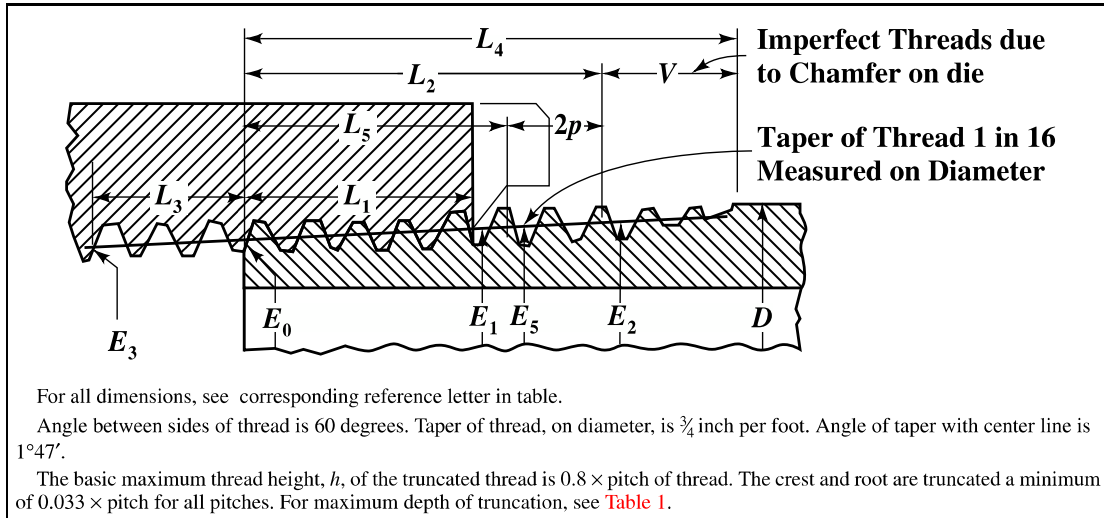


Table 4. Basic Dimensions, American National Standard Taper Pipe Threads, NPT
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For all dimensions, see corresponding reference letter in table.

Angle between sides of thread is 60 degrees. Taper of thread, on diameter, is $\frac{3}{4}$ inch per foot. Angle of taper with center line is $1^{\circ}47'$.

The basic maximum thread height, h , of the truncated thread is $0.8 \times$ pitch of thread. The crest and root are truncated a minimum of $0.033 \times$ pitch for all pitches. For maximum depth of truncation, see [Table 1](#).

Nominal Pipe Size	Outside Dia. of Pipe, D	Threads per Inch, n	Pitch of Thread, p	Pitch Diameter at Beginning of External Thread, E_0	Handtight Engagement	Dia., ^a E_1	Effective Thread,	Dia., E_2
					Length, ^b L_1		Length, ^c L_2	
					In.		In.	
1/16	0.3125	27	0.03704	0.27118	0.160	0.28118	0.2611	0.28750
1/8	0.405	27	0.03704	0.36351	0.1615	0.37360	0.2639	0.38000
1/4	0.540	18	0.05556	0.47739	0.2278	0.49163	0.4018	0.50250
3/8	0.675	18	0.05556	0.61201	0.240	0.62701	0.4078	0.63750
1/2	0.840	14	0.07143	0.75843	0.320	0.77843	0.5337	0.79179
3/4	1.050	14	0.07143	0.96768	0.339	0.98887	0.5457	1.00179
1	1.315	11 1/2	0.08696	1.21363	0.400	1.23863	0.6828	1.25630
1 1/4	1.660	11 1/2	0.08696	1.55713	0.420	1.58338	0.7068	1.60130
1 1/2	1.900	11 1/2	0.08696	1.79609	0.420	1.82234	0.7235	1.84130
2	2.375	11 1/2	0.08696	2.26902	0.436	2.29627	0.7565	2.31630
2 1/2	2.875	8	0.12500	2.71953	0.682	2.76216	1.1375	2.79062
3	3.500	8	0.12500	3.34062	0.766	3.38850	1.2000	3.41562
3 1/2	4.000	8	0.12500	3.83750	0.821	3.88881	1.2500	3.91562
4	4.500	8	0.12500	4.33438	0.844	4.38712	1.3000	4.41562
5	5.563	8	0.12500	5.39073	0.937	5.44929	1.4063	5.47862
6	6.625	8	0.12500	6.44609	0.958	6.50597	1.5125	6.54062
8	8.625	8	0.12500	8.43359	1.063	8.50003	1.7125	8.54062
10	10.750	8	0.12500	10.54531	1.210	10.62094	1.9250	10.66562
12	12.750	8	0.12500	12.53281	1.360	12.61781	2.1250	12.66562
14 OD	14.000	8	0.12500	13.77500	1.562	13.87262	2.2500	13.91562
16 OD	16.000	8	0.12500	15.76250	1.812	15.87575	2.4500	15.91562
18 OD	18.000	8	0.12500	17.75000	2.000	17.87500	2.6500	17.91562
20 OD	20.000	8	0.12500	19.73750	2.125	19.87031	2.8500	19.91562
24 OD	24.000	8	0.12500	23.71250	2.375	23.86094	3.2500	23.91562

^a Also pitch diameter at gaging notch (handtight plane).

^b Also length of thin ring gage and length from gaging notch to small end of plug gage.

^c Also length of plug gage.

**Table 5. Basic Dimensions, American National Standard Taper Pipe Threads, NPT
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Nominal Pipe Size	Wrench Makeup Length for Internal Thread		Vanish Thread, (3.47 thds.), V	Overall Length External Thread, L_4	Nominal Perfect External Threads ^a		Height of Thread, h	Basic Minor Dia. at Small End of Pipe, ^b K_0
	Length, ^c L_3	Dia., E_3			Length, L_5	Dia., E_5		
1/16	0.1111	0.26424	0.1285	0.3896	0.1870	0.28287	0.02963	0.2416
1/8	0.1111	0.35656	0.1285	0.3924	0.1898	0.37537	0.02963	0.3339
1/4	0.1667	0.46697	0.1928	0.5946	0.2907	0.49556	0.04444	0.4329
3/8	0.1667	0.60160	0.1928	0.6006	0.2967	0.63056	0.04444	0.5676
1/2	0.2143	0.74504	0.2478	0.7815	0.3909	0.78286	0.05714	0.7013
3/4	0.2143	0.95429	0.2478	0.7935	0.4029	0.99286	0.05714	0.9105
1	0.2609	1.19733	0.3017	0.9845	0.5089	1.24543	0.06957	1.1441
1 1/4	0.2609	1.54083	0.3017	1.0085	0.5329	1.59043	0.06957	1.4876
1 1/2	0.2609	1.77978	0.3017	1.0252	0.5496	1.83043	0.06957	1.7265
2	0.2609	2.25272	0.3017	1.0582	0.5826	2.30543	0.06957	2.1995
2 1/2	0.2500 ^d	2.70391	0.4337	1.5712	0.8875	2.77500	0.100000	2.6195
3	0.2500 ^d	3.32500	0.4337	1.6337	0.9500	3.40000	0.100000	3.2406
3 1/2	0.2500	3.82188	0.4337	1.6837	1.0000	3.90000	0.100000	3.7375
4	0.2500	4.31875	0.4337	1.7337	1.0500	4.40000	0.100000	4.2344
5	0.2500	5.37511	0.4337	1.8400	1.1563	5.46300	0.100000	5.2907
6	0.2500	6.43047	0.4337	1.9462	1.2625	6.52500	0.100000	6.3461
8	0.2500	8.41797	0.4337	2.1462	1.4625	8.52500	0.100000	8.3336
10	0.2500	10.52969	0.4337	2.3587	1.6750	10.65000	0.100000	10.4453
12	0.2500	12.51719	0.4337	2.5587	1.8750	12.65000	0.100000	12.4328
14 OD	0.2500	13.75938	0.4337	2.6837	2.0000	13.90000	0.100000	13.6750
16 OD	0.2500	15.74688	0.4337	2.8837	2.2000	15.90000	0.100000	15.6625
18 OD	0.2500	17.73438	0.4337	3.0837	2.4000	17.90000	0.100000	17.6500
20 OD	0.2500	19.72188	0.4337	3.2837	2.6000	19.90000	0.100000	19.6375
24 OD	0.2500	23.69688	0.4337	3.6837	3.0000	23.90000	0.100000	23.6125

^a The length L_5 from the end of the pipe determines the plane beyond which the thread form is imperfect at the crest. The next two threads are perfect at the root. At this plane the cone formed by the crests of the thread intersects the cylinder forming the external surface of the pipe. $L_5 = L_2 - 2p$.

^b Given as information for use in selecting tap drills.

^c Three threads for 2-inch size and smaller; two threads for larger sizes.

^d Military Specification MIL—P—7105 gives the wrench makeup as three threads for 3 in. and smaller. The E_3 dimensions are then as follows: Size 2 1/2 in., 2.69609 and size 3 in., 3.31719.

All dimensions given in inches.

Increase in diameter per thread is equal to $0.0625/n$.

The basic dimensions of the ANSI Standard Taper Pipe Thread are given in inches to four or five decimal places. While this implies a greater degree of precision than is ordinarily attained, these dimensions are the basis of gage dimensions and are so expressed for the purpose of eliminating errors in computations.

Engagement Between External and Internal Taper Threads.—The normal length of engagement between external and internal taper threads when screwed together handtight is shown as L_1 in **Table 4**. This length is controlled by the construction and use of the pipe thread gages. It is recognized that in special applications, such as flanges for high-pressure work, longer thread engagement is used, in which case the pitch diameter E_1 (**Table 4**) is maintained and the pitch diameter E_0 at the end of the pipe is proportionately smaller.

Railing Joint Taper Pipe Threads, NPTR.—Railing joints require a rigid mechanical thread joint with external and internal taper threads. The external thread is basically the same as the ANSI Standard Taper Pipe Thread, except that sizes 1/2 through 2 inches are shortened by 3 threads and sizes 2 1/2 through 4 inches are shortened by 4 threads to permit the use of the larger end of the pipe thread. A recess in the fitting covers the last scratch or imperfect threads on the pipe.