Metric Fittings vs. Metric Threads:

The terminology used to describe the majority of foreign threaded fittings can be confusing to some. Metric fitting is a term describing a number of foreign threads including BSP, JIS, Kobelco, Komatsu, and Metric, even though some of these have imperial dimensions. Metric threads, however, refers to a specific type of foreign thread and is part of the Metric fitting category.

Hose/Tube Side vs. Port Side:

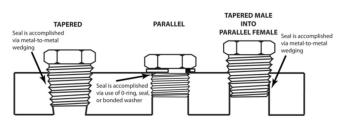
When fittings are classified, they are usually done so tube or hose side first, meaning that the end connecting to a hose or tube is typically listed first. The port side is usually listed second.

Thread Form vs. Thread Pitch:

When identifying fittings, another important factor to look at is thread form and thread pitch. Thread form refers to the angle (in degrees) that exists between adjacent flanks of a thread. Thread pitch however, refers to the distance measured between adjacent thread crests.

Tapered vs. Parallel Threads:

A good first step towards thread identification is to determine whether the thread is parallel or tapered. Parallel means the thread walls are straight; while tapered means the thread walls, if continued lengthwise, would eventually meet. A seal must be used for all parallel fittings in port application.



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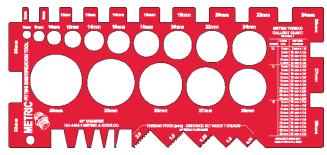


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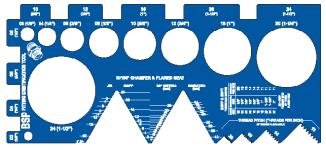
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Metric, BSP, Komatsu, & JIS

Identification Tool Kit Set



Metric & Kobelco

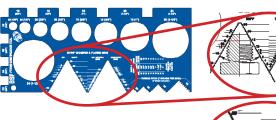


BSP, Komatsu & JIS



Part Number: TGK-01

30° / 60° Chamfer & Flared Flat Seat



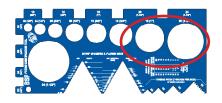
Depending on where the tool lines up with the part reveals the type and thread size

Thread Pitch



Look closely to see if the gauge's teeth perfectly align with the threads. If they do not, move to the next gauge spot. Check the threads in the same manner and repeat this process until you find the gauge that matches the threads

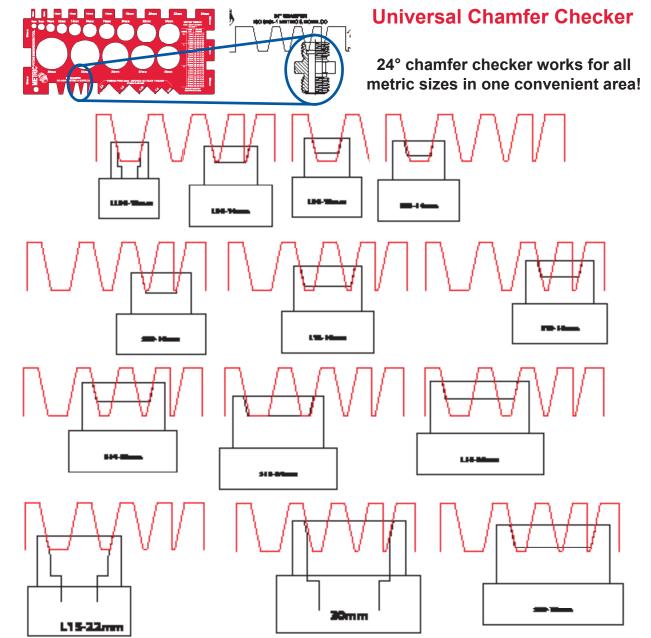
Additional Identification Method



Method to determine male thread sizes

Method to determine female thread sizes

24° Chamfer Metric & Kobelco



Reference the metric thread callout chart on the metric tool piece (red) to determine if tube O.D. is light or heavy series.

Frequently, BSP threads are expressed as a fractional dimension preceded by the letter "G" or the letter "R". The "G" represents a parallel thread and the "R" indicates a tapered thread. For example, BSPP 3/8–19 may be expressed as G 3/8, and BSPT 3/8–19 may be expressed as R3/8.