## MEASUREMENTS: absolute measurement

(1) It's important to know this measurement conversion: 72 points $=6$ picas $=1$ inch
(2) It's important to know how to read absolute measurement specifications:

3p2.5


List picas first. $p=3$ picas. Then list points: 2.5 points. $3 p 2.5$ equals 38.5 points or about 0.5347 in.

Don't worry, the computer programs can do the math conversions for you.

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Reading absolute measurement specifications within a typographic standards guide:

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