Protecting pipeline components from damaging particles with minimal pressure drop

GENERAL APPLICATION

Yarway wye type strainers are suitable for use in a variety of fluid systems such as air, chemical, condensate, gas, oil, petroleum or water lines, for the protection of valves, pumps, compressors, condensers, flow meters, nozzles, steam traps and other vulnerable equipment.

TECH DATA

Size range: NPS ¼ to 2 (DN 10 - 50)

FEATURES

- Body material - ASTM and/or ASME as permitted under boiler code and power piping code. Provides assurance of quality and suitability for pressure/temperature adjustment in non-shock service.
- Straight threads on cap - for easy removal when screen replacement is necessary.
- Clad, non asbestos, spark-plug-type gasket provides reliable seal on machined body and cap.
- Guided screen - screens fit into controlled machined bores in body and cap, and are not crushed. This fit provides good screen alignment and reliable capture of particles.
- Installation - can be installed in vertical and horizontal piping with the blowdown connection oriented in any preferred direction.
HOW TO SELECT

There are three important components in selection:

1. Design and operating pressures and temperatures - look at the curves in Figure 2. Select the strainer rating that meets both the design and the operating requirements.

2. Flow rate and pressure drop - select a strainer pipe size that will yield a pressure drop of 1½ psi or less. This will accommodate increases in pressure drop due to dirt or alternate screens without causing the screen to rupture.

3. Look at the selection table on page 4 and pick the strainer series that meets the conditions of 1 and 2 above, and is compatible with the flowing medium.

INSTALLATION

Strainers should be installed upstream of pipeline equipment to protect against damage from solid particles of dirt, chips, scale, packing shreds, pipe sealants and welding debris. The strainer should be fitted with a pipe nipple in the cap and a full ported straight through valve (e.g., gate or ball). Install the strainer in a horizontal or vertical line with flow in the direction of the arrow. For freeze protection, install the strainer on its side or upside down in a horizontal line or vertically to assist in draining the blowdown line and strainer cavity.

Inspect the strainer regularly. Clean the screen before it becomes more than one-third clogged. Pressure gages before and after the strainer will indicate excessive pressure losses due to clogging.

HOW TO SPECIFY THREADED CAP

Body shall be wye-type. Threaded cap shall have straight machined threads for easy removal. Body and cap shall have machined surfaces for metallic clad, non-asbestos gaskets. Strainer screen shall fit into non-tapered machined bores. Thread end strainers shall be machined to ASME B1.20.1. Socketwelding ends shall be to ASME B16.11; flanged ends shall conform to ASME B16.4 (iron) or B16.5 (steel).

HOW TO ORDER

Specify pipe size, Yarway series and pipe connection. Example: ¾”, Yarway series 921, NPT ends.
**YARWAY WYE-TYPE PIPELINE STRAINERS**

**900 SERIES**

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**THREADED SOCKETWELDING STRAINERS**

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<tr>
<th>Strainer figure number</th>
<th>End connection and nominal ASME class ratings(a)</th>
<th>Body</th>
<th>Threaded cap 900 GPM</th>
<th>Material</th>
<th>Screen type and material(b)</th>
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<td>Threaded b14.4 C1 250</td>
<td>Cast iron A-278 cl 35</td>
<td>Carbon steel</td>
<td>Copper clad</td>
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**NOTES**

1. See Chart, Figure 2 for pressure/temperature ratings.
2. See page 7 for optional screen materials and openings.

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**FIGURE 1 - WATER FLOW VS. PRESSURE DROP**

- **Cv** = \[\frac{\text{GPM}}{\sqrt{\Delta P \times \text{S.G.}}}\]

- **S.G.** = Specific gravity

- **Clogged Screens** - This chart represents the results of tests conducted with strainers containing clean screens. With screens 50% clogged, pressure drop results are approximately double those shown in charts.

- **Multiplying Factor** - All results are based upon the use of 0.033 dia. through 1/8 dia. perforations. When using .020 perforations, multiply pressure drop from graph by 1.10. For mesh lined perforated metal screens, multiply pressure drop by 1.25.
Pressure drop through Yarway wye strainers

In the application of wye strainers, the most frequent concern is pressure drop. Since the strainers can have a variety of fluids passing through them, there are a variety of equations and conditions that affect the flow. Our objective is to present methods for calculating pressure drops across Yarway’s wye type strainers. The calculations are based on a series of formulas and the use of a Cv, and covers liquids, steam and gases.

The following assumptions are made:
1. Control valve equations and the use of Cv is appropriate.
2. For liquid flow:
   - Flashing and cavitation are not present.
   - There is no significant change in density.
   - Flow is fully turbulent and viscosity is not a significant factor in the calculations for pressure drop.
3. For steam, gas and air flows, pressure drops are not critical, and a change in density (if it occurs) is not significant.

The examples of pressure drop calculations are based on new, clean strainers. If clogged screens are a significant concern, follow the footnote under Figure 1.

Determine the strainer Cv

The first thing to determine is the strainer Cv. This can be obtained from Figure 1 the water flow vs pressure drop curve where Cv = gpm when the pressure drop is one (1) psi.

Example:
What is the Cv for a 2” 900 Yarway Wye strainer?
Solution:
1. Enter the left, vertical axis at one (1.0) psi.
2. Move horizontally to the right until you reach the 2” 900 curve.
3. Then, move vertically down and read 56 gpm.
4. Answer - The Cv for a 2” 900 is 56.
   This solution is for water; specific gravity is approximately one.

Liquid flow with specific gravity not equal to one

Example:
What is the pressure drop if the fluid is kerosene, flowing at 150 gpm for a 2” 900 strainer?
Solution:
1. Enter a table of various liquids.
2. Find kerosene with a specific gravity of 0.82.
3. Solve the equation

Equation 1:

\[ \Delta P_i = (\frac{V_I}{C_v}) \]

\[ = (0.82)(150/56)^2 = 5.88 \text{ psi} \]

Where:
- \( \Delta P_i \) = Liquid/pressure drop, psi
- \( V_I \) = Liquid flow, gpm = 150
- \( C_v \) = Strainer \( C_v \) = 56 (previous example)
- GI = Specific gravity of liquid.

For kerosene GI = 0.82

Liquid flow, viscosity consideration

With the turbulent flow, the pressure drop equations are independent of Reynolds number. When viscous fluids are present, Reynolds numbers can be changed to the point where Laminar flow is achieved. The use of Equation 2 and 3 determines if the flow is turbulent. If it is turbulent, Equation 4 can be used. If Reynolds Number is less than 4000, Equation 4 will predict a greater than expected pressure drop.

Equation 2:

\[ R_e = \frac{3160 \cdot V_I}{d} \]

\[ R_e = \text{Reynolds No.} \]
\[ V = \text{Kinematic viscosity, centistokes} \]

\[ d = \text{Pipe I.D. inch} \]

Equation 3:

\[ \frac{V_I}{C_v} \Delta P_v = \frac{\Delta P_v}{GI} \]

\[ \Delta P_v = (1.6023)(0.82) \]

\[ \Delta P_v = 1.31 \text{ psi drop} \]

Equation 4:

\[ \Delta P_v = \frac{(1.6023)(GI)(vd)^2}{C_v} \]

Example:
Assume the same 2” strainer flowing kerosene.
The specific gravity is 0.82, but the kinematic viscosity is 2.69. Pipe I.D. is 3.068 inches. Using Equation 4:

\[ \Delta P_v = \frac{(1.6023)(0.82)(2.69 \times 3.068)^2}{56} \]

\[ = 1.598 \text{ psi minimum for a Reynolds number of 4000 to maintain turbulent flow.} \]

This means that if the pressure drop and Reynolds number are too low, Laminar flow may result and the influence of viscosity can alter the results. The approximate Reynolds number for 150 gpm flow in the example is:

\[ R_e = \frac{3160 \cdot 150}{(2.69 \times 3.068)} \]

\[ = 57,400 \text{ from equation (2) and the } \Delta P_v \text{ like in equation (3) approaches 2.20 from equation (3).} \]
GAS AND VAPOR FLOW

The flow of gases and vapors is more complicated than liquid flow. This is due to changes in density. If pressure drops are too great, the nature of the gas or vapor changes. These equations are assumed to apply:

In the above, it is assumed that the control valve formulas for non-critical steam and gas flow are applicable.

\[ \Delta P_s = \text{Pressure drop across strainer, steam psi} \]
\[ \Delta P_g = \text{Pressure drop across strainer, gas, air, etc.} \]

\[ P_1 = \text{Strainer inlet pressure, psia} \]
\[ W = \text{Scfh gas flow} \]
\[ Q = \text{Saturated steam flow} \]
\[ T_s = \text{Degrees F superheat above saturation} \]
\[ T = \text{Degrees R gas temperature (F+ 460)} \]
\[ G = \text{Specific gravity, gas (air = 1)} \]

SATE RATED STEAM FLOW

Let's assume we have a 2" steam line. Steam flow is 2000 lb/hr and the steam pressure is 100 psig, saturated. What is the pressure drop through the 2" Yarway Hancock 921 wye strainer?

From Figure 1 we see that the 2" 921 has a \( C_v \) equal to 55.

\[ P_1 = 100 \text{ psig} = 115 \text{ psia} \]
\[ W = 2000 \text{ lb/hr} \]
\[ C_v = 55 \]
\[ T_s = 0, \text{ because the steam is saturated} \]

SUPERHEATED STEAM

Assume the same strainer and conditions as for saturated steam, except the steam temperature is 500°F.

We use the same equation except

\[ T_s = 500-338 \]
\[ T_c = 162°F, \text{ degrees superheat} \]
\[ 500 = \text{Steam temp, F} \]
\[ 338 = \text{Sat. temp, F for 100 psi} \]

GASES

If we keep the same strainer, but now consider natural gas flow at 50,000 Scfh and at a temperature of 100°F.

\[ C_v = 55 \]
\[ P_1 = 115 \text{ psia} \]
\[ G = 0.667 \]
\[ T = 460 + 100 = 560R \]
\[ Q = 50,000 \]
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**DIMENSIONS NPS (DN)**

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**WEIGHT lb (kg)**

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<td>2 (50)</td>
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**STANDARD BLOW OFF CONNECTIONS**

**DIMENSION C (in) NPS (DN)**

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<td>1½ to 2 (40-50)</td>
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**NOTES**

1. Threaded blow-off connection standard.
   Contact your sales representative for optional sizes and socketwelding.

**EASILY REMOVABLE SCREEN CAPS**

Straight threads permit easy removal from the strainer body when the screen must be cleaned, and assure proper alignment of the screen when re-assembled. Machined faces and “spark plug” type gasket provide a good joint without excessive tightening.

**THREADED AND SOCKETWELDING STRAINERS**

Series 901, 921 and 921SW, threaded, socketwelding ends (with threaded screen caps).
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FIGURE 2 - PRESSURE/TEMPERATURE RATINGS

SCREEN EQUIVALENT

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SCREENs

Two types of screens for a range of process conditions: Perforated stainless steel or Monel® in a wide range of opening sizes with high open area ratios for low pressure drops. Fine mesh stainless steel Dutchweave screens also available. Both types provide greater mechanical strength than ordinary square mesh. Machined recesses in the body and cap assure the proper fit of the screen and its alignment in the body.

Perforated screen - easy to clean, less susceptible to clogging.

Dutchweave screen for applications requiring retention of small particles.

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<tr>
<th>Type of service</th>
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<td>Air or gas</td>
<td>Dutchweave (100 mesh)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Oil, low viscosity</td>
<td>0.033&quot; or 0.045&quot; perf.</td>
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<td>Oil, medium or high viscosity</td>
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<td>Steam</td>
<td>0.020&quot; or 0.033&quot; perf.</td>
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<td>Water, gasoline or light fuel oil</td>
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