## AIR KNIVES



Silvent's 920 nozzle and a specially designed aluminum manifold are used to build air knives. The length of the manifold and the number of nozzles can be tailored to each customer's specific needs. Air knives have been in installed in a wide range of industrial applications. Cooling rollers, drying tobacco, dispersion of powdered paint, blow-off of emulsions, etc. are but a few.

Three standard lengths are available from stock with 2,4, or 6 nozzles. M eets 0 SHA safety requirements. Patented.

For mounting brackets for air knives, see: Accessories.

## DIMEN SIO N S

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| ORDER NO./ MODEL | $\mathbf{3 9 2}$ | $\mathbf{3 9 4}$ | $\mathbf{3 9 6}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | mm | 97 | 197 | 297 |
|  | $"$ | 3.82 | 7.76 | 11.69 |
| C | BSP | $3 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ | $3 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ | $3 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ |
|  | NPT | $3 / 8^{\prime \prime}-18$ | $3 / 8^{\prime \prime}-18$ | $3 / 8^{\prime \prime}-18$ |
| Nozzles = N | pcs. | 2 | 4 | 6 |

## AIR CONE PATTERN



## REPLACE OPEN PIPE OF DIAMETERS:



6-12 mm
1/4" - 1/2"

## BENEFITS

Reduces the noise level
20-23 dB(A)
Decreases air consumption
15-33 \%
Safety nozzle
Meets OSHA standards


Above, a custom built air knife Silvent will quote you a price on an air knife especially designed for your application upon request.


| Replaces open pipe | mm | 7 | 10 | 12 |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $"$ | $9 / 32$ | $3 / 8$ | $1 / 2$ |  |
| Air consumption | $\mathrm{Nm}^{3} / \mathrm{h}$ | 60 | 120 | 180 |  |
|  | scfm | 35.3 | 70.7 | 106.0 |  |
| Sound level | $\mathrm{dB}(\mathrm{A})$ | 84 | 87 | 89 |  |
| Blowing force | N | 11.0 | 22.0 | 33.0 |  |
|  | Oz | 38.8 | 77.7 | 116.5 |  |
| Max. temp. | ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | $-20 /+70$ | $-20 /+70$ | $-20 /+70$ |  |
|  | ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ | $-4 /+158$ | $-4 /+158$ | $-4 /+158$ |  |
| Weight | g | 360 | 695 | 1005 |  |
|  | Ibs | 0.79 | 1.53 | 2.21 |  |
| Nozzle material | Zinc |  |  |  |  |

Further information in: Technical specifications.
Max. operating pressure: 1.0 M Pa ( 143 psi ).

## APPUCATIO NS



The picture shows an air knife blowing clean at a CNC machine used for machining the side piece of a camera housing at Hasselblad. The operation is accomplished with two flat nozzles mounted side by side in order to create a more uniform air jet.
Previously, the side piece was blown clean manually, but today this is performed with built-in automatic control - a true plus for the working environment.


Here, an air knife with twenty 920 s installed at BELIN, France's leading biscuit maker. All together the company has seven lines equipped with Silvent's air knives to blow away biscuit crumbs. The noise level in their production prior to the installation measured 90-94 dB(A). A fter Silvent air knives were installed, the noise level was halved, dropping to less than $82 d B(A)$.

An air knife for blow-off of dirt, debris, wood chips, or small metal chips is easy to design using the instructions below.

These calculations apply to air knives built with 920 flat nozzles.

## Air knives using 920 flat nozzles

1. Determine the width ( L ) that must be covered and at what distance (A) the nozzles may be placed. Fig. 1.
2. Calculate: $B=0.35 A+52$ (when using mm)

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\mathrm{B}=0.35 \mathrm{~A}+2.1 \text { (when using inches) }
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3. Determine the number of nozzles required ( $n$ ) using the formula: $\mathrm{n}=\mathrm{L} / \mathrm{B}$
Round off the $n$ value upwards to a whole number.
4. The distance between the nozzles $(c / c)=L / n$

The first nozzle should be placed at one half the $c / c$ value from the edge of the nozzle array.
5. Use table 1 to find the recommended pipe diameter ( $\varnothing$ ).


Table 1

|  | $1 / 4 \prime$ | $9$ | $1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ | $3 / 4 \prime$ |  | $\begin{array}{r} 11 / 2^{\prime \prime} \\ 38.1 \end{array}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number of nozzles | 1 | 3 | 6 | 14 | 25 | 57 | 101 |

NB! Valid for feed from one side only.

