

# A Master Socket Table, Version 1.1

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We can debate endlessly about metric versus SAE, but ultimately, we just want to remove that nut. Especially if the nut is rounded, the socket must be a close fit. Of course, this discussion also applies to wrenches.

We know the nut was once 3/8 inch, but maybe that is a little too loose now. What is the next smaller size? Rather than limit yourself to SAE, why not see if metric can help? I know that 3/8 inch converted to decimal starts with 0.3, so I look in that column. Ah, 9 mm might be a snug fit.

That 11 mm socket won't fit, but a 7/16 inch nominally 0.005 inches larger.

0.1		0.2		0.3		0.4		0.5		0.6		0.7		0.8		0.9		1.0	
inch	nom	inch	nom	inch	nom	inch	nom	inch	nom	inch	nom	inch	nom	inch	nom	inch	nom	inch	nom
0.118	3 mm	0.219	7/32	0.313	5/16	0.406	13/32	0.500	1/2	0.625	5/8	0.709	18 mm	0.813	13/16	0.906	23 mm	1.000	1
0.125	1/8	0.236	6 mm	0.315	8 mm	0.433	11 mm	0.512	13 mm	0.630	16 mm	0.719	23/32	0.827	21 mm	0.938	15/16	1.024	26 mm
0.156	4 mm	0.250	1/4	0.344	11/32	0.438	7/16	0.531	17/32	0.656	21/32	0.748	19 mm	0.844	27/32	0.945	24 mm	1.031	1-1/32
0.157	5/32	0.276	7 mm	0.354	9 mm	0.469	15/32	0.551	14 mm	0.669	17 mm	0.750	3/4	0.866	22 mm	0.969	31/32	1.063	1-1/16
0.188	3/16	0.281	9/32	0.375	3/8	0.472	12 mm	0.563	9/16	0.688	11/16	0.781	25/32	0.875	7/8	0.984	25 mm	1.063	27 mm
0.197	5 mm			0.394	10 mm			0.591	15 mm	RG Sparber		0.787	20 mm					1.094	1-3/32
								0.594	19/32	11/6/2020								1.102	28 mm

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