# Appendix B - Metric Units CCPS Recommended Distance Tables for Siting and Layout of Facilities

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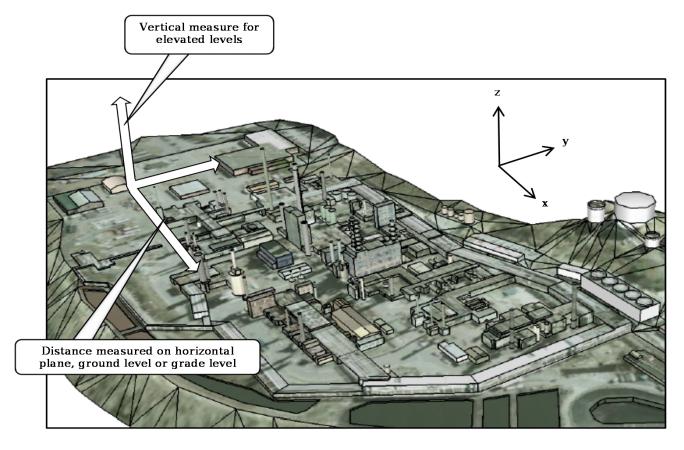
The foundation for these tables is the original data provided in the 2003 Edition of this Guideline. Changes for the 2018 Edition are **bold italicized** and reflect a review between the distances provided in 2003 and current industry guidelines (i.e., GAP 2.5.2 and GAP 2.5.2.A). In general, the values provided in this edition considered the GAP distance recommendations for a process with "intermediate hazards."

A depiction of how distances are measured using the distance tables in Appendix B are shown in Figure B.1. The GAP-designated hazardous process definitions are as follows:

us process .P 2.5.2.A]	<b>Moderate hazard:</b> This category includes processes, operations or materials having a limited explosion hazard and a moderate fire hazard. This class generally involves endothermic reactions and nonreactive operations, such as distillation, absorption, mixing and blending of flammable liquids. Exothermic reactions with no flammable liquids or gases also fit in this hazard group.
General hazardous designations [GAP	Intermediate hazard: This category includes processes, operations or materials having an appreciable explosion hazard and a moderate fire hazard. This class generally involves mildly exothermic reactions.
Genera	<b>High hazard:</b> This category includes processes, operations or materials having a high explosion hazard and moderate to heavy fire hazard. This class involves highly exothermic or potential runaway reactions and high hazard products handling.
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 $\label{eq:Figure B.1} \mbox{A depiction of how distances are measured using the tables in Appendix B}$ 

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 ${\bf Table~B.1-M}$  Typical facility and layout distances between process unit equipment for fire consequences

Explosion, toxic releases, or security issues may require greater distances

	Metric Units - Issued 06-Apr-2018										Ground	level.	horize	ntal pl	ane e	r arad	e dista	nce (	m )								
Line Item #	CCPS Guidelines for Siting and Layout of Facilities  Distances  Changes are noted for the 2018 Edition  with bold italicized distances	Boundaries	ther) Process Battery Limit		Equipment						toxic	level,	Storage Tank	itai pi	ane, o	I grau	e dista	ince (i	<i>,</i>								
	Boundaries	-	(Anot] Unit E						shes		le, non-																
B.1-1	Process Unit Battery Limit		30	erty	Emergency	anual			Switches		combustible,		In-process														
B.1-2	Property		60	Prope	Eme	ESD Valves - Manua			ESD Activation	Vessels / Equipment	comb																
	<b>Emergency Equipment</b>					Valve	Š	itors	Activ	quip	nou.		Out Pot, or			~											
B.1-3	ESD Valves - Manual		15	NM		ESD	Fire Pumps	Moni	ESD	ls / E	nable,		Out 1			Area											
B.1-4	Fire Pumps		75	NM		NM	Fire j	Hydrants, Monitors	ay &	'esse	non-flammable,		Knock			Jtility											
B.1-5	Hydrants, Monitors		NM	NM		NM	NM	Hydr	Water Spray		non-	ers	um, K	nt	(0	ion (L											
B.1-6	Water Spray & ESD Activation Switches		15	NM		NM	NM	NM	Wate	Process	ndling	Desalters	Another) Tower, Drum,	Heat Transfer Equipment	Air cooled heat exchangers - process	Power Generation (Utility Area)											
	Process Vessels / Equipment										ha	and D	Towe	Equ	ıd - sı	ır Gei											
B.1-7	Equip handling non-flammable, non-combustible, non-toxic materials		NA	NM		NM	NM	NM	NM		Equip		ther)	nsfer	angei							бu					
B.1-8	Reactors and Desalters		NA	60		15	60	15	15		NM	Reactors	(Anot	Tra	exch	sors,	wer					gnitin	ting				
B.1-9	Towers, Drums, Knock Out Pots, In-process Storage Tanks		NA	60		15	60	15	15		NM	8	8	Heat	heat	Air Compressors,	Cooling Tow		sec			self-i	f-igni			Cars	
	Heat Transfer Equipment								•	_					poled	r Con	Cooli		Furnaces			on or	n-sel			Rail Ca	
B.1-10	Air cooled heat exchangers - process		NA	60		15	60	15	15		NM	6	6		Air co	rs, Ai	Another)	8		ıt		igniti	or nc			and R	
B.1-11	Boilers, Air Compressors, Power Generation (Utility Area)		30	30		15	30	15	15		NM	30	30		30	Boilers,	(Anot	Exchange	Cracking	Equipment	irs	auto	ition				
B.1-12	Cooling Towers		30	30		15	30	15	15		NM	30	30		30	30	15	Exch		Equi	Expanders	les >	toign	(Se	Cars	for Trucks	
B.1-13	Heat Exchangers		NA	60		15	60	15	15		NM	8	8		5	30	30	Heat ]	Heaters,	ting	r, Exp	ımab	. < au	ctur	Rail (	Racks fo	
B.1-14	Fired Heaters, Cracking Furnaces		NA	60		15	60	15	15		NM	15	15		15	30	30	15	Fired	Rotating	Compressor,	Pumps handling Flammables > autoignition or self-igniting	ables	(Structures)	and	ıg Ra	with unit)
	Rotating Equipment																				Compi	dling	lamm		Trucks	Loading 1	
B.1-16	Gas Compressor, Expanders		NA	60		15	60	15	15		NM	8	6		6	30	30	5	15		Gas C	s har	ing F	Equipment	for	(LFG) L	iated
B.1-17	Pumps handling Flammables (> autoignition or self-igniting materials)		NA	60		15	60	15	15		NM	5	5		5	30	30	5	15		5	Pump	handl	er Eq	Racks	Gas (LI	associated
B.1-18	Pumps handling Flammables (< autoignition or non-self-igniting materials)		NA	60		15	60	15	15		NM	5	5		5	30	30	5	15		5	NM	Pumps handling Flammables < autoignition or non-self-igniting	Transfer	Loading R	Flammable G	(piping not
	Transfer Equipment (Structures)									_				•										•	ral Lo	Flam	s (pip
B.1-19	Central Loading Racks for Trucks and Rail Cars (see Liquid Flammable Gas below)		75	30		15	60	15	15		NM	60	60		60	60	50	30	60		60	60	60		Central		racks
B.1-20	Liquefied Flammable Gas (LFG) Loading Racks for Trucks and Rail Cars		75	110		15	75	15	15		NM	75	75		75	75	75	75	75		75	75	75		50	Liquefied	Pipe
B.1-21	Main Pipe Racks (piping not associated with unit)		NM	30		NM	15	NM	NM		NM	15	15		NM	15	15	5	15		15	15	15		15	15	Main
B.1-22	Process Pipe Racks		NM	60		NM	60	NM	NM		NM	5	5		NM	30	30	5	15		6	5	5		60	60	NM

No	Jotes for Table B.1-M: Typical facility and layout distances between process unit equipment for fire consequences										
	1	Distances are measured with the shortest line from one point to another point at ground level, horizontal plane, or grade. Refer to Figure B.1 for the "x,y,z" perspective. The "points" defined for measuring the distances are as follows:									
	1a	Distances between one block (e.g., a building or structure) to another block or boundary: Measure the shortest distance between the edge of the block and the other block or boundary. (This could be on the corner of a block.)									
	1b	Distances between equipment to equipment: Measure shortest distance between "points" or closest edge									
	2	These tables are not applicable to enclosed process units.									
	3	The typical distances cited in Table B.1 are based on potential fire consequences and processes with "Intermediate Hazards" [GAP 2.5.2.A]. Greater distances may be required based on modeled explosions and toxic releases.									
	4	Different distances may be warranted based on site-specific hazards and risks.  Distances may be reduced or increased based on risk analysis or when additional layers of protection are implemented (such as: fire protection or emergency shutdown systems).  Where unusual conditions require closer distances, appropriate risk reduction measures should be considered.									
	NA	Not applicable.									
1	NM	No minimum distances requirement has been established for fire consequences. Use engineering judgement for distances and provide sufficient space for maintenance and fire fighting access.									

Table B.2-M

Typical facility and layout distances between tanks and process unit equipment for fire consequences

Explosion, toxic releases, or security issues may require greater distances

Ground level, horizontal plane, or grade distance (m.) Metric Units - Issued 06-Apr-2018 CCPS Guidelines for Siting and Layout of Facilities Distances Low Pressure Low Pressure Item # Changes are noted for the 2018 Edition greater than with **bold italicized** distances **Boundary to Tank Distances** B.2-1 Property Line or Boundary with adjacent industry Public Access Right of Way B.2-2 e.g., roads, rail lines, and parks) Off-site populations B.2-3 (e.g., businesses/offices, residential housing) Process Unit Battery Limits B.2-4 (except portable containers related to the process) Utility Battery Limits B.2-5 (except portable containers related to the utility ) **Equipment to Tank Distances** Fire water pumps B.2-6 (except the fuel source for the pump) ESD and mitigation system activation points B.2-7 (activation point must be outside of tank diked 

<sup>\*</sup> Greater than 5 tonnes should be treated as Pressurized Storage

Notes for	tes for Table B.2-M: Typical facility and layout distances between tanks and process unit equipment for fire consequences									
1	Distances are measured with the shortest line from one point to another point at ground level, horizontal plane, or grade. Refer to Figure B.1 for the "x,y,z" perspective. The "points" defined for measuring the distances are as follows:									
1a	Distances between one block (e.g., a building or structure) to another block or boundary: Measure the shortest distance between the edge of the block and the other block or boundary. (This could be on the corner of a block.)									
1b	Distances between equipment to equipment: Measure shortest distance between "points" or closest edge									
2	These tables are not applicable to enclosed process units.									
3	The typical distances cited in Table B.2 are based on potential fire consequences and processes with "Intermediate Hazards" [GAP 2.5.2.A]. Greater distances may be required based on modeled explosions and toxic releases.									
4	Different distances may be warranted based on site-specific hazards and risks.  Distances may be reduced or increased based on risk analysis or when additional layers of protection are implemented (such as: fire protection or emergency shutdown systems).  Where unusual conditions require closer distances, appropriate risk reduction measures should be considered.									
NA	Not applicable.									
NM	No minimum distances requirement has been established for fire consequences. Use engineering judgement for distances and provide sufficient space for maintenance and fire fighting access.									

 $\label{thm:consequences} Table~B.3-M$  Typical facility and layout distances between tanks of hazardous materials for fire consequences

Explosion, toxic releases, or security issues may require greater distances

CO	Metric Units 06-Apr-2018 CPS Guidelines for Siting and Layout of Facilities	D	= Diamete	r (larger of	two tanks)	; Ground l	evel, horizo	ontal plane	, or grade	distance (m	1.)
Line Item #	Tank Type  Changes are noted  for the 2018 Edition with  bold italicized distances	Floating & Cone Roof Tanks (< 3,000 bbl.)	Floating & Cone Roof Tanks (3,000 to10,000 bbl.)	Floating Roof Tanks (10,000 to 300,000 bbl.)	ed Class I prod. ) *	& III Product					
B.3-1	Floating & Cone Roof Tanks (< 3,000 bbl.)	0.5 x D	Floatin	f Roof T to 300,	s, Inerte			(			
B.3-2	Floating & Cone Roof Tanks (3,000 to10,000 bbl.)	0.5 x D	0.5 x D	Floating (10,000	Cone Roof Tanks, Inerted (10,000 to 300,000 bbl.) *	Cone Roof Tanks, Class II (10,000 to 300,000 bbl.)	ınks	Low Pressure Storage (up to 100,000 Pa) < 40,000 L	(		
B.3-3	Floating Roof Tanks (10,000 to 300,000 bbl.)	1 x D	1 x D	1 x D	Cone Rc (10,000	oof Tank to 300,(	Floating & Cone Roof Tanks (>300,000 bbl.)	up to 10(	Low Pressure Storage (up to 100,000 Pa) > 40,000 L		
B.3-4	Cone Roof Tanks, Inerted Class I Prod. (10,000 to 300,000 bbl.)	1 x D	1 x D	1 x D	1 x D	Cone Rc (10,000	r & Cone	orage (1	ıp to 10(		
B.3-5	Cone Roof Tanks, Class II & III Product (10,000 to 300,000 bbl.)	0.5 D	0.5 D	1 x D	1 x D	0.5 D	Floating (>300,0	ssure St 0 L	orage (u		Tanks
B.3-6	Floating & Cone Roof Tanks (>300,000 bbl.)	1 x D	1 x D	1 x D	1 x D	1 x D	1 x D	Low Pre < 40,00	ssure St 0 L	torage )	Storage
B.3-7	Low Pressure Storage (up to 100,000 Pa) < 40,000 L	1 x D 15 m. min	1 x D 15 m. min	1 x D 15 m. min	1 x D 15 m. min	1 x D 15 m. min	1 x D 15 m. min	1 x D 15 m. min	Low Pre > 40,00	High Pressure Storage (Bullet, Spheres)	me Roof
B.3-8	Low Pressure Storage (up to 100,000 Pa) > 40,000 L	1.5 x D 30 m. min	1.5 x D 30 m. min	1.5 x D 30 m. min	1.5 x D 30 m. min	1.5 x D 30 m. min	2 X D	1 x D 15 m. min	1 x D 15 m. min	High Pr (Bullet,	Refrigerated Dome Roof Storage Tanks
B.3-9	High Pressure Storage (Bullet, Spheres)	2 x D 30 m. min	2 x D 30 m. min	2 x D 30 m. min	2 x D 30 m. min	2 x D 30 m. min	2 X D	2 x D 30 m. min	2 x D 30 m. min	1 x D <b>30 m.</b> <b>min</b>	Refriger
B.3-10	Refrigerated Dome Roof Storage Tanks	2 x D <b>50 m. min</b>	2 x D <b>50 m.</b> <b>min</b>	2 x D <b>50 m. min</b>	2 x D <b>50 m.</b> <b>min</b>	2 x D <b>50 m.</b> min	2 X D	2 x D 30 m. min	2 x D 30 m. min	1 x D 30 m. min	1 x D 30 m. min

Notes for	Table B.3-M: Typical facility and layout distances between tanks of hazardous materials for fire consequences
1	Distances are measured with the shortest line from one point to another point at ground level, horizontal plane, or grade. Refer to Figure B.1 for the "x,y,z" perspective. The "points" defined for measuring the distances are as follows:
1a	Distances between one block (e.g., a building or structure) to another block or boundary: Measure the shortest distance between the edge of the block and the other block or boundary. (This could be on the corner of a block.)
1b	Distances between equipment to equipment: Measure shortest distance between "points" or closest edge.  (For distances between tanks and vessels, measure the shortest distance from shell to shell)
2	These tables are not applicable to enclosed process units.
3	The typical distances cited in Table B.3 are based on potential fire consequences and processes with "Intermediate Hazards" [GAP 2.5.2.A]. Greater distances may be required based on modeled explosions and toxic releases.
4	Different distances may be warranted based on site-specific hazards and risks.  Distances may be reduced or increased based on risk analysis or when additional layers of protection are implemented (such as: fire protection or emergency shutdown systems).  Where unusual conditions require closer distances, appropriate risk reduction measures should be considered.

 $\label{thm:consequences} Table~B.4-M$  Typical facility and layout distances between on-site buildings for fire consequences

Explosion, toxic releases, or security issues may require greater distances

(	Metric Units - Issued 06-Apr-2018 CCPS Guidelines for Siting and Layout of Facilities		Ground level, horizontal plane, or grade distance (m.)										
Line Item #	On-Site Building  Changes are noted  for the 2018 Edition with <b>bold italicized</b> equipment or distances	Property Line or Boundary	Process Unit containing flammables	Utilities	Process Equipment	Main Pipe Racks	Process Unit Pipe Racks	Atmospheric & Low Pressure Flammable & Combustible Storage Tanks (up to 100,000 Pa) <40,000 L	Atmospheric & Low Pressure Flammable and Combustible Storage Tanks (up to 100,000 Pa) >40,000 L	High Pressure Flammable Storage	Any Loading and Unloading Racks (non-LPG and LFG)	Any LPG and LFG Loading and Unloading Racks	Refrigerated Storage
B.4-1	Office, Lab, Maintenance, Warehouse	NM	60	30	60	30	30	60	75	110	60	110	60
B.4-2	Fire Station, Medical, Emergency Command Center	NM	60	30	60	30	30	60	90	110	60	110	60
B.4-3	Substation, Motor Control - Main (Note 5)	15	30	30	60	30	30	60	90	110	60	110	110
B.4-4	Substation, Motor Control - More than One Process Unit (Notes 5, 6)	15	30	30	15	8	8	30	75	75	60	75	110
B.4-5	Substation, Motor Control - One Process Unit (Note 5)	15	30	30	15	8	8	15	75	75	60	75	110
B.4-6	Control Room - Main	NM	60	30	60	30	30	60	75	110	60	110	110
B.4-7	Control Room - More than One Process Unit	NM	60	30	30	10	30	30	75	110	60	110	-
B.4-8	Control Room - One Process Unit	NM	60	30	15	10	10	15	75	75	60	75	-
B.4-9	Satellite Instrument House (SIH) - More than One Process Unit (Note 5)	NM	30	30	30	10	30	30	75	110	60	110	-
B.4-10	Satellite Instrument House (SIH) - One Process Unit (Note 5)	NM	30	30	15	3	3	15	75	75	60	75	-
B.4-11	Shelter (operations weather overhang) (Note 7)	NM	15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B.4-12	Shelter (dedicated to truck or barge unloading, sampling stations) (Note 7)	NM	15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B.4-13	Portable buildings	Industry guidance on the siting of portable buildings and tents is provided in the literature [i.e., API RP 753, API RP 756, and API TR 756-1].  (Note: Portable buildings include temporary buildings or trailers used to house people or store equipment.)											

otes ioi	Table B.4-M: Typical facility and layout distances between on-site buildings for fire consequences
1	Distances are measured with the shortest line from one point to another point at ground level, horizontal plane, or grade. Refer to Figure B.1 for the "x,y,z" perspective. The "points" defined for measuring the distances are as follows:
1a	Distances between one block (e.g., a building or structure) to another block or boundary: Measure the shortest distance between the edge of the block and the other block or boundary. (This could be on the corner of a block.)
1b	Distances between equipment to equipment: Measure shortest distance between "points" or closest edge
2	These tables are not applicable to enclosed process units.
3	The typical distances cited in Table B.4 are based on potential fire consequences and processes with "Intermediate Hazards" [GAP 2.5.2.A]. Greater distances may be required based on modeled explosions and toxic releases. (Refer to Figure 5.1)
4	Different distances may be warranted based on site-specific hazards and risks. Distances may be reduced or increased based on risk analysis or when additional layers of protection are implemented (such as: fire protection or emergency shutdown systems).  Where unusual conditions require closer distances, appropriate risk reduction measures should be considered.
	Substations and Satellite Instrument Houses (SIH) - normally temperature controlled (i.e., air conditioned) buildings. Caution: SIHs are typically considered "unoccupied" for facility siting studies. If personnel use Substations or SIHs, then evaluate them as "occupied."
6	No direct comparable table for Substations in GAP 2.5.2. Interpretation for "More Than One Process Unit" is the same as "Main."
7	The distinction between shelters: a simple weather overhang typically has three walls, a roof, and no windows or doors; whereas truck, railcar, barge unloading "shelters" are used for the paperwork and protection of the unloading personnel from the weather during the transfer of the materials (rain, cold or hot temperatures).
NM	No minimum distances requirement has been established for fire consequences. Use engineering judgement for distances and provide sufficient space for maintenance and fire fighting access.

## Table B.5-M

# Typical facility and layout distances between other types of equipment and operations for fire consequences

Explosion, toxic releases, or security issues may require greater distances

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	Ground level, ho	orizontal plane, or grade distance (m.)	
Line Item #	Spacing From	То	<b>Minimum</b> Distances

Changes are noted for the 2018 Edition with **bold italicized** distances

B.5-1	Process-unit battery limit	On-site unrestricted roadway	15
B.5-2	Emergency shutdown valve, manually operated	Edge of a potential pool fire involving the equipment the valve is isolating	15
B.5-3	Wastewater separators	Equipment handling flammables, continuous ignition sources	30
B.5-4	Multi-unit blowdown drums (Note: due to historical accidents associated with these, the	Process Unit Battery Limits	30
B.5-5	current trend is to seek alternate, safer designs)	All other facilities	60
B.5-6		Unit Substation (Single Unit)	15
B.5-7	Transfer pumps, Out Side Battery Limits (OSBL), handling flammable and combustible liquids	Unit Substation (Multiple Units)	30
B.5-8		Main Substation	60
B.5-9	Off-property main railway	Equipment and storage tanks handling flammables	60
B.5-10	On-property main railway	Equipment and storage tanks handling flammables	30
B.5-11	On-property railway loading or platform	Equipment and storage tanks handling flammables	60
B.5-12	On-property railway spur	Equipment and on-site storage tanks handling flammables	8
B.5-13	On-property ranway spur	Off-site storage tanks handling flammables	30
B.5-14	-Wharves handling flammable liquids	Equipment handling flammables	60
B.5-15	- what ves handling hammable liquids	Continuous sources of ignition	75
B.5-16	Wharves handling LPG and LFG	All other facilities	75
B.5-17		Office, Lab, <i>Warehouse</i> , Emergency Center, Main Substation, Main Control Room	60
B.5-18	Cooling Tower (large, multi-cell, combustible)	Single or Multi-Unit Substation, Single or Multi-Unit Control Room, or Satellite Instrument House	30
B.5-19		Flares	See Table B.7
B.5-20	Unit Substations	Process equipment handling Flammables	30
B.5-21	Electrical switch racks supporting shutdown or	Equipment handling flammables	6
B.5-22	emergency functions	Fired heaters or gas compressors	15
B.5-23	Fire training areas	All other facilities	60

	Table B.5-M: cility and layout distances between other types of equipment and operations for fire consequences
1	Distances are measured with the shortest line from one point to another point at ground level, horizontal plane, or grade. Refer to Figure B.1 for the "x,y,z" perspective. The "points" defined for measuring the distances are as follows:
1a	Distances between one block (e.g., a building or structure) to another block or boundary: Measure the shortest distance between the edge of the block and the other block or boundary. (This could be on the corner of a block.)
1b	Distances between equipment to equipment: Measure shortest distance between "points" or closest edge
2	These tables are not applicable to enclosed process units.
3	The typical distances cited in Table B.5 are based on potential fire consequences and processes with "Intermediate Hazards" [GAP 2.5.2.A]. Greater distances may be required based on modeled explosions and toxic releases.
4	Different distances may be warranted based on site-specific hazards and risks.  Distances may be reduced or increased based on risk analysis or when additional layers of protection are implemented (such as: fire protection or emergency shutdown systems).  Where unusual conditions require closer distances, appropriate risk reduction measures should be considered.
NA	Not applicable.
NM	No minimum distances requirement has been established for fire consequences. Use engineering judgement for distances and provide sufficient space for maintenance and fire fighting access.

 $\label{thm:continuous} Table~B.6-M$  Typical facility and layout distances for emergency response and operations accessibility

	Grou	and level, horizontal plane, or grade distance	
Line Item #	Spacing From	То	Maximum Distances (meter)
B.6-1	One process unit access way	Another access way	60
B.6-2	Fire hydrants protecting process units	Another fire hydrant	60
B.6-3	Fire hydrants in tank farms	Another fire hydrant	60
B.6-4	Firewater Monitors	Fire risk area	15
B.6-5	Access way	Access way	30
Б.0-3	Note: Access way should be at least 6 m. wide	e; Basis for this is a distance of a typical fire hose length of 30	m.

Notes				
1	Distances are measured with the shortest line from one point to another point at ground level, horizontal plane, or grade. Refer to Figure B.1 for the "x,y,z" perspective. The "points" defined for measuring the distances are as follows:			
1a	Distances between one block (e.g., a building or structure) to another block or boundary: Measure the shortest distance between the edge of the block and the other block or boundary. (This could be on the corner of a block.)			
1b	Distances between equipment to equipment: Measure shortest distance between "points" or closest edge			
2	Different distances may be warranted based on site-specific hazards and risks.  Distances may be reduced or increased based on risk analysis or when additional layers of protection are implemented (such as: fire protection or emergency shutdown systems).  Where unusual conditions require closer distances, appropriate risk reduction measures should be considered.			

### Table B.7-M

### Typical facility and layout distances for flare systems

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Ground level, horizontal plane, or grade distance					
Line Item #	Spacing From	То	Minimum Distances (meter)		
B.7-1	Elevated and grade level flares and burn pits (if radiation level calculations do not exist)	All other facilities	150		
B.7-2	Enclosed ground flares	Property line, equipment handling flammables	30		

Guidelines for Radiant Heat Calculations				
Line Item #	Permissible design level kW/m2 (Btu/h·ft2)	Conditions		
B.7-3	1.58 (500)	Maximum radiant heat intensity at any location where personnel with <i>appropriate clothing</i> (Note 1) can be continuously exposed		
B.7-4	4.73 (1,500)	Maximum radiant heat intensity in areas where emergency actions lasting 2 min to 3 min can be required by personnel without shielding but with <i>appropriate clothing</i> (Note 1)		
B.7-5	6.31 (2,000)	Maximum radiant heat intensity in areas where emergency actions lasting up to 30 s can be required by personnel without shielding but with <i>appropriate clothing</i> (Note 1)		
B.7-6	9.46 (3,000)	Maximum radiant heat intensity at any location where urgent emergency action by personnel is required. When personnel enter or work in an area with the potential for radiant heat intensity greater than 6,31 kW/m2 (2 000 Btu/h·ft2), then radiation shielding and/or special protective apparel (e.g. a fire approach suit) should be considered.		
		SAFETY PRECAUTION — It is important to recognize that personnel with appropriate clothing (Note 1) cannot tolerate thermal radiation at $6.31 \text{ kW/m2}$ (2,000 Btu/h·ft2) for more than a few seconds.		

Appropriate clothing consists of hard hat, long-sleeved shirts with cuffs buttoned, work gloves, long-legged pants and work shoes.

Note for Radiant Heat Calculation Guidelines

Appropriate clothing minimizes direct skin exposure to thermal radiation.

From ANSI/API Standard 521, Pressure-relieving and Depressuring Systems, Fifth Edition, January 2007 ISO 23251 (Identical), Petroleum and natural gas industries—Pressure-relieving and depressuring systems

# Table B.7-M Typical facility and layout distances for flare systems

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### Table B.7-M - Continued

	Thermal Radiation kW/m2 (Btu/h·ft2)	Effect
B.7-7	1.5 (500)	Fire fighters can operate for long duration under normal conditions
B.7-8	5 (1,500)	Fire fighters can fight fire with normal protective clothing for a short time
B.7-9	8 (2,500)	Fire fighters can fight fire for short time if special cooled protective clothing is worn
		Fire unlikely to propagate beyond this point, even if no fire water applied
B.7-10	12 to 30 (4,000 to 9,500)	Fire should not propagate beyond this point if sufficient fire water applied
B.7-11	36 (11,000)	Fire likely to propagate no matter how much fire water applied

From "ExTool User Manual," Swiss Reinsurance Company, Zurich, 1998.

Notes Typical facility and layout distances for flare systems

Distances are measured with the shortest line from one point to another point at ground level, horizontal plane, or grade. Refer to Figure B.1 for the "x,y,z" perspective. The "points" defined for measuring the distances are as follows:

Distances between one block (e.g., a building or structure) to another block or boundary: Measure the shortest distance between the edge of the block and the other block or boundary. This could be on the corner of a block. For Flare calculations, the distance is measured from the perimeter of the calculated circle.