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**Aerovent Guide Specification  
Utility Set Fans: Model DFC, Direct Drive**

Aerovent Model DFC is a forward curved, junior utility set fan. The DFC fan is designed with forward curved blades, making the DFC an efficient and low noise choice for clean air applications. Model DFC fans offer superior air and sound performance.

**Application**

Aerovent DFC utility sets are ideal for applications where general ventilation or exhaust is required in small areas such as washrooms, restaurant counters, exhaust hoods, etc. Utility sets provide optimal performance with minimal physical dimensions and are offered with direct drive configurations. Fan housings are of heavy gauge, continuously welded construction and are available in steel, aluminum, or stainless steel. Wheels are constructed of aluminum for maximum efficiency and quiet operation.

Sizes (wheel diameter): 6 to 10.5 inches (152 mm to 267 mm)

Airflow to 2,100 CFM (3,568 m3/hour)

Static pressure to 1.75 inches wg (435 Pa)

Aerovent is a leading designer and manufacturer of high quality industrial air moving equipment. Aerovent has extensive industry experience and years of active research, offering customers flexibility in fan design and construction along with superior service and state-of-the-art technology. With an unmatched variety of axial impellers and centrifugal fan wheels, every fan is built to the customer’s specific needs. This comprehensive selection of products and materials makes Aerovent the ideal choice for a diverse range of industry applications, including: Pulp & Paper, Automotive, Metal & Minerals, Mining, Power Generation, Agricultural, Marine and Water Treatment.

Aerovent occupies over 1,000,000 sq. ft. of manufacturing space in the U.S. Headquarters are located in Minneapolis, Minnesota, which houses the management, sales and marketing, accounting, human resources, material management, engineering personnel, as well as a state-of-the-art AMCA accredited testing lab.

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SECTION 23 34 23.01 – UTILITY SET FANS

1. GENERAL
   * + 1. SUMMARY
          1. Section includes forward curved utility set fans, direct-drive.
       2. REFERENCE STANDARDS
          1. Air Movement and Control Association International, Inc. (AMCA): [www.amca.org](http://www.amca.org):

AMCA Standard 204 - Balance Quality and Vibration Levels for Fans

AMCA Standard 210 - ASHRAE 51 - Laboratory Methods of Testing Fans for Certified Aerodynamic Performance Rating

AMCA Standard 300 - Reverberant Room Method for Sound Testing of Fans

* + - * 1. National Electrical Manufacturers Association (NEMA): [www.nema.org](http://www.nema.org)

NEMA MG 1 – Motors and Generators

* + - * 1. National Fire Protection Association (NFPA): [www.nfpa.org](http://www.nfpa.org):

NFPA 70 - National Electric Code

* + - 1. ACTION SUBMITTALS
         1. Product Data: Include the following:

Rated capacities and operating characteristics.

Fan Performance Data: Fan performance curves with flow, static pressure and horsepower.

Sound Performance Data: Fan sound power levels in eight octave bands and, A-weighted overall sound power level or sone values.

Motor ratings and electrical characteristics.

Furnished specialty components.

Specified accessories.

Dimensioned standard drawings indicating dimensions, weights, and attachments to other work.

Specifier: If Contractor will be required to provide engineering drawings and calculations for vibration, seismic, or high wind design, insert requirements here.

* + - 1. INFORMATIONAL SUBMITTALS
         1. Source quality-control reports.
         2. Field quality-control reports.
         3. ISO - 9001 certificate.
      2. CLOSEOUT SUBMITTALS
         1. Operation and Maintenance Data: Include routine maintenance, adjustment requirements, safety information, and troubleshooting guide.
      3. QUALITY ASSURANCE
         1. Manufacturer Qualifications: Approved ISO 9001-compliant manufacturer listed in this Section with minimum 10 years' experience in manufacture of similar products in successful use in similar applications, and with an ASME NQA-1 compliant Program.

Specifier: Retain paragraph below if Owner allows substitutions but requires strict control over qualifying of substitutions.

Approval of Comparable Products: Submit the following in accordance with project substitution requirements, within time allowed for substitution review:

Product data, including certified independent test data indicating compliance with requirements.

Project references: Minimum of 5 installations not less than 5 years old, with Owner contact information.

Sample warranty.

Substitutions following award of contract are not allowed except as stipulated in Division 01 General Requirements.

Approved manufacturers must meet separate requirements of Submittals Article.

* + - * 1. AMCA Compliance:

Provide fan types tested in accordance with AMCA Standard 210 (air performance) and AMCA Standard 300 (sound performance) in an AMCA-accredited laboratory.

* + - 1. COORDINATION
         1. Coordinate sizes and locations of supports required for fan units.
         2. Coordinate sizes and locations of equipment supports, roof curbs, and roof penetrations.
      2. FIELD CONDITIONS
         1. Handling and Storage: Handle and store fan units in accordance with manufacturer's published instructions. Examine units upon delivery for damage. Store units protected from weather.
      3. WARRANTY

Specifier: Consult Aerovent for available special Project-specific warranties.

* + - * 1. Manufacturer's Warranty: Manufacturer's standard form in which manufacturer agrees to furnish replacement components for fan units that demonstrate defects in workmanship or materials under normal use within warranty period specified.

Warranty Period: 12 months from startup or 18 months from shipment by manufacturer, whichever first occurs.

1. PRODUCTS
   * + 1. MANUFACTURER
          1. Basis-of-Design Manufacturer: Provide fan units manufactured by **Aerovent**, Minneapolis MN; (763) 551-7500; email: [aerovent\_sales@aerovent.com](mailto:tcf_sales@tcf.com); website: [www.aerovent.com](http://www.tcf.com).
          2. Source Limitations: Obtain centrifugal airfoil fans from a single manufacturer.
       2. PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS
          1. Fan Performance Ratings: [Project site elevation- based] [Sea level-based].
       3. DIRECT - DRIVEN CENTRIFUGAL UTILITY SETS
          1. Direct - Driven Centrifugal Utility Sets.

Basis of Design Product: **Aerovent, Model DFC**.

Specifier: Coordinate fan orientation with notations on drawings.

* + - * 1. Configuration: Provide unit with fan inlet and discharge directions as indicated on Drawings.
        2. Fan Wheels: Forward curved, with blades riveted to centerplate and wheel outer rim.

Materials of Construction: Aluminum.

Statically and dynamically balance wheel.

Minimum Balance Quality Grade: G6.3, in accordance with AMCA Standard 204.

* + - * 1. Housing: Continuously welded [steel] [aluminum], reinforced with rigid bracing. Includes cutoff plates and aerodynamically spun inlet cones.
        2. Supports: Steel angle, intermittently welded with calk at joints between welds.
        3. Direct Drive:

Provide motor mount pedestal attached to housing.

* + - * 1. Motors: Comply with NEMA MG-1 for designation, temperature rating, service factor, enclosure type, and efficiency requirements for motors specified in Division 23 section "Common Motor Requirements for HVAC Equipment."

Motor Sizes: Minimum size as indicated. If not indicated, large enough so driven load will not require motor to operate in service factor range above 1.0.

Motor Speed: [3,600] [1,800] [1,200] [900] rpm.

Specifier: If factory disconnect is required, select NEMA enclosure rating in following paragraph, and select one subparagraph below to specify factory or field mounting. Retain second subparagraph when NEMA 7/9 (explosion proof) option is selected.

Disconnect Switch: Unfused, NEMA [1] [3R] [4] [4X] [7/9 explosion proof], selected in accordance with Division 26 section "Enclosed Switches."

Factory mount and wire disconnect switch.

Ship disconnect switch loose for field mounting and wiring.

Specifier: Select motor electrical data in following subparagraphs, or show this data on the drawing fan schedule. Do not show the data in both places.

Electrical Data:

Voltage: [115] [208] [230] [460] [575] [\_\_\_\_\_] V; [1] [3] phase; 60 Hz.

Specifier: Select motor enclosure type in first following subparagraph.

Enclosure Type: [Open, Drip Proof (ODP)] [Totally Enclosed Fan Cooled (TEFC)] [Explosion Proof (XP)].

Provide motors that comply with the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 (EISA).

Specifier: For motors controlled by VFDs, retain following paragraph.

When required, provide premium efficiency motor, suitable for inverter duty, for motors controlled by Variable Frequency Drive (VFD).

* + - * 1. Vibration Isolation:

Specifier: When required, retain paragraph and subparagraph below, and coordinate options with project design.

Provide isolation of fan from connected piping, duct work and foundation in accordance with fan manufacturer's requirements, and Division 23, Section "Vibration and Seismic Controls for HVAC Piping and Equipment."

Specifier: Select options in the following paragraph as required.

For fans mounted directly to foundation, provide [neoprene-in-shear] [spring isolator rails] vibration isolators, [and seismic restraints].

* + - * 1. Finishes:

After fabrication, deburr, clean and chemically pretreat metal parts by phosphatization.

Apply two coats of following finish:

Specifier: The first paragraph below is manufacturer's standard finish. Those that follow are optional finishes. Select finish that is required.

If fans specified for the project have different finishes, include the finish for each fan on the Drawings and delete here.

Air-dried enamel.

High-temperature aluminum paint.

Asphaltum.

Vinyl PVC.

Zinc.

Air-dried epoxy.

Synthetic resin, Santile 855.

Air-dried phenolic, Heresite VR 506.

Epoxy, Carboguard 890 series.

Phenolic epoxy, Plasite 7122L

Baked phenolic, Heresite P 413

Coal tar epoxy

High-Build baked epoxy, Skotchkote 324.

* + - * 1. Accessories:

Specifier: Accessories listed in subparagraphs below are optional Aerovent features for this unit. Consult Aerovent representative for recommended options based upon Project requirements.

Gravity Backdraft Damper: Provide with parallel steel blades at fan discharge.

Specifier: Retain following paragraph if safety screens are required. Select options in second following paragraph to designate screen locations.

Specifier: Retain the following paragraph if one or more access doors are required.

Access Door: Provide bolted flush with interior type.

Safety Screens: Removable, galvanized steel wire with radial supports.

Provide safety screens at fan [inlet] [outlet].

Weather Cover: Provide steel weather cover to shield motor from weather. Fabricate with rainproof ventilation slots.

Specifier: Retain following paragraph when spark-resistant construction is required. Select applicable subparagraph.

Spark Resistant Construction: Provide fans having spark-proof properties.

AMCA Type A: Provide non-ferrous metal parts in contact with flowing airstream, and aluminum rub ring where shaft penetrates fan housing.

AMCA Type B: Provide non-ferrous fan wheel impeller and aluminum rub ring where shaft penetrates fan housing.

Drain: 3/4 inch NPT [with plug].

* + - * 1. Fan Capacities and Characteristics: Refer to Drawing schedule.
      1. SOURCE QUALITY CONTROL
         1. Factory Run Test: Test run assembled fan units prior to shipment at specified operating speed or maximum RPM allowed. Statically and dynamically balance each wheel in accordance with AMCA Standard 204 "Balance Quality and Vibration Levels for Fans" to Fan Application Category BV-3, Balance Quality Grade G6.3. Obtain balance readings by electronic equipment in the axial, vertical, and horizontal directions on each set of bearings.

Submit report of factory run test.

1. EXECUTION
   * + 1. EXAMINATION
          1. Examine areas to receive fans. Notify Engineer regarding conditions that may adversely affect installation, operation, or maintenance of fans. Proceed with installation once conditions are in accordance with manufacturer's published instructions.
       2. PROTECTION
          1. Protect adjacent construction and finished surfaces during installation and testing.
          2. Except for operational testing, do not operate fan during construction.
       3. INSTALLATION
          1. Install fans in accordance with Contract documents and manufacturer's published instructions.

Specifier: Insert applicable installation requirements for vibration, seismic, and high wind design if applicable to installation.

* + - * 1. Install fan units with adequate clearances for service and maintenance.

Specifier: Coordinate duct installation and specialty arrangements with schematics on Drawings and with requirements specified in duct systems. If Drawings are explicit enough, these requirements may be reduced or omitted.

Retain option for companion flanges when required.

* + - * 1. Duct Connections: Drawings indicate general arrangement of ducts and duct accessories. Where indicated on Drawings, [install factory-furnished companion flanges and] make final duct connections with flexible connectors. Flexible connectors are specified in Division 23 section "Air Duct Accessories."

Install connecting ducts with adequate clearances for service and maintenance.

* + - * 1. Electrical Connections: Connect wiring in accordance with NFPA 70 and Division 26 section "Low-Voltage Electrical Power Conductors and Cables."

Ground and bond equipment according to Division 26 section "Grounding and Bonding for Electrical Systems."

* + - * 1. Equipment Identification: Label units according to Division 23 section "Identification for HVAC Piping and Equipment."
      1. FIELD QUALITY CONTROL

Specifier: Select option in paragraph below to define the party responsible for final tests and inspections to be performed.

* + - * 1. [Owner will retain] [Contractor shall retain] qualified testing agency to perform field tests and inspections.

Specifier: Retain first paragraph below to describe tests and inspections to be performed.

* + - * 1. Tests and Inspections:

Verify that unit is secured to supports, and that duct and electrical connections are complete. Verify that proper thermal-overload protection is installed in motors, starters, and disconnect switches.

Verify that cleaning and adjusting are complete.

Verify proper motor rotation direction, and verify fan wheel free rotation and smooth bearing operation.

Verify that manual and automatic volume control, and fire and smoke dampers in connected ductwork systems are in fully open position.

Disable automatic temperature-control actuators, energize motor, adjust fan to indicated rpm, and measure and record motor voltage and amperage.

Shut unit down and reconnect automatic temperature-control actuators.

Remove and replace malfunctioning units and retest as specified above.

* + - * 1. Test and adjust controls and safeties. Replace damaged and malfunctioning controls and equipment.
        2. Submit test and inspection reports.
      1. ADJUSTING AND CLEANING
         1. Adjust, clean, and maintain installed fan units in accordance with manufacturer's published instructions.

END OF SECTION