

Steel Joists, Joist Girders and Steel Deck

Roof Design using Steel Joists and Joist Girders

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Topics

- Advantages of using Open Web Steel Joists
- Joist Basics and Components
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 - KCS Joists
 - LH- and DLH-Series Joists
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Joist Basics

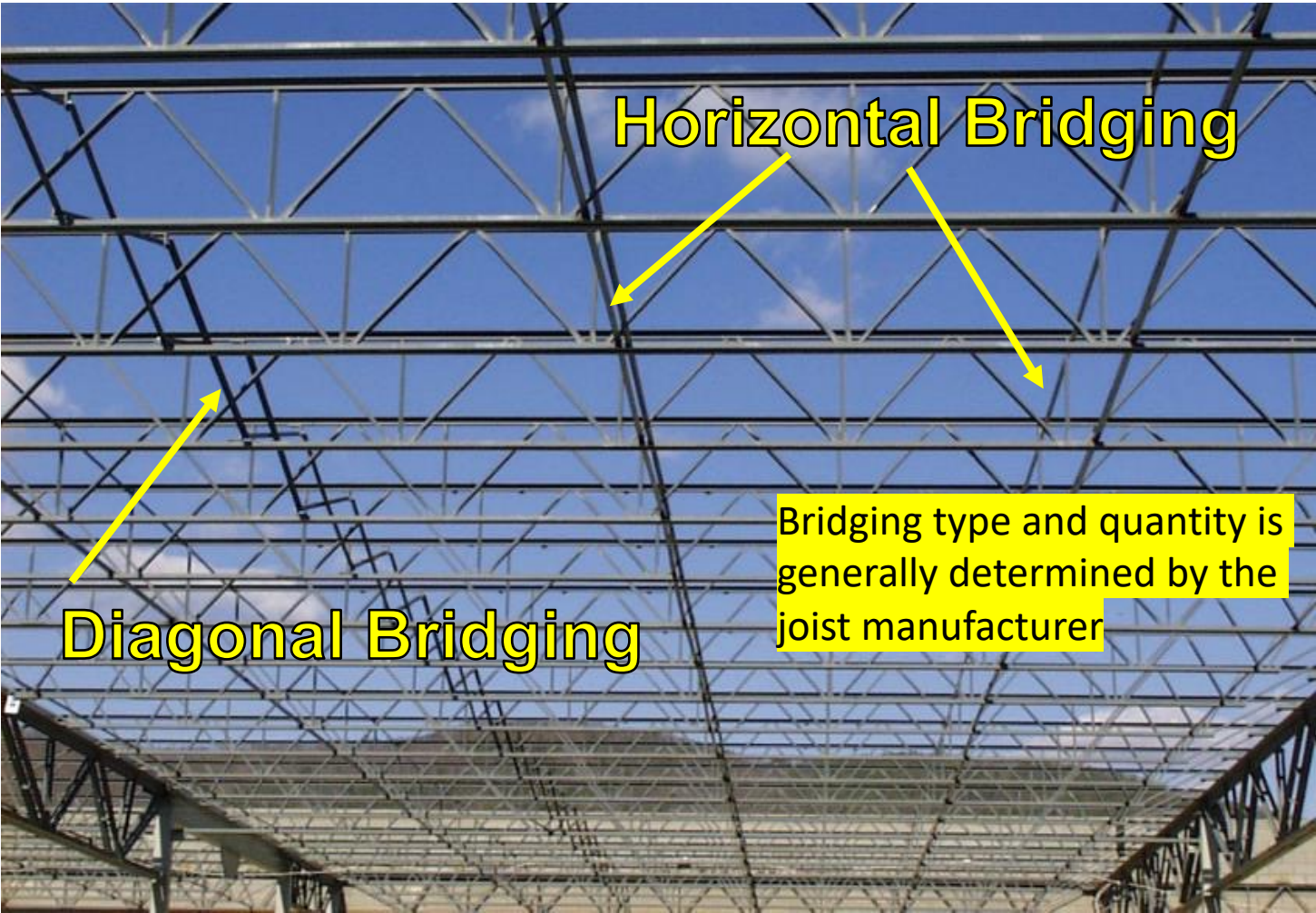


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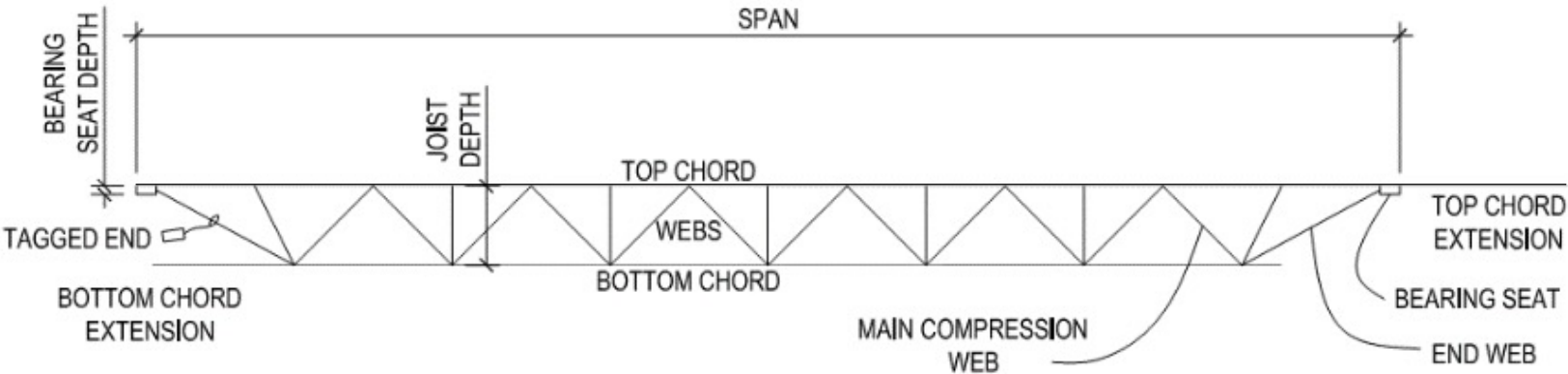
Joist Basics



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Joist Glossary of Terms



Components of Joists

- Chords are typically hot rolled or cold formed double angles
- Web members can be rods, crimped angles and double angles



Rod Webs



Crimped Angle Webs



Double Angle Webs



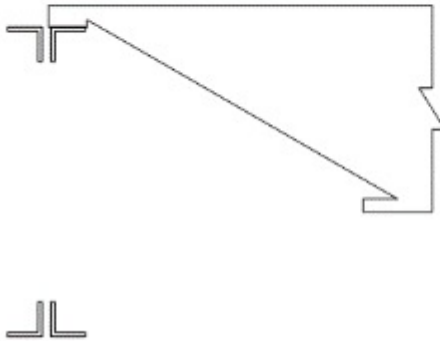
Top Chord Extensions and Extended Ends

- Top Chord (S Extensions)
- Joist End (R Extensions)
- Special Seat Depth Extensions

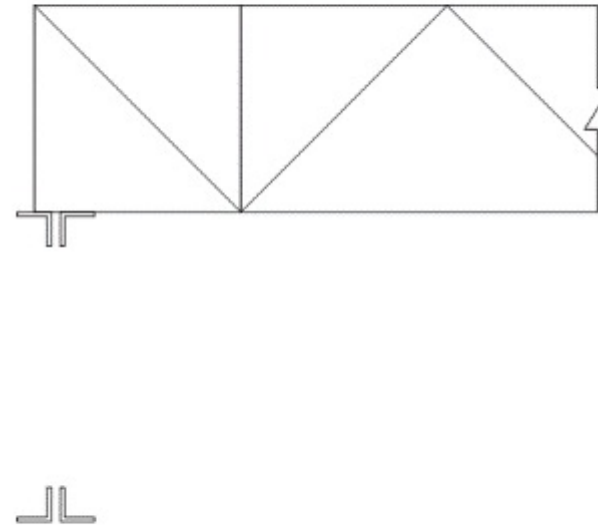


Bearing Condition

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BOTTOM CHORD BEARING



Standard Products and Specifying

- K-Series and KCS Joists and other related accessories
- LH-Series and DLH-Series Joists
- Joist Girders
- Properly Specifying Steel Joists and Joist Girders



K-Series Joists

- Most Common Joist for Roof Construction
- Designations: 10K1 to 30K12
- Depths: 10 to 30 in.
- Standard Seat Depth (Height): 2.5 in.
- Span Range: 10 to 60 ft.
- ASD Load Range: 127 to 550 plf
- LRFD Load Range: 190 to 825 plf



KCS Joists

- Often used for non-uniform loads (snow drift and roof equipment)
- CS stands for Constant Shear
- Constant Moment Capacity
- Maximum uniform load = 550 plf (ASD) 825 plf (LRFD)
- Depths: 10 to 30 in.
- Seat Depth (Height): 2.5 in.
- Span Range: 10 to 60 ft.
- Designations: 10KCS1 to 30KCS5



KCS Joists

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- Depths: 10 to 30 in.
- Seat Depth (Height): 2.5 in.
- Span Range: 10 to 60 ft.
- Constant Moment Capacity
- Constant Shear Capacity
- Maximum Span/Depth: 24



LH- and DLH-Series Joists

- LH-Series Standard Products
- DLH-Series Standard Products



LH-Series Joists

- Used for Roof and Floor Construction
- Designations: 18LH02 to 48LH25
- Depths: 18 to 48 in.
- Standard Seat Depth (Height): 5 in. up to #17
- Span Range: 18 to 96 ft.;
- ASD Load Range: 199 to 3000 plf;
- LRFD Load Range: 298 to 4500 plf;
- Types: Parallel Chord, Single Pitch, Double Pitch; Underslung or Bottom Chord Bearing



Parallel Chords, Underslung



Parallel Chords, Square Ends



Top Chord Pitched One Way, Underslung



Top Chord Pitched One Way, Square Ends



Top Chord Pitched Two Ways, Underslung



Top Chord Pitched Two Ways, Square Ends



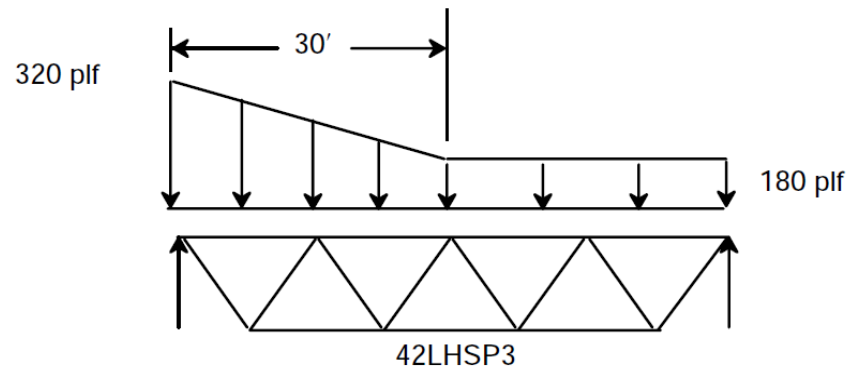
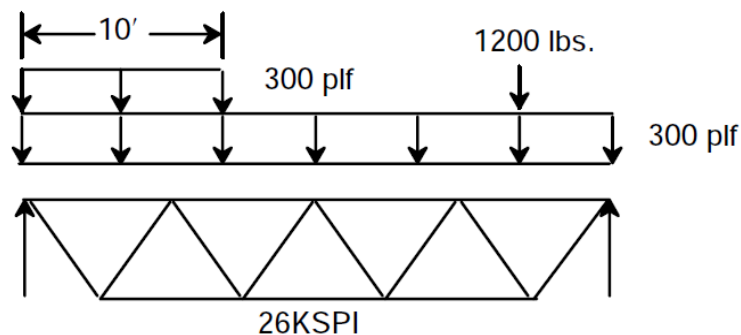
DLH-Series Joists

- Designations: 52DLH10 to 120DLH25
- Depths: 52 to 120 in.
- Standard Seat Depth (Height): 5 in. up to #17 chords, 7.5 in. for #18 and #25 chords
- Span Range: 90 to 240 ft.
- ASD Load Range: 211 to 1300 plf;
- LRFD Load Range: 316 to 1956 plf;
- Maximum Span/Depth Ratio: 24
- Types: Parallel Chord, Single Pitch, Double Pitch; Underslung or Bottom Chord Bearing



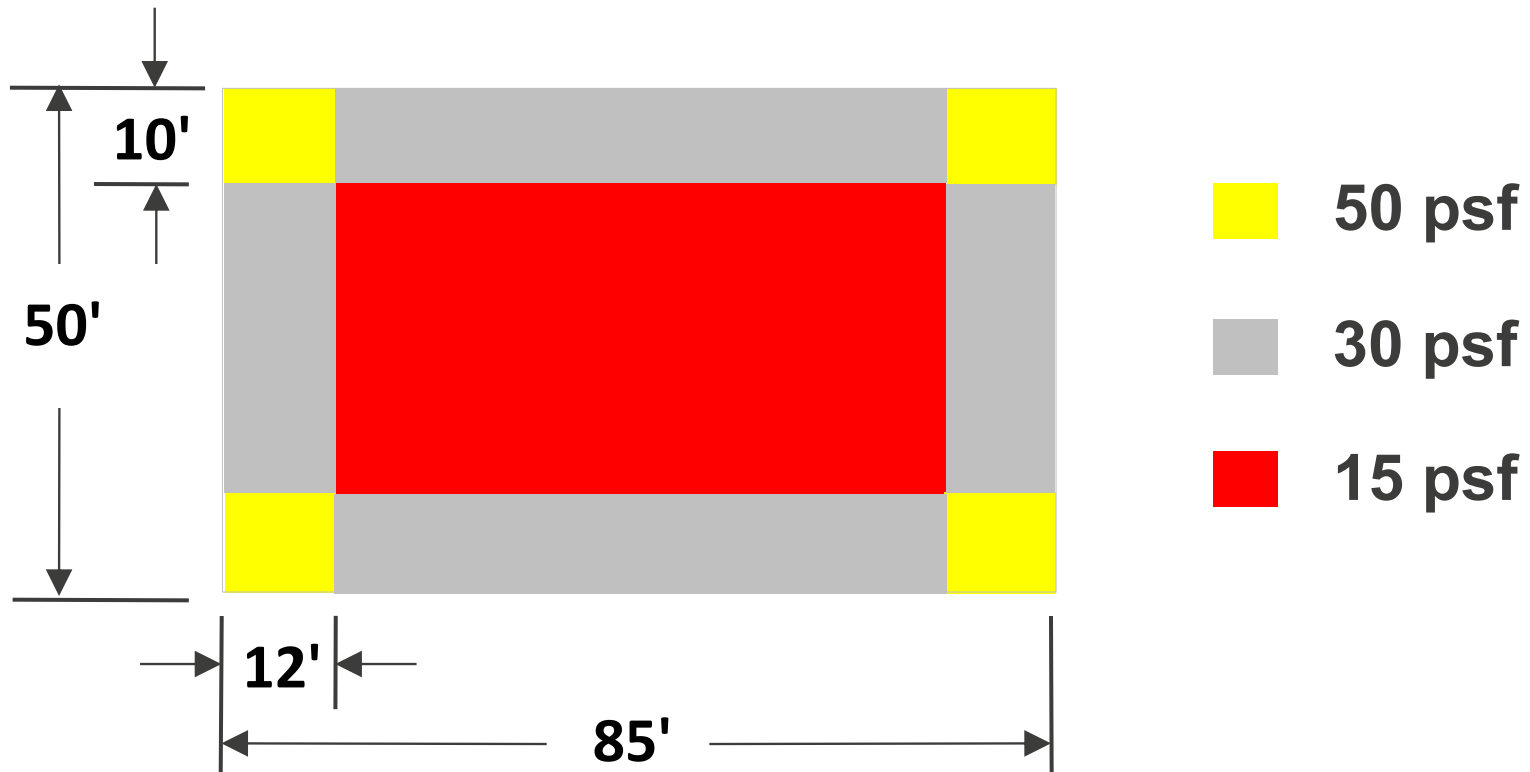
Specifying Joists with Non-Uniform Loads

When K, LH and DLH-Series joists are **not** subjected to uniform loading a load diagram or a table must be used to convey the loading information to the joist manufacturer. A typical load diagram is shown below. Additional load diagrams and tables are provided in Chapter 6 of the Vulcraft Book.



Specifying Joists with Wind Uplift

A typical zone uplift diagram:



Be sure to dimension the width of the zones

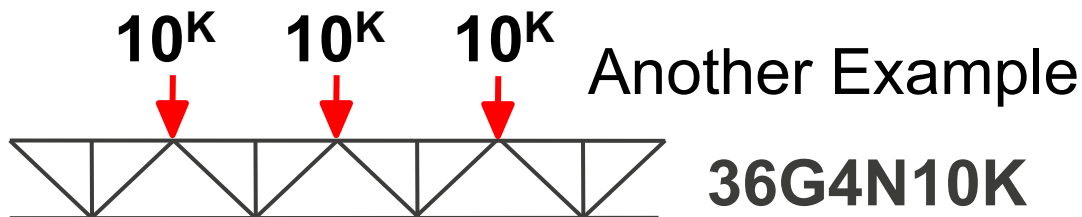


Joist Girders

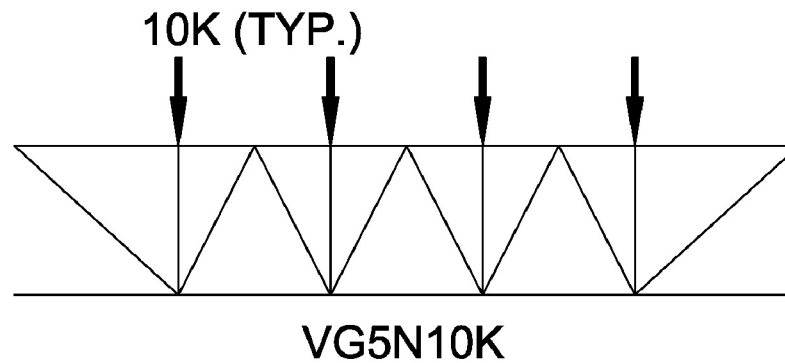
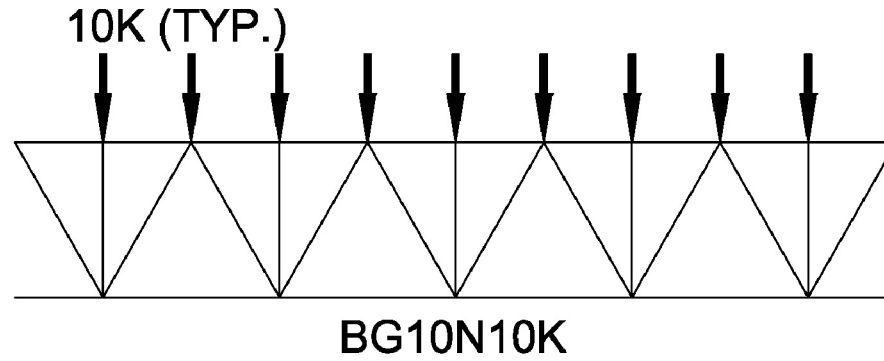


Joist Girders

- Designation: 48G8N9K or for LRFD 48G8N13.5F
 - ✓ 48G is the Depth in inches
 - ✓ 8N is the Number of Joist Spaces
 - ✓ 9K is the unfactored load at each panel point
 - ✓ 13.5F is the factored load at each panel point
- Depths: 20 to 120 in.
- Standard Seat Depth (Height): 7.5 in.
- Spans: 20 to 120 ft.
- ASD Panel Point Loads: 4 to 56 kips
- LRFD Panel Point Loads: 6 to 84 kips
- Can have Various Web Configurations



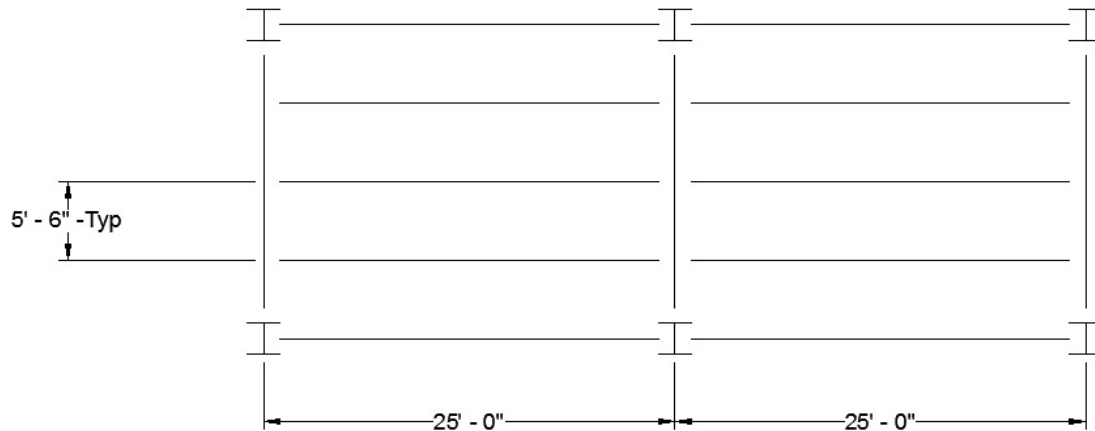
BG and VG Joist Girders



Example: Selection of a K-Series Joist

Select a K-series joist to support the following loads for the framing shown.

The span and loads are appropriate for K-series joists rather than LH-series joists



Given:

Roof Dead Load = 30 psf

Snow Load = 35 psf

Snow Load Deflection Limit $L/240$

Example: Selection of a K-Series Joist

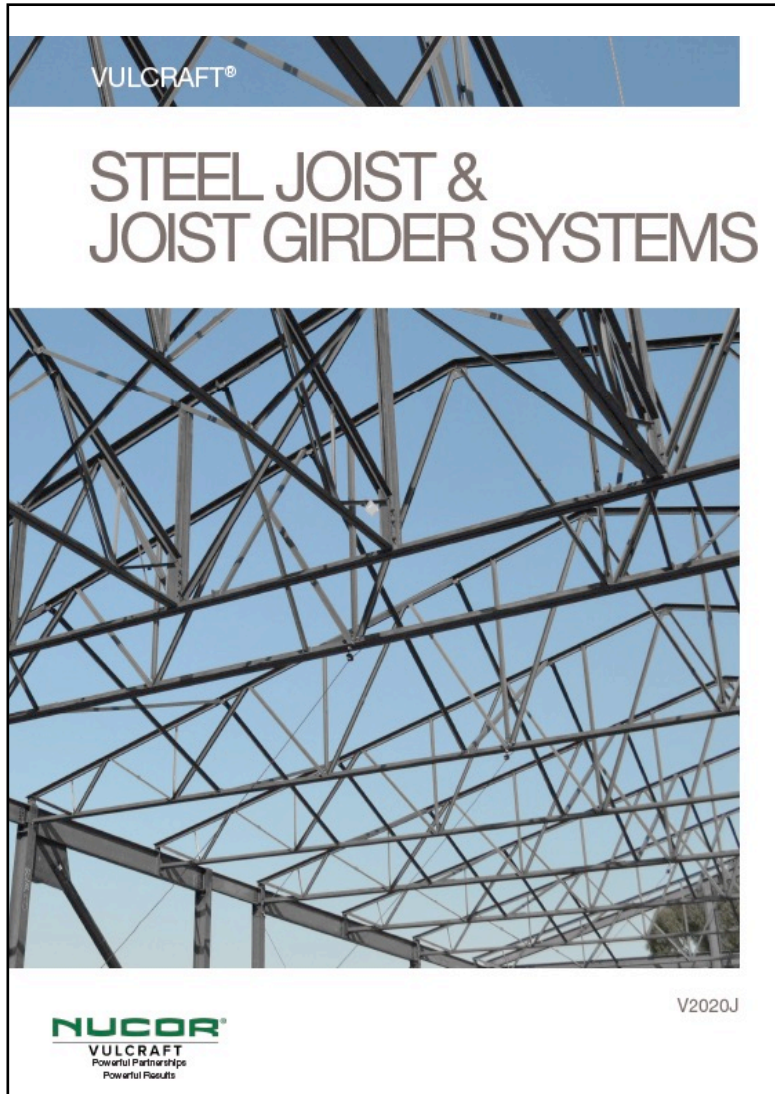
- ASD Load Combination: D + S
 $(30 \text{ psf})(5.5 \text{ ft}) + (35 \text{ psf})(5.5 \text{ ft}) = 358 \text{ plf}$
- LRFD Load Combination: 1.2D + 1.6S
 $(1.2)(30 \text{ psf})(5.5 \text{ ft}) + (1.6)(35 \text{ psf})(5.5 \text{ ft}) = 506 \text{ plf}$

Load for snow load deflection D + 0.5S
 $= [(30 \text{ psf} + 0.50(35 \text{ psf}))](5.5 \text{ ft}) = 261 \text{ plf}$

Use the Nucor/Vulcraft Steel Joist & Joist Girder Systems Catalog Economical Joist Guide to determine least weight K-series joist



Vulcraft Economical Joist Guide



[Book Reference](#)

Vulcraft also has a Tool, “Joist Depth Selection Aid”. The aid can be accessed from the Vulcraft website.



Steel Joists & Joist Girder Systems

General Information Bridging & Acc. Economic Joist Guide Code of Standard Practice Standard Specification K & KCS, LR & DLH Joist Girders Fire Ratings

ECONOMICAL JOIST GUIDE

JOIST DESIG.	TOTAL LOAD (ASD)	LL for L/360 DEFL.	TOTAL LOAD (LRFD)	JOIST WEIGHT (lb/ft)	MAX CHORD WIDTH (IN)	BRIDG. (H/X/EX)
25' LENGTH						
14K1	180	100	270	5.3	4	2/0/0
16K2	224	160	351	5.7	4	2/0/0
18K3	295	214	443	6.5	4	2/0/0
16K4	313	195	470	6.8	4	2/0/0
20K3	320	268	494	6.9	5	2/0/0
16K5	353	219	530	7.8	5	2/0/0
20K4	398	312	594	7.8	5	2/0/0

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26' LENGTH (continued)						
24LH10	1585	1345	2249	22	7	1/0/0
24LH11	1710	1408	2565	24.8	7	1/0/0
24LH12	1962	1684	2943	28	7	1/0/0
24LH13	2350	2171	3525	31.9	8	1/0/0
24LH14	2587	2281	3851	36.1	8	1/0/0
20LH16	2691	1902	4037	43	9	1/0/0
18LH17	2725	1712	4098	48.8	9	1/0/0

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27' LENGTH						
16K2	200	110	300	5.7	4	2/0/0
16K4	268	155	402	6.8	4	2/0/0
20K3	281	211	422	6.8	5	2/0/0
18K5	342	222	513	7.9	5	2/0/0
22K5	422	337	633	8.1	5	2/0/0
20K7	463	333	695	8.6	5	2/0/0
24K7	550	478	825	9	5	2/0/0
24LH04	606	580	900	10.7	5	2/0/0
18LH05	648	414	972	13.2	5	2/0/0
24LH05	694	620	1041	11.9	5	2/0/0
24LH06	874	827	1311	14.8	6	2/0/0
24LH07	1009	910	1514	15.5	6	2/0/0
20LH10	1028	724	1542	18.1	6	1/0/0
18LH10	1145	728	1718	21.0	7	1/0/0
24LH10	1489	1109	2204	21.7	7	1/0/0
24LH11	1607	1256	2411	24.3	7	1/0/0
24LH12	1843	1682	2785	29.1	8	1/0/0
24LH13	2203	1935	3305	31.8	8	1/0/0
24LH14	2407	2105	3611	36.2	8	1/0/0
24LH15	2608	2200	3912	39.5	8	1/0/0
20LH17	2846	1930	4289	48.8	9	1/0/0
18LH18	2918	1739	4374	54.7	9	1/0/0

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16K2	216	133	324	5.7	4	2/0/0
16K3	240	148	360	5.9	4	2/0/0
18K3	272	190	408	6.2	4	2/0/0
16K4	280	173	434	6.9	4	2/0/0
18K4	328	222	492	7.2	4	2/0/0
28K5	542	535	813	8.4	5	1/0/0
24LH03	590	530	885	9.8	5	2/0/0
18LH04	604	403	906	11.9	5	2/0/0
24LH04	642	642	963	10.5	5	2/0/0
18LH05	684	454	1026	13.1	5	2/0/0
20LH06	822	608	1233	14.3	5	1/0/0
24LH06	925	925	1389	14.3	5	1/0/0
24LH07	1072	1020	1608	15.7	6	1/0/0
24LH08	1136	1083	1704	17	6	1/0/0
18LH10	1223	817	1835	22	7	1/0/0
24LH09	1458	1288	2187	20.5	7	1/0/0

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18K4	282	177	423	7.1	4	2/0/0
24K4	381	323	572	7.8	5	2/0/0
22K5	392	302	688	8.1	5	2/0/0
24K5	420	362	644	8.3	5	2/0/0
28K6	548	541	822	8.9	5	1/0/0
24LH04	573	510	880	10.3	5	2/0/0
24LH05	658	555	964	11.5	5	2/0/0
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From the table a 20K4 has an available strength = 396 plf (ASD) or a design strength = 594 (LRFD). Load deflection at service loads = (312 plf)(1.5) = 468 plf > 193 plf ok. Specify a 20K4

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