

**Guide to**

# **Choice of aperture size and wire diameter combinations for industrial wire screens and woven wire cloth —**

**Part 2: Preferred combinations for  
woven wire cloth**

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## National foreword

This Part of BS 7372 has been prepared under the direction of the General Mechanical Engineering Standards Policy Committee and is identical with ISO 4783-2:1989 “*Industrial wire screens and woven wire cloth — Guide to the choice of aperture size and wire diameter combinations — Part 2: Preferred combinations for woven wire cloth*”, published by the International Organization for Standardization (ISO). ISO 4783-2 was prepared by Technical Committee 24 of ISO and the UK took an active part in its preparation.

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BS 7372 consists of the following parts:

- *Part 1: General;*
- *Part 2: Preferred combinations for woven wire cloth.*

These two Parts supersede BS 481-1:1971, which is withdrawn.

When ISO 4783-3:1981 “*Preferred combinations for pre-crimped or pressure-welded wire screens*” has been revised it will be considered for implementation as a British Standard to supersede BS 481-2:1983.

### Cross-reference

International Standard	Corresponding British Standard
ISO 3:1973	BS 2045:1965 <i>Preferred numbers</i>
ISO 497:1973	(Technically equivalent)

Related British Standards to ISO 2194:1972 are BS 410:1986 “*Specification for test sieves*” and BS 481 “*Specification for industrial wire mesh*” Part 2:1972 “*High tensile steel wire mesh with square apertures from 125 mm to 2 mm*”. There is no British Standard corresponding to ISO 4782.

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### Summary of pages

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This standard has been updated (see copyright date) and may have had amendments incorporated. This will be indicated in the amendment table on the inside front cover.

## 1 Scope

This part of ISO 4783 tabulates preferred combinations of aperture size and wire diameter for industrial woven wire cloth which are taken from the general list of aperture/wire combinations given in ISO 4783-1.

It applies to woven wire cloth of aperture size from 16 mm to 0,02 mm.

**NOTE** This is the first International Standard on woven wire cloth for industrial purposes; these specifications are a compromise which takes account of existing national standards. ISO Member Bodies are earnestly requested to rationalize further in order to reduce the number of wire diameters per aperture width within the next five years without excluding the option of increasing the number of preferred apertures.

ISO 4783-3 gives the preferred combinations for pre-crimped or pressure-welded wire screens.

## 2 Normative references

The following standards contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this part of ISO 4783. At the time of publication, the editions indicated were valid. All standards are subject to revision, and parties to agreements based on this part of ISO 4783 are encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the most recent editions of the standards listed below. Members of IEC and ISO maintain registers of currently valid International Standards.

ISO 3:1973, *Preferred numbers — Series of preferred numbers*.

ISO 497:1973, *Guide to the choice of series of preferred numbers and of series containing more rounded values of preferred numbers*.

ISO 2194:1972, *Wire screens and plate screens for industrial purposes — Nominal sizes of apertures*.

ISO 4782:1987, *Metal wire for industrial wire screens and woven wire cloth*.

## 3 Designation

Woven wire cloth for industrial purposes shall be designated in the following sequence by

- width of aperture  $w$ ;
- diameter of wire  $d$ ;
- material of wire;
- type of weave (see Figure 2).

## 4 Aperture size and wire diameter combinations

Table 1 lists the preferred combinations of aperture size and wire diameter for woven wire cloth and states the open area  $A_o$  and the mass per square metre,  $\varrho_A$ , for each combination.

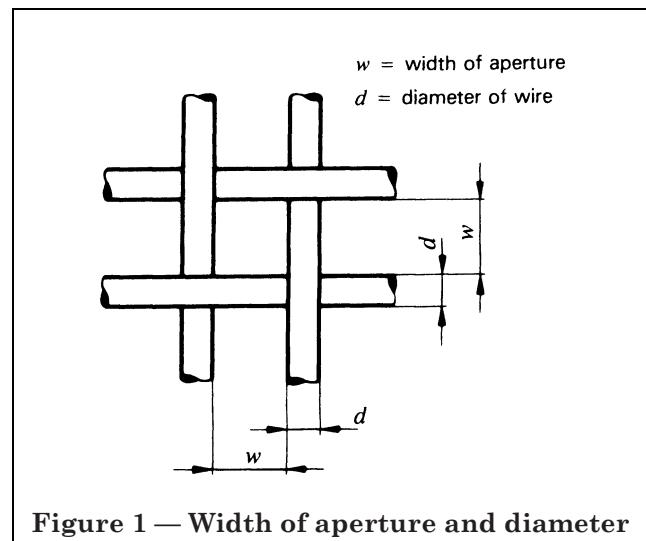


Figure 1 — Width of aperture and diameter of wire

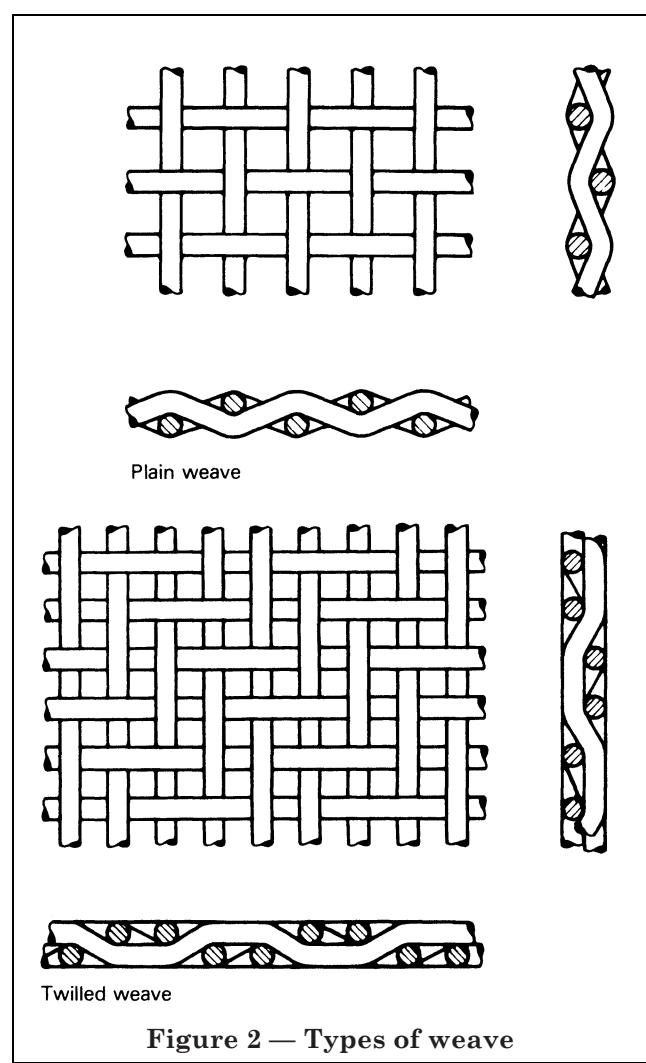


Figure 2 — Types of weave

**Table 1 — Preferred aperture size and wire diameter combinations**

Width of aperture			Diameter of wire	Open area	Mass <sup>a</sup> per unit area	Width of aperture			Diameter of wire	Open area	Mass <sup>a</sup> per unit area
R 10 w mm	R 20 w mm	R 40/3 w mm	d mm	A <sub>o</sub> %	ρ <sub>A</sub> kg/m <sup>2</sup>	R 10 w mm	R 20 w mm	R 40/3 w mm	d mm	A <sub>o</sub> %	ρ <sub>A</sub> kg/m <sup>2</sup>
16	16	16	1,60	83	1,85	8	8	8	1,00	79	1,41
			1,80	81	2,31				1,25	75	2,15
			2,00	79	2,82				1,40	72	2,65
			2,24	77	3,49				1,60	69	3,39
			3,15	70	6,58				1,80	67	4,20
			3,55	67	8,19				2,00	64	5,08
	14		1,40	83	1,62				2,24	61	6,22
			1,80	79	2,60				2,50	58	7,56
			2,24	74	3,92				2,80	55	9,22
			2,80	69	5,93						
		13,2	2,80	68	6,22						
12,5	12,5		1,25	83	1,44	7,1			0,900	79	1,29
			1,60	79	2,31				1,12	75	1,94
			1,80	76	2,88				1,25	72	2,38
			2,00	74	3,50				1,40	70	2,93
			2,24	72	4,31				1,60	67	3,74
			2,80	67	6,51				1,80	64	4,62
11,2	11,2		1,12	83	1,29		6,7		2,00	61	5,58
			1,25	81	1,59				1,80	62	4,84
			1,40	79	1,98				3,15	46	12,80
			1,80	74	3,17						
			2,00	72	3,85						
			2,24	69	4,74						
			2,50	67	5,79						
			2,80	64	7,11						
			3,15	61	8,78						
			3,55	57	10,58						
10	10		1,12	81	1,43	6,3	6,3		0,800	79	1,14
			1,40	77	2,18				1,00	74	1,74
			1,60	74	2,80				1,12	72	2,15
			1,80	72	3,49				1,40	67	2,23
			2,00	69	4,23				1,80	60	5,08
			2,50	64	6,35				2,00	58	6,12
	9,5		1,40	76	2,28				2,24	54	7,46
			1,80	71	3,64				2,50	51	9,02
			2,00	68	4,42				2,80	48	10,94
			2,24	65	5,43				3,15	44	13,34
			2,50	63	6,61						
			2,80	60	8,09						
			3,15	56	9,96						
			3,55	53	12,27						
9	9		1,00	81	1,27	5	5		0,710	77	1,12
			1,25	77	1,94				0,800	77	1,27
			1,40	75	2,39				0,900	74	1,58
			1,60	73	3,07				1,12	69	2,37
			1,80	69	3,81				1,25	67	2,90
			2,24	64	5,67				1,40	64	3,56
									1,60	60	4,52

<sup>a</sup> For plain steel wire, ρ = 7 850 kg/m<sup>3</sup> (see clause 5).

Table 1 — Preferred aperture size and wire diameter combinations

Width of aperture			Diameter of wire	Open area	Mass <sup>a</sup> per unit area	Width of aperture			Diameter of wire	Open area	Mass <sup>a</sup> per unit area
R 10 w mm	R 20 w mm	R 40/3 w mm	d mm	A <sub>o</sub> %	ρ <sub>A</sub> kg/m <sup>2</sup>	R 10 w mm	R 20 w mm	R 40/3 w mm	d mm	A <sub>o</sub> %	ρ <sub>A</sub> kg/m <sup>2</sup>
		4,75	0,900	71	1,82				0,500	72	0,96
			1,25	63	3,31				0,560	69	1,19
			1,40	60	4,05				0,710	64	1,82
			1,60	56	5,12				0,800	60	2,26
			1,80	53	6,28				0,900	57	2,78
			2,00	50	7,53				1,12	51	4,06
			2,24	46	9,12				1,60	40	7,39
			2,50	43	10,95				1,80	37	8,95
			2,80	40	13,19				2,00	34	10,85
			0,630	77	0,98		2,5	2,5	0,400	74	0,70
		4,5	0,800	72	1,53				0,450	72	0,87
			0,900	69	1,91				0,500	69	1,06
			1,00	67	2,31				0,630	64	1,61
			1,12	64	2,83				0,710	61	1,99
			1,25	61	3,45				0,800	57	2,46
			1,40	58	4,22				0,900	54	3,08
			1,60	54	5,33				1,00	51	3,63
			1,80	51	6,53				0,800	56	2,57
			2,00	48	7,82				1,00	49	3,78
			2,24	45	9,46				1,80	32	9,89
	4	4	0,560	77	0,87		2,24		0,355	75	0,62
			0,630	75	1,09				0,400	72	0,77
			0,710	72	1,36				0,450	69	0,96
			0,900	67	2,10				0,560	64	1,42
			1,00	64	2,54				0,630	61	1,76
			1,12	61	3,11				0,710	58	2,17
			1,25	58	3,78				0,900	51	3,28
			1,40	55	4,61				2	2	0,315
		3,55	0,500	77	0,78				0,400	69	0,85
			0,560	75	0,97				0,560	61	1,56
			0,630	72	1,21				0,630	58	1,92
			0,800	67	1,87				0,710	54	2,36
			0,900	64	2,31				0,900	48	3,55
			1,00	61	2,79				1,00	44	4,23
			1,12	58	3,41				1,25	38	6,11
			1,25	55	4,13				1,60	31	9,03
			0,560	73	1,02				1,8	72	0,60
	3,15	3,15	0,900	62	2,42				0,355	70	0,74
			1,25	53	4,31				0,400	67	0,92
			0,450	77	0,71				0,500	61	1,38
			0,500	74	0,87				0,560	58	1,69
			0,560	72	1,07				0,630	55	2,07
			0,710	67	1,66				0,800	48	3,13
			0,800	64	2,05				1,7	66	0,97
			0,900	60	2,54				0,630	53	2,16
			1,12	54	3,73				0,800	46	3,25
			1,25	51	4,51				1,12	36	5,65
		2,8	0,450	74	0,79				1,40	30	8,03

<sup>a</sup> For plain steel wire,  $\rho = 7\,850 \text{ kg/m}^3$  (see clause 5).

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1,6	1,6		0,280	72	0,53		0,450	0,500	48	1,77	
			0,315	70	0,66				44	2,12	
			0,355	67	0,82				41	2,55	
			0,450	61	1,25				34	3,74	
			0,500	58	1,51				28	5,41	
			0,560	55	1,84		0,200	0,224	67	0,46	
			0,630	51	2,26				64	0,57	
			0,710	48	2,77				61	0,69	
			0,800	44	3,39				55	1,04	
			1,00	38	4,88				51	1,28	
	1,4		0,250	72	0,48		0,400	0,450	48	1,56	
			0,315	67	0,73				45	1,91	
			0,450	57	1,39				41	2,27	
			0,560	51	2,03				50	1,33	
			0,630	48	2,48				44	1,63	
			0,710	44	3,03				40	2,35	
			0,900	37	4,47				33	3,41	
			1,25	28	7,49				27	4,93	
			0,250	69	0,53		0,200	0,250	64	0,51	
			0,280	67	0,65				58	0,76	
1,25	1,25		0,315	64	0,81				55	0,92	
			0,400	57	1,23				51	1,13	
			0,500	51	1,81				48	1,39	
			0,560	48	2,20				41	2,06	
			0,630	44	2,68				38	2,44	
			0,800	37	3,96				64	0,46	
			0,450	52	1,58		0,180	0,200	61	0,56	
			0,630	43	2,78				55	0,83	
			0,800	36	4,11				51	1,01	
			1,00	29	5,83				48	1,23	
	1,12		0,250	67	0,58				44	1,50	
			0,315	61	0,88				37	2,22	
			0,355	58	1,09				31	3,14	
			0,400	54	1,34		0,160	0,180	64	0,41	
			0,450	51	1,64				60	0,51	
			0,560	44	2,37				54	0,75	
			1,00	31	5,64				51	0,90	
			0,224	67	0,52				48	1,09	
			0,250	64	0,64				44	1,33	
			0,280	61	0,78				37	1,97	
1	1	1	0,315	58	0,96		0,280	0,315	46	1,13	
			0,355	54	1,18				36	2,03	
			0,400	51	1,45				33	2,45	

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0,56			0,160	60	0,45	0,315	0,315		0,112	54	0,37
			0,224	51	0,81				0,160	44	0,69
			0,280	44	1,19				0,200	37	0,99
			0,355	37	1,75				0,250	31	1,40
0,5	0,5	0,5	0,140	61	0,39		0,3		0,160	43	0,71
			0,160	57	0,49				0,200	36	1,02
			0,200	51	0,73				0,224	33	1,18
			0,224	48	0,88				0,250	30	1,44
			0,250	44	1,06		0,28		0,100	54	0,33
			0,280	41	1,28				0,112	51	0,41
			0,315	38	1,55				0,140	44	0,59
			0,355	34	1,87				0,160	40	0,74
			0,400	31	2,26				0,180	37	0,89
			0,140	58	0,42				0,224	31	1,26
0,45			0,200	48	0,78		0,25		0,100	51	0,36
			0,250	41	1,13				0,125	44	0,53
			0,280	38	1,36				0,140	41	0,64
			0,315	35	1,65				0,160	37	0,79
			0,200	46	0,81				0,180	34	0,96
0,4	0,4	.	0,280	36	1,41				0,200	31	1,13
			0,355	30	2,05				0,224	31	1,26
			0,125	58	0,38				0,090	51	0,33
0,355	0,355		0,180	48	0,71				0,100	48	0,39
			0,224	41	1,02				0,125	41	0,57
			0,250	38	1,22				0,160	34	0,85
			0,280	35	1,46				0,180	31	1,02
			0,125	55	0,41				0,212	46	0,41
			0,140	51	0,50				0,140	36	0,71
			0,180	44	0,77				0,160	32	0,87
			0,200	41	0,92				0,080	51	0,29
			0,224	38	1,10				0,090	48	0,35
			0,250	34	1,31				0,112	41	0,51
			0,280	31	1,57				0,125	38	0,61
			0,315	28	1,88				0,140	35	0,73
			0,355	25	2,25				0,160	31	0,90

<sup>a</sup> For plain steel wire, ρ = 7 850 kg/m<sup>3</sup> (see clause 5).

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R 10 w mm	R 20 w mm	R 40/3 w mm	d mm	A <sub>o</sub> %	ρ <sub>A</sub> kg/m <sup>2</sup>	R 10 w mm	R 20 w mm	R 40/3 w mm	d mm	A <sub>o</sub> %	ρ <sub>A</sub> kg/m <sup>2</sup>
0,18	0,18		0,080	48	0,31				0,040	48	0,16
			0,090	44	0,38				0,045	44	0,19
			0,112	38	0,55				0,050	41	0,23
			0,125	35	0,65				0,056	38	0,27
			0,140	32	0,78				0,063	35	0,33
0,16	0,16		0,071	48	0,28		0,071		0,040	31	0,40
			0,100	38	0,49				0,045	44	0,17
			0,112	35	0,59				0,050	41	0,21
			0,125	32	0,70				0,056	38	0,24
	0,15		0,063	50	0,24		0,063		0,063	35	0,29
			0,080	43	0,36				0,063	31	0,35
			0,100	36	0,51				0,075	46	0,15
			0,112	33	0,61				0,040	43	0,18
	0,14		0,063	48	0,25		0,071		0,050	36	0,25
			0,090	37	0,45				0,056	33	0,30
			0,100	34	0,53				0,040	41	0,18
			0,112	31	0,63				0,045	38	0,22
0,125	0,125	0,125	0,056	48	0,22		0,063		0,050	34	0,26
			0,063	44	0,27				0,056	31	0,31
			0,080	37	0,40				0,036	41	0,17
			0,090	34	0,48				0,040	37	0,20
			0,100	31	0,56				0,045	34	0,24
	0,112		0,056	44	0,24		0,056		0,050	31	0,28
			0,071	38	0,35				0,032	41	0,15
			0,080	34	0,42				0,036	37	0,18
			0,090	31	0,51				0,040	34	0,21
	0,106		0,050	46	0,20		0,053		0,045	31	0,26
			0,056	43	0,25				0,036	36	0,19
			0,063	39	0,30				0,040	33	0,22
			0,071	36	0,36				0,028	41	0,13
			0,080	31	0,45				0,030	39	0,14
0,1	0,1		0,050	44	0,21		0,05		0,032	37	0,16
			0,063	38	0,31				0,036	34	0,19
			0,071	34	0,37				0,040	31	0,23
			0,080	31	0,40				0,028	41	0,13

<sup>a</sup> For plain steel wire, ρ = 7 850 kg/m<sup>3</sup> (see clause 5).

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Width of aperture			Diameter of wire	Open area	Mass <sup>a</sup> per unit area
R 10 w mm	R 20 w mm	R 40/3 w mm	d mm	A <sub>o</sub> %	ρ <sub>A</sub> kg/m <sup>2</sup>
0,04	0,045	0,045	0,032	34	0,17
			0,036	31	0,20
0,04	0,04		0,025	38	0,12
			0,030	33	0,16
			0,032	31	0,18
		0,038	0,025	36	0,13
			0,030	30	0,17
0,032	0,032	0,032	0,028	32	0,16
			0,030	30	0,17
0,025	0,025		0,025	32	0,14
			0,028	28	0,17
0,025	0,025		0,022	28	0,13
			0,025	26	0,16
0,02	0,02		0,020	25	0,13

<sup>a</sup> For plain steel wire,  $\rho = 7\ 850\ \text{kg/m}^3$  (see clause 5).

**Table 2 — Material densities**

Material	Density $\rho$ kg/m <sup>3</sup>
Plain steel	7 850
Carbon steel	7 850
Stainless steel (17–19 % Cr, 8–10 % Ni)	7 900
Aluminium (AlMg5)	2 700
Copper	8 900
Brass (CuZn37)	8 450
Brass (CuZn20)	8 650
Brass (CuZn10)	8 800
Nickel	8 900
Nickel-copper (NiCu 30 Fe)	8 830
Copper-tin (CuSn6) (Phosphor-bronze)	8 800

## 5 Mass per unit area

The mass per unit area,  $\rho_A$ , of an industrial wire screen or woven wire cloth is given, in kilograms per square metre, by the formula

$$\rho_A = \frac{d^2 \rho}{618,1 (w + d)}$$

where

- $d$  is the diameter of wire, in millimetres;
- $w$  is the width of aperture, in millimetres;
- $\rho$  is the material density, in kilograms per cubic metre.

Values for  $\rho$  shall be taken from Table 2.



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