

Structural and General Fastening

Strong-Drive® SDS HEAVY-DUTY CONNECTOR Screw

Heavy-Duty Simpson Strong-Tie Connectors, Indoor/Outdoor Projects

Codes/Standards: ICC-ES ESR-2236 (including City of LA Supplement), State of Florida FL9589

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SDS Heavy-Duty Connector Screw — Allowable Shear Loads — Douglas Fir-Larch and Southern Pine Lumber

Length (in.)	Model No.	Reference DFL/SP Allowable Shear Loads (lb.)													
		Wood Side Plate Thickness (in.)													
		½	¾	1	1 ¼	1 ½	1 ¾	2 ½	3	3 ½	4	4 ½			
2	SDS25200	145	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2 ½	SDS25212	165	165	170	165	—	—	190 ¹	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3	SDS25300	165	165	170	185	195	205	280 ¹	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3 ½	SDS25312	165	165	170	185	195	205	340 ¹	340 ¹	—	—	—	—	—	—
4 ½	SDS25412	165	165	170	185	195	205	350 ¹	340 ¹	230	200	—	—	—	—
5	SDS25500	165	165	170	185	195	205	350 ¹	340 ¹	230	230	200	—	—	—
6	SDS25600	165	165	170	185	195	205	350 ¹	340 ¹	340 ¹	340 ¹	340 ¹	230	200	—
8	SDS25800	165	165	170	185	195	205	350 ¹	340 ¹	340 ¹	340 ¹	340 ¹	230	230	—

See footnotes below.

SDS Heavy-Duty Connector Screw — Allowable Shear Loads — Spruce-Pine-Fir and Hem-Fir

Length (in.)	Model No.	Reference SPF/HF Allowable Shear Loads (lb.)													
		Wood Side Plate Thickness (in.)													
		½	¾	1	1 ¼	1 ½	1 ¾	2 ½	3	3 ½	4	4 ½			
2	SDS25200	105	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2 ½	SDS25212	130	135	130	120	—	—	135 ¹	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3	SDS25300	130	140	140	150	150	145	200 ¹	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3 ½	SDS25312	130	140	140	150	155	165	245 ¹	245 ¹	—	—	—	—	—	—
4 ½	SDS25412	130	140	140	150	155	165	250 ¹	245 ¹	190	160	—	—	—	—
5	SDS25500	130	140	140	150	155	165	250 ¹	245 ¹	190	190	160	—	—	—
6	SDS25600	130	140	140	150	155	165	250 ¹	245 ¹	245 ¹	245 ¹	245 ¹	190	160	—
8	SDS25800	130	140	140	150	155	165	250 ¹	245 ¹	245 ¹	245 ¹	245 ¹	195	195	—

1. Noted loads are based on testing per ICC-ES AC233 and assume a minimum main member thickness of the screw length minus the side member thickness. All other allowable loads are based on the NDS and a minimum penetration of $6D = 1.5"$ into the main member.
2. Values are valid for a connection involving only two members. Where the side and main members have different specific gravities, the lower specific gravity shall be used.
3. Allowable loads are also applicable to structural composite lumber (e.g., LVL, PSL, and LSL) having an equivalent specific gravity of 0.50 or greater.
4. Allowable loads are shown at the wood load duration factor of $C_D = 1.00$. Loads may be increased for load duration by the building code up to a $C_D = 1.60$. The designer shall apply all adjustment factors required per NDS.
5. Loads are based on perpendicular installation into the side grain of the wood members.
6. Loads apply to corresponding stainless-steel models.
7. For in-service moisture greater than 19%, use $C_M = 0.7$.

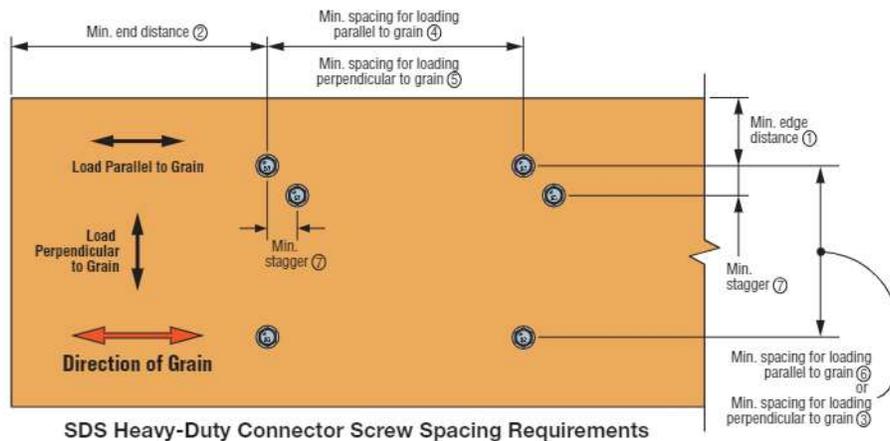
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SDS Heavy-Duty Connector Screw — Reference Allowable Withdrawal Loads — Douglas Fir-Larch, Southern Pine, Spruce-Pine-Fir and Hem-Fir Lumber

Model No.	Length (in.)	Thread Length (in.)	Reference Allowable Withdrawal Loads, W (lb./in.)		Max. Reference Allowable Withdrawal Loads, W _{max} (lb.)	
			DFL and SP Main Member	HF and SPF Main Member	DFL and SP Main Member	HF and SPF Main Member
SDS25112	1.5	1	172	121	170	120
SDS25200	2	1.25	172	121	215	150
SDS25212	2.5	1.5	172	121	255	180
SDS25300	3	2	172	121	345	240
SDS25312	3.5	2.25	172	121	345	240
SDS25412	4.5	2.75	172	121	345	240
SDS25500	5	2.75	172	121	345	240
SDS25600	6	3.25	172	121	345	240
SDS25800	8	3.25	172	121	345	240

1. The tabulated reference withdrawal design value, W, is in pounds per inch of the thread penetration into the side grain of the main member.
2. The tabulated reference withdrawal design value, W_{max}, is in pounds where the entire thread length must penetrate into the side grain of the main member.
3. The tabulated reference withdrawal design values, W and W_{max}, are shown at a C_D = 1.6. For end-grain withdrawal, 0.65. Tabulated values must be multiplied by all applicable adjustment factors from the NDS as referenced in the IBC or IRC.
4. Embedded thread length is that portion held in the main member including the screw tip.
5. Values are based on the lesser of withdrawal from the main member or pull-through of a 1 1/2" side member.
6. For in-service moisture content greater than 19%, use C_M = 0.7.



SDS Heavy-Duty Connector Screw Spacing Requirements

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Condition	Direction of Load to Grain	ID	Minimum Distance or Spacing (in.)
Edge Distance	Perpendicular	①	1 1/2
	Parallel	①	1
End Distance	Perpendicular	②	4
	Parallel	②	3
Spacing Between Fasteners in a Row	Perpendicular	③	3
	Parallel	④	3
Spacing Between Rows of Fasteners	Perpendicular	⑤	3
	Parallel	⑥	3
Spacing Between Staggered Rows	Perpendicular or Parallel	⑦	1 1/2

1. For axial loading only, use the following minimum dimensions: end distance = 3 1/4", edge distance = 1 1/2", spacing parallel to grain = 2 1/4", spacing perpendicular to grain = 1 3/8".