

Venting Calculations

To determine the net free ventilating area of a vent, divide the gross ventilating (do not include metal frame edges) area by the Area Factor below.

Covering	Area Factor	 Bird blocks per hole factor			
1/4 inch hardware cloth	1.0		1/4 ''	1/8"	1/16" mesh
w/ rain louvers	2.0	1"	.0055	.0044	.0027
#8 mesh screen	1.25	1.5"	.0123	.0098	.0061
w/rain louvers	2.25	2"	.0218	.0174	.0109
#16 mesh screen	2.0	2.5"	.0341	.0273	.0170
w/rain louvers	3.0	3"	.0491	.0393	.0245
Rain louvers only	2.0				

Continuous Soffit Vent (per lineal foot)			<u>B</u>	Bird blocks per notch factor				
	1/4"	1/8"	1/16" mesh			1/4"	1/8"	1/16" mesh
2"	.17	.13	.08		1"	.0035	.0029	.0018
3"	.25	.20	.13	1	1.5"	.0078	.0063	.0039
4"	.33	.27	.17		2"	.0139	.0111	.0069
				4	2.5"	.0217	.0174	.0109

Continuous Ridge Vent

8 lineal feet = 1 square foot				Soffit or Floor Vents Louvered			
				16"x8" (2 squares) 1/16" mesh .22			
Manufactured Eave Vents			16"x8" (2 squares) 1/8" mesh .30				
	1/4"	1/8"	1/16"	16"x8" (2 squares) 1/4" mesh .34			
24"oc 21.5"x2.5"	.37	.30	.19	16"x8" (2 squares) louvers only .34			
21.5"x4.5"	.67	.54	.34	16"x6" (2 squares) 1/16" mesh .17			
16"oc 13.5"x2.5"	.23	.19	.12	16"x6" (2 squares) 1/8" mesh .22			
13.5"x4.5"	.42	.34	.21	16"x6" (2 squares) 1/4" mesh .25			
				16"x6" (2 squares) louvers only .25			
Gable Vents with louvers				16"x4" (2 squares) 1/16" mesh .10			
1/4"	1/8"	1/16"	Plastic w/slits	16"x4" (2 squares) 1/8" mesh .13			
8"x8" .22	.20	.15	.10	16"x4" (2 squares) 1/4" mesh .15			
8"x12" .33	.30	.22	.15	16"x4" (2 squares) louvers only .15			
8"x16" .44	.40	.30	.20				
12"x12" .50	.44	.33	.23				

Roof Jacks (8mesh)		8 mesh circular				
AF-41	.22	6"16	8.5"32			
AF-50	.28	6.5"18	9"35			
AF-61	.34	7"21	9.5"39			
R-92	.51	7.5"25	10"44			
R-144	.80	8"28	10.5"48			

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Full Screen Crawlspace Vents

.75

16"x8" (14.5x6.5"opening) .65 16"x6" (14.5"x4.5"opening) .45

12"x18"

14"x24"

Plastic Pre-made Floor Vents

16"x6" (2 squares 6.75"x4.5"each) .42

All new attic vents shall have 1/8" mesh screening. Soffit vents can also have louvers. Any existing attic vents that need to be repaired shall use 1/8" mesh screening.

Any new floor venting shall be 1/4" mesh Screening as shall any existing vents that need to be repaired or replaced.