

Engineering Information For PDC Butterfly Valves

Valve Sizing:

Cv sizing is the most widely used method for valve sizing, today. By using the Cv method, the proper valve size can be accurately determined for most applications when any three of the four following conditions are known or assumed: valve size, maximum flow, inlet pressure or maximum delta P.

By using the Cv formulas listed below in conjunction with the Cv factors for PDC butterfly valves and the maximum allowable pressure drops for PDC valves listed for each valve class, the proper PDC butterfly valve for each application can be determined. In addition to the standard Cv equations other forms of the equation are listed for determining flow or the delta P for PDC valves.

Critical Flow:

When calculating the required valve Cv, the formula to be used is dependent on the flowing media and if the pressure drop is critical or subcritical.

Critical flow conditions exist when the line pressure reaches the vapor pressure of a flowing liquid, or approximately 1/2 of the absolute inlet pressure for gases or vapors. In the case of liquids, the result of critical flow is flashing or cavitation. Critical flow of gases produce sonic velocity. If pressure drop across valve, in open position, exceeds 0.1 times inlet pressure consult factory.

| | Subcritical Flow | Critical Flow |
|--------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| For liquids: | $\Delta P < C_f^2(P_1 - P_v)$ | $\Delta P \geq C_f^2(P_1 - P_v)$ |
| For gases: | $\Delta P < 0.5 C_f^2 P_1$ | $\Delta P \geq 0.5 C_f^2 P_1$ |

Where:

C_f = Critical flow factor, a dimensionless expression of the pressure recovery ratio in a control valve. While there are small variations in the C_f value for each valve size as determined by flow tests, for simplicity, the following values are assigned to PDC metal swing-thru butterfly valves.

At 60 deg. open $C_f = 0.65$ and at 90 deg. open $C_f = 0.55$.

P_1 = Inlet pressure, psia

P_v = Vapor pressure of fluid at flowing temperature, psia

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Sizing for:

- Liquids
- Gases
- Saturated Steam Service
- Vapor Flow (other than steam)

Sizing For Liquids

SUBCRITICAL FLOW

$$C_v = Q \sqrt{\frac{G}{\text{DELTA P}}}$$

$$Q = C_v \sqrt{\frac{\text{DELTA P}}{G}}$$
$$\text{DELTA P} = G \left(\frac{Q}{C_v} \right)^2$$

Where:

C_v = Flow coefficient (number of U.S. gallons of water flowing through a valve with a pressure drop of 1 psig)

G = Specific gravity of flowing media at system temperature. (water = 1 @ 60 deg. F.)

DELTA P = Pressure drop, $P_1 - P_2$, psig

C_f = Critical flow factor (0.65 @ 60 deg.; 0.55 @ 90 deg.)

P_1 = Inlet pressure, psia

P_2 = Outlet pressure, psia

Q = Flow, gallons per minute, GPM

Sizing for Gases:

SUBCRITICAL FLOW

$$C_v = \frac{q}{963} \sqrt{\frac{GT}{\Delta P (P_1 + P_2)}}$$
$$q = 963 C_v \sqrt{\frac{\Delta P (P_1 + P_2)}{GT}}$$
$$\Delta P = P_1 - \sqrt{P_1^2 - GT \left(\frac{q}{963 C_v} \right)^2}$$

Where:

T = Absolute temperature of flowing media,
deg. R (deg. F + 460)

q = Flow, standard cubic feet per hour, SCFH

Sizing for Saturated Steam Service:

$$C_v = \frac{W}{2.1 \sqrt{\Delta P (P_1 + P_2)}}$$
$$W = 2.1 C_v \sqrt{\Delta P (P_1 + P_2)}$$
$$\Delta P = P_1 - \sqrt{P_1^2 - \left(\frac{W}{2.1 C_v} \right)^2}$$

Where:

W = Flow, lbs./hr.

Add 7% to C_v for each 100° F of super heat.

Standard Leakage Rate

| Leakage Class Designation | Maximum Allowable Leakage | Test Medium | Test Procedures | Testing Procedures Required for Established Rating |
|---------------------------|---|---|---|--|
| I | | | | No test required provided user and supplier so agree |
| II | 0.5% of rated valve capacity | Air or water at 50° to 125° F | 45 - 60 psig or maximum operating differential, whichever is lower | Pressure applied to valve inlet, with outlet open to atmosphere or connected to a low head loss measuring device, full normal closing thrust provided by actuator |
| III | 0.1% of rated valve capacity | As above | As above | As above |
| IV | 0.01% of rated valve capacity | As above | As above | As above |
| V | 0.0005 ml per minute per inch of port diameter per psi differential | Water at 50° to 125° F (10° to 52° C) | Maximum service pressure drop across valve plug, not to exceed ANSI body rating (100 psig pressure drop min.) | Pressure applied to valve inlet after filling entire body cavity and connected piping with water and stroking valve plug closed. Use net specified max. actuator thrust, but no more, even if available during test. Allow time for leakage flow to stabilize. |
| VI | Not to exceed amounts shown in table 2* based on port diameter <i>*Consult Factory</i> | Air or nitrogen at 50° to 125° F (10° to 52° C) | 50 psig or maximum rated differential pressure across valve plug, whichever is lower | Actuator should be adjusted to operating conditions specified with full normal closing thrust applied to valve plug seat. Allow time for leakage flow to stabilize and use suitable leakage measuring device. |

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Cv Data for Standard PDC Swing Thru Valve

| VALVE SIZE | DISC ANGLE, DEGREES | | | | | | | | |
|------------|---------------------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|---------|
| | 10 | 20 | 30 | 40 | 50 | 60 | 70 | 80 | 90 |
| 2" | 2 | 5 | 11 | 20 | 34 | 49 | 64 | 83 | 90 |
| 2.5" | 4 | 8 | 20 | 34 | 56 | 84 | 126 | 178 | 194 |
| 3" | 6 | 14 | 30 | 51 | 85 | 132 | 202 | 279 | 370 |
| 4" | 13 | 28 | 54 | 98 | 159 | 257 | 391 | 550 | 747 |
| 5" | 21 | 43 | 88 | 158 | 265 | 429 | 636 | 913 | 1,272 |
| 6" | 30 | 63 | 126 | 228 | 382 | 632 | 955 | 1,370 | 1,999 |
| 8" | 53 | 111 | 225 | 406 | 680 | 1,125 | 1,698 | 2,591 | 3,853 |
| 10" | 83 | 174 | 351 | 635 | 1,063 | 1,759 | 2,655 | 4,052 | 6,361 |
| 12" | 120 | 252 | 506 | 914 | 1,531 | 2,533 | 3,826 | 5,835 | 9,164 |
| 14" | 143 | 302 | 606 | 1,096 | 1,835 | 3,035 | 4,584 | 6,992 | 10,981 |
| 16" | 191 | 400 | 805 | 1,455 | 2,436 | 4,118 | 6,388 | 9,835 | 12,266 |
| 18" | 244 | 513 | 1,032 | 1,865 | 3,123 | 5,279 | 8,185 | 12,608 | 15,725 |
| 20" | 305 | 640 | 1,287 | 2,326 | 3,896 | 6,584 | 10,209 | 15,725 | 19,612 |
| 22" | 372 | 781 | 1,570 | 2,838 | 4,753 | 8,033 | 12,456 | 19,186 | 23,929 |
| 24" | 445 | 936 | 1,882 | 3,401 | 5,696 | 9,626 | 14,926 | 22,990 | 28,674 |
| 26" | 526 | 1,105 | 2,221 | 4,015 | 6,723 | 11,364 | 17,619 | 27,139 | 33,848 |
| 28" | 613 | 1,288 | 2,589 | 4,679 | 7,836 | 13,245 | 20,536 | 31,632 | 39,451 |
| 30" | 706 | 1,485 | 2,985 | 5,395 | 9,035 | 15,270 | 23,676 | 36,468 | 45,484 |
| 32" | 800 | 1,682 | 3,382 | 6,112 | 10,235 | 17,299 | 26,823 | 41,315 | 51,528 |
| 34" | 907 | 1,906 | 3,832 | 6,926 | 11,599 | 19,603 | 30,395 | 46,817 | 58,392 |
| 36" | 1,020 | 2,144 | 4,311 | 7,791 | 13,047 | 22,052 | 34,191 | 52,664 | 65,684 |
| 38" | 1,140 | 2,396 | 4,818 | 8,707 | 14,581 | 24,644 | 38,211 | 58,855 | 73,405 |
| 40" | 1,267 | 2,662 | 5,352 | 9,674 | 16,200 | 27,380 | 42,453 | 65,390 | 81,555 |
| 42" | 1,400 | 2,942 | 5,915 | 10,691 | 17,904 | 30,260 | 46,919 | 72,268 | 90,134 |
| 44" | 1,540 | 3,236 | 6,507 | 11,760 | 19,693 | 33,284 | 51,608 | 79,491 | 99,143 |
| 46" | 1,687 | 3,544 | 7,126 | 12,879 | 21,568 | 36,453 | 56,520 | 87,057 | 108,580 |
| 48" | 1,840 | 3,866 | 7,774 | 14,049 | 23,527 | 39,765 | 61,656 | 94,968 | 118,446 |
| 54" | 2,340 | 4,916 | 9,885 | 17,865 | 29,910 | 50,566 | 78,403 | 120,762 | 150,617 |
| 60" | 2,899 | 6,093 | 12,250 | 22,139 | 37,065 | 62,663 | 97,159 | 149,653 | 186,650 |

Minimum and Maximum Cv Values in Closed Position:

| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|------|------|------|----|----|----|----|----|
| SIZE | 2 | 2.5 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 8 | 10 | 12 | 14 | 16 | 18 | 20 | 22 | 24 |
| MIN Cv | 0.5 | 0.6 | 1.0 | 1.7 | 2.5 | 4.0 | 6.6 | 10.8 | 14.9 | 18.5 | 29 | 37 | 46 | 56 | 67 |
| MAX Cv | 1.6 | 2.1 | 2.7 | 4.0 | 5.4 | 7.5 | 11.3 | 16.6 | 22.0 | 26.0 | 48 | 58 | 70 | 82 | 96 |

| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---------------|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| SIZE | 26 | 28 | 30 | 32 | 34 | 36 | 38 | 40 | 42 | 44 | 46 | 48 | 54 | 60 |
| MIN Cv | 52 | 61 | 70 | 80 | 91 | 102 | 114 | 126 | 140 | 154 | 168 | 184 | 234 | 334 |
| MAX Cv | 94 | 106 | 119 | 131 | 145 | 160 | 175 | 191 | 208 | 225 | 243 | 262 | 290 | 414 |

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Sizing for Vapor Flow (Other Than Steam):

$$C_v = \frac{W}{K \sqrt{\Delta P (P_1 + P_2)}}$$

$$W = K C_v \sqrt{\Delta P (P_1 + P_2)}$$

$$\Delta P = P_1 - \sqrt{P_1^2 - \left(\frac{W}{K C_v}\right)^2}$$

Where:

K = Constant for vapor

| Vapor | K |
|-----------------|-----|
| Freon 11..... | 7.4 |
| Freon 12..... | 7.1 |
| Freon 14..... | 8.4 |
| Freon 114..... | 8.3 |
| Ammonia..... | 2.7 |
| Dowtherm A..... | 5.6 |

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**Combined Torque Coefficient, Lb-In./PSI
for Standard PDC Swing Thru Valves**

| VALVE SIZE | DISC ANGLE, DEGREES | | | | | | | | |
|------------|---------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| | 0 | 10 | 20 | 30 | 40 | 50 | 60 | 70 | 80 |
| 2" | .3 | .3 | .4 | .5 | .6 | .9 | 1.4 | 2.3 | 3 |
| 2.5" | .5 | .5 | .6 | .8 | 1.1 | 1.5 | 2.4 | 4.2 | 6 |
| 3" | .7 | .7 | 1 | 1.2 | 1.5 | 2.4 | 3.9 | 7 | 9 |
| 4" | 1.7 | 1.7 | 2.2 | 2.8 | 3.7 | 5.6 | 8.5 | 17 | 24 |
| 5" | 2.5 | 2.5 | 3.8 | 4.8 | 6.5 | 10 | 17 | 30 | 45 |
| 6" | 3.8 | 3.8 | 5.3 | 7 | 10 | 17 | 29 | 52 | 75 |
| 8" | 7.5 | 7.5 | 13 | 17 | 23 | 38 | 65 | 120 | 180 |
| 10" | 17 | 17 | 25 | 34 | 47 | 79 | 140 | 250 | 370 |
| 12" | 23 | 23 | 38 | 53 | 75 | 130 | 220 | 400 | 600 |
| 14" | 37 | 37 | 60 | 80 | 120 | 190 | 310 | 590 | 850 |
| 16" | 45 | 45 | 80 | 115 | 170 | 260 | 460 | 820 | 1,300 |
| 18" | 70 | 70 | 130 | 175 | 260 | 460 | 700 | 1,200 | 1,800 |
| 20" | 90 | 90 | 160 | 220 | 320 | 507 | 900 | 1,600 | 2,300 |
| 22" | 122 | 122 | 215 | 297 | 434 | 714 | 1,215 | 2,156 | 3,100 |
| 24" | 159 | 159 | 282 | 391 | 566 | 937 | 1,595 | 2,828 | 4,065 |
| 26" | 205 | 205 | 362 | 499 | 725 | 1,202 | 2,005 | 3,627 | 5,215 |
| 28" | 258 | 258 | 456 | 628 | 913 | 1,512 | 2,525 | 4,565 | 6,560 |
| 30" | 319 | 319 | 564 | 777 | 1,130 | 1,872 | 3,125 | 5,651 | 8,120 |
| 32" | 384 | 384 | 680 | 937 | 1,362 | 2,257 | 3,770 | 6,814 | 9,790 |
| 34" | 464 | 464 | 820 | 1,130 | 1,644 | 2,723 | 4,545 | 8,219 | 11,810 |
| 36" | 554 | 554 | 979 | 1,349 | 1,961 | 3,248 | 5,420 | 9,806 | 14,090 |
| 38" | 654 | 654 | 1,157 | 1,593 | 2,317 | 3,838 | 6,405 | 11,585 | 16,645 |
| 40" | 765 | 765 | 1,355 | 1,866 | 2,713 | 4,494 | 7,500 | 13,567 | 19,495 |
| 42" | 889 | 889 | 1,574 | 2,168 | 3,152 | 5,222 | 8,710 | 15,763 | 22,650 |
| 44" | 1,026 | 1,026 | 1,815 | 2,501 | 3,636 | 6,024 | 10,050 | 18,184 | 26,130 |
| 46" | 1,176 | 1,176 | 2,080 | 2,867 | 4,168 | 6,904 | 11,520 | 20,814 | 29,945 |
| 48" | 1,340 | 1,340 | 2,371 | 3,266 | 4,749 | 7,866 | 13,125 | 23,746 | 34,120 |
| 54" | 1,921 | 1,921 | 3,427 | 4,684 | 6,809 | 11,279 | 18,805 | 34,050 | 48,925 |
| 60" | 2,651 | 2,651 | 4,689 | 6,461 | 9,394 | 15,560 | 25,940 | 46,973 | 67,495 |

*In no case should actuator torque be less than the following values:

| Valve Size | Minimum Torque |
|------------|----------------|
| 2" - 6" | 50 LB-IN |
| 8" - 14" | 120 LB-IN |
| 16" - 24" | 200 LB-IN |
| 26" - 30" | 300 LB-IN |
| 32" - 38" | 400 LB-IN |
| 40" - 48" | 500 LB-IN |
| 54" | 750 LB-IN |
| 60" | 1000 LB-IN |

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