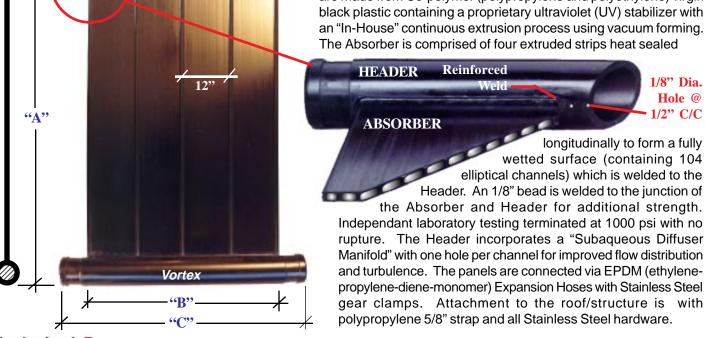
General Description

Vortex is made in Florida, USA. It is a Commercial Grade panel with 25% more material content than the industry standard, resulting in increased durability and longevity. The Header and Absorber are made from Co-polymer (polypropylene and polyethylene) virgin black plastic containing a proprietary ultraviolet (UV) stabilizer with an "In-House" continuous extrusion process using vacuum forming. The Absorber is comprised of four extruded strips heat sealed



Technical Data

THERMAL PERFORMANCE RATING* MODEL NO. PANEL OUTPUT* (Btu/day / Kj/day) SQ. FT. OUTPUT* (Btu/ft² / Kj/m²) EFFICIENCY (Btu/ft²/(1600 Btu/ft² Avg))	U.S. VT48 45,600 958	/ / 0 / 60%	Metric VT48 48,100 10,858	U.S. VT40 38,100 958	/ / / 60%	Metric VT40 40,181 10,858	U.S. VT32 30,400 958	/ / / 60%	Metric VT32 32,060 10,858
DIMENSIONS NOMINAL SIZE (ft / m) 1.22x2.44	4x12	/	1.22x3.66	4x10	/	1.22x3.05	4x8	/	
COLLECTOR LENGTH (in / cm) "A"	144	/	365.8	120.25	/	305.4	95.575	/	242.8
ABSORBER WIDTH (in / cm) "B"	47.50	/	120.7	47.50	/	120.7	47.50	/	120.7
HEADER LENGTH (in / cm) "C"	50.75	/	128.9	50.75	/	128.9	50.75	/	128.9
HEADER O.D. (in / cm)	1.90	/	4.83	1.90	/	4.83	1.90	/	4.83
HEADER I.D. (in / cm)	1.48	/	3.76	1.48	/	3.76	1.48	/	3.76
GROSS COLLECTOR AREA (ft² / m²)	47.64	/	4.43	39.79	/	3.62	31.65	/	2.88
WEIGHT									
DRY (lbs / kg)	30	/	13.6	25	/	11.3	20	/	9.1
WET (lbs / kg)	64.3	/	29.1	55.4	/	25.1	45.4	/	20.6
WET (lbs/ft² / kgs/m²)	1.35	/	6.74	1.39	/	6.95	1.46	/	7.18
FLUID CAPACITY (gal / I)	4.12	/	15.57	3.64	/	13.76	3.18	/	12.02
FLOW - Parallel Forced Circulation									
MAX. (gpm / mlps)	10	/	633	10	/	633	10	/	633
MIN. (gpm / mlps)	3.0	/	190	2.5	/	158	2.5	/	158
RECOMMENDED (gpm / mlps)	4-5	/	253-316	4-5	/	253-316	4-5	/	253-316
PRESSURE (All Models)									
PRESSURE DROP (psi / kPa)	0.15	/	1.03						
MAX. FLUID PRESSURE (psi / kPa)	90	/	620						
MAX. OPERATING at 140°F (psi/kPa)	35	/	241						
OPTICAL PERFORMANCE (All Models))								
SOLAR RADIATION ABSORPTIVITY		95%							
INFRARED RADIATION EMMISSIVITY		92%							

^{*}Devired from the Florida Solar Energy Center (FSEC)