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Bulletin 8476

H-8476

Hydraulic Demonstration Channel

Purpose

The Hampden **Model H-8476** Hydraulic Demonstration Channel is designed to investigate analytical applications of fluid mechanics to situations in which fluids can be treated as continuous media. The particular laws involved include conservation of mass, continuity, energy, and momentum. Application of these laws may be simplified in order to describe quantitatively the behavior of the fluid.

The basic hydraulic channel unit can be used to study many open channel flow phenomena including:

- Operation of a sluice gate (using the head gate assembly)
- Effect of positive & negative grade (slope) on the development of critical flow velocity.
- The parameters involved in the formation of a "hydraulic jump" in a straight channel.

Description

The operator is able to control all flow variables including motorized slope adjustment, movable tailgate, adjustable head gate, undershot gate, and flow rate.

Specifications

Base Assembly:

- Electric motor with screw jack for slope adjustment
- · Pivot Assembly



MODEL H-8476 Hydraulic Demonstration Channel

Dimensions: 80"H x aprox. 32'W x 30"D Shipping Weight: 1500 lbs

Working Channel:

- Clear Acrylic, 1/2" thick
- Length 32', width aprox.36" I.D., height aprox. 24" I.D.
- Feed and return channel sub-base are manufactured of stainless steel.

Control Panel:

- Main circuit breaker with ground fault protection
- · Pump motor-starter switch
- Slope motor starter switch with raise and lower pushbuttons
- · Slope indicator
- · Handwheel for headgate operation

Services Required

Electrical:

• 120/208V AC 60Hz, three-phase

Mechanical:

- Water
- Drain

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