

Mast Arm Foundation Chart ^A						
Mast Arm Type	Soil Type	Soil Condition		Diameter (in)	Foundation Length (ft)*	Casing Depth
		S _u *	N ₆₀ *			
Single Arm	Low Sand	-	5 ≤ N ₆₀ < 10	42	19.5	As Shown on Plans
	Med Sand	-	10 ≤ N ₆₀ < 20	42	13.0	
	High Sand	-	N ₆₀ ≥ 20	42	12.5	
	Low Clay	500 ≤ S _u < 1000	-	42	16.5	
	Med Clay	1000 ≤ S _u < 2000	-	42	14.0	
	High Clay	S _u ≥ 2000	-	42	11.5	
Double Arm	Low Sand	-	5 ≤ N ₆₀ < 10	42	18.0	
	Med Sand	-	10 ≤ N ₆₀ < 20	42	14.5	
	High Sand	-	N ₆₀ ≥ 20	42	14.0	
	Low Clay	500 ≤ S _u < 1000	-	42	19.5	
	Med Clay	1000 ≤ S _u < 2000	-	42	15.5	
	High Clay	S _u ≥ 2000	-	42	12.5	

*S_u = Undrained Shear Strength in Cohesive Soil (psf)

*N₆₀ = Standard Penetration Resistance (Blows/Foot according to ASTM D-1586)
corrected to 60% Hammer Efficiency utilizing the Hammer's Calibrated Energy


*Foundation length measured from the top of the shaft, and assumes maximum 0.25 feet (3 inches) of stickup


Note: A Detailed Site Specific Design is Required for the Following Conditions

- 1) If N₆₀ < 5 bfp or S_u < 500 psf
- 2) If mast arm lengths are greater than 50 feet
- 3) If groundwater is less than 3 feet below the ground surface
- 4) If a rock socket is required for the drilled shaft, if N₆₀ values greater than 50 blows per foot dominate the lower half of the drilled shaft length, or if drilling refusal or split-spoon refusal is encountered above design bottom of foundation elevation.

OTHER NOTES:

A. This chart is for use with Mast Arms. See SIG-030, SIG-031, SIG-032, and SIG-033 for details.
The upper 5 feet of soil modeled as disturbed soil assuming ground is disturbed to locate utilities.
Drilled shaft head deflection less than or equal to 1 inch.

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