



HEAD PRESSURE COMPARISON FORMULA R-134a

One method of verifying optimum a/c system performance is to calculate the head pressure using the formula below. Then compare the calculated figures to the actual gauge readings. This comparison should yield similar readings, however due to the many variables that can exist, such as a/c unit size, and engine R.P.M. use caution when determining any corrective action. **FOR USE WITH AMERICAN COOLING TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS ONLY**

1. TO DETERMINE COMPARISON HEAD PRESSURE READINGS REFERENCE THE EQUALS TEMPERATURE TO THE CORRESPONDING 134A COLUMN LOCATED ON THE PRESSURE TEMPERATURE CHART.
2. COMPARE THE RESULTS OF THIS FORMULA TO YOUR ACTUAL GAUGE READINGS OBTAINED AT STABLE, ENGINE IDLE CONDITIONS.

TO SIMULATE DISCHARGE PRESSURE:

RECORD CONDENSER AIR INLET TEMPERATURE _____ °F

ADD 25 °F _____ + 25°F

EQUALS = _____ °F

P/T CHART CORRESPONDING PRESSURE _____ PSI

EXAMPLE
 100 °F Ambient
 75 °F Return Air

100 °F

+ 25 °F

= 125 °F

= 184.5 PSI +/- 15 PSI

75 °F

- 45 °F

= 30 °F

= 26.1 PSI +/- 5 PSI

TO SIMULATE SUCTION PRESSURE:

RECORD TEMPERATURE AT EVAPORATOR RETURN AIR INLET _____ °F

SUBTRACT 45°F _____ - 45°F

EQUALS = _____ °F

P/T CHART CORRESPONDING PRESSURE _____ PSI

PRESSURE TEMPERATURE CHART R-134a

| TEMP 134a | | TEMP 134a | | TEMP 134a | | TEMP 134a | | TEMP 134a | | TEMP 134 | |
|-----------|------|-----------|------|-----------|------|-----------|------|-----------|-------|----------|-------|
| °F | PSI | °F | PSI | °F | PSI | °F | PSI | °F | PSI | °F | PSI |
| 12 | 13.2 | 22 | 19.9 | 32 | 27.8 | 42 | 37.0 | 60 | 57.4 | 110 | 146.4 |
| 13 | 13.8 | 23 | 20.6 | 33 | 28.6 | 43 | 38.0 | 65 | 64.0 | 115 | 158.4 |
| 14 | 14.4 | 24 | 21.4 | 34 | 29.5 | 44 | 39.0 | 70 | 71.1 | 120 | 171.1 |
| 15 | 15.1 | 25 | 22.1 | 35 | 30.4 | 45 | 40.0 | 75 | 78.7 | 125 | 184.5 |
| 16 | 15.7 | 26 | 22.9 | 36 | 31.3 | 46 | 41.1 | 80 | 86.7 | 130 | 198.7 |
| 17 | 16.4 | 27 | 23.7 | 37 | 32.2 | 47 | 42.2 | 85 | 95.2 | 135 | 213.5 |
| 18 | 17.1 | 28 | 24.5 | 38 | 33.1 | 48 | 43.2 | 90 | 104.3 | 140 | 229.2 |
| 19 | 17.7 | 29 | 25.3 | 39 | 34.1 | 49 | 44.3 | 95 | 113.9 | 145 | 245.6 |
| 20 | 18.4 | 30 | 26.1 | 40 | 35.0 | 50 | 45.4 | 100 | 124.1 | 150 | 262.0 |
| 21 | 19.2 | 31 | 26.9 | 41 | 36.0 | 55 | 51.2 | 105 | 134.9 | 155 | 281.0 |