

Important Column Base Plate Design Formulas PDF



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List of 15 Important Column Base Plate Design Formulas

1) Area of Base Plate given Nominal Bearing Strength Formula

Formula

$$A_1 = \frac{A_2}{\left(\frac{f_p}{f_c \cdot 0.85}\right)^2}$$

Example with Units

$$700.017 \text{ mm}^2 = \frac{1400 \text{ mm}^2}{\left(\frac{132.6 \text{ Pa}}{110.31 \text{ Pa} \cdot 0.85}\right)^2}$$

Evaluate Formula 

2) Area of Supporting Concrete given Nominal Bearing Strength Formula

Formula

$$A_2 = A_1 \cdot \left(\left(\frac{f_p}{f_c \cdot 0.85}\right)^2\right)$$

Example with Units

$$1399.9659 \text{ mm}^2 = 700 \text{ mm}^2 \cdot \left(\left(\frac{132.6 \text{ Pa}}{110.31 \text{ Pa} \cdot 0.85}\right)^2\right)$$

Evaluate Formula 

3) Base Plate Thickness given Projection of Base Plate beyond Flange and Parallel to Web Formula

Formula

$$t = m \cdot \sqrt{2 \cdot \frac{P_u}{0.9 \cdot F_y \cdot B \cdot N}}$$

Example with Units

$$34.2353 \text{ mm} = 75 \text{ mm} \cdot \sqrt{2 \cdot \frac{39381 \text{ kN}}{0.9 \cdot 350 \text{ kN} \cdot 40 \text{ mm} \cdot 30 \text{ mm}}}$$

Evaluate Formula 

4) Base Plate Thickness given Projection of Base Plate beyond Flange and Perpendicular to Web Formula

Formula

$$t = n \cdot \sqrt{2 \cdot \frac{P_u}{0.9 \cdot F_y \cdot B \cdot N}}$$

Example with Units

$$32.8659 \text{ mm} = 72 \text{ mm} \cdot \sqrt{2 \cdot \frac{39381 \text{ kN}}{0.9 \cdot 350 \text{ kN} \cdot 40 \text{ mm} \cdot 30 \text{ mm}}}$$

Evaluate Formula 

5) Factored Load given Base Plate Area Formula

Formula

$$P_u = A_1 \cdot 0.85 \cdot \phi_c \cdot f_c$$

Example with Units

$$39380.67 \text{ kN} = 700 \text{ mm}^2 \cdot 0.85 \cdot 0.6 \cdot 110.31 \text{ Pa}$$

Evaluate Formula 



6) Length Rectangular Base for Projection of Base Plate beyond Flange and Parallel to Web Formula

Formula

$$N = m^2 \cdot \left(2 \cdot \frac{P_u}{0.9 \cdot F_y \cdot B \cdot t^2} \right)$$

Evaluate Formula 

Example with Units

$$32.288 \text{ mm} = 75 \text{ mm}^2 \cdot \left(2 \cdot \frac{39381 \text{ kN}}{0.9 \cdot 350 \text{ kN} \cdot 40 \text{ mm} \cdot 33 \text{ mm}^2} \right)$$

7) Length Rectangular Base for Projection of Base Plate beyond Flange and Perpendicular to Web Formula

Formula

$$N = n^2 \cdot \left(2 \cdot \frac{P_u}{0.9 \cdot F_y \cdot B \cdot t^2} \right)$$

Evaluate Formula 

Example with Units

$$29.7566 \text{ mm} = 72 \text{ mm}^2 \cdot \left(2 \cdot \frac{39381 \text{ kN}}{0.9 \cdot 350 \text{ kN} \cdot 40 \text{ mm} \cdot 33 \text{ mm}^2} \right)$$

8) Length Rectangular Base for Wide-Flange Column Formula

Formula

$$N = \frac{A_1}{B}$$

Example with Units

$$17.5 \text{ mm} = \frac{700 \text{ mm}^2}{40 \text{ mm}}$$

Evaluate Formula 

9) Nominal Bearing Strength of Concrete Formula

Formula

$$f_p = f'_c \cdot 0.85 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{A_2}{A_1}}$$

Example with Units

$$132.6016 \text{ Pa} = 110.31 \text{ Pa} \cdot 0.85 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{1400 \text{ mm}^2}{700 \text{ mm}^2}}$$

Evaluate Formula 

10) Projection of Base Plate beyond Flange and Parallel to Web Formula

Formula

$$m = \frac{t}{\sqrt{2 \cdot \frac{P_u}{0.9 \cdot F_y \cdot B \cdot N}}}$$

Example with Units

$$72.2939 \text{ mm} = \frac{33 \text{ mm}}{\sqrt{2 \cdot \frac{39381 \text{ kN}}{0.9 \cdot 350 \text{ kN} \cdot 40 \text{ mm} \cdot 30 \text{ mm}}}}$$

Evaluate Formula 



11) Projection of Base Plate beyond Flange and Perpendicular to Web Formula

Formula

$$n = \frac{t}{\sqrt{2 \cdot \frac{P_u}{0.9 \cdot F_y \cdot B \cdot N}}}$$

Example with Units

$$72.2939 \text{ mm} = \frac{33 \text{ mm}}{\sqrt{2 \cdot \frac{39381 \text{ kN}}{0.9 \cdot 350 \text{ kN} \cdot 40 \text{ mm} \cdot 30 \text{ mm}}}}$$

Evaluate Formula 

12) Required Area of Base Plate for Factored Load Formula

Formula

$$A_1 = \frac{P_u}{0.85 \cdot \phi_c \cdot f'_c}$$

Example with Units

$$700.0059 \text{ mm}^2 = \frac{39381 \text{ kN}}{0.85 \cdot 0.6 \cdot 110.31 \text{ Pa}}$$

Evaluate Formula 

13) Specified Compressive Strength of Concrete using Nominal Bearing Strength Formula

Formula

$$f'_c = \left(\frac{f_p}{0.85} \right) \cdot \sqrt{\frac{A_1}{A_2}}$$

Example with Units

$$110.3087 \text{ Pa} = \left(\frac{132.6 \text{ Pa}}{0.85} \right) \cdot \sqrt{\frac{700 \text{ mm}^2}{1400 \text{ mm}^2}}$$

Evaluate Formula 

14) Width Parallel to Flanges Formula

Formula

$$B = \frac{A_1}{N}$$

Example with Units

$$23.3333 \text{ mm} = \frac{700 \text{ mm}^2}{30 \text{ mm}}$$

Evaluate Formula 

15) Yield Load for Projection of Base Plate beyond Flange and Parallel to Web Formula

Formula

$$F_y = m^2 \cdot \left(2 \cdot \frac{P_u}{0.9 \cdot N \cdot B \cdot t^2} \right)$$

Example with Units

$$376.6931 \text{ kN} = 75 \text{ mm}^2 \cdot \left(2 \cdot \frac{39381 \text{ kN}}{0.9 \cdot 30 \text{ mm} \cdot 40 \text{ mm} \cdot 33 \text{ mm}^2} \right)$$





Evaluate Formula 



Variables used in list of Column Base Plate Design Formulas above

- **A₁** Area of Base Plate (Square Millimeter)
- **A₂** Area of supporting Concrete (Square Millimeter)
- **B** Width (Millimeter)
- **f_p** Nominal Bearing Strength (Pascal)
- **F_y** Yield Load (Kilonewton)
- **f'_c** Specified Compressive Strength of Concrete (Pascal)
- **m** Projection of Base Plate Beyond Flange (Millimeter)
- **n** Projection of Base Plate Beyond Edge (Millimeter)
- **N** Length (Millimeter)
- **P_u** Factored Load (Kilonewton)
- **t** Thickness (Millimeter)
- **φ_c** Strength Reduction Factor

Constants, Functions, Measurements used in list of Column Base Plate Design Formulas above

- **Functions:** **sqrt**, sqrt(Number)
A square root function is a function that takes a non-negative number as an input and returns the square root of the given input number.
- **Measurement:** **Length** in Millimeter (mm)
Length Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** **Area** in Square Millimeter (mm²)
Area Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** **Force** in Kilonewton (kN)
Force Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** **Stress** in Pascal (Pa)
Stress Unit Conversion 



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