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Figure 2 isolates one quarter of Figure 1. The shaded area in Figure 2 can be found as follows:

Shaded area = Area of the quarter circle - Area of the isosceles right triangle.

Shaded area: $\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\left(\frac{7}{2}\ \mathbf{cm}\right)^2\right) - \left(\frac{1}{2}\cdot\frac{7}{2}\ \mathbf{cm}\cdot\frac{7}{2}\ \mathbf{cm}\right)$ = $\frac{49\pi}{16}\ \mathbf{cm}^2 - \frac{49}{8}\ \mathbf{cm}^2 = \frac{49}{16}(\pi - 2)\ \mathbf{cm}^2$

The area of the shaded region is $\frac{49}{16}(\pi - 2) \ cm^2$. There are 8 such regions in the figure, so we multiply this answer by 8. Total shaded area: $8\left(\frac{49}{16}(\pi - 2)\right) = \frac{49}{2}(\pi - 2) = \frac{49\pi}{2} - 49$

The exact area of the shaded region is $\left(\frac{49\pi}{2} - 49\right) cm^2$.

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Numeric expression for the area: $\frac{1}{4}\pi(14 \text{ in.})^2 - \left(\frac{1}{2} \cdot 14 \text{ in.} \cdot 14 \text{ in.}\right)$

The shaded area in Figure 1 is the same as the shaded area in Figure 2. This area can be found by subtracting the area of the right triangle with leg lengths of 14 in. from the area of the quarter circle with a radius of 14 in.

$$\frac{1}{4}\pi(14 \text{ in.})^2 - \left(\frac{1}{2} \cdot 14 \text{ in.} \cdot 14 \text{ in.}\right) = (49\pi - 98) \text{ in}^2$$

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