# Accurate Formula To Compute The Pitch And Major/Minor Diameters For Before Plate Thread Plugs And Thread Rings\*

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#### **THREAD PLUGS**

For the Go plug pitch diameter, **add** the **MAX**. amount of plate. For the Not Go pitch diameter, **add** the **MIN**. amount of plate. For the majors of work plugs, **increase** the major diameter on Go work plug by using half the **MAX**. amount of plate. On Not Go work plugs, **increase** the major diameter by using half the **MIN**. amount of plate.

#### Example

Based on .0002 to .0003 allowance per side (multiply by 4) .0002 X 4 = .0008 MIN. .0003 X 4 = .0012 MAX. 1/4-28 UNF 2B B/P Basic GO P.D. .2268 + .0012 MAX. = .2280 Go P.D. .Basic NOT GO P.D. .2311 +.0008 MIN. = .2319 Not Go P.D. Basic GO major .2500 + (.0012 / 2) = .2506 B/P Go major .Basic NOT GO major .2466 + (.0008 / 2) = .2470 B/P Not Go major .

#### **THREAD RINGS**

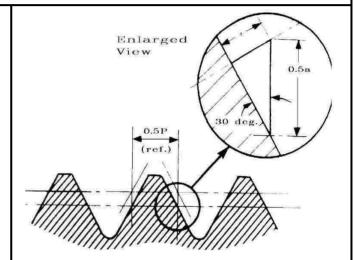
For the Go ring, **subtract** the MAX. amount of plate. For the Not Go ring, **subtract** the MIN. amount of plate. For the minors of thread rings, **decrease** the minor diameter on the Go thread ring by using half the MAX. amount of plate. On Not Go thread rings, **decrease** the minor diameter by using half the MIN. amount of plate.

### Example Based on .0002 to .0003 allowance per side (multiply by 4)

.0002 X 4 = .0008 MIN. .0003 X 4 = .0012 MAX. 1/4-28 UNF 2A B/P Basic GO P.D. .2258 - .0012 MAX. = .2246 Go P.D.

<u>Basic GO P.D.</u> .2258 - .0012 MAX. = .2246 Go P.D. <u>Basic NOT GO P.D.</u> .2225 - .0008 MIN. = .2217 Not Go P.D.

<u>Basic GO minor</u> .2103 - (.0012 / 2) = .2097 B/P Go minor. <u>Basic NOT GO minor</u> .2148 - (.0008 / 2) = .2144 B/P Not Go minor.



## RATIO OF PITCH DIAMETER CHANGE TO THICKNESS OF COATING (60° ONLY)

t = thickness of coating a = pitch diameter change due to coating

0.25a = t and a = 4t or the pitch diameter of a  $60^{\circ}$  thread changes by four times the thickness of the coating

#### **BEFORE PLATING RATIOS**

60° thread = 4:1 29° Acme = 8:1 7°-45° Buttress = 4.562544066:1 14° 30'-5° Buttress = 11.9311:1 10° Square thread = 23:1

<sup>\*</sup> In accordance with ANSI/ASME B1.1-1989