

## **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

HEADER Reinforced Weld 1/8" Dia. Hole @ 1/2" C/C ABSORBER longitudinally to form a fully wetted surface (containing 104

elliptical channels) which is welded to the Header. An 1/8" bead is welded to the junction of the Absorber and Header for additional strength. Independant laboratory testing terminated at 1000 psi with no rupture. The Header incorporates a "Subaqueous Diffuser

Manifold" with one hole per channel for improved flow distribution and turbulence. The panels are connected via EPDM (ethylenepropylene-diene-monomer) Expansion Hoses with Stainless Steel gear clamps. Attachment to the roof/structure is with polypropylene 5/8" strap and all Stainless Steel hardware.

## **Technical Data**

THERMAL PERFORMANCE RATING* MODEL NO. PANEL OUTPUT* (Btu/day / Kj/day) SQ. FT. OUTPUT* (Btu/ft <sup>2</sup> / Kj/m <sup>2</sup> ) EFFICIENCY (Btu/ft <sup>2</sup> /(1600 Btu/ft <sup>2</sup> Avg))	<b>U.S.</b> VT48 45,600 958	/ / / / 60%	<b>Metric</b> VT48 48,100 10,858	<b>U.S.</b> VT40 38,100 958	<i> </i> / / 50%	<b>Metric</b> VT40 40,181 10,858	<b>U.S.</b> VT32 30,400 958	       60%	<b>Metric</b> VT32 32,060 10,858
DIMENSIONS NOMINAL SIZE (ft / m) 1.22x2.44	4x12	/	1.22x3.66	4x10	/	1.22x3.05	4x8	1	
COLLECTOR LENGTH (in / cm) "A"	144	1	365.8	120.25	1	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	1	128.9	50.75	,	128.9	50.75	,	128.9
HEADER O.D. (in / cm)	1.90	1	4.83	1.90	1	4.83	1.90	1	4.83
HEADER I.D. (in / cm)	1.48	/	3.76	1.48	/	3.76	1.48	/	3.76
GROSS COLLECTOR AREA (ft <sup>2</sup> / m <sup>2</sup> )	47.64	/	4.43	39.79	/	3.62	31.65	/	2.88
WEIGHT									
DRY (lbs / kg)	30	/	13.6	25	1	11.3	20	/	9.1
WET (lbs / kg)	64.3	,	29.1	55.4	,	25.1	45.4	/	20.6
WET ( $lbs/ft^2$ / kgs/ $\hat{r}$ )	1.35	1	6.74	1.39	1	6.95	1.46	1	7.18
FLUID CAPACITY (gal / I)	4.12	,	15.57	3.64	,	13.76	3.18	,	12.02
FLOW - Parallel Forced Circulation		•		0.0.1			0110	•	
MAX. (gpm / mlps)	10	1	633	10	1	633	10	/	633
MIN. (gpm / mlps)	3.0	1	190	2.5	',	158	2.5	1	158
RECOMMENDED (gpm / mlps)	4-5	1	253-316	2.5 4-5	,	253-316	2.5 4-5	1	253-316
	10	,	200 010	10	,	200 010	10	1	200 010
PRESSURE (All Models) PRESSURE DROP (psi / kPa)	0.15	1	1.03						
MAX. FLUID PRESSURE (psi / kPa)	90 90	1	620						
MAX. OPERATING at 140°F (psi / kPa)	90 35	1	241						
		1	271						
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SOLAR RADIATION ABSORPTIVITY		95%							

INFRARED RADIATION EMISSIVITY 92%