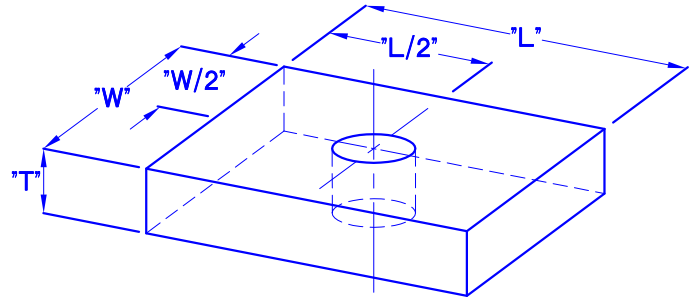




Bearing Plates

Bearing Plates carry compression loads into the structure by bearing on the wood. AutoTight plates satisfy the flexural requirements of [AISC 360](#) and the wood-bearing requirements of the 2005 NDS. ([ICC ES AC391 Sect 1.4.6](#), July 1, 2010)

Per 2005 NDS, plates assume deformation of 0.040 inch at the compressive design value with a linear load deformation. ([ICC ES AC 391 section 3.2.1.2](#)).



Determining Compression Deflection

AutoTight Bearing plates provide the minimum deformation (0.040") at rated capacity.

1. Determine the reaction load.
2. Select the smallest plate that can carry the reaction load.
3. The wood deformation at the actual load is linear.
The load deformation relationship is $0.040 * \text{design load} / \text{rated load}$.

Example:

Reaction is 11,000 pounds on Douglas Fir.
Selecting an S12 bearing plate (capacity 12,360 pounds) provides the required capacity.

Deformation (per [AC 391, section 3.2.1.2](#)) is $0.040 * 11,000 / 12,360 = 0.036"$
Add this deformation to the rod and shrinkage compensator deformation.

Minimizing Total Deformation To lower deformation increase the size of the bearing plate.

Example:

Reaction load is 11,000 pounds on Douglas Fir.
If an L20 plate is selected, the plate deformation will change as follows:

Deformation will be $0.040 * 11,000 / 21,016 = 0.021"$

Changing the bearing plate allows you to adjust the total deflection (elongation) to achieve a tight system.

This example shows how to manually adjust components to achieve a desired deflection.
The [AutoDesign Software](#) allows you to easily change rod, bearing plates or shrinkage compensators to get the required system deflection.



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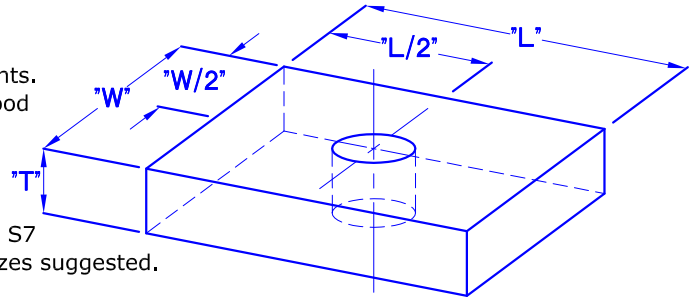
Bearing Plates transfer uplift loads into the structure at reaction points. Bearing loads are limited by wood crushing at the NDS allowable wood bearing capacity.

Material: Complies with ASTM A36

Finish: Black Iron

Identification: Plates or boxes marked with Part #. Example S7

Tip: Minimize the number of sizes used on any single job. "Best" sizes suggested.



	Part No.	Best Sizes	Dimensions		Allowable Load			
			T x W x L	Hole Dia	D. Fir-Larch (DFL)	Southern Yellow Pine (SYP)	Spruce-Pine-Fir (SPF)	Hem-Fir (HF)
Fit 4x and 6x walls	S4		3/16" x 2-1/2" x 2-1/2"	3/4"	4,120	3,724	2,801	2,669
	S5	***	1/4" x 3" x 3"		5,964	5,391	4,055	3,864
	S6		1/4" x 3-1/4" x 3-1/4"		7,002	6,330	4,761	4,537
	S7	***	3/8" x 3-1/2" x 3-1/2"	1"	7,863	7,108	5,347	5,095
	S8	***	3/8" x 3-1/4" x 4"		8,281	7,486	5,631	5,366
	S10	***	1/2" x 3-1/4" x 5"		10,322	9,331	7,019	6,689
	S12	***	5/8" x 3-1/4" x 6"		12,360	11,174	8,405	8,010
	S14		3/4" x 3-1/4" x 7"		13,665	12,353	9,292	8,855
	S16		1" x 3-1/4" x 8"		15,696	14,189	10,673	10,171
	S7L	***	3/8" x 3-1/2" x 3-1/2"		1-1/4"	7,540	6,816	5,127
	S8L	***	3/8" x 3-1/4" x 4"	7,962		7,197	5,414	5,159
	S10L	***	1/2" x 3-1/4" x 5"	10,009		9,048	6,806	6,486
	S12L	***	5/8" x 3-1/4" x 6"	12,051		10,894	8,195	7,809
	S14L		3/4" x 3-1/4" x 7"	13,373		12,089	9,094	8,666
	S16L		1" x 3-1/4" x 8"	15,404		13,926	10,475	9,982
	S19		1" x 3-1/2" x 9"	18,842		17,033	12,812	12,210
S22		1-1/4" x 3-1/2" x 10"	21,029	19,011		14,300	13,627	
S24		1-1/4" x 3-1/2" x 11"	23,217	20,988		15,787	15,045	
S26		1-1/2" x 3-1/2" x 12"	25,404	22,966		17,275	16,462	
S28		1-1/2" x 3-1/2" x 13"	27,592	24,943		18,762	17,880	
S32		1-1/2" x 3-1/2" x 15"	31,967	28,898		21,737	20,715	
S35		1-1/2" x 3-1/2" x 16"	34,154	30,876		23,225	22,132	
S39		1-1/2" x 3-1/2" x 18"	38,529	34,831		26,200	24,967	
S44		1-1/2" x 3-1/2" x 20"	42,904	38,786		29,175	27,802	
Fit 6x walls	L17	***	1/2" x 5" x 5.5"			17,282	15,780	11,870
	L20	***	5/8" x 5-1/2" x 6"		21,016	18,998	14,291	13,618
	L21		3/4" x 5" x 7"		21,029	19,011	14,300	13,627
	L25		3/4" x 5-1/2" x 7-1/2"		24,936	22,542	16,956	16,158
	L28		1" x 5" x 9"		27,279	24,661	18,550	17,677
	L30		1" x 5-1/2" x 9"		30,092	27,203	20,462	19,500
	L32		1" x 5" x 11"		33,529	30,311	22,800	21,727
4x & 6x	SPW-6	(S5)	1/4" x 3" x 3"	3/4"	5,964	5,391	4,055	3,864
	SPW-8	(S7)	3/8" x 3-1/2" x 3-1/2"	1"	7,863	7,108	5,347	5,095
	SPW-10	(S7L)	3/8" x 3-1/2" x 3-1/2"	1-1/4"	7,540	6,816	5,127	4,886

Notes: S7-S16 Plates Add L suffix for oversize holes. Example: Standard S8 hole is 1", an S8L hole is 1-1/4"

All holes are 1/16" oversize.

Bearing Plates capacity based on ASTM A36 Steel, Fy = 36 ksi. per AISC 13th ed.

Bearing Capacity per NDS 2005: DFL = 625, SP = 565, HF = 405, SPF = 425 psi.

Bearing area factor, Cb, included in listed capacities.

Allowable bearing capacity is not limited by plate bending. Deflection is 0.040" at Allowable Load.

Allowable Capacity = (Fc perp) * Bearing Area * Bearing Factor (per AC 391 3.2.1.2 December 2010)

Bearing Plates are listed in ICCES Report Number 1344

SPW6-10 are often used on the first floor to retain the mudsill. These items are prescriptive. They may also be used as standard bearing plates. Standard plates are used as Sill Plate Washers. Example Use S5 for SPW-6.

"Best" sizes are suggested for the lowest cost systems.