parallel with "A". Use dimension 3 on table.

**Example:** See figure 1 (bottom). Mark across lines "E" & "F" at 3/8" for 6" lateral on 12" header.

**Figure 1**

Dimension 3 for 6" on 12" = 3/8
Dimension 4 for 6" on 12" = 3/4
Using same 6" on 12" use dimension 4 (Refer to Figure 1, Page 21) on 90° Saddle table. Place Body of Square parallel with line "A" and mark across center line (Line "D" at 3/4).

FINAL
1-1, 2-2, 3-3, 4-4, are Ordinate Lengths.
See Page 27 for applying lengths to pipe. All cuts are radial.
EXAMPLE NO. 6

FOR PARALLEL PIPING TO FIND MEASUREMENT "B"

Note: Squares must touch "0 Point".

To find "B", set square on measurement "A" and 1/2 of the Degree of Offset as shown. Read "B" as shown.
EXAMPLE NO. 7

ROLLING OFFSET

EXTRA:
To find length 7, measure across Lengths 2 and 4 on square. Degree 8 is found the same as Degree 6, except Length 7 is used in place of Length 4 and Length 1 is used in place of Length 3.

To find Length 5 and Degree 6, follow the steps below.

STEP 1
To find Length 3 measure across Lengths 1 and 2 as shown.

STEP 2
To find Length 5 measure across Lengths 3 and 4 as shown.

STEP 3
To find Degree arrange squares as shown.

Note:
If Lengths are too long for squares, they may be scaled down.

Example: 1" = 1' - 0", 1/12" = 1" or 3/4" = 1' - 0", 1/16" = 1" etc.

See Note 1 - page 25.
SECOND METHOD
FINDING LENGTH 5 AND DEGREE 6

Example:
If 4 = 19' 1" and 3 = 14' 6" use Face of Square which is divided into inches and twelfths, each inch = 1 foot, each twelfth = 1 in.
So, 19 1/12" would be 19' 1" and 14 6/12" would be 14' 6".
Measure across 3 and 4 to find 5. To find Degree 6 use second square as shown, with 45° mark in line with 19' 1" mark, read Degree 6 as shown.

Note 1:
If 3 is longer than 4, reverse places on square and subtract degree found from 90°, this will be Degree 6. This also applies to step # 3, Page 24.

Note 2: See Page 9 for converting sixteenths to twelfths.
EXAMPLE NO. 8

PREPARING PIPE FOR ORDINATE LENGTHS

STEP 1

FIRST: Establish Base Line around pipe far enough from end of pipe to allow for longest Ordinate Length.

STEP 2

SECOND: Establish 1/4 marks on pipe, using 1/4 mark scale, found on the Back Side of square.

STEP 3

THIRD: Mark off 1/8 points using scale circumference 1/8 circumference found on Body of Square (face - side).

STEP 4

FOURTH: Mark Ordinate Lines using angle iron for straight edge.
EXAMPLE NO. 9

APPLYING ORDINATE LENGTHS TO PIPE

For Laterals or Base Ells - all cuts are radial.

For 90° Saddles (Saddle IN) all cuts are radial.

For 90° Saddles (Saddle ON) all cuts are radial.

Note: Dotted lines indicate line of cut.
EXAMPLE NO. 10

APPLYING ORDINATE LENGTHS TO PIPE

For laterals (Miter Method) all cuts are miter.

Hole layout for lateral (Miter Method) all cuts are miter.

Layout for Miter Turn. All cuts are miter.

Note:
Dotted lines indicate lines of cut. Dash lines show position after fabrication.
EXAMPLE NO. 11

TO FIND CENTER TO END OF BENDS OR FITTINGS

1/2 of the Total Degree of fitting or bend.

EXAMPLE NO. 12

LAYING OF ANGLES

To layout angle cuts, arrange square as shown and set on desired degree.
EXAMPLE NO. 13

LAYOUT OF A TRUE Y

STEP 1
Length 1-1
1/2 O.D. of Pipe
Degree of Y (45)

STEP 2
1/2 O.D. of Pipe
Length 2-2
Degree of Y

All cuts are miter.
The Mathy Dearman Pipefitter's Square may be used to determine:

- Squareness of one point in relation to another.
- Pipe centerline.
- Bolt length and diameter for flanges.
- The number of bolt holes required for a particular size flange and pipe circumference.
- Center to end dimensions on pipe elbow and tees.
- Length through hub of flange.
- Outside diameter of weld neck flange.
- Arc length for a given radius.
- Used with level to measure angles off horizontal or off vertical.

Square is marked in pipe fittings and pipe cuts instead of carpenter cuts.

Contains information to make or measure:

- Arcs
- Angles
- Tangents
- Diagonal Joints
- Y Joints
- Miters
- Saddles

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