

# Important Geometrical Properties of Rectangular Channel Section Formulas PDF



**Formulas**  
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**with Units**

## List of 12 Important Geometrical Properties of Rectangular Channel Section Formulas

### 1) Depth of Flow given Hydraulic Radius in Rectangle Formula ↻

Formula

$$D_f = B_{\text{rect}} \cdot \frac{R_{H(\text{rect})}}{B_{\text{rect}} - 2 \cdot R_{H(\text{rect})}}$$

Example with Units

$$5.2 \text{ m} = 10.4 \text{ m} \cdot \frac{2.6 \text{ m}}{10.4 \text{ m} - 2 \cdot 2.6 \text{ m}}$$

Evaluate Formula ↻

### 2) Depth of Flow given Section Factor for Rectangle Channel Formula ↻

Formula

$$D_f = \left( \frac{Z_{\text{rect}}}{B_{\text{rect}}} \right)^{\frac{2}{3}}$$

Example with Units

$$5.2 \text{ m} = \left( \frac{123.32 \text{ m}^{\wedge} 2.5}{10.4 \text{ m}} \right)^{\frac{2}{3}}$$

Evaluate Formula ↻

### 3) Depth of Flow given Wetted Area for Rectangle Formula ↻

Formula

$$D_f = \frac{A_{\text{rect}}}{B_{\text{rect}}}$$

Example with Units

$$5.2 \text{ m} = \frac{54.08 \text{ m}^2}{10.4 \text{ m}}$$

Evaluate Formula ↻

### 4) Depth of Flow given Wetted Perimeter for Rectangle Formula ↻

Formula

$$D_f = (P_{\text{rect}} - B_{\text{rect}}) \cdot 0.5$$

Example with Units

$$5.2 \text{ m} = (20.8 \text{ m} - 10.4 \text{ m}) \cdot 0.5$$

Evaluate Formula ↻

### 5) Hydraulic Radius of Open Channel Formula ↻

Formula

$$R_{H(\text{rect})} = \frac{B_{\text{rect}} \cdot D_f}{B_{\text{rect}} + 2 \cdot D_f}$$

Example with Units

$$2.6 \text{ m} = \frac{10.4 \text{ m} \cdot 5.2 \text{ m}}{10.4 \text{ m} + 2 \cdot 5.2 \text{ m}}$$

Evaluate Formula ↻

### 6) Section Factor for Rectangle Formula ↻

Formula

$$Z_{\text{rect}} = B_{\text{rect}} \cdot D_f^{1.5}$$

Example with Units

$$123.3214 \text{ m}^{\wedge} 2.5 = 10.4 \text{ m} \cdot 5.2 \text{ m}^{1.5}$$

Evaluate Formula ↻



## 7) Wetted Area for Rectangle Formula

Formula

$$A_{\text{rect}} = B_{\text{rect}} \cdot D_f$$

Example with Units

$$54.08 \text{ m}^2 = 10.4 \text{ m} \cdot 5.2 \text{ m}$$

Evaluate Formula 

## 8) Wetted Perimeter for Rectangular Section Formula

Formula

$$P_{\text{rect}} = B_{\text{rect}} + 2 \cdot D_f$$

Example with Units

$$20.8 \text{ m} = 10.4 \text{ m} + 2 \cdot 5.2 \text{ m}$$

Evaluate Formula 

## 9) Width of Section given Hydraulic Radius of Rectangle Formula

Formula

$$B_{\text{rect}} = \frac{2 \cdot R_{H(\text{rect})} \cdot D_f}{D_f - R_{H(\text{rect})}}$$

Example with Units

$$10.4 \text{ m} = \frac{2 \cdot 2.6 \text{ m} \cdot 5.2 \text{ m}}{5.2 \text{ m} - 2.6 \text{ m}}$$

Evaluate Formula 

## 10) Width of Section given Perimeter Formula

Formula

$$B_{\text{rect}} = P_{\text{rect}} - 2 \cdot D_f$$

Example with Units

$$10.4 \text{ m} = 20.8 \text{ m} - 2 \cdot 5.2 \text{ m}$$

Evaluate Formula 

## 11) Width of Section given Section Factor Formula

Formula

$$B_{\text{rect}} = \frac{Z_{\text{rect}}}{D_f^{1.5}}$$

Example with Units

$$10.3999 \text{ m} = \frac{123.32 \text{ m}^2 \cdot 2.5}{5.2 \text{ m}^{1.5}}$$

Evaluate Formula 

## 12) Width of Section given Wetted Areas Formula

Formula

$$B_{\text{rect}} = \frac{A_{\text{rect}}}{D_f}$$

Example with Units

$$10.4 \text{ m} = \frac{54.08 \text{ m}^2}{5.2 \text{ m}}$$




Evaluate Formula 



## Variables used in list of Geometrical Properties of Rectangular Channel Section Formulas above

- $A_{\text{rect}}$  Wetted Surface Area of Rectangle (Square Meter)
- $B_{\text{rect}}$  Width of Section of Rect Channel (Meter)
- $D_f$  Depth of Flow of Channel (Meter)
- $P_{\text{rect}}$  Wetted Perimeter of Rectangle (Meter)
- $R_{H(\text{rect})}$  Hydraulic Radius of Rectangle (Meter)
- $Z_{\text{rect}}$  Section Factor of Rectangle (Meter<sup>2.5</sup>)

## Constants, Functions, Measurements used in list of Geometrical Properties of Rectangular Channel Section Formulas above

- **Measurement: Length** in Meter (m)  
*Length Unit Conversion* 
- **Measurement: Area** in Square Meter (m<sup>2</sup>)  
*Area Unit Conversion* 
- **Measurement: Section Factor** in Meter<sup>2.5</sup> (m<sup>2.5</sup>)  
*Section Factor Unit Conversion* 



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