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## INTRODUCTION

Variable area VSpring nozzles solve the problem of fixed area nozzles, which slow down fluid velocity when the flow rate decreases. The VSpring nozzle automatically adjusts the passage area to keep the fluid velocity high enough for proper atomization.

Why is this device called a variable area nozzle? If the nozzle opening stayed the same size, the spray speed would slow down when less water flows through. In spring-assisted nozzles, the spring force stays almost the same, so the nozzle opening gets smaller and the pressure difference ( $\Delta p$ ) stays steady.

In simple terms:

- The spring force ( $F_{\text{spring}}$ ) is roughly constant because it's the product of the thrust area and  $\Delta p$ .
- The flow rate divided by  $C_v$  (flow coefficient) and the square root of  $\Delta p$  should also be constant.

Here's how the nozzle works (see Figure 1):

1. The spring (4) is compressed by the nut (3) and keeps the plug (2) closed. The nut is secured by the pin (5) to prevent loosening.
2. When water pressure inside the nozzle increases, the difference in pressure between steam and water rises. Eventually, the water pressure overcomes the spring load, causing the plug to open.
3. Water flows out of the nozzle through specially designed holes in the nozzle body (1), which spin the water before it hits the plug's conical surface.
4. The plug sprays the water in a cone-shaped pattern at about 90 degrees.
5. You can adjust the spring load to set the desired opening pressure.

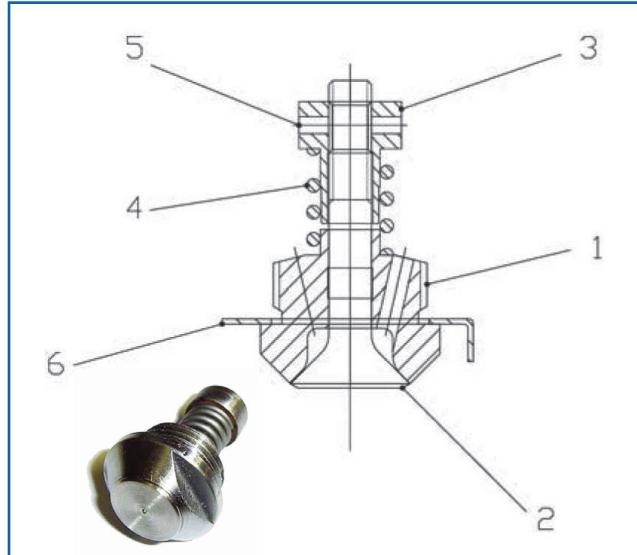


Figure 1 - DM Nozzle

**MOUNTING:** DM nozzles are used in two different constructions:

- probe type, flanged construction with optional injection chamber
- wall-welded-in, single or multiple construction with a injection chamber

Table 1: Cv and Flow Capability of DM Nozzles

Nozzle	Seat Diameter	Cv max	Travel	Max Flowrate GPM
DM4	14mm	1	0.7	18.9
DM8	21mm	2	1	37.9
DM12	28mm	3	1.2	56.8
DM25	39mm	6	1.5	114.0
DM40	48mm	10	2	189.3
DM65	55mm	15	2.5	284.0

Summarized in the following tables are the rangeability and other characteristics of DM variable area nozzles compared with those of fixed area devices.

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## DM DESUPERHEATERS PROBE ASSEMBLY

One or two DM nozzles are fastened to a tubular extension flanged to the pipe. Dimensions and ratings are listed in the following tables.

The injection is performed close to the pipe axis by adjusting the probe length. A reference pin located on the desuperheater flange ensures the correct orientation of the nozzle inside the piping. Probe assembly is normally fabricated with the same material as the pipe.

Listed on the table below are the standard combinations of water connections and pipe sizes.

Table 2: Fixed vs. Variable Area Nozzle Characteristics

Type of nozzle	$\Delta p$ max	$\Delta p$ min	$Cv$ max ~ $Cv$ min
Fixed area plain hole	30 bar	6 bar	1
Fixed area vortex type	30 bar	1.5 bar	1
Variable area DM type (set pressure 3 bar)	25 bar	3 – 4 bar	8 – 10

Table 3: Standard End Connections

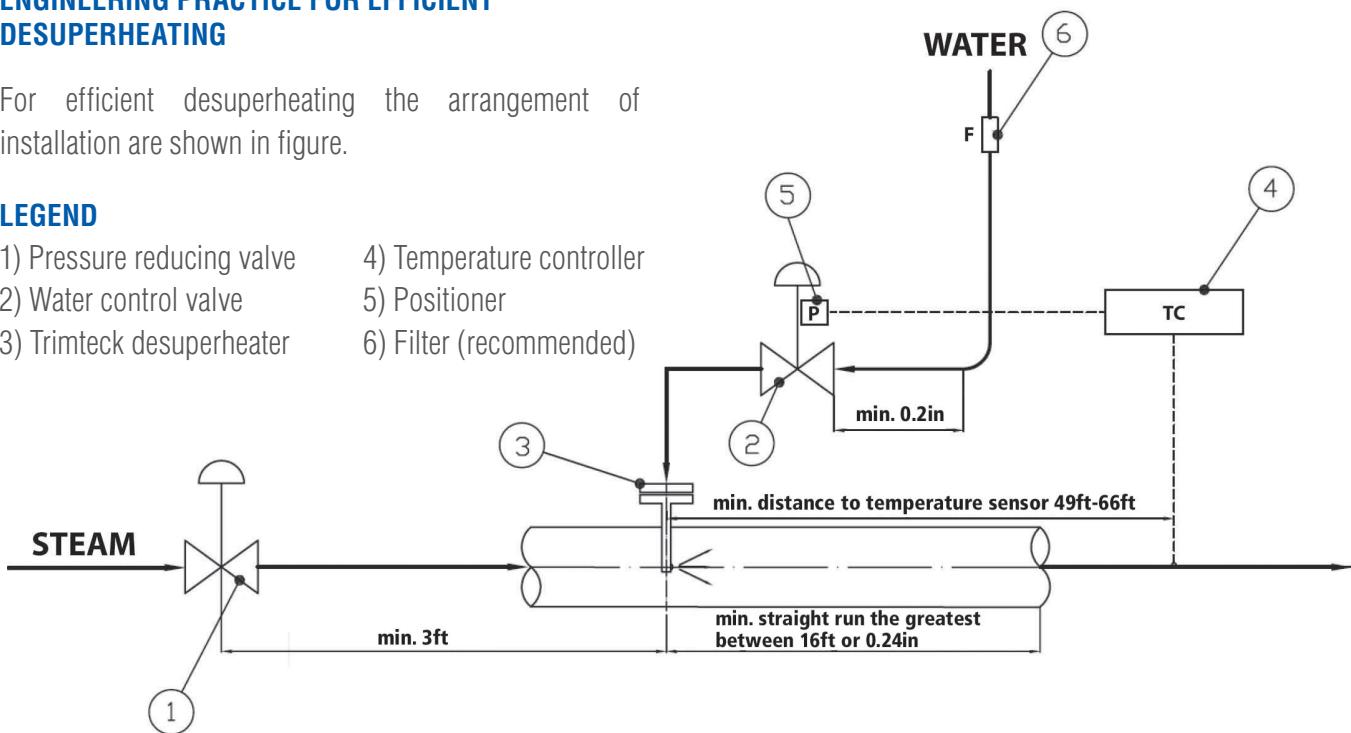
Nozzle Type	DM4	DM8	DM12	DM24	DM40	DM65
Water Connection(1)	1"	1"	1.5"	2"	2.5"	3"
Steam Fitting Connection(1)	2"	3"	4"	4"	6"	8"
Minimum Steam Pipe Size (C)	4"	6"	8"	8"	12"	14"

## ENGINEERING PRACTICE FOR EFFICIENT DESUPERHEATING

For efficient desuperheating the arrangement of installation are shown in figure.

### LEGEND

1) Pressure reducing valve	4) Temperature controller
2) Water control valve	5) Positioner
3) Trimteck desuperheater	6) Filter (recommended)

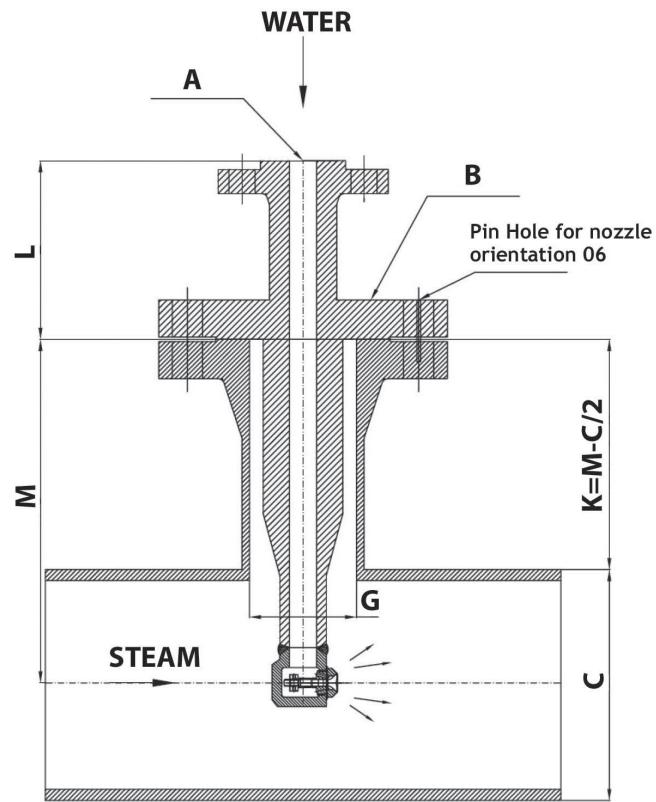


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## DIMENSIONS (Inches)

DN Steam	M											
	DM4		DM8		DM12		DM25		DM40		DM65	
	Nozzle Number											
1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1
4"	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6"	10.1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8"	10.1	10.1	12.0	12.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10"	12.0	12.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	18.0	18.0	18.0	18.0	18.0
12"	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
14"	11.1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
16"	12.1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
18"	13.1	13.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
20"	14.1	13.9	15.0	—	15.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
22"	15.1	14.9	15.9	—	15.9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
24"	16.1	15.9	16.9	—	16.9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
26"	17.0	16.9	17.9	—	17.9	—	—	19.0	—	19.0	—	—
28" to 40"	18.0	17.9	19.2	—	19.2	—	—	20.0	—	20.0	—	—

Nozzle	L		A	B	C min	G min (1)
	Up to ANSI 900	ANSI 1500				
DM4	5.8	5.8	1"	2"	4"	1.9
DM8	7.3	7.3	1"	3"	6"	2.9
DM12	8.1	8.1	1.5"	4"	8"	3.8
DM25	8.1	8.1	2"	4"	8"	3.8
DM40	9.3	10.5	2.5"	6"	12"	5.7
DM65	9.8	11.8	3"	8"	14"	7.6



(1) The dimensions are consistent with sch.80 thicknesses. For different design (rating & dimensions) contact your Trimteck sales engineer.

NOTE: K is the same for 28" to 40" pipe diameter

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