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Figure 1: GFRP dowels of 34.9 and 38.1 mm-diameter

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Table 1: Example table

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **When You Know** | **Multiply by** | **To Find** |
| **Length** | | |
| inches (in) | 25.4 | millimeters (mm) |
| feet (ft) | 0.305 | meters (m) |
| yards (yd) | 0.914 | meters (m) |
| Miles (mi) | 1.61 | Kilometres (km) |

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