TURBAIR® Blower
Type RT for dewatering under vacuum

Features
- High reliability
- High thermal efficiency
- Wide performance & operational range
- Environmentally friendly
- Low space requirement
- No seal water consumption
- Specially suited for felt conditioning
- Specially suited for tissue applications
Type RT

Technical data

Characteristics and operating data

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**Operation**

The RT single-stage blower is driven via a gear box by an electric motor with a constant or variable speed. The air/water mix aspirated from the paper machine is collected in a separator where water, particles and fibers solids are removed. The air is then directed into the impeller and compressed. The blower’s internal, steplessly adjustable diffuser blades ensure variable volume flows at constant vacuum and optimum efficiency.

The air exits the blower with a temperature of approximately 140 °C. This thermal energy can be recuperated in a heat exchanger and can be used for preheating the process water, as energy for the drying process, room heating, etc.
Control system

Three fully automatic control loops ensure operational safety and reliability.

- Overload protection:
  Throttle valves in the suction duct close, simulating the flow resistance of the missing paper sheet, thus preventing air inrush and drive motor overload.

- Antisurge protection:
  Operating the blower below the minimum flow level will cause it to surge. To avoid this, an automatic valve lets air into the first suction branch until stable operation is restored.

- Power control:
  The automatic blower control adjusts to varying air flows. A pneumatic servomotor opens the diffuser blades with increasing volume flow and closes them with reduced flow.

Design

The spiral casing with horizontal intake flanges is coupled directly to the spur gear casing or mounted directly on the base frame. The steplessly adjustable diffuser blades, together with the pneumatic servodrive motor, are integrated into the spiral casing.

The welded base frame with foundation pads and fixation bolts has an integrated oil reservoir. All oil system and electric motor auxiliaries are mounted on the base frame.

Lubricating oil system

All the gear box journal bearings are pressure-lubricated. During start-up and shutdown, an electronically driven auxiliary oil pump provides lubrication to the bearings. Upon reaching nominal speed, a mechanically driven lubrication oil pump connected to the gearbox casing takes over the oil supply. During normal operation, the electrically driven pump is in stand-by mode until it is needed. Experience has shown that this arrangement offers the best possible blower availability.

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RT single-stage blowers are exceptionally suitable for felt conditioning thanks to their ability to adjust power and volume flow to the changing felt permeability while, at the same time, maintaining optimum efficiency. The constant dewatering level results in optimum conditioning with a corresponding extension of the felt lifetime.
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