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## **THE DURAFAN RANGE OF CORROSION RESISTANT FANS**

### **GENERAL HEALTH AND SAFETY DATA**

The fan's main purpose is to develop a pressure drop, which can be used to move a gas from one place to another, to do this it uses a rotor.

This type of machine always carries a remote chance that the impeller may disintegrate. Clearly such a device needs to be sited with care.

In order to minimise this risk please keep the following points in mind:

- a) The fan case is non load bearing
- b) Use flexible connections
- c) Ensure that any motor of 4 kW capacity and above is fitted with a means of soft start, and stop
- d) Prior to initial start up make sure the rotor turns freely in the fan case
- e) After start up make sure the gas temperature does not exceed 25°C
- f) If you are to use an indirectly driven fan then before increasing the fan speed make sure it is both safe to do so and that the motor has sufficient power

Connection to the electrical supply should only be made by a qualified electrician and should comply with the prevailing regulations.

These Operating & Maintenance Instructions should be read and understood prior to work being undertaken.

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**OPERATING AND MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTIONS**  
**FOR 'B' SERIES FANS**

**ORDER NO:** 1234  
**FAN SIZE:** B305  
**FAN SERIAL NO:** 1234  
**VOLUME:** 0.5m<sup>3</sup>/sec  
**PRESSURE:** 170Pa  
**FAN SPEED:** 2880 rpm  
**DRIVE ARRANGEMENT:** Direct  
  
**MOTOR MAKE:** TEC  
**kW:** 0.37  
**FRAME SIZE:** 71  
**SPEED:** 2880  
**ENCLOSURE:** IP 55  
**SUPPLY:** 415-3-50  
**FULL LOAD CURRENT:** 0.97 Amps  
**DOL STARTING CURRENT:** 5.82 Amps

**Fan Case:**

Fabricated from polypropylene sheet and has a flanged inlet and outlet.

**Impeller:**

Multiwing construction moulded in polypropylene, this item is extremely fragile so care must be taken when handling it.

**Flexible Connections:**

It is important that the fans be fitted with flexible connections on both inlet and discharge flanges. These connections must be aligned so that no external forces are brought to bear on the fan case.

**Motors:**

TEC machines or equivalent manufacture relevant standard – BS 4999, ISO 9001, EN29001 Class 'F' insulation and designed to IP 55 unless otherwise stated.

The motors are suitable for direct on line starting below 4 kW. The full load and starting currents are listed below. Starting equipment should be selected accordingly. It is strongly recommended that starters with 'single phasing protection' be employed in order to safeguard the motor from installation faults.

**Electrical Installation & Safety:**

It is important that the motor enclosure is soundly earthed by a metallic conduit run, by separate earth continuity conductor, or by separate earth bonding. In all cases the installation must be made and tested, and for this feature by a competent person, before the supply is applied to the motor.

Connection diagrams are supplied with each motor pertinent to its installation. Check that the supply details correspond with the data carried on the motor rating plate. Check the security of all electrical connections, plugs, sockets, etc., before switching on the supply.

It may be necessary to 'jog' the motor in order to determine the rotation. Instructions on reversing the rotation are given on the relevant connection diagram. If the fan and motor has been put in storage, check that no foreign matter, such as paper, etc., is present inside, as this can lead to disintegration of the impeller upon starting.

Test the installation resistance between phases, also to earth, with a 'Megger' at 500 v. This should not be less than 1 ohm. The motor should be taken to a dry, warm place until the correct resistance value is attained.

If these motors are not fitted with anti condensation heater coils and intermittent use is envisaged in a cold environment, a further check should be made to ensure that the terminal box is free from condensation.

### **Before Starting the Fan:**

Check that the impeller is free to rotate without catching. Check that the cable entry to the motor terminal box is secure and weatherproof. Check that the motor terminal box cover has been fixed in a manner ensuring complete water tightness.

Dampers in the system should always be shut when starting up to avoid the possible overloading of the motor. Care must be taken in ensuring any foreign bodies, such as paper etc do not get drawn into the fan as this can lead to the disintegration of the fan impeller.

Check that the ductwork is free from debris and that it is of adequate construction to withstand the pressure developed. Check that dampers in the system are shut when starting up to avoid the possible overloading of the motor. When commissioning, the dampers may be adjusted to give the design duty required.

### **After Starting the Fan**

Immediately check that the current being drawn does not exceed the full load current shown on the motor name plate.

If you are using a 3 phase motor make sure that the currents measured do not vary by more than 5%.

### **Maintenance**

#### **Fan Case:**

The case requires little attention other than a wash occasionally to remove atmospheric grime.

If you are to work within the fan case then find out what fume/material may have passed through the system and protect yourself accordingly.

### **NOTE!**

**If the fan is not used for any length of time, then the bearings should be turned regularly to avoid race damage, which may induce premature failure of the bearing.**

**Prior to altering the speeds of these fans, it is important that you consult our technical staff for advice**

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