

Table 1 General Dowel Equations

Yield Mode	Single Shear	Double Shear	Description	
I _m	$P = q_m \ell_m$	$P = q_m \ell_m$	Main member bearing	
I _s	$P = q_s \ell_s$	$P = 2q_s \ell_s$	Side member bearing	
II-IV	$P = \frac{-B + \sqrt{B^2 - 4AC}}{2A}$	$P = \frac{-B + \sqrt{B^2 - 4AC}}{A}$	General equation for member bearing and dowel yielding	
Inputs A, B, & C for Yield Modes II-IV				
II ¹	$A = \frac{1}{4q_s} + \frac{1}{4q_m}$	$B = \frac{\ell_s}{2} + g + \frac{\ell_m}{2}$	$C = -\frac{q_s \ell_s^2}{4} - \frac{q_m \ell_m^2}{4}$	Side and main member bearing
III _m ^{1,2}	$A = \frac{1}{2q_s} + \frac{1}{4q_m}$	$B = g + \frac{\ell_m}{2}$	$C = -M_s - \frac{q_m \ell_m^2}{4}$	Main member bearing and dowel yielding in the side member
III _s ²	$A = \frac{1}{4q_s} + \frac{1}{2q_m}$	$B = \frac{\ell_s}{2} + g$	$C = -\frac{q_s \ell_s^2}{4} - M_m$	Side member bearing and dowel yielding in the main member
IV ²	$A = \frac{1}{2q_s} + \frac{1}{2q_m}$	$B = g$	$C = -M_s - M_m$	Dowel yielding in the side and main member

Notes:

P = nominal lateral connection value, lbs.

 ℓ_s = side member dowel bearing length, in. ℓ_m = main member dowel bearing length, in. q_s = side member dowel-bearing resistance = $F_{cs}D$, lbs./in. q_m = main member dowel-bearing resistance = $F_{cm}D$, lbs./in. F_{cs} = side member dowel-bearing strength, psi F_{cm} = main member dowel-bearing strength, psi

g = gap between members, in.

D = dowel shank diameter, in.

 F_b = dowel bending strength, psi D_s = dowel diameter at max. stress in side member, in. D_m = dowel diameter at max. stress in main member, in. M_s = side member dowel moment resistance², in-lbs. = $F_b(D_s^3/6)$ M_m = main member dowel moment resistance², in-lbs. = $F_b(D_m^3/6)$ ¹Yield Modes II and III_m are not applicable to double shear connections.²For proportional limit values, $M_s = F_{b,pl}(\pi D_s^3/32)$ and $M_m = F_{b,pl}(\pi D_m^3/32)$.**Table 2 Reduction Terms Adjusting P_{5%} Values to Nominal Design Values**

Fastener Type	Yield Mode	Reduction Term
Bolts, drift pins	I _m , I _s	4 K _θ
	II	3.6 K _θ
	III _m , III _s , IV	3.2 K _θ
Lag screws	I _m [†] , I _s	4 K _θ
	II [†] , III _m [†] , III _s	2.8 K _θ
	IV	3 K _θ
Nails, spikes	I _m [†] , I _s , II [†] , III _m , III _s , IV	K _D
Wood screws	I _m [†] , I _s , II [†] , III _m [†] , III _s , IV	K _D

Notes:

$$K_\theta = 1 + 0.25(\theta/90)$$

 θ = maximum angle of load to grain ($0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 90^\circ$)

for any member in a connection

D = fastener shank diameter

$$K_D = 2.2 \quad \text{for } D \leq 0.17''$$

$$K_D = 10D + 0.5 \quad \text{for } 0.17'' < D < 0.25''$$

$$K_D = 3.0 \quad \text{for } D \geq 0.25''$$

[†]Yield modes and corresponding reduction terms are not provided in the NDS.