Victaulic® VicFlex[™] Sprinkler Fittings Series AH4 Braided Flexible Hose





Series AH4

1.0 PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

Available Sizes by Component

- Series AH4 1"/DN25 Nominal ID Braided Hose: 31, 36, 48, 60, 72"/790, 915, 1220, 1525, 1830 mm. Note: length includes adapter nipple and 5.75"/146 mm straight reducer.
- Internal braided hose diameter 1"/25mm

Connections

• From Branchline

- ¾"/20mm BSPT female thread (VdS only)
- 1"/25mm NPT or BSPT female Thread

Hose Inlet

- 1"/25mm NPT or BSPT male thread
- 34"/20mm BSPT male thread (VdS only)

• Sprinkler Reducer

- Sprinkler Connection: ½" and ¾"/15mm and 20mm NPT or BSPT female thread
- Straight Lengths: 5.75", 9", 13"/146 mm, 230mm, 330mm
- 90° Elbows
 - Short (typically used with concealed sprinklers)
 - Long (typically used with recessed pendent sprinklers)
 - Low Profile Short (typically used with concealed sprinklers and Style AB5, AB11, AB12, ABBA, or ABMM Bracket)
 - Low Profile Long (typically used with recessed pendent sprinklers and Style AB5, AB11, AB12, ABBA, or ABMM Bracket)

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1.0 PRODUCT DESCRIPTION (CONTINUED)

Brackets

- Style AB2 for suspended and hard-lid ceilings and sidewalls, allows for vertical sprinkler adjustment, and installation before most ceiling tiles in place
- Style AB3 for surface mount applications, wood, metal and block walls, or ceilings
- Style AB4 for hard-lid ceilings with hat furring channel grid systems, allows for vertical sprinkler adjustment
- Style AB5 for hard-lid ceilings and sidewalls, allows for vertical sprinkler adjustment
- Style AB7 for suspended and hard-lid ceilings
- Style AB7 Adjustable for suspended and hard-lid ceilings
- Style AB10 for Armstrong® TechZone™ ceilings
- Style AB11 for lay-in panel suspended t-grid ceilings or drywall suspended t-grid ceilings, allows for low profile installations (use only with 90° low profile elbows)
- Style AB12 for suspended and hard-lid ceilings, allows for vertical sprinkler adjustment, and allows for low profile installation down to 4"/100mm.
- Style ABBA bracket for suspended, exposed, and hard-lid ceilings
- Style ABMM bracket for surface mount and stand off-mount applications, wood, metal and block walls, or ceilings and hard-lid ceilings

Maximum Working Temperature

• 225°F/107°C

Maximum Working Pressure

- 200 psi/1375 kPa (FM Approval)
- 1600 kPa/232 psi (VdS Approved)
- 1.6 MPa/232 psi (CCCf Approved)

Minimum Bend Radius

- 7"/178 mm (FM/CCCf Approval)
- 3"/76.2 mm (VdS Approved)

Maximum Allowable Sprinkler K-Factors

- FM (½"/15mm reducer) K5.6/8,1 (S.I.), (¾"/20mm reducer) K14.0/20,2 (S.I.)
- VdS (½"/15mm reducer) K5.6/8,1 (S.I.), (¾"/20mm reducer) K8.0/11,5 (S.I.)



2.0 CERTIFICATION/LISTINGS







NOTE

• CCCf approval only applies to Series AH4 hose in combination with a straight reducer. CCCf approval only applies to Series AH4W hose in combination with a standard elbow reducer. Contact Victaulic for details.

3.0 SPECIFICATIONS – MATERIAL

Series AH4

• Flexible Hose: 300-series Stainless Steel

• Collar/Weld Fitting: 300-series Stainless Steel

• Gasket Seal: Victaulic EPDM

• Nut and Nipple: Carbon Steel, Zinc Plated

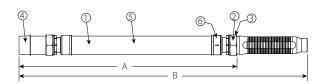
• Reducer (½"/15 mm or ¾"/20 mm): Carbon Steel, Zinc-Plated

Brackets: Carbon Steel, Zinc-Plated



4.0 DIMENSIONS

Product Details - Series AH4 Braided Hose

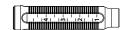


| Item | Description |
|------|---------------------|
| 1 | Flexible Hose |
| 2 | Gasket |
| 3 | Nut |
| 4 | Adapter Nipple |
| 5 | Braid |
| 6 | Collar/Weld Fitting |

Hose Length Dimensions

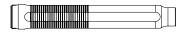
| Hose Length | А | В |
|-------------|-----------|---------|
| inches | inches | inches |
| mm | mm | mm |
| 31/790 | 25.3/641 | 31/790 |
| 36/915 | 31.3/794 | 36/915 |
| 48/1220 | 42.3/1073 | 48/1220 |
| 60/1525 | 54.3/1378 | 60/1525 |
| 72/1830 | 66.3/1683 | 72/1830 |

Standard Reducer

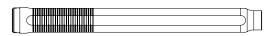


5.75"/146 mm straight reducer

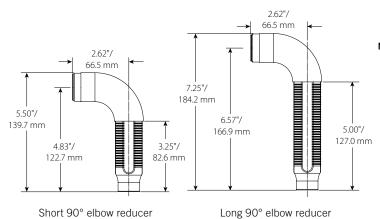
Optional Reducers



9.0"/230 mm straight reducer



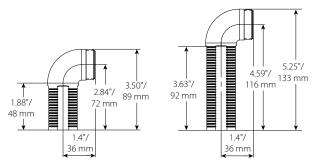
13.0"/330 mm straight reducer



NOTE

- The Short 90° elbow reducer is typically used with concealed sprinklers while the Long 90° elbow is typically used in the installation of recessed pendent sprinklers.
- FM/VdS Approved only.

Low Profile



NOTE

- Style AB11: When low profiles elbows are used with the Style AB11 bracket, the Low Profile Short Elbow is typically used with concealed sprinklers while the Low Profile Long Elbow is typically used in the installation of recessed pendent sprinklers.
- FM/VdS approved only with Style AB5, AB11 and AB12 brackets.

4.1 DIMENSIONS

VicFlex Brackets

Style AB2

- Suspended Ceilings
- Hard-Lid Ceilings

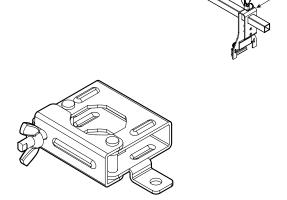
| Item | Description |
|------|---|
| 1 | 24"/610 mm or 48"/1219 mm Square Bar |
| 2 | Patented Vertically Adjustable Center Bracket |
| 3 | End Bracket |

NOTE

Both sizes FM/VdS Approved.



- Surface Mount Applications
- FM Approved



Style AB4

 Hard-Lid Ceilings with Hat Furring Channel grid system

| Item | Description |
|------|---|
| 1 | 24"/610 mm or 48"/1219 mm Square Bar |
| 2 | Patented Vertically Adjustable Center Bracket |
| 3 | End Bracket for Hat Furring Channel |

NOTE

Both sizes FM/VdS Approved.

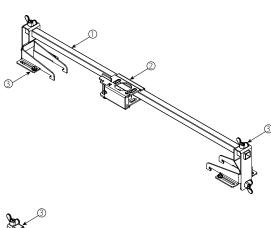
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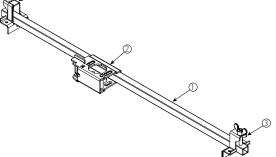
• Hard-Lid Ceilings

| Item | Description |
|------|---|
| 1 | 24"/610 mm or 48"/1219 mm Square Bar |
| 2 | Patented Vertically Adjustable Center Bracket |
| 3 | End Bracket |

NOTE

Both sizes FM/VdS Approved.







4.1 DIMENSIONS (CONTINUED)

VicFlex Brackets

Style AB7

- Suspended Ceilings
- Hard-Lid Ceilings

| Item | Description |
|------|--------------------------------------|
| 1 | 24"/610 mm or 48"/1219 mm Square Bar |
| 2 | Patented 1-Bee2® Center Bracket |
| 3 | End Bracket |

NOTE

Both sizes FM/VdS Approved.

Style AB7 Adjustable

- Suspended Ceilings
- Hard-Lid Ceilings

| Item | Description |
|------|---------------------------------|
| 1 | 700 mm or 1400 mm Square Bar |
| 2 | Patented 1-Bee2® Center Bracket |
| 3 | End Bracket (adjustable) |

NOTE

Both sizes FM/VdS Approved.

Style AB10

- Suspended ceilings
- Armstrong[®] TechZone[™]

| Item | Description |
|------|---------------------------------|
| 1 | 6"/152 mm Square Bar |
| 2 | Patented 1-Bee2® Center Bracket |
| 3 | End Bracket |

NOTE

FM/VdS Approved.

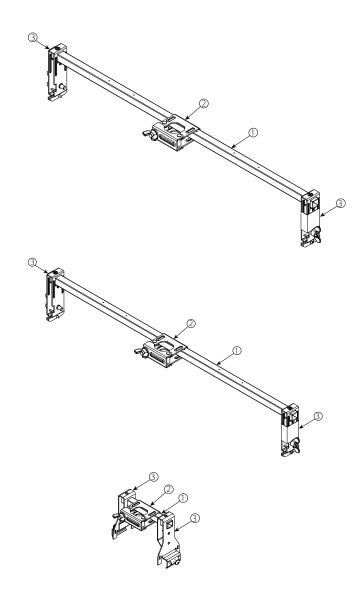
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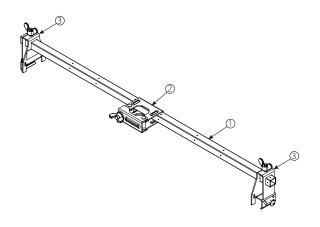
- Suspended ceilings
- Hard-Lid ceilings

| Item | Description |
|------|--------------------------------------|
| 1 | 24"/610 mm or 48"/1219 mm Square Bar |
| 2 | Patented 1-Bee2® Center Bracket |
| 3 | End Bracket |

NOTE

Both sizes FM/VdS Approved.







4.1 DIMENSIONS (CONTINUED)

VicFlex Brackets

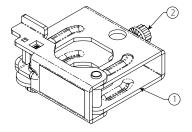
Style AB12

- Suspended ceilings
- Hard-Lid ceilings

| Item | Description |
|------|---------------------------|
| 1 | Style AB12 Bracket Body |
| 2 | #2 Square Drive Set Screw |

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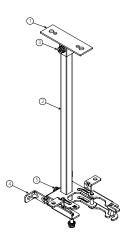
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Style ABBA

- Floor-above mount
- Cantilever mount
- Temporary mount in exposed ceilings

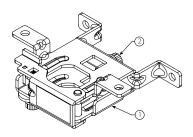
| Item | Description |
|------|---|
| 1 | Style ABBA Mounting Plate |
| 2 | Style ABBA Square Bar |
| 3 | Cap Screw, Serated Flange, M6 x 1 x 20, T25 Torx Drive Recessed |
| 4 | Style ABMM Bracket Body |
| 5 | Cap Screw, Serated Flange, M6 x 1 x 15.24, T25 Torx Drive Recessed |



Style ABMM

- Surface mount
- Stand-off mount

| Item | Description |
|------|--|
| 1 | Style ABMM Bracket Body |
| 2 | Cap Screw, Serated Flange, M6 x 1 x 15.24, |

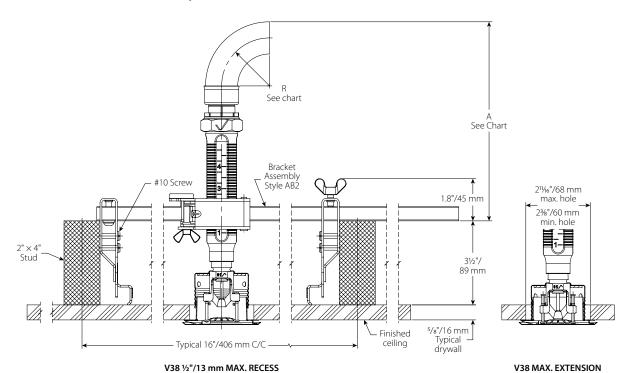




4.2 DIMENSIONS

Clearances

Series AH4 Braided Hose and Style AB2 Bracket



| | Hose Clearance Chart | | | | | | | | | |
|--|---------------------------------|---|--|---------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--------------------------------|--|
| | Straight Reducer | | | | | | Long | Short Elbow | | |
| | V38 ½" 13 mm Max Recess | V27 Pendent ³ / ₄ " 20mm Max Recess | V27 Sidewall ³ / ₄ " 20mm Sidewall | V38 ½" 13 mm Max Recess | V27 Pendent ³ / ₄ " I 20mm Max Recess | V27 Sidewall ³ / ₄ " I 20mm Sidewall | V27 Pendent ³ / ₄ " 20mm Max Recess | V27 Sidewall ³ / ₄ " 20mm Max Recess | V38 ½" 13mm Max Recess | |
| | inches | inches | inches | inches | inches | inches | inches | inches | inches | |
| | mm | mm | mm | mm | mm | mm | mm | mm | mm | |
| "R" Minimum Bend Radius | | 3.0 80 | | 7.0 175 | | | - | | | |
| "A" Minimum Required Installation Space | 8.6 218 | 7.2 183 | 7.1 180 | 12.6 320 | 11.2 285 | 11.1 282 | 3.3 84 | 3.6 91 | 3.3 84 | |

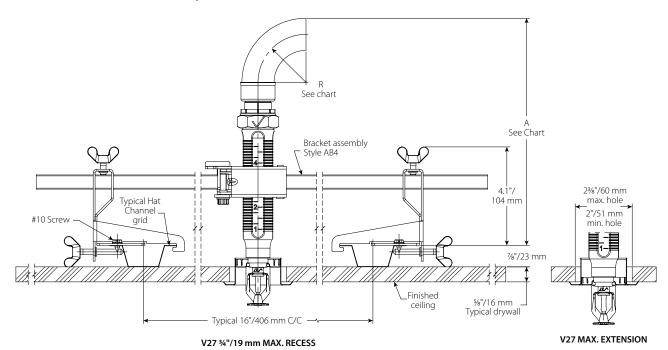
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4.3 DIMENSIONS

Clearances

Series AH4 Braided Hose and Style AB4 Bracket



| | Hose Clearance Chart | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|--------------------------------|---|--------------------------------|---|--------------------------------|--|--|--|
| | | Straight | Reducer | | Long Elbow | Short Elbow | | | |
| | V27 Pendent ³ ⁄ ₄ " I 20mm Max Recess | V38 ½" I 13mm Max Recess | V27 Pendent ³ / ₄ " 20mm Max Recess | V38 ½" I 13mm Max Recess | V27 Pendent ³ / ₄ " I 20mm Max Recess | V38 ½" I 13mm Max Recess | | | |
| | inches | inches | inches | inches | inches | inches | | | |
| | mm | mm | mm | mm | mm | mm | | | |
| "R" | 3.0 | 3.0 | 7.0 | 7.0 | | | | | |
| Minimum Bend Radius | 80 | 80 | 175 | 175 | | | | | |
| "A" Minimum Required Installation Space | 9.8 249 | 11.2 285 | 13.8 351 | 15.2 386 | 8.0 203 | 5.9 150 | | | |

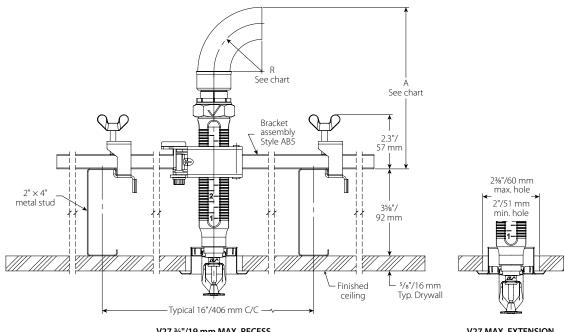
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4.4 **DIMENSIONS**

Clearances

Series AH4 Braided Hose and Style AB5 Bracket



| /27 ¾"/19 | mm | MAX. | RECESS |
|-----------|----|------|--------|
| | | | |

V27 MAX. EXTENSION

| Hose Clearance Chart | | | | | | | | |
|--|---|------------------------------------|--|---|------------------------------------|--|--|--|
| | | | Straight | Reducer | | | | |
| | V27 Pendent ³ / ₄ " I 20mm Max Recess inches mm | V38 ½" I 13mm Max Recess inches mm | V27 Sidewall ³ / ₄ " I 20mm Max Recess inches mm | V27 Pendent ³ / ₄ " 20mm Max Recess inches mm | V38 ½" I 13mm Max Recess inches mm | V27 Sidewall ³ ⁄ ₄ " I 20mm Max Recess inches mm | | |
| "R" Minimum Bend Radius | | 3.0 80 | | | 7.0 175 | | | |
| "A" Minimum Required Installation Space | 7.8 178 | 8.7 221 | 7.1 180 | 11.0 279 | 12.7 323 | 11.1 282 | | |

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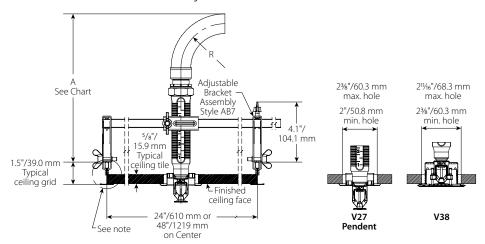
| Hose Clearance Chart | | | | | | | |
|--|--|---|-----------|-------------|--|--|--|
| | | Long Elbow | | Short Elbow | | | |
| | V27 Pendent 3/4" I 20mm Max Recess inches mm | I 20mm ½" 13mm ¾" 20mm ½" x Recess Max Recess Max Recess Max I inches inches inches | | | | | |
| "R" Minimum Bend Radius | | - | _ | | | | |
| "A" Minimum Required Installation Space | 3.5 89 | 4.9 124 | 3.6 91 | 3.3 84 | | | |



4.5 DIMENSIONS

Clearances

Series AH4 Braided Hose and Style AB7 Bracket



| Hose Clearance Chart | | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------|--|----------------------------------|--|----------------------------------|--|----------------------------------|--|--|
| | | Straight | Reducer | | Long Elbow | Short Elbow | | |
| | V27 Pendent ½" 12,7mm Max Recess | V38 ½" 12,7mm Max Recess | V27 Pendent ½" I 12,7mm Max Recess | V38 ½" I 12,7mm Max Recess | V27 Pendent ½" I 12,7mm Max Recess | V38 ½" 12,7mm Max Recess | | |
| | inches | inches | inches | inches | inches | inches | | |
| | mm | mm | mm | mm | mm | mm | | |
| "R" Minimum Bend Radius | 3.0 76 | | 7.0 178 | | - | | | |
| "A" Minimum Required | 9.6 | 11.3 | 13.6 | 15.3 | 5.8 | 5.7 | | |
| Installation Space | 244 | 287 | 345 | 389 | 147 | 145 | | |

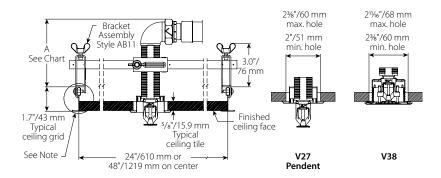
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4.6 DIMENSIONS

Clearances

Series AH4 Braided Hose and Style AB11 Bracket



| Hose Clearance Chart | | | | | | | |
|----------------------|---|--------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| | Low-Profile Long Elbow | Low-Profile Short Elbow | | | | | |
| | V27 Pendent ³ / ₄ " 20mm Max Recess | V38 ½" 13mm Max Recess | | | | | |
| | inches mm | inches mm | | | | | |
| "A" Minimum Required | 4.0 | 3.9 | | | | | |
| Installation Space | 102 | 99 | | | | | |

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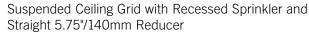


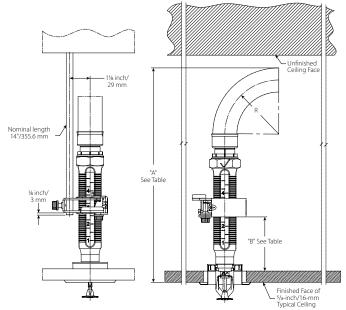
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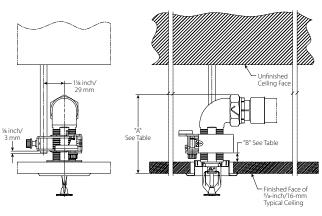
Clearances

Style AB12 and ABBA Bracket

Suspended Ceiling Grid with Recessed Sprinkler with Low Profile Short Elbow







V2707 ½"/12.7 mm MAX. RECESS

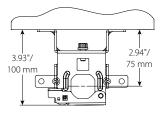
V2707 ¾"/19 mm MAX. RECESS

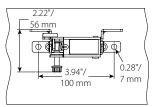
| Dimension | | Low Profile Short Elbow | | | Profile Elbow | Standard Short Elbow | | Standard Long Elbow | | Standard Straight Reducer | |
|-----------|---|-------------------------|--------------|-----------------------|------------------|-------------------------|--------------|------------------------|--------------|------------------------------|---------------|
| | | 3/4"/19mm Recessed* | Concealed | 3/4"/19mm Recessed | Concealed | 3/4"/19mm Recessed | Concealed | 3/4"/19mm Recessed | Concealed | 3/4"/ 19mm Recessed | Concealed |
| | | inches mm | inches mm | inches mm | inches mm | inches mm | inches mm | inches mm | inches mm | inches mm | inches mm |
| Α | Minimum Required Installation Space | 4.0 101.6 | 5.5 139.7 | 5.6 142.2 | 7.2 182.9 | 5.9 149.9 | 7.5 190.5 | 7.7 195.6 | 9.3 236.2 | 15.0 381.0 | 16.6 421.6 |
| В | Distance from Top of Typical Ceiling Tile to Bottom of Gate | | 2.0 50.8 | 1.5 38.1 | 1.5 38.1 | 1.5 38.1 | 1.5 38.1 | 3.0 76.2 | 3.0 76.2 | 3.0 76.2 | 3.0 76.2 |

^{*} Adjustability will be limited

Style ABMM Bracket

Stand-off Dimensions



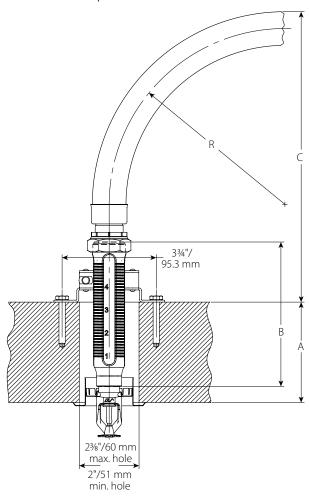




4.8 DIMENSIONS

Clearances

Series AH4 Braided Hose and Style AB3 and ABMM Bracket Surface Mount Application with Recessed Sprinkler



| Hose Clearances inches mm | | | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------|---------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Wall Thickness "A" | | 2 50 | | | 4 100 | | | 6 50 | 8 200 | 10 250 |
| Outlet Length "B" | 5.75 146.1 | 9 228.6 | 13 330.2 | 5.75 146.1 | 9 228.6 | 13 330.2 | 9 228.6 | 13 330.2 | 13 330.2 | 13 330.2 |
| Hose Clearance "C" | 11.6 294 | 14.8 376 | 18.8 478 | 9.6 243 | 12.8 325 | 16.8 427 | 10.8 275 | 14.8 376 | 12.8 325 | 10.8 275 |
| Bend Radius "R" | | | | | 1 | 7 75 | | | | |

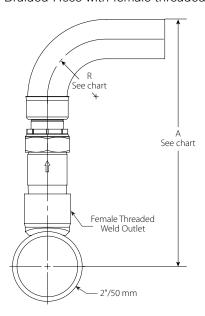
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4.9 DIMENSIONS

Branchline clearances

Series AH4 Braided Hose with female threaded outlet



| Hose Clearance Chart | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------|-------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--|--|--|
| Dime | ension | | | | | | | | |
| | | inches | inches | inches | inches | inches | | | |
| | | mm | mm | mm | mm | mm | | | |
| D | Minimum | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | | | |
| R | Bend Radius | 80 | 100 | 125 | 150 | 175 | | | |
| ^ | Min. | 9.4 | 10.4 | 11.4 | 12.4 | 13.41 | | | |
| A | IVIII. | 239 | 264 | 290 | 315 | 341 | | | |



5.0 PERFORMANCE - FRICTION LOSS DATA





Series AH4 Braided Hoses Style AB2, AB3, AB4, AB5, AB7, AB7 Adj., AB8, AB10, AB11, AB12, ABBA and ABMM VicFlex Brackets

NOTE

Style ABBA and ABMM brackets not CCC Approved.

| Length of Stainless Steel Flexible Hose | K-Factor | Outlet Size | Equivalent Length of 1"/33.7mm Sch. 40 Pipe | Maximum Number of 90° Bends at 7"/178mm Bend Radius |
|---|---------------|---------------------------------------|--|---|
| inches/mm | Imperial/S.I. | inches/mm/type | feet/meters | |
| 21 /700 | F C /O 1 | ½"/15/Straight | 20.6/6.3 | 2 |
| 31/790 | 5.6/8.1 | ½"/15/90° Elbow | 21.7/6.6 | 2 |
| 36/915 | 5.6/8.1 | ½"/15/Straight | 29.7/9.0 | 2 |
| 30/913 | J.0/ 0. I | ½"/15/90° Elbow | 29.8/9.0 | 2 |
| 48/1220 | 5.6/8.1 | ½"/15/Straight | 27.5/8.3 | 3 |
| 40/1220 | 3.0/0.1 | ½"/15/90° Elbow | 29.2/8.9 | 3 |
| 60/1525 | 5.6/8.1 | ½"/15/Straight | 35.7/10.9 | 4 |
| 00/1323 | 3.0, 6.1 | ½"/15/90° Elbow | 37.2/11.3 | 1 |
| 72/1830 | 5.6/8.1 | ½"/15/Straight | 45.9/14.0 | 4 |
| , 2, 1030 | 3.0/ 0.1 | ½"/15/90° Elbow | 47.5/14.5 | · |
| 31/790 | 8.0/11.5 | 34"/20/Straight | 13.3/4.0 | 2 |
| 2.,,.,, | | 34"/20/90° Elbow | 14.6/4.4 | _ |
| 36/915 | 8.0/11.5 | 3/4"/20/Straight | 21.7/6.6 | 2 |
| | | 34"/20/90° Elbow | 22.4/6.8 | |
| 48/1220 | 8.0/11.5 | 3/4"/20/Straight | 21.2/6.4 | 3 |
| | | 3/4"/20/90° Elbow | 22.2/6.7 | |
| 60/1525 | 8.0/11.5 | 34"/20/Straight | 27.9/8.5 | 4 |
| | | 3/4"/20/90° Elbow | 28.9/8.8 | |
| 72/1830 | 8.0/11.5 | 34"/20/Straight | 38.8/11.8 | 4 |
| | | 3/4"/20/90° Elbow | 39.4/12.0 | |
| 31/790 | 11.2/16.1 | 3/4"/20/Straight | 16.4/5.0 | 2 |
| | | 34"/20/90° Elbow | 19.9/6.1 21.7/6.6 | |
| 36/915 | 11.2/16.1 | 3/4"/20/Straight 3/4"/20/90° Elbow | 24.2/7.4 | 2 |
| | | 34"/20/Straight | 28.5/8.7 | |
| 48/1220 | 11.2/16.1 | 34"/20/90° Elbow | 29.9/9.1 | 3 |
| | | 34"/20/Straight | 34.7/10.5 | |
| 60/1525 | 11.2/16.1 | 3/4"/20/90° Elbow | 30.3/9.2 | 4 |
| | | 3/4"/20/Straight | 38.6/11.6 | |
| 72/1830 | 11.2/16.1 | 3/4"/20/90° Elbow | 38.6/11.7 | 4 |
| | | 3/4"/20/Straight | 16.3/5.0 | |
| 31/790 | 14.0/20.2 | 3/4"/20/90° Elbow | 19.9/6.1 | 2 |
| | | 3/4"/20/Straight | 21.8/6.7 | |
| 36/915 | 14.0/20.2 | 3/4"/20/90° Elbow | 24.2/7.4 | 2 |
| | | 3/4"/20/Straight | 28.3/8.6 | |
| 48/1220 | 14.0/20.2 | 3/4"/20/90° Elbow | 29.9/9.1 | 3 |
| | | 3/4"/20/Straight | 34.9/10.6 | |
| 60/1525 | 14.0/20.2 | 34"/20/90° Elbow | 30.3/9.2 | 4 |
| 30/45 | 4.0/ | 3/4"/20/Straight | 41.5/12.6 | |
| 72/1830 | 14.0/20.2 | 34"/20/90° Elbow | 38.6/11.7 | 4 |

FM NOTES:

- The Series AH4 hose has been tested and Approved by FM Global for use in wet, dry and preaction systems per NFPA 13, 13R, and 13D and FM data sheets 2-0, 2-5, and 2-8. FM 1637 standard for safety include, but are not limited to, pressure cycling, corrosion resistance, flow characterisitics, vibration resistance, leakage, mechanical and hydrostatic strength.
- EXAMPLE: A 48-inch hose installed with two 30° bends and two 90° bends is permitted and considered equivalent to the data in the table shown above. In this example, the total number of degrees is 240°, which is less than the allowable 270°.



5.1 PERFORMANCE - FRICTION LOSS DATA



Series AH4 Braided Hose Style AB2, AB4, AB5, AB7, AB7 Adj., AB8, AB10, AB11 and AB12 Brackets

| Length of Stainless Steel Flexible Hose | Outlet Size | Equivalent Length of steel pipe according to EN 10255 DN 25 (33,7 x 3,25) | Maximum Number of 90° Bends at 3"/76.2mm Bend Radius |
|---|----------------------|--|---|
| mm/inches | mm/inches | meters/feet | meters/feet |
| 31/790 | 15mm/½" 20 mm/³¼" | 5.5/18.0 | 3 |
| 36/915 | 15mm/½" 20 mm/¾" | 6.4/21.0 | 3 |
| 48/1220 | 15mm/½" 20 mm/¾" | 8.5/27.9 | 3 |
| 60/1525 | 15mm/½" 20 mm/¾" | 10.7/35.1 | 4 |
| 72/1830 | 15mm/½" 20 mm/¾" | 12.8/42.0 | 4 |

VDS CEILING MANUFACTURERS LIST

| AB2, AB7, AB10 | AB4 | AB8 |
|----------------|-----|-----|
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1. AMF

2. Armstrong

- 3. Chicago Metallic
- 4. Dipling
- 5. Durlum
- 6. Geipel
- 7. Gema-Armstrong
- 8. Hilti
- 9. Knauf
- 10. Lafarge 11. Linder
- 12. Odenwald
- 13. Richter
- 14. Rigips
- 15. Rockfon Pagos
- 16. Suckow & Fischer 17. USG Donn

- No specific approval
- 1. Hilti
- 2. Knauf
- 3. Lafarge
- 4. Lindner
- 5. Rigips



6.0 NOTIFICATIONS



MARNING

- Read and understand all instructions before attempting to install any Victaulic products.
- Always verify that the piping system has been completely depressurized and drained immediately prior to installation, removal, adjustment, or maintenance of any Victaulic products.
- Wear safety glasses, hardhat, and foot protection.
- These products shall be used only in fire protection systems that are designed and installed in accordance
 with current, applicable National Fire Protection Association (NFPA 13, 13D, 13R, etc.) standards, or equivalent standards, and in accordance with applicable building and fire codes. These standards and codes contain
 important information regarding protection of systems from freezing temperatures, corrosion, mechanical damage, etc.
- The installer shall understand the use of this product and why it was specified for the particular application.
- The installer shall understand common industry safety standards and potential consequences of improper product installation.

WARNING

- It is the responsibility of the system designer to verify suitability of 300-series stainless steel flexible hose for use with the intended fluid media within the piping system and external environments.
- The effect of chemical composition, pH level, operating temperature, chloride level, oxygen level, and flow rate on 300-series stainless steel flexible hose must be evaluated by the material specifier to confirm system life will be acceptable for the intended service.
- It is the responsibility of the owner of a building or their authorized agent to provide the sprinkler system installer with any knowledge that the water supply might be contaminated with or conducive to the development of microbiologically influenced corrosion (MIC), including as required by NFPA 13. Failure to identify adverse water quality issues may affect the VicFlex product and void the manufacturer's warranty.

Failure to follow these instructions could cause product failure, resulting in serious personal injury and/or property damage.

Victaulic VicFlex Series AH4 Flexible Sprinkler Fittings may be painted provided the paint is compatible with stainless steel and zinc-plated carbon steel or ductile iron. Care should be taken to ensure the sprinkler and associated escutcheon or coverplate are not painted.



7.0 REFERENCE MATERIALS – CHARACTERISTICS

VicFlex[™] Maximum Load Values

Series AH4 Hose with 24" Bracket

| | Actual Length | Total Load | | Max. Uniform Load | |
|------------|---------------|------------|----|-------------------|------------|
| Model Size | ft m | lb | N | lb/linear ft | N/linear m |
| 31/790 | 2.6 0.8 | 5.2 | 23 | 2.6 | 38 |
| 36/915 | 3.0 0.9 | 5.5 | 25 | 2.8 | 40 |
| 48/1220 | 4.0 1.2 | 6.3 | 28 | 3.1 | 46 |
| 60/1525 | 5.0 1.5 | 7.0 | 31 | 3.5 | 51 |
| 72/1830 | 6.0 1.8 | 7.7 | 34 | 3.9 | 57 |

Series AH4 Hose with 48" Bracket

| | Actual Length | Total Load | | Max. Uniform Load | |
|------------|---------------|------------|----|-------------------|------------|
| Model Size | ft m | lb | N | lb/linear ft | N/linear m |
| 31/790 | 2.6 0.8 | 6.1 | 27 | 1.5 | 22 |
| 36/915 | 3.0 0.9 | 6.4 | 29 | 1.6 | 23 |
| 48/1220 | 4.0 1.2 | 7.2 | 32 | 1.8 | 26 |
| 60/1525 | 5.0 1.5 | 7.9 | 35 | 2.0 | 29 |
| 72/1830 | 6.0 1.8 | 8.7 | 39 | 2.2 | 32 |

Total Load is defined as the sum of the weights of the following:

- water-filled flexible sprinkler hose with threaded end fittings, including a typical fire sprinkler
- bracket assembly (any applicable Victaulic bracket model of the relevant associated size)

ASTM C 635: Suspension System Load-Carrying Capabilities (excerpted)

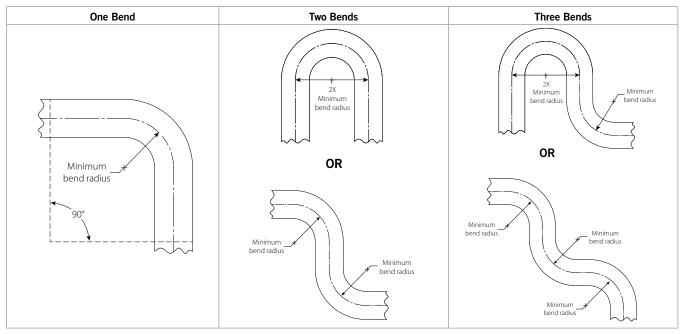
| | Actual Length | Min. Allowable Uniform Load | |
|-------------------|---------------|-----------------------------|------------|
| Suspension System | ft/m | lb/linear ft | N/linear m |
| Direct Hung | Light | 5.0 | 75.7 |
| | Intermediate | 12.0 | 181.0 |
| | Heavy | 16.0 | 241.7 |

SUMMARY: All direct-hung suspension system duty classifications per ASTM C 635 are able to withstand the maximum water-filled weight of the VicFlex sprinkler hose and bracket.



7.0 REFERENCE MATERIALS - CHARACTERISTICS (CONTINUED)

Flexible Hose In-Plane Bend Characteristics



NOTE

For out-of-plane (three-dimensional) bends, care must be taken to avoid imparting torque on the hose.

I-VicFlex-AB1-AB2-AB10

I-VicFlex-AB3

I-VicFlex-AB4

I-VicFlex-AB5

I-VicFlex-AB7

I-VicFlex-AB11

I-VicFlex-AB12

I-VicFlex-ABMM

User Responsibility for Product Selection and Suitability

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Installation

Reference should always be made to I-VICFLEX-AB1-AB2-AB10, I-VICFLEX-AB4, I-VICFLEX-AB7, or I-VICFLEX-AB8 for the product you are installing. Handbooks are included with each shipment of Victaulic products for complete installation and assembly data, and are available in PDF format on our website at www.victaulic.com.

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