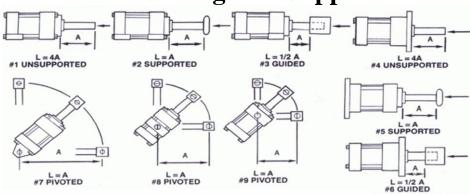


## **Rod Strength & Support**



Stop tubes are used to reduce the bearing load encountered in long stroke cylinders when the piston rod is extended.

By separating the piston and rod bearing with a stop tube, the life of the bearing cartridge will be increased and the tendency of the rod to buckle will be reduced.

To determine the length of stop tube required, locate the application in the drawings above and calculate "L" from the cylinder "A" dimension with the piston rod extended. For an "L" longer than 40": one inch of stop is required for every 10" over 40" plus one inch for any remainder.

**EXAMPLE**: An MP1 Rear Clevis Mount Cylinder with Rod Eye, 4" Bore, 34" Stroke, 2" Rod is operating at 500 PSI.

This application matches Fig. 7 and L = A.  $L = XC \dim + 2x$  stroke + Rod Eye CA dim.. L = 7.5 + [2x 34] + 3.44 = 78.94"78.94" - 40 = 38.94 = [3 x 10] + 8.94

Therefore a 4" stop tube is required.

The required length of stop tube should be added to the cylinder stroke when ordering.

The above cylinder example would be ordered as 38" Gross Stroke

Figure 7

34" Working Stroke with 4" Stop Tube.

This is usually written 38" [34"]w/4" Stop Tube

## Rod Strength & Support (Column Strength)

## To select the optimum rod diameter required for PUSH STROKE cylinders:

**1**. Determine the push stroke thrust using the cylinder forceschart on page 3.

**2**. Calculate the "L" value as for a stop tube and add stop tube length to given Working Stroke to obtain the Gross Stroke.

**3**. Locate the push stroke thrust in the left-hand column of the table below. If the exact thrust is not shown, use the nexthigher value.

**4.** Locate the calculated "L" length in the row across from the thrust value selected. If the exact "L" length is not shown use the next longer value.

**5**. Find the minimum rod diameter for the application at the top of the column in which the "L" value is located.

Using the same cylinder as in the stop tube example, where "L" = 82.94" including 4" stop tube.

**1**. Find 6285 Ibs. force or the next higher value in first column. Use 8000 Ibs. as the nearest higher value.

**2**. Move across the row to 92, the next higher entry to 82.94. At the top of the column is found the optimum rod diameter for the application. A 2" dia. piston rod is required. By changing the cylinder mounting to a MT1 Head Trunnion which reduces the "L" dimension a standard 1 3/8" piston rod may be used.



THRUST "T" IN POUNDS FORCE AT END OF ROD	Maximum "L" lengths for Piston Rod Diameter																
	5/8	1	1 3/8	1 3/4	2	2 1/2	3	3 1/2	4	4 1/2	5	5 1/2	6	7	7 1/2	8	8 1/2
100	58	110										1					
250	43	94	146														
400	37	83	134	186													
700	30	68	118	168	202												
1000	27	60	105	155	190	257											
1400	24	53	92	142	174	244	308										
1800	22	48	82	127	160	230	296	366	440								
2400	19	45	75	114	145	213	281	347	415								
3200	16	41	67	103	130	194	261	329	400	451							
4000	13	38	63	94	119	175	240	310	378	446							
5000	9	34	60	87	110	163	225	289	360	426	494						
6000		30	56	82	102	152	208	274	342	410	476						
8000		26	50	76	93	137	188	245	310	375	447	1					
10000		21	45	70	89	125	172	222	279	349	412	482					
12000		17	41	65	84	118	152	210	269	326	388	454					
16000			34	57	75	110	142	180	235	292	350	420	488				
20000			28	52	68	103	136	172	218	270	326	385	442				
30000				39	55	87	120	156	189	230	285	330	377	484			
40000				22	43	74	108	142	177	210	248	294	341	441			
50000					30	66	96	130	165	200	234	269	316	408	447		
60000						57	88	119	154	190	225	256	298	384	422		
80000						36	71	104	137	170	204	240	274	348	382	420	
100000							57	90	120	154	189	222	258	324	363	400	435
120000							45	77	108	146	175	207	245	313	347	377	417
140000								64	98	128	160	194	230	301	331	365	402
160000								47	86	118	148	182	216	279	319	350	386
200000									67	98	131	161	191	260	296	330	366
250000										72	109	141	170	236	270	301	340
300000											86	120	150	212	247	281	315
350000											52	100	132	195	228	261	294
400000												77	113	182	212	241	273
500000												1	84	152	182	212	240
600000			<b>I</b>									1		114	159	183	217