STANDARDS FOR POWER MEASUREMENT

and notes on comparability
Observe different system limits.

In principle, the different system limits already give rise to different performance specifications. For comparability it is, therefore, important to assume that the system boundaries are the same. Starting from the smallest system, in the above picture that of the stage (mech. shaft power (block power)) described in detail. 

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<th>Volume flow range (m³/min)</th>
<th>Permissible tolerance of the usable volume flow (%)</th>
<th>Permissible tolerance of the specific power consumption (%)</th>
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<td>&lt; 0.5</td>
<td>± 7</td>
<td>± 8</td>
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<td>0.5 to 1.5</td>
<td>± 6</td>
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<td>1.5 to 15</td>
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The different possible system limits are also reflected in the scope of delivery of AERZEN:

- Assemblies without motor
- Assemblies with motor
- Assemblies without frequency inverter
- Assemblies with external frequency inverter (for installation in a separate room)
- Assemblies with internal frequency inverter

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Power consumptions at different system limits.

- **Shaft power of the stage (block power)**
  Describes the mechanical power that is taken directly at the drive shaft of the stage.

- **Power consumption (with assembly pressure losses)**
  In addition to mechanical power, takes into account the suction and discharge pressure losses of the components of the assembly. These are e.g. intake filter, intake and discharge silencer and non-return valve.

- **Electrical power assembly ("W2P")**
  Losses in efficiency due to the motor and all auxiliary consumers in the assembly are taken into account. The total output to be used by the operator for process air generation is recorded.

- **Electrical power assembly with frequency inverter ("W2P")**
  If a frequency inverter is available, its losses are taken into account in addition to the electrical power consumption of the assembly.

Typical national and international standards for power measurement:

- ISO 1217:2003-07
- Positive displacement compressors - Acceptance tests
- ISO 1217 AMD 2016-04
- Positive-displacement compressors - Acceptance tests - Amendment 1: calculation of isotropic efficiency and correlation with specific power
- ISO 5189-2005-12
- Turbo compressors - Thermodynamic acceptance and performance tests
- DIN 1945-11980-11
- Positive displacement compressors; thermodynamic acceptance and performance tests (has not been changed for a long time and has lost importance)


ISO 18740:2016-07: Turbo compressors - Performance test method - Simplified acceptance test

In addition to these standards mentioned above, there are other standards for power measurement, some of which are very specific, including some that have not yet become established. All of the above standards specify boundary conditions and for performance measurement based on measurements of mechanical or electrical power consumption and the associated volume flow at specific operating conditions.

If requested, AERZEN is able to determine and specify your performance values in the offer according to the standard you require. Go ahead - challenge us!

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- **ISO 1217.**
  This international standard refers exclusively to positive displacement compressors. The standard, which applies to any other gases, is divided into a detailed main part and seven appendices, four of which describe simplified acceptance tests:

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Appendix F: Simplified acceptance test for electrically driven compressor packages with fixed speed

Appendix G: Simplified acceptance test for compression chambers

Appendix H: Simplified acceptance test for reciprocating compressors

Appendix I: Simplified acceptance test for aspirated screw compressors

Appendix J: Simplified acceptance test for electrically driven screw compressors

Appendix K: Simplified acceptance test for electrically driven centrifugal and axial compressors

Appendix L: Simplified acceptance test for electrically driven multistage compressors

Appendix M: Simplified acceptance test for electrically driven centrifugal compressors with variable speed

Appendix N: Simplified acceptance test for electrically driven centrifugal compressors with fixed speed

Appendix O: Simplified acceptance test for electrically driven axial compressors

Appendix P: Simplified acceptance test for electrically driven turbocompressors

Appendix Q: Simplified acceptance test for electrically driven turboexpander

Appendix R: Simplified acceptance test for electrically driven turboshrinkers

Appendix S: Simplified acceptance test for electrically driven turbocompressors with variable speed

Appendix T: Simplified acceptance test for electrically driven turbocompressors with fixed speed

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**Corresponds to the delivery volume flow measured according to ISO 1217 and converted to the reference suction conditions according to the (informative) appendix F of ISO 1217 [inlet pressure = 1.0 bar / inlet temperature = 20°C, RH = 0%]**
Standard conditions and volume flows
A standard volume flow is a volume flow related to a standard condition. It is, therefore, a different description of a mass flow. In the practical application of different industries, there is a large number of different standard conditions and other reference conditions, such as those specified in non-standard parts. Finally, any thermodynamic state can be used as a reference state. The terms “reference”, “standard”, “norm” and “reference conditions” are usually used synonymously.

In the following some frequently used ones are presented.

- **DIN 1343**: “Physical standard state”, standard conditions: \( T_1=273.15 \text{ K} \), \( p_1=1.01325 \text{ bar} \), \( r_F=0\% \)
- **ISO 2533 or ICAO 7488-2**: “Standard atmosphere”, for altitude 0 m results in: \( T_1=288.15 \text{ K} \), \( p_1=1.01325 \text{ bar} \), \( r_F=0\% \)
- **ISO 1217**: Reference condition in non-standard appendix F (identical with DIN 1945): \( T_1=293.15 \text{ K} \), \( p_1=1.000 \text{ bar} \), \( r_F=0\% \)
- **ISO 5389**: Reference condition from paragraph E.4.2 of the non-standard appendix E, \( T_1=273.15 \text{ K} \), \( p_1=1.01353 \text{ bar} \), \( r_F=0\% \)

**Example**

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<th>Medium</th>
<th>Volume flow at ( t_1=20^\circ\text{C} ), ( p_1=1.02 \text{ bar} ), ( r_F=0% )</th>
<th>Air</th>
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<td>( Q_n )</td>
<td>3,000 m(^3)/h</td>
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<td>Standard volume flow according to DIN 1343</td>
<td>( Q_n )</td>
<td>2,814 Nm(^3)/h</td>
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<tr>
<td>Standard volume flow according to ISO 2533</td>
<td>( Q_n )</td>
<td>2,968 Nm(^3)/h</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Volume flow at reference conditions of ISO 1217</td>
<td>( Q_n )</td>
<td>3,060 Nm(^3)/h</td>
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At AERZEN, the customers receive a volume flow rate in the offer which takes into account all losses, even pressure losses of the assembly components. This is a delivery volume flow or also a usable volume flow, with the special feature that it is specifically related to the suction conditions of the customers, e.g. \( t_1= 30^\circ\text{C}, 80\%\text{ RH}, p_1 = 0.950 \text{ bar} \).

This delivery volume flow can, of course, be converted to any requested standard or reference condition. It is important to note that the actual intake conditions of the customers may differ significantly from the above-mentioned standard conditions, and, therefore, misinterpretations can quickly occur. For this reason, it is recommended that comparisons are always made under real operating conditions and, therefore, also under real suction conditions. Standard conditions are used reasonably if real conditions are not known.

**Comparability of performance data**

The above table shows how differently selected reference conditions affect the numerical values for the standard volume flows. Therefore, only standard volume flows with the same reference conditions may be compared with each other. However, as explained above, the selected standard conditions can differ considerably from the real conditions. Therefore, it is strongly recommended to compare the performance data of different machines under real conditions, of course, with the same system limits. The highest informative value is obtained by determining and comparing annual energy consumption. For the specific application, a typical distribution of the respective operating hours under different operating conditions is taken as a basis, ideally based on measurement data. Only this consideration covers idle, partial load and full load operations as well as seasonal and other changes in operating conditions.

If the distribution of operating hours is known, we will be pleased to calculate the annual energy consumption for all our products under your real conditions. If this is not known, we will support you with our AERAUDIT in recording it.