VEHICULAR LOADS

Vehicular load tables are designed in accordance with the 16th Edition of the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) for H-10 through H-25 loads with deflection limited to the lesser of .125 inches (3.175 mm) or L/400 to a maximum simple span of 8'- 0" (2,438mm). Automobile and forklift loads are similarly evaluated with loads calculated and distributed in accordance with the criteria shown below. If the load conditions of your application are not adequately addressed in the criteria presented, please contact Vulcraft for assistance in determining the proper grating for your application.

	H-25⁵	H-20/ HL-93 ⁶	H-15	H-10 ²	Passenger Vehicles	5 Ton Forklifts ³	3 Ton Forklifts ³	1 Ton Forklifts ³
Vehicular Load Table Criteria			.	60				
Truck/ Vehicle Weight (kN)					28	64	44	19
Load Capacity (kN)					16	44	27	9
Axle Load (kN)	178	142	107	71				
Impact Factor	30%	30%	30%	30%	30%	30%	30%	30%
Total Load (kN)	231	185	139	93	21	58	35	12
% of Load on Drive Axel					60%	85%	85%	85%
Wheel Load (kN)	116	93	69	46	10	29	17	6
A-Length of distribution perpendicular to axle or parallel to main bars (mm)	635	508	381	254	229	279	178	102
C-Width of distribution parallel to axle or perpendicular to main bars (mm)	635	508	381	254	229	279	178	102

Notes:

1. For continuous spans, use continuity factor = .80.

3. The fork lift wheel loads and load distribution patterns depicted above, generally, and only partially, represent the broad range of rubber-tired lift trucks available. For those applications falling outside of these examples, please contact Vulcraft.

4. Wheeled vehicles with urethane tires should NEVER be used in conjunction with open grid bar grating.

5. HS20 is the same as H20 and HS15 is the same as H15. The "S" stands for semi-trailer.

6. The "HL-93" notation shown with "H-20" represents AASHTO's truck loading standard post-1993. Since, 1993, H-10, H-20, etc. have been retired in lieu of the "HL-93" loading which represents all trucks.

^{2.} This distribution results in larger grating sizes for lighter trucks on shorter spans.

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				Note: All loads based on Smooth surface									
30HW102	2	Maximum Clear Span Between Supports (mm)											
Bearing Bar Size	S _x mm³/m	l _x mm⁴/m	Unit Wt. kPa	H-25	H-20 / HL-93	H-15	H-10	Auto Traffic	5-Ton Forklift	3-Ton Forklift	1-Ton Forklift		
25 x 6	22,940	291.33E+3	47.87	393	331	270	212	324	210	165	183		
32 x 6	35,960	571.69E+3	58.59	435	374	314	259	442	250	208	258		
38 x 6	51,610	983.22E+3	69.14	486	426	369	318	586	299	261	349		
38 x 10	76,610	1.46E+6	100.76	571	513	458	413	822	378	347	498		
51 x 6	91,760	2.33E+6	90.41	618	561	508	466	954	422	395	580		
64 x 6	143,370	4.55E+6	111.68	786	733	686	657	1,326*	581	567	878		
76 x 6	206,450	7.87E+6	132.95	993	944	905	890	1,589*	776	777	1,242		
76 x 10	306,450	11.68E+6	197.65	1,330	1,289	1,262	1,271	1,818*	1,094	1,121	1,557*		
102 x 6	367,020	18.64E+6	175.48	1,518	1,480	1,460	1,483	2,116*	1,270	1,312	1,812*		
102 x 10	544,800	27.68E+6	260.79	1,752*	1,752*	1,762*	1,793*	2,421*	1,689*	1,730*	2,075*		

* Indicates that value was controlled by $L/400 \leq 1/8$ " deflection limit.

	Note: All loads based on Smooth surface												
60HW102				Maximum Clear Span Between Supports (mm)									
Bearing	S _x	I _x	Unit Wt.		H-20 /			Auto	5-Ton	3-Ton	1-Ton		
Bar Size	mm³/m	mm⁴/m	kPa	H-25	HL-93	H-15	H-10	Traffic	Forklift	Forklift	Forklift		
25 x 6	11,470	145.66E+3	26.61	358	296	236	177	241	181	137	142		
32 x 6	17,980	285.84E+3	31.96	381	320	261	206	312	205	164	193		
38 x 6	25,810	491.61E+3	37.24	409	349	292	241	399	233	197	255		
38 x 10	38,310	729.74E+3	53.41	455	397	343	297	542	280	250	357		
51 x 6	45,880	1.17E+6	47.87	481	424	371	329	621	306	280	414		
64 x 6	71,680	2.28E+6	58.51	572	519	472	442	906	400	388	618		
76 x 6	103,230	3.93E+6	69.14	684	635	596	581	1,255	514	520	868		
76 x 10	153,230	5.84E+6	102.94	868	826	799	808	1,538*	701	735	1,276		
102 x 6	183,510	9.32E+6	90.41	970	932	912	935	1,790*	805	855	1,503		
102 x 10	272,400	13.84E+6	134.51	1,296	1,271	1,272	1,338	2,048*	1,138	1,238	1,829*		

* Indicates that value was controlled by $L/400 \le 1/8$ " deflection limit.



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Grating Frames

Vulcraft's structural fabrication services can be leveraged to further aid you in getting a superior solution for covering your concrete opening by also obtaining an Embed Frame with your grating. A steel embed frame can improve the quality and lifespan of your project by:

- Shielding the concrete at the opening edges from cracking and chipping,
- Providing an edge for the opening when forming the concrete pour,
- Providing uniform elevation for the opening to minimize potential for uneven surfaces,

• And providing a smooth an uniform bearing surface for the grating, allowing for easier attachment and better performance over it's lifetime.

Frames are available in normal rectangular configurations only and will be supplied as a fullyassembled, four-sided unit in sizes up to those that can safely be transported via normal flatbed carriers. Sizes or configurations other than this should be discussed with Vulcraft. Embed frames can be supplied mill finished, painted, or hot-dipped galvanized. To order, please include a detail similar to the following with the Clear Opening Width and Span clearly defined as well as the desired quantities and finish.





The bearing bars are the bars that carry the load and the \vee cross bars hold the bearing bars in place creating the shape of the panel. In order to function properly, make sure that both ends of each bearing bar is supported by the load bearing structure and avoid the situation depicted in the picture to the left.