

## One Council Avenue Wheatland, PA 16161 Ph: (800) 257-8182 GUIDELINE FOR DETERMINING THE MAXIMUM WORKING PRESSURE IN PSI, CALCULATIONS ARE BASED ON 2024 ASME B31.1 POWER PIPING CODE

ELECTRIC RESISTANCE WELD PIPE (ERW)				
ASTM A53 TYPE E GRADE B SCHEDULE 40 & STD WALL*				
NPS	WALL THICKNESS	PLAIN END	THREADED	
2	0.154	1700	850	
2 ½	0.203	1900	850	
3	0.216	1650	800	
4	0.237	1400	750	
5	0.258	1200	700	
6	0.280	1100	650	
8	0.322	950	650	
10	0.365	900	625	
12	0.375*	750	550	
14	0.375*	700	500	
16	0.375*	600	400	
18	0.375*	500	400	
ELECTRIC RESISTANCE WELD PIPE (ERW)				
ASTM A53 TYPE E GRADE B SCHEDULE 80				
NPS	WALL THICKNESS	PLAIN END	THREADED	
2	0.218	2500	1600	
2 ½	0.276	2600	1550	
3	0.300	2300	1450	
4	0.337	2000	1350	

A SAFETY FACTOR SHOULD ALWAYS BE INCULDED WHEN USING THE ABOVE PRESSURES.
WORKING PRESSURES ARE THEORETICAL; THE ACTUAL WORKING PRESSURE MAY VARY BASED ON DESIGN CALCULATIONS.

Safety Factor	<u>Multiplier</u>	
5	0.80	
6	0.67	
7	0.57	
8	0.50	
9	0.44 0.40	
10	0.40	

A safety factor of 8 would be suitable for the majority of applications, local codes or specific applications may require a higher safety factor. A piping design engineer should be consulted for specific applications. To determine a safe working pressure using a safety factor, multiply the values found in the tables by one of the above multipliers. Note(s):

- 1. The pressures listed are based on the 2024 ASME B31.1 Power Piping Code.
- 2. No provision is made for abnormal or unusual conditions.
- 3. No allowance for the coupling design or limitations.
- 4. No allowance for the thinning of the pipe wall due to corrosion, bending etc.
- 5. Temperature rating: -20 degrees to 400 degrees Fahrenheit.
- 6. ERW pipe may not be suitable for specific applications, consult a piping design engineer for specific applications.

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<sup>\*</sup>Exception: 12 inch through 18 inch pipe are Standard walls, not Schedule 40 walls.