

FRD Refrigerant Dryers

7cfm-3885cfm





Compressed Air contains water, oil and dirt

The Problem

Compressed air is an essential power source that is widely used throughout industry. This safe, powerful and reliable utility can be the most important part of your production process. However, your compressed air will contain water, dirt, wear particles, bacteria and even degraded lubricating oil which all mix together to form an unwanted abrasive sludge. This sludge, often acidic, rapidly wears tools and pneumatic machinery, blocks valves and orifices causing high maintenance and costly air leaks. It also corrodes piping systems and can bring your production process to an extremely expensive standstill! Only compressed air that is totally clean and dry will ensure maximum savings.



Corrosion



Unwanted Abrasive Sludge



All of these costly problems can be avoided by installing a Fluidair FRD compressed air refrigeration dryer package complete with FP filtration. The packages are suitable for use with any compressor type and provide air quality to ISO 8573.1 Class 1.4.1.

Benefits Clean, Dry, Compressed Air



Stops Damage & Corrosion Prevents product spoilage and prolongs life of compressed air systems and pneumatic tools.



Energy Efficient, Low Running Costs Use of R134a & R407C reduces refrigerant charge, compressor size and running costs when compared to more traditional HFC refrigerants. Scroll compressors in models FRD388 to FRD3885 reduce energy costs by a further 20%.



Compact & Lightweight Efficient heat exchanger and refrigeration circuit design combined with R134a & R407C components, ensures a long operating life. refrigerant reduces size and weight when compared to dryers charged with more traditional HFC refrigerants.



Reliable Operation

Simple circuit design and use of high quality Easy to remove casing and instant access to condensate drain simplifies routine cleaning and maintenance.



Damaged Tools

Montreal Protocol compliant

Use of R134a & R407C environmentally friendly HFC refrigerant ensures compliance with the Montreal Protocol. With no proposed 'phase out' of this refrigerant, the dryer will not have to be replaced prematurely.



Compressed Air Technology



The inside story



Simple Controller

Fitted on models FRD 007 to FRD 318, the simple controller provides on / off operation and visual indication of dryer performance.

Anti-Galvanic Corrosion Couplings

Anti-galvanic corrosion couplings between copper refrigerant circuit and aluminium heat exchanger ensures no leaks.



Electronic Controller

Models FRD388 to FRD3885, are fitted with an electronic control system. A keypad provides total control of the dryer and allows access to performance and service functions. The digital display shows dryer perfomance and alarm conditions for high refrigerant pressure, high refrigerant temperature, high and low dewpoint and compressor faults. Manual electrical isolation and a full refrigeration system mimic display is also included on the front panel.

Efficient Heat Exchanger Design

All models use the High Performance Cross Flow Heat Exchange Module. Using R407C&R134a and the High performance Cross Flow Heat Exchanger module allows the refrigeration circuit to be typically 30% smaller than traditional HFC based systems, providing savings of up to 10% in energy consumption.

Energy Efficiency

The combination of an efficient heat exchanger design, R407C & R134a, refrigerant and level sensing, no air loss condensate drains produces a compact energy efficient dryer. Models FRD388 to FRD3885 utilise energy efficient scroll compressors. Scroll compressors have 50% less moving parts, lower vibration and noise levels and consume 20% less energy than an equivalent output piston compressor, increasing energy efficiency even further.



COMPRESSOR

Additional Energy Saving 'Cold Mass' Control System

The electronic controller can also be connected to the compressor start - stop circuit, a flow switch or a remote timer to provide additional energy savings in periods of no demand such as evenings or weekends.

In 'Cold Mass' mode, the evaporator temperature is always maintained allowing instant start up when required.



Energy Efficient Level Sensing Drain*

Level sensing condensate drains only discharge when liquid is present and close before compressed air is lost. Saving Air – Saves Energy – Saves Money. *MODELS FRD 388 to FRD 3885)



High Performance Cross Flow Heat Exchanger

At the centre of the **FRD** dryer is the high performance Cross Flow Heat Exchanger Module. This module is a combination of two brazed aluminum bar and plate heat exchangers and a high efficiency stainless steel water separator.

The flow paths through each heat exchanger allow them to be constructed into a single, very compact package. By using a cross flow arrangement, the air flow can exit the air to air heat exchanger and enter directly into the air to refrigerant heat exchanger without any interconnecting piping to direct the flow, resulting in a size, weight and pressure drop reduction when compared to conventional heat exchangers. The brazed and welded construction also means that there are no gasket joints internal to the assembly, providing a maintenance free unit.



Air Inlet

Air to Air Heat Exchanger

The air to air heat exchanger is a pre-cooler / re-heater. It pre-cools the hot, saturated, incoming air by transferring heat to cold air that is returning from the stainless steel water separator. This part of the process also has the effect of re-heating the cold air before distribution to the compressed air system, reducing the likelihood of external pipeline condensation or "sweating" that can occur on chilled surfaces in humid conditions. The importance of this heat exchanger is that it produces some of the cooling load that would otherwise have to be handled by the refrigeration system. This significantly reduces the size and energy consumption of the refrigeration circuit.

Air to Refrigerant Heat Exchanger

The air to refrigerant heat exchanger takes the pre-cooled air from the air to air heat exchanger and cools it to the required dewpoint by transferring heat into the evaporating refrigerant. After cooling, the air enters directly into the high efficiency stainless steel water separator to remove the condensed water.

6 Air Outlet

The dry cold air returns to the air to air heat exchanger through an inverted "L" shaped wrap around manifold. This completely eliminates any need for external piping between the two heat exchangers and the water separator.

Condensate Outlet

An energy efficient, no air loss drain mounted at the bottom of the module removes the separated condensate.

Water Separation

The heat transfer matrix of the Cross Flow Heat Exchanger Module has an enhanced low velocity, low pressure drop geometry, providing greater heat transfer. Low velocity allows the inclusion of an integral stainless steel water separator. Most of the droplet separation occurs in the heat transfer matrix with a stainless steel wire mesh removing any remaining droplets suspended in the air flow.



How it Works

Refrigeration Compressor

This compressor forms part of a closed loop system compressing the refrigerant and circulating it around the system. Models FRD007 toFRD318 use piston compressors, and models FRD388 to FRD3885 use energy efficient scroll compressors.



Evaporator (air to refrigerant heat exchanger)

The evaporator removes heat from the compressed air and transfers it to the cold refrigerant. The saturated refrigerant evaporates with the heat from the compressed air. Superheated vapour is then returned to the compressor.



or particulate that may be present

in the refrigerant system.

The capillary expander reduces the pressure of the liquid refrigerant to ensure the correct refrigerant flow rate enters the evaporator. This provides maximum heat exchange, and correct compressed air dewpoint. Simple design with no moving parts offers increased reliability.



Technical Specification FRD 007 to FRD 107

* Flow capacities in accordance with ISO7183, air suction of FAD 20°C (68°F), 1 bar (14.5 psi) at the following operating conditions : Ambient temperature = 25°C (77°F), Inlet temperature = 35°C (95°F), Relative humidity 60%. Working pressure = 7 bar g (102 psi g), Dewpoint 3°C (37°F).

MODEL	INLET / OUTLET	CA	PACITY		ABSORBED POWER		DIM	WEIGHT			
WODEL		m3/min	m3/hr	cfm	kW	hp	width	height	depth	Kg	lbs
FRD007	3/8	0.2	12	7	0.16	0.21	197	455	450	18	40
FRD014	3/8	0.4	24	14	0.17	0.23	197	455	450	19	42
FRD021	3/8	0.6	36	21	0.2	0.27	197	455	450	20	44
FRD032	1/2	0.9	54	32	0.24	0.32	282	530	600	32	71
FRD042	1/2	1.2	72	42	0.33	0.44	282	530	600	33	73
FRD064	3/4	1.8	108	64	0.48	0.64	352	605	700	46	101
FRD074	3/4	2.1	126	74	0.58	0.78	352	605	700	55	121
FRD085	3/4	2.4	144	85	0.63	0.84	352	605	700	56	123
FRD107	3/4	3.03	181.8	107	0.8	1.07	352	605	700	58	128

Correction Factors

To obtain dryer capacity at new conditions, multiply nominal capacity * x C1 x C2 x C3 x C4

Ambient Temperature (C1)							
Deg C	20	25	30	35	40	45	50
Deg F	68	77	86	95	104	113	122
Correction factor	1.05	1.00	0.94	0.88	0.81	0.75	0.68

Maximum Pressure 16 bar Refrigerant R134a 230v/1ph/50Hz

Inlet Temperature (C2)							
Deg C	30	35	40	45	50	55	60
Deg F	86	95	104	113	122	131	140
Correction Factor	1.22	1.00	0.83	0.69	0.58	0.46	0.45

Inlet Pressure (C3)														
Pressure bar g	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Pressure bar psi g	44	58	73	87	100	116	131	145	160	174	189	203	218	232
Correction Factor	0.73	0.83	0.90	0.95	1.00	1.03	1.07	1.09	1.12	1.13	1.15	1.17	1.18	1.19

Dewpoint (C4)				
Deg C	3	5	7	10
Deg F	38	41	45	50
Correction Factor	1.00	1.12	1.24	1.46

Maximum ambient temperature 50°C (122°F) Maximum inlet temperature 60°C (140°F) Minimum ambient temperature 5°C (41°F)



Technical Specifications FRD 118 to FRD 3885

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MODEL		CA	PACITY		ABSORB	ED POWER	DIM	ENSIONS	(mm)	WEIGHT		
WODEL		m3/min	m3/hr	cfm	kW	hp	width	height	depth	Kg	lbs	
FRD118	1 1/2	3.3	198	118	0.57	0.76	615	791	552	65	143	
FRD141	1 1/2	4	240	141	0.58	0.78	615	791	552	66	146	
FRD182	1 1/2	5.2	312	182	0.95	1.29	615	791	552	68	150	
FRD224	1 1/2	6.3	378	224	0.96	1.27	615	791	552	69	152	
FRD265	1 1/2	7.5	450	265	0.98	1.31	615	791	552	70	154	
FRD318	1 1/2	9	540	318	1.23	1.65	615	791	552	73	161	
FRD388	2	11	660	388	1.18	1.58	920	1015	672	140	309	
FRD433	2	12	720	433	1.21	1.62	920	1015	672	142	313	
FRD506	2	14	840	506	1.49	2	920	1015	672	144	317	
FRD647	2	18	1080	647	1.49	2	920	1015	672	150	331	
FRD789	DN80	22	1320	789	2.11	2.83	1010	1500	1310	400	882	
FRD883	DN80	25	1500	883	2.69	3.61	1010	1500	1310	420	926	
FRD971	DN80	28	1680	971	2.76	3.7	1010	1500	1310	425	937	
FRD1148	DN80	33	1980	1148	3.08	4.13	1010	1500	1310	450	992	
FRD1354	DN80	38	2280	1354	3.19	4.28	1010	1500	1310	456	1005	
FRD1766	DN100	50	3000	1766	4.38	5.87	1010	1500	1310	470	1036	
FRD2266	DN100	64	3840	2266	5.63	7.55	1010	1500	1810	550	1213	
FRD2719	DN150	77	4620	2719	8.57	11.49	1010	1500	1810	580	1279	
FRD3178	DN150	90	5400	3178	7.72	10.35	1010	1500	1810	590	1301	
FRD3885	DN150	110	6600	3885	9.93	13.32	1010	1500	1810	660	1455	

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Ambient Temperature (C1)							
Deg C	20	25	30	35	40	45	50
Deg F	68	77	86	95	104	113	122
Correction factor	1.03	1.00	0.96	0.92	0.88	0.80	0.70

Maximum Pressure 16 bar Refrigerant R407C

Inlet Temperature (C2)							
Deg C	30	35	40	45	50	55	60
Deg F	86	95	104	113	122	131	140
Correction Factor	1.20	1.00	0.84	0.71	0.60	0.50	0.45

FRD 118 to FRD 318 230V/1ph/50Hz FRD 388 to FRD 3885 415V/3ph/50Hz

Inlet Pressure (C3)										
Pressure bar g	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Pressure bar psi g	44	58	73	87	100	116	131	145	160	174
Correction Factor	0.74	0.84	0.90	0.96	1.00	1.04	1.06	1.09	1.11	1.1

Dewpoint (C4)				
Deg C	3	5	7	10
Deg F	38	41	45	50
Correction Factor	1.00	1.14	1.25	1.35

Maximum ambient temperature 50°C (122°F) Maximum inlet temperature 60°C (140°F) Minimum ambient temperature 5°C (41°F)

Options:

Water Cooled Condenser : on models FRD 789 to FRD 3885



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