

# DRY-EXPANSION / U-TUBE

DHA

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DP-258-1 // ASME HEAT EXCHANGERS

## **BITZER US Pressure Vessels**

In addition to our shell and tube heat exchangers, receivers, and oil separators, BITZER US also delivers high quality pressure vessels that meet the demand for industrial Ammonia and CO<sub>2</sub> applications. These vessels are commonly used in cold storage facilities, ice makers, supermarkets, and other industrial processing systems.

BITZER US utilizes multiple welding stations that provide fast, consistent, and reliable welds which results in high quality vessels with short lead times. All vessels are manufactured in the USA and in accordance with the most recent edition of Section VIII, Division 1 of the ASME code or other certifications as required.

# **Design Capabilities**

- Max Diameter:
- Max Length:
- Max Pressure:
- Min Temperature: -55°F

96"

290"

3000 PSI

#### Testing

- Ultrasonic
- Penetrant
- Decay Test

# Certifications

- ASME
- PED
- CRN
- DOSH

# Manufacturing

- Robotic Welding
- Water Jet
- Pipe Cutter
- Plasma Table
- CNC Machine Shop



## **Vessel Factory (USA)**







## NEW Shell-and-Tube Dry Expansion Evaporators

In keeping with the BITZER strategy of offering the most advanced design and technology, the DHA Evaporators utilize leading U-Tubes for maximum efficiency, reliability, and performance.

BITZER DHA Evaporators are ideal for water/brine chilling in commercial, industrial, and heat pump applications.

#### **NEW Improvements to BITZER US Evaporators**

- Innovative and patented distribution improves refrigerant heat transfer
- Optimized plastic baffles decrease leakage and improve brine side heat transfer
- Special inner grooved pattern of tubes maximizes heat transfer coefficient and limit negative effects of pressure drop

#### **Performance Advantages**

- Optimized for today's refrigerants including entire R407 Series, R448A, R449A, and R410A and with natural refrigerants such as R290 and R1270 Also applicable with R134a, and lower GWP refrigerants like R450A, R513A, R1234yf, R1234ze (Note: Be sure to also check out the PURE COOLER Series of Evaporators optimized
- for these refrigerants)
  Maximum efficiency utilizing latest shell-and-tube technology to enhance heat transfer improvement
- Robotic welding technology used for optimum quality and product appearance
- Worldwide BITZER engineering and pressure vessel testing, design, and experience
- All products are made in the USA

#### **U-Tube Design Advantages**

- Elimination of one entire tube sheet
- 50% reduction in potential leak points
- Serviceable and cleanable
- Shell can be rotated for relocation of connections
- Allows for greater thermal expansion between tubes and shell
  - Minimizes tension and stress
  - Increases reliability  $\rightarrow$  Maximizes lifespan

#### **ASME Design Safety**

Bitzer ASME evaporators are manufactured in accordance with the latest edition of ASME Section VIII, Division 1, and are designed for use in air-conditioning and refrigeration applications. CRN is available on majority of models. Consult factory for PED (CE) availability.



#### **Design Specifications**

- Refrigerant side:
  - Standard Models:
  - High Pressure Models "P":
- Shell / Water side:
  - All Models:

#### **Explanation of Model Number**

# D H A 2 - 3 2 3 H - T F K P

**Product Series** DHA = Shell and Tube Evaporator (ASME Rated)

## D H A 2 - 3 2 3 H - T F K P

#### **Number of Circuits**

- 1 = One
- 2 = Two
- 3 = Three
- 4 = Four

# D H A 2 - 3 2 3 H - T F K P

#### **Shell Diameter Designation**

- 16 = 6 NPS
- 19 = 8 NPS
- 21 = 8 NPS 27 = 10 NPS
- 32 = 10 NPS
- 40 = 16 NPS
- 50 = 20 NPS

D H A 2 - 3 2 3 H - T F K P Tube Designation (1,2,3,4)

# D H A 2 - 3 2 3 H - T F K P

# Flow Type / Baffle Spacing (Optional) H = Low Flow

X = Very Low Flow

# D H A 2 - 3 2 3 H - T F K P

# Water Connection Location

- T = Top (Standard)
- L = Left
- R = Right

#### D H A 2 - 3 2 3 H - T F K P

#### Water Connection Type

- D = Threaded Connections (Standard: DHA 16)
- F = Flange Connections (DHA 19-50)
- J = Flexible Joint Connections (DHA 19-50)

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#### **Additional Options**

- $K = \frac{3}{4}$  in. Thick insulation M = 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. Thick Insulation
- P = High Pressure (Ref Side rating of 375 psi) W = Low Temp (Min temp rating of -40°)

225 psi @ +14° to 200°F 375 psi @ +14° to 200°F

- 145 psi @ +14° to 200°F

## Selecting the Right Heat Exchanger

Selecting a heat exchanger by a table or chart can be challenging because many parameters and requirements are involved. These factors affect one another and lead to an iterative process to reach a suitable selection. Furthermore, one selection may be valid for a certain set of conditions; however, A/C and refrigeration systems operate a wide range of seasonal loads and conditions that must also be considered by the system designer.

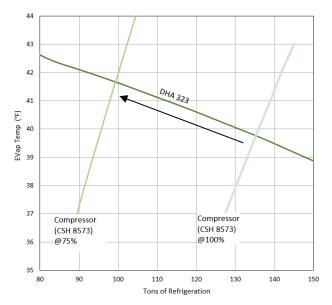
Therefore, it is strongly recommended to use the *smarTube* sizing software or consult BITZER USA for assistance. The following pages are provided as a guideline to help steer the decision process and better understand heat exchangers and the inputs that *smarTube* requires. Download s*marTube* from www.bitzerus.com.

#### **Heat Exchanger Operating Point**

For a set of conditions, the evaporator will operate at a saturated evaporating temp (*Evap Temp*) that is balanced with the operation of the compressor.

If the cooling load is reduced and the compressor reduces its Capacity, the Flow Rate of the process fluid should also be reduced which results in a new operating point at the lower Capacity, but higher Evap Temp.

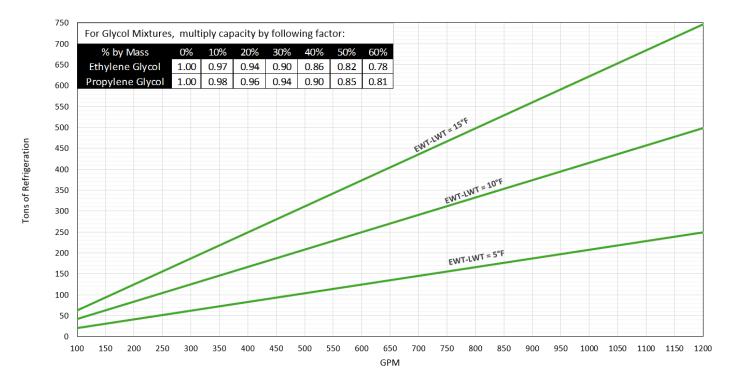
The difference in Leaving Water Temp and Evap Temp is called the *Approach*. A lower Approach is desirable because it increases the Evap Temp; thus, the compressor will operate at a higher suction pressure with increased capacity and efficiency. For glide refrigerants, the dew point of the Evap Temp is implied when referenced in this document.



#### Capacity of Heat Exchangers (Fluid "Water" Side)

The *Capacity* of a shell and tube evaporator is calculated using the Flow Rate, the Range, and the specific heat of the process fluid. The *Flow Rate* is a measurement of the volumetric rate, often in gallons per minute (GPM). The *Range* refers to the temperature change of the process fluid and is calculated by subtracting the Leaving Water Temp (LWT) from the Entering Water Temp (EWT). For any given fluid, 3 of the following 4 requirements must be specified: Capacity, Flow Rate, EWT, and LWT. The result of the remaining parameter can then be calculated.

The following chart shows capacities for water at varying Flow Rates and Ranges with multipliers for glycol mixtures.





# **Specifications (Fluid Side)**

The DHA series of evaporators cover a broad range of capacities but have limitations due to maximum and minimum Flow Rates. A lower flow may reduce heat transfer while a higher flow may create undesirable pressure drop for pumps to overcome. In addition, an optimal velocity range is necessary to prevent fouling at the tube surface.

	Shell Dia.	Av	ailable	e Circu	iits	Capacity at Max Flow	Capacity At Min Flow	Maximum Flow Rate	Minimum Flow Rate	Water Pressure Drop	
Model	(NPS)	1	2	3	4	Δ10°F (TR)	Δ10°F (TR)	(GPM)	(GPM)	at Max Flow (psid)	
DHA162	6	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$			26.5	8.7	63.9	21.0	9.1	
DHA164	6 <sub>√</sub>		$\checkmark$			40.5	11.6	97.6	28.0	12.1	
DHA191		$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$			63.9	15.8	154.1	38.0	15.7	
DHA193	8	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$			63.9	20.7	154.1	50.0	8.3	
DHA211	8	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	100.4	27.0	242.1	65.0	12.5	
DHA212	$\checkmark$		$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	100.4	29.0	242.1	70.0	10.9	
DHA271	10	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	146.1	39.4	352.2	95.0	13.4	
DHA273	10	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	146.1	52.3	352.2	126.0	8.1	
DHA322	12	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	200.9	63.0	484.3	152.0	9.2	
DHA323	12	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	200.9	60.1	484.3	145.0	9.8	
DHA402	16		$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	328.8	83.0	792.6	200.0	14.2	
DHA404	10		$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	321.5	83.0	775.0	200.0	15.5	
DHA451	10		$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	414.8	99.5	1000.0	240.0	15.6	
DHA452	18		$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	414.8	99.5	1000.0	240.0	15.1	
DHA501	20		$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	456.3	103.7	1100.0	250.0	15.9	
DHA502	20		$$		493.6	114.1	1190.0	275.0	15.8		

• Max capacity may not be possible depending on refrigerant selection and limitation of refrigeration velocity

Data calculated with 100% Water (Glycol mixtures will have higher pressure drops and lower capacity)

•  $\Delta 10^{\circ}$ F is the Range = Entering Water Temp – Leaving Water Temp

Flow Rates are established using a combination of max / min velocity and pressure drops (min p drop = ~1 psid)

- Lower Flow Rates possible using "H" and "X" models
- 1 TR = 12,000 BTU/h

# Low Flow Models – "H" & "X" and Glycol Mixes

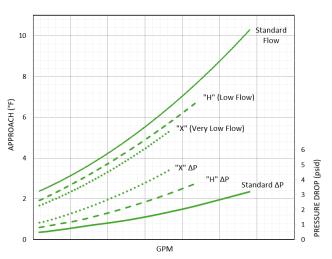
As the Flow Rate decreases for a given model, the Approach of the heat exchanger improves although water velocity may be too low for extended operation. In a low flow situation (usually  $>\Delta 10^{\circ}F$  Range), a higher water velocity to reduce fouling is possible by adding additional baffles to the heat exchanger. These baffles increase pressure drop but also further improve heat transfer and efficiency.

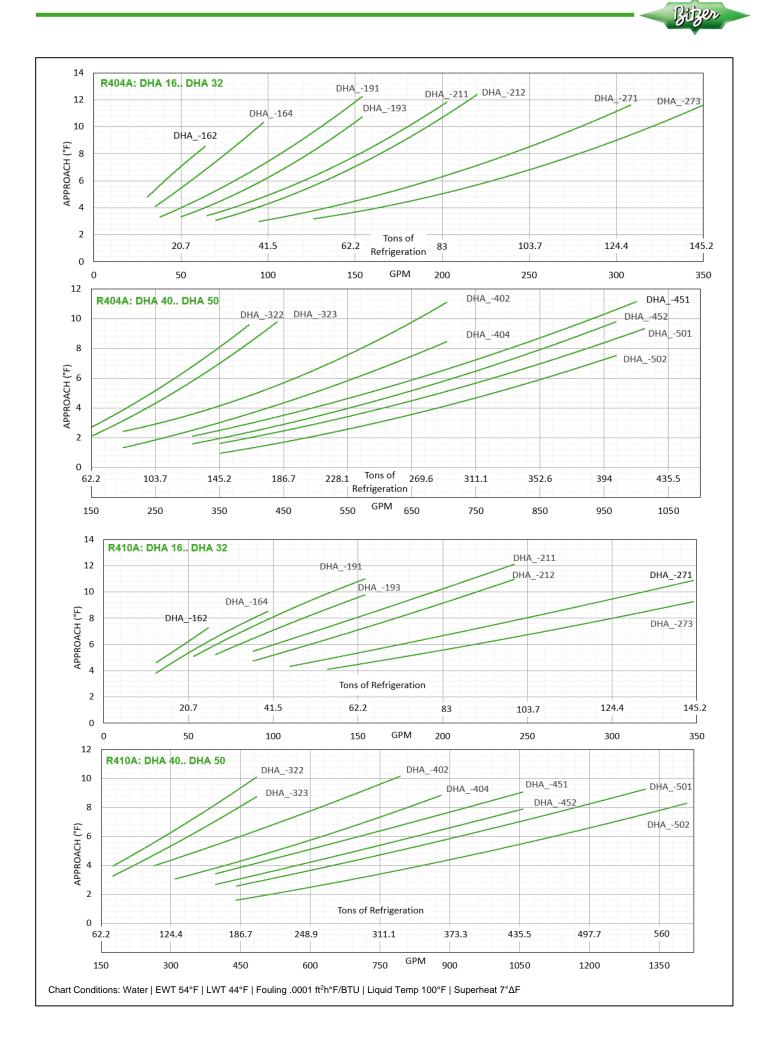
The addition of glycol to water increases viscosity and, thus, also increases the pressure drop.

#### **Performance Data: Capacity and Approach**

The following page charts the performance of the DHA catalog using two refrigerants (note chart conditions). A larger heat exchanger will result in a smaller Approach but may have limitations in lower flowrates. Depending on the system, it is recommended to select a heat exchanger based on design conditions near the upper end (60 to 90%) of the curve so that in long periods of turndown (reduced capacity), the heat exchanger can operate with sufficient fluid flow.

In addition to Capacity, Approach, Flow Rate and refrigerant, many other factors will affect the rating of the heat exchange such as Range, Fouling Factor, Liquid Temp, and Superheat. Always be sure the Approach does not allow the saturation evaporating temperature to fall below the freezing point of the process fluid. Use *smarTube* sizing software or consult BITZER USA for final design.







# Performance Data – Refrigerants

The DHA series is capable of working with a wide variety of refrigerants. However, showing performance curves for all refrigerants is not practical.

In the displayed graph, a comparison of refrigerants (using the same heat exchanger and input factors) provides an idea of the difference between the refrigerants and the approximate impact on the Approach.

The calculation for Approach uses the dew point of the Evap Temp. For this reason, glide refrigerants have an Approach that is better in contrast with using the mean evaporating temperature.

# Performance Data – Efficiency Factors

As mentioned previously, certain factors must be considered to appropriately select your heat exchanger. Some factors will change over seasons or time, such as liquid temp or fouling, while others are set at commissioning, such as superheat.

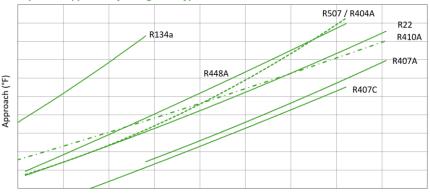
Each of these factors affect the efficiency of the heat exchanger which changes the Evap Temp and Approach. These three charts are provided to illustrate this change in Approach based on a factor, assuming other conditions are held constant.

**Fouling** is the accumulation of dirt and deposits onto the heat exchange surface. Although this can occur on both inside and outside of tubes, usually the water side is the primary consideration. Fouling reduces heat transfer and therefore requires a lower Evap Temp (higher Approach) to maintain the same Capacity.

**Superheat** shrinks the area of the heat exchanger used for latent heat absorption. The decrease in heat exchange area requires a lower Evap Temp (higher Approach) to maintain the same Capacity.

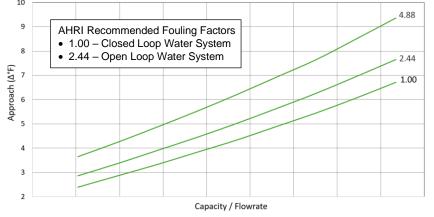
Finally, an increase in **Liquid Temp** increases the quality (vapor content) of the refrigerant after the expansion valve resulting in reduction of capacity. Hence, the Evap Temp is lowered (or Approach increased) to maintain the same Capacity.

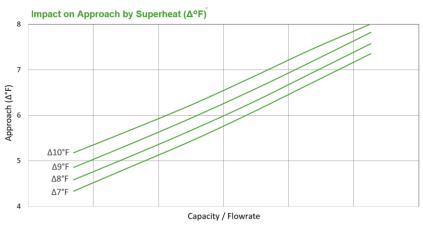
#### Impact on Approach by Refrigerant Type

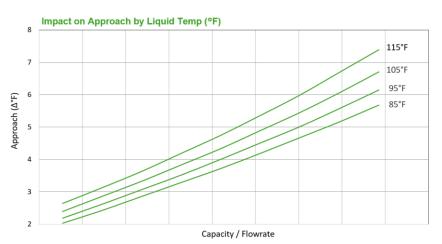


Capacity / Flowrate



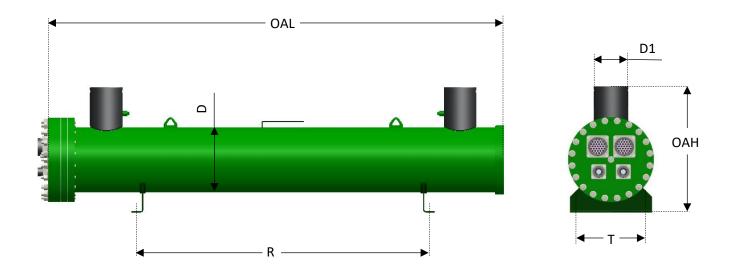








# **Dimensions**



	Dimensions			Feet				Volumes-Weights									
Model	OAL	D	OAH	R	т	1 Cir Ref. Inlet	cuit Ref. Outlet	2 Ci Ref. Inlet	rcuit Ref. Outlet	3 Ci Ref. Inlet	rcuit Ref. Outlet	4 C Ref. Inlet	ircuit Ref. Outlet	Water Conn. D1	Wt.	Vol. Tube side	Vol. Shell side
	in	in	in	in	in	in	in	in	in	in	in	in	in	NPS	Lbs.	ft <sup>3</sup>	ft <sup>3</sup>
DHA162	56	6-5/8	14 1/8	37 3/8	6 1/4	7/8	2 1/8	7/8	1 3/8	-	-	-	-	2.75	164	0.3	0.7
DHA164	70	6-5/8	14 1/8	47 1/4	6 1/4	7/8	2 1/8	7/8	1 3/8	-	-	-	-	2.75	188	0.4	0.8
DHA192	54	8-5/8	14 1/8	31 1/2	10 1/4	1 3/8	2 5/8	1 3/8	2 1/8	-	-	-	-	3	164	0.3	0.7
DHA193	60	8-5/8	14 1/8	37 3/8	10 1/4	1 3/8	2 5/8	1 3/8	2 1/8	-	-	-	-	3	164	0.3	0.7
DHA211	72	8-5/8	17 3/4	47 1/4	10 1/4	1 3/8	2 5/8	1 3/8	2 1/8	7/8	1 5/8	7/8	1 3/8	4	294	0.7	1.4
DHA212	80	8-5/8	17 3/4	55 1/8	10 1/4	1 3/8	2 5/8	1 3/8	2 1/8	7/8	1 5/8	7/8	1 3/8	4	313	0.7	1.6
DHA272	79	10-3/4	20 5/8	51 1/8	11 3/4	1 3/8	3 1/8	1 3/8	2 1/8	1 3/8	2 1/8	7/8	1 5/8	5	486	1.1	2.4
DHA273	79	10-3/4	20 5/8	51 1/8	11 3/4	1 3/8	3 1/8	1 3/8	2 1/8	1 3/8	2 1/8	7/8	1 5/8	5	503	1.2	2.2

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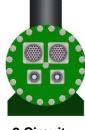
- All vessels are provided with a drain connection (G1/2") on the opposite head from the refrigerant connections -
- Dimensions are provided as a general and relative sizing guideline Individualized submittal drawings override dimensions and specifications shown here \_



# Dimensions



1 Circuit



2 Circuit





4 Circuit\*

	D	imensio	ns	Feet				Volumes-Weights									
Model	OAL	D	OAH	R	-	1 Circuit		2 Circuit		3 Circuit		4 Circuit		Water		Vol.	Vol.
				ĸ	Т	Ref. Inlet	Ref. Outlet	Ref. Inlet	Ref. Outlet	Ref. Inlet	Ref. Outlet	Ref. Inlet	Ref. Outlet	Conn. D1	Wt.	Tube side	Shell side
	in	in	in	in	in	in	in	in	in	in	in	in	in	NPS	Lbs.	ft <sup>3</sup>	ft <sup>3</sup>
DHA322	92	12-3/4	24 5/8	59	11 3/4	1 3/8	3 1/8	1 3/8	3 1/8	1 3/8	2 5/8	1 3/8	2 1/8	6	715	1.8	3.9
DHA323	92	12-3/4	24 5/8	59	11 3/4	1 3/8	3 1/8	1 3/8	3 1/8	1 3/8	2 5/8	1 3/8	2 1/8	6	741	2.1	3.6
DHA402	88 5/8	16	28 5/8	55 1/8	15 3/4	-	-	1 3/8	3 1/8	1 3/8	3 1/8	1 3/8	2 5/8	8	1080	2.6	6.2
DHA404	109 1/8	16	28 5/8	70 7/8	15 3/4	-	-	1 3/8	3 1/8	1 3/8	3 1/8	1 3/8	2 5/8	8	1277	4.1	6.7
DHA451	94 1/2	18	30 5/8	59	12 1/4	-	-	1 3/8	3 1/8	1 3/8	3 1/8	1 3/8	2 5/8	8	1511	4.0	7.7
DHA452	94 1/2	18	30 5/8	59	12 1/4	-	-	1 3/8	3 1/8	1 3/8	3 1/8	1 3/8	2 5/8	8	1630	4.5	7.1
DHA501	112	20	34 5/8	70 7/8	13 3/4	-	-	1 5/8	3 1/8	1 3/8	3 1/8	1 3/8	2 5/8	10	1969	5.1	12.3
DHA502	112	20	34 5/8	70 7/8	13 3/4	-	-	1 5/8	3 1/8	1 3/8	3 1/8	1 3/8	2 5/8	10	2075	6.0	11.0

\*DHA4-21\_ and DHA4-27\_ vary slightly from picture





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