

## Datasheet

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# Multi-stage restriction orifice

- ✓ Designed to reduce the pressure or the flow of the fluid
- ✓ Used when the target pressure drop cannot be achieved with a single plate
- ✓ Prevent from cavitation as well as important levels of noise or vibration
- ✓ Single or multi-orifice plates assembly
- ✓ Orifice plate design based on ISO5167, ASME.MFC.3M industry standards
- ✓ Designed according to ASME B31
- ✓ Calculation of noise level
- ✓ In accordance with 2014/68/UE PED european directive
- ✓ Hydrostatic testings
- ✓ Delivered with all the relevant certificates



Fig 1 : multi-stage restriction orifice

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Restriction orifices are used **to reduce the fluid pressure or to restrict the flow rate in a pipe work**. The pressure drop produced by forcing the flow through the restriction orifice is calculated accurately taking into account all the relevant operating conditions.

In case the target pressure drop cannot be achieved with a single plate, a **multi-stage restriction orifice assembly** is required. It is composed of several orifice plates, each of them reducing the fluid pressure to its maximum capacity. It allows reducing the pressure in different steps (multiple stages) to achieve the total required pressure drop while preventing problems such as noise, vibration and cavitation.

The number and sizing of the different stages depends on the desired pressure drop and on the occurrence of the critical flow, at which point sonic velocity is reached (choked flow). This velocity corresponds to the maximum velocity from which any reduction of pressure is impossible. Thus, a multistage restriction orifice will enable stage reductions in pressure preventing choked flow from occurring.

Incorrect design and calculation of restriction orifices without considering all these parameters can lead to costly replacement of equipment. Deltafluid designing and manufacturing of such restriction orifices are always properly carried out.



Fig 2 : multi-stage multi-holes restriction orifice

**Technical specifications**

**Applications – standards**

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|----------------------------|---|
| Standards                  | ISO5167-1, BS1042, ASME.MFC.3M<br>ASME B31<br>Manufacturing & welding : ASME9, ASME5, EN288 |
| Fluid temperature          | According specifications  |
| Type of fluid              | Gas, steam, liquid  |
| Nominal diameters          | ND15 to ND1000 (from ½ up to 40 inches) - and beyond according specifications               |
| Maximum operating pressure | Limited by the flange rating - from 150# to 2500#   |

The orifice plate is dimensionally checked in compliance with the manufacturing quality controls. Manufacturing is possible according 2014/68/UE PED directive requirements.

**Features**

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| Noise    | To comply with acceptable noise levels (<85dB), design with multi-holes plates       |
| Material | Stainless steel, Carbon steel, Monel alloy, Hastelloys, Inconels, Titanium, PVC, etc |

**Mounting**

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| Plates assembly    | Complete multi-stages system including several plates welded in series in the pipe    |
| Process connection | Process connection to existing pipe work, between flanges (RF or RTJ) or butt welding |

## Technical description

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|-------------------------|---|
| Number of plates        | Calculation depending on the process conditions and on the application requirements   |
| Distance between plates | Multiple restriction orifice plates separated by a distance of 1 pipe diameter (nominal diameter of the pipe)   |
| Number of orifice bores | Depending on the application, multi-bores restriction orifices are used to reduce the noise level (limited to 85dB(A) according to international noise standards) |
| Traceability            | Direct laser marking with a flow direction indicator  |

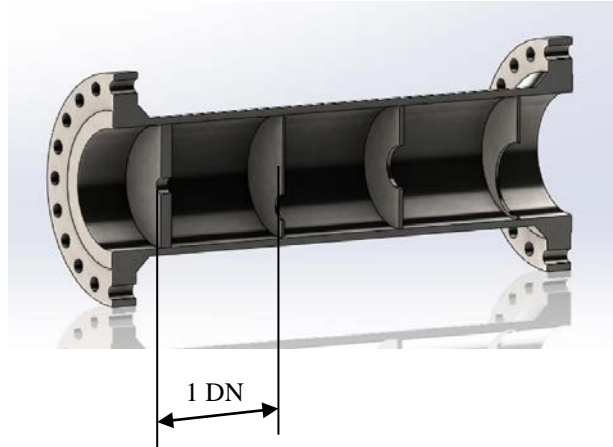


Fig 3 : distance between orifice plates

## Engineering

Multistage restriction orifices are engineered to meet specific process conditions and requirements. Suitable software is used for accurate calculations (orifice bore, thickness of the plate, number of stages, level of noise...), for designing the integral restriction orifice and simulating the fluid flows to check the optimal operation of the device.

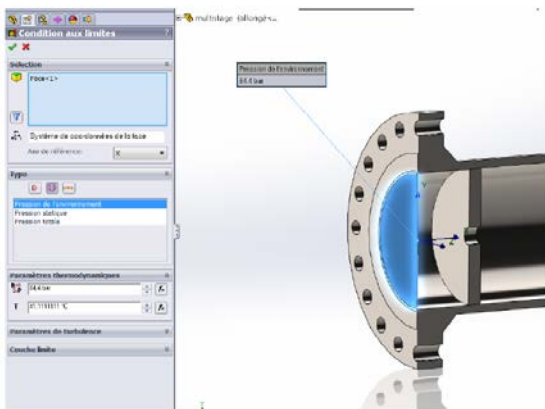


Fig 4 : example of simulation

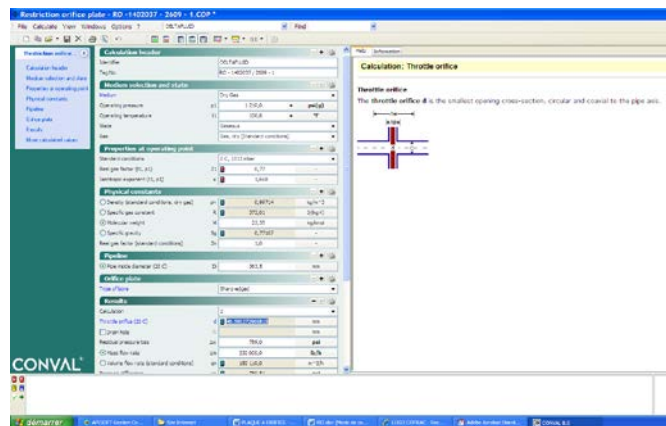


Fig 5 : example of calculation

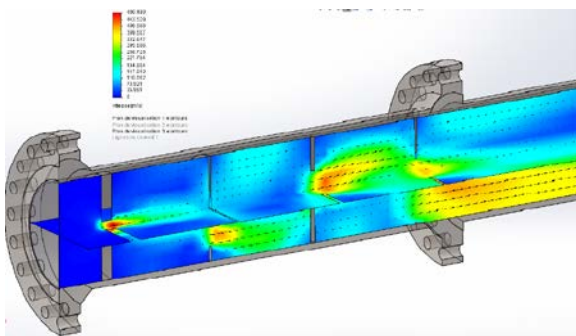


Fig 6 : section view of fluid speeds

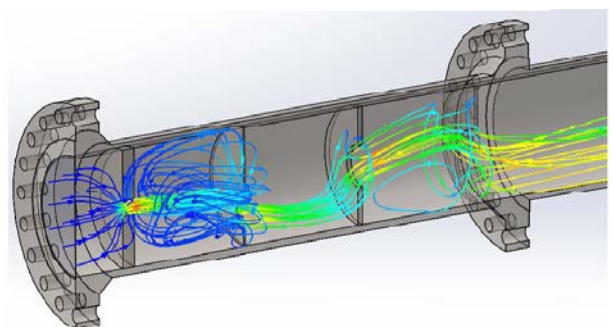


Fig 7 : sectional view of streamlines