

## KINEMATIC VISCOSITY

### Calibrated Glass Capillary Kinematic Viscometers

Koehler offers a full selection of glass capillary viscometers for measuring kinematic viscosity of liquid petroleum products in accordance with ASTM D445 and related standard test methods. All types of viscometers conform to ASTM D446 and related standard specifications for glass capillary kinematic viscometers. Each viscometer is supplied with a calibration certificate, and holders should be ordered separately. Please refer to the following brief descriptions for determining which viscometer is best suited for your particular application.

### Cannon®-Fenske Routine Viscometers

The Cannon®-Fenske Routine viscometer is a rugged and inexpensive viscometer that works well if the sample is transparent or translucent. Other viscometers for transparent samples in this catalog include the Cross Arm and BS/U-Tube viscometers.

### Ubbelohde Viscometers

The Ubbelohde viscometer and other suspended level viscometers are used to measure transparent liquids. Unlike the Cannon®-Fenske Routine viscometer, suspended level viscometers maintain the same viscometer constant at all temperatures, advantageous when samples are to be measured at different temperatures. Other suspended level viscometers in this catalog include the BS/IP/SL, BP/IP/SL(S), and BP/IP/MSL viscometers.

### Reverse Flow Viscometers

The Cannon®-Fenske Opaque, Cross Arm, and BS/IP/RF U-Tube viscometers have been designed for testing opaque liquids. These viscometers wet the timing section of the viscometer capillary only during the actual measurement and must be cleaned, dried and refilled before a repeat measurement can be made. By contrast, other viscometer types commonly used to measure transparent liquids allow the sample to be repeatedly drawn up into the capillary, permitting duplicate measurements.

### Small Volume Viscometers

Several semi-micro viscometers have been designed which require one milliliter or less of liquid, which include the Cannon®-Manning Semi-Micro, Cannon®-Manning Semi-Micro Extra Low Charge, and Cannon®-Ubbelohde Semi-Micro viscometers.

### Dilution Viscometers

Estimates of the molecular size and shape of large polymers molecules can be obtained from kinematic viscosity measurements of dilute solutions. The Cannon®-Ubbelohde Dilution viscometer has an extra large reservoir which allows polymer solutions to be diluted several times and measures viscosities at four different shear rates. Dilute polymer solutions frequently appear to exhibit changes in kinematic viscosity when the shear rate is changed.

### Vacuum Viscometers

In most glass capillary viscometers, the samples flow under gravity. When liquids are too viscous to flow readily under gravity, vacuum viscometers may be used to measure viscosity. A vacuum is applied to one end of the viscometer to pull the liquid through the capillary into the timing bulb. Koehler offers the Cannon®-Manning Vacuum, the Asphalt Institute Vacuum, and the Modified Koppers Vacuum reverse flow viscometer tubes. These vacuum viscometers require an accurately controlled vacuum regulator for proper measurement. Please refer to page 13 for information about the Koehler Vacuum Regulator.



Cannon®-Fenske Routine



Cannon®-Fenske Opaque



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### Cannon®-Fenske Routine

For kinematic viscosity of transparent liquids up to 100,000cSt. Requires a sample of approximately 7mL. Use with K23310 and K23350 rectangular metal holders or K23381 and K23351 round plastic holders. Length: 250mm

Catalog No.	Size	Approximate Constant, cSt/s	Kinematic Viscosity Range, cSt
378-025-C01	25	0.002	0.5 to 2
378-050-C01	50	0.004	0.8 to 4
378-075-C01	75	0.008	1.6 to 8
378-100-C01	100	0.015	3 to 15
378-150-C01	150	0.035	7 to 35
378-200-C01	200	0.1	20 to 100
378-300-C01	300	0.25	50 to 250
378-350-C01	350	0.5	100 to 500
378-400-C01	400	1.2	240 to 1,200
378-450-C01	450	2.5	500 to 2,500
378-500-C01	500	8.0	1,600 to 8,000
378-600-C01	600	20.0	4,000 to 20,000
378-650-C01	650	45.0	9,000 to 45,000
378-700-C01	700	100.0	20,000 to 100,000