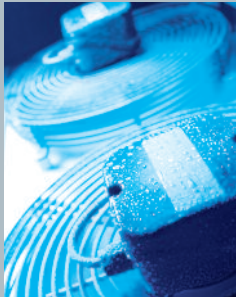


# Technical parameters & scope



## High standards for all ebm-papst products

*Here at ebm-papst, we constantly strive to further improve our products in order to be able to offer you the best possible product for your application. Careful monitoring of the market ensures that technical innovations are reflected in the improvements of our products.*

*Based on the technical parameters listed below and the ambience you want our product to operate in, we here at ebm-papst can always work out the best solution for your specific application.*

## General performance parameters

Any deviations from the technical data and parameters described here are listed on the product-specific data sheet.

### Type of protection

The type of protection is specified in the product-specific data sheets.

### Insulation class

The insulation class is specified in the product-specific data sheets.

### Mounting position

The mounting position is specified in the product-specific data sheets.

### Condensate discharge holes

Information on the condensate discharge holes is provided in the product-specific data sheets.

### Mode of operation

The mode of operation is specified in the product-specific data sheets.

### Protection class

The protection class is specified in the product-specific data sheets..

## Service life

The service life of ebm-papst products depends on two major factors:

- The service life of the insulation system
- The service life of the bearing system

The service life of the insulation system mainly depends on voltage level, temperature and ambient conditions, such as humidity and condensation. The service life of the bearing system depends mainly on the thermal load on the bearing.

The majority of our products use maintenance-free ball bearings for any mounting position possible. As an option, sleeve bearings can be used, which is indicated on the product-specific data sheet wherever applicable.

The service life L10 of the ball bearings can be taken as approx. 40,000 operating hours at an ambient temperature of 40 °C, yet this estimate can vary according to the actual ambient conditions.

We will gladly provide you with a lifetime calculation taking into account your specific operating conditions.

## Motor protection / thermal protection

Information on motor protection and thermal protection is provided in the product-specific data sheets.

Depending on motor type and field of application, the following protective features are realised:

- Thermal overload protection (TOP), either in-circuit or external
- PTC with electronic diagnostics
- Impedance protection
- Thermal overload protection (TOP) with electronic diagnostics
- Current limitation via electronics

If an external TOP is connected, the customer has to make sure to connect a conventional trigger device for switching it off.

Products without fitted TOP and without protection against improper use, a motor protection complying with the valid standards has to be installed.

*Left: Endurance test room  
Middle: Shock test  
Right: Chamber test rig*



### ■ Mechanical strain / performance parameters

All ebm-papst products are subjected to comprehensive tests complying with the normative specifications. In addition to this, the tests also reflect the vast experience and expertise of ebm-papst.

#### **Vibration test**

Vibration tests are carried out in compliance with

- Vibration test in operation according to DIN IEC 68, parts 2-6
- Vibration test at standstill according to DIN IEC 68, parts 2-6

#### **Shock load**

Shock load tests are carried out in compliance with

- Shock load according to DIN IEC 68, parts 2-27

#### **Balancing quality**

Testing the balancing quality is carried out in compliance with

- Residual imbalance according to DIN ISO 1940
- Standard balancing quality level G 6.3

Should you require a higher balancing quality level for your specific application, please let us know and specify this when ordering your product.

### ■ Chemo-physical strain / performance parameters

Should you have questions about chemo-physical strain, please direct them to your ebm-papst contact.

### ■ Fields of application, industries and applications

Our products are used in various industries and applications:

Ventilation, air-conditioning and refrigeration technology, clean room technology, automotive and rail technology, medical and laboratory technology, electronics, computer and office technology, telecommunications, household appliances, heating, machines and plants, drive engineering. Our products are not designed for use in the aviation and aerospace industry!

### ■ Legal and normative directives

The products described in this catalogue are designed, developed and produced in keeping with the standards in place for the relevant product and, if known, the conditions governing the relevant fields of application.

#### **Standards**

Information on standards is provided in the product-specific data sheets.

#### **EMC**

Information on EMC standards is provided in the product-specific data sheets.

Complying with the EMC standards has to be established on the final appliance, as different mounting situations can result in changed EMC properties.

#### **Leakage current**

Information on the leakage current is provided in the product-specific data sheets.

Measuring is according to IEC 60990.

#### **Approvals**

In case you require a specific approval for your ebm-papst product (VDE, UL, GOST, CCC, CSA, etc.) please let us know.

Most of our products can be supplied with the relevant approval.

Information on existing approvals is provided in the product-specific data sheets.

### ■ Air performance measurements

All air performance measurements are carried out on suction side and on chamber test beds conforming to the specifications as per ISO 5801 and DIN 24163. The fans under test are installed in the measuring chamber at free air intake and exhaust (installation category A) and are operated at nominal voltage, with AC also at nominal frequency, and without any additional components such as guard grilles.

As required by the standard, the air performance curves correspond to an air density of 1.2 kg/m<sup>3</sup>.

Room for precision noise measuring



### ■ Measurement conditions for air and noise measurement

ebm-papst products are measured under the following conditions:

- Axial and diagonal fans in direction of rotation “V” in full nozzle and without guard grille
- Backward curved centrifugal fans, free-running and with inlet nozzle
- Forward curved single and dual inlet centrifugal fans with housing

### ■ Noise measurements

All noise measurements are carried out in low-reflective test rooms with reverberant floor. Thus the ebm-papst acoustic test chambers meet the requirements of precision class 1 according to DIN EN ISO 3745. For noise measurement, the fans being tested are placed in a reverberant wall and operated at nominal voltage (for AC, also at nominal frequency) without additional attachments such as the guard grille.

### Sound pressure level and sound level

All acoustic values are established according to ISO 13347, DIN 45635 and ISO 3744/3745 to accuracy class 2 and given in A-rated form.

When the sound pressure level ( $L_p$ ) is measured, the microphone is on the intake side of the fan being tested, usually at a distance of 1 m on the fan axis.

To measure the sound level ( $L_w$ ), 10 microphones are distributed over an enveloping surface on the intake side of the fan being tested (see graphic). The sound level measured can be roughly calculated from the sound pressure level by adding 7 dB.

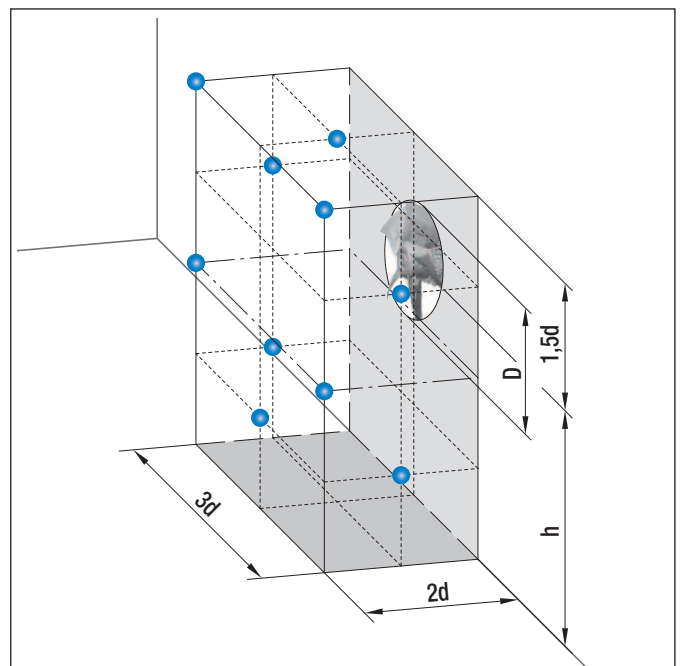
Measuring configuration as per ISO 13347-3 respectively DIN 45635-38:

- 10 measuring points

$$d \geq D$$

$$h = 1,5d \dots 4,5d$$

$$\text{Measurement area } S = 6d^2 + 7d(h + 1,5d)$$

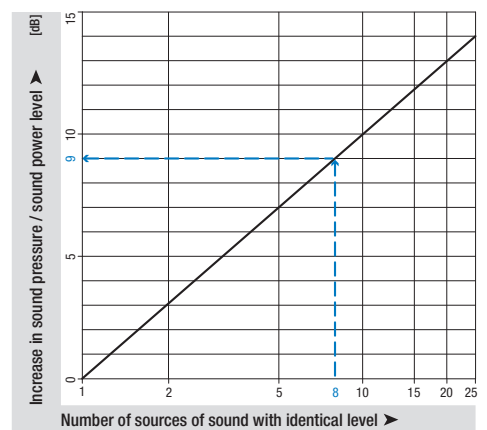


### Adding multiple noise sources with the same level

Adding 2 noise sources with the same volume results in a level increase of approx. 3 dB.

The noise characteristics of multiple identical fans can be determined in advance based on the noise values specified in the data sheet. This is shown in the diagram opposite.

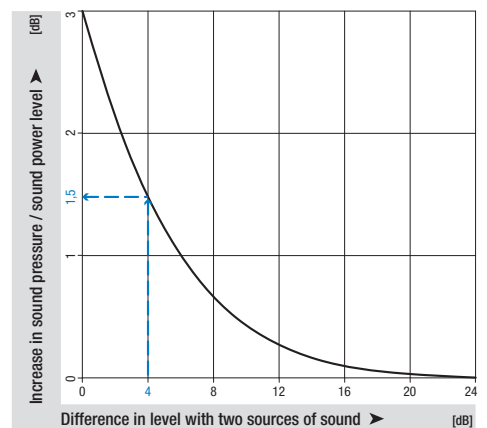
Example: 8 A3G800 axial fans are on a condenser. According to the data sheet, the sound pressure level of a fan is approximately 75 dB(A). The level increase measured from the diagram is 9 dB. Thus the overall sound level of the installation can be expected to be 84 dB(A).



### Adding two noise sources with different levels

The acoustic performance of two different fans can be predetermined based on the sound levels given in the data sheet. This is shown in the diagram opposite.

Example: There is an axial fan A3G800 with a sound pressure level of 75 dB(A) at the operating point and an axial fan A3G710 with 71 dB(A) in a ventilation unit. The level difference is 4 dB. The level increase can now be read in the diagram as approx. 1.5 dB. This means that the overall sound level of the unit can be expected to be 76.5 dB(A).



### Distance laws

Sound power level is independent of distance to the sound source. In contrast to this, sound pressure level decreases the further away the noise source is. The adjacent diagram shows the decrease in level under far sound field conditions. Far sound field conditions apply whenever the distance between microphone and fan is big when compared to fan diameter and wavelength to be considered. For more information on far sound field, please consult the relevant literature on this complex topic. Per doubling of distance, the level in the far sound field decreases by 6 dB. In the near field of the fan, other correlations apply and the decrease in levels can be considerably smaller. The following example only applies to far sound field conditions and can vary strongly depending on the installation effects:

With an axial fan A3G300, a sound pressure level of 65 dB(A) was measured at a distance of 1 m. According to the adjacent diagram, at a distance of 20 m we would get a reduction by 26 dB, i.e. a sound pressure level of 39 dB(A).

