Available Vaneaxial Fan Designs

Belt Driven – Type B and P
The Type B and P belt driven vaneaxial fan designs incorporate internal guide vanes welded around the inner shell bearing support. A wheel inspection section to facilitate cleaning the cast solid aluminum propeller can be provided as an option. If this section is not furnished it is necessary to field install an access door in the duct next to the inlet or to remove the fan from the duct system for cleaning of the propeller and guide vanes. For high temperature or corrosive applications, the Type B can be reconfigured with an external guide vane section similar to the Type T shown below.

Direct Drive – Type B and P
The Type B and P direct drive vaneaxial fan designs incorporate internal guide vanes welded around a circular bulkhead/motor base plate assembly. A wheel inspection section to facilitate cleaning the cast solid aluminum propeller can be provided as an option. If this section is not provided it is necessary to field install an access door in the duct next to the fan inlet or to remove the fan from the duct system for cleaning of the propeller and guide vanes.

Belt Driven – Type W & J
The Type W belt driven vaneaxial fan design incorporates internal guide vanes welded around the inner shell bearing support. For Type W, a wheel inspection section to facilitate cleaning the adjustable pitch aluminum propeller can be provided as an option. If this section is not furnished it is necessary to field install an access door in the duct next to the fan inlet or to remove the fan from the duct system for cleaning of the propeller and guide vanes. For Type J, a propeller access door is provided as standard.

Direct Drive – Type W & J
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Belt Driven – Type S
The Type S belt driven vaneaxial fan design incorporates internal guide vanes welded around the inner shell bearing support. An access door over the wheel area can facilitate inspection of the welded steel propeller and can be provided as an option. If wheel cleaning capability is desired, it is necessary to field install an access door in the duct next to the inlet or to remove the fan from the duct system for cleaning of the propeller and guide vanes.
**Belt Driven – Type T**

The guide vanes are built into a removable section of duct adjacent to the propeller and can be taken completely out for cleaning without disturbing the fan. Removing the vane section also provides access to the cast solid aluminum propeller. The construction of this fan lends itself to high temperature or corrosive applications. As an alternative, an optional access door can be provided in the fan housing for inspection and cleaning of the propeller.

![Type T Belt Driven & Type B High Temperature](image)

**Type W - Adjustable Pitch Wheel**

The blade angle of the adjustable pitch Type W vaneaxial wheel has been set at the factory to deliver a particular performance. However, the performance of the fan can be changed by adjusting the blade to a different angle, either higher or lower, depending on the volume of air required. Blades may be adjusted for low angles without concern of overloading motors. When adjusting to higher angle settings, check motor current to be sure the motor is not overloaded. Keep motor current within nameplate and service factor ratings. See Catalog 456 for Type W vaneaxial fan performance data.

**Bushing Bolt Torque Values**

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**Setscrew Torque Values**

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The blades are held in place by a high strength specially designed steel bolt cast into the blade and threaded into the hub. It is locked by one setscrew. There is a scale on the hub which indicates the position in degrees. An index mark needs to be made on the blade before adjusting.

To change the angle, simply loosen the setscrew with an Allen wrench, adjust the index mark on the blade to the proper angle setting on the scale on the hub and tighten. The angle cannot be thrown off once the locking setscrew is tightened. When increasing the angle, turn the propeller by hand to check tip clearance before startup.
Type J - Adjustable Pitch Wheel

Blade Angle Adjustment
The blades are set at the factory to the blade angle that gives the performance specified on the order. This angle should be checked prior to start-up. The patented wheel construction uses friction and centrifugal force to hold the blades in place. No disassembly of the wheel is required to change the blade angles. If it is necessary to change the blade angle, the following procedure should be used:

1. Work safely. Make sure that proper safety precautions have been followed. Electrical power must be locked off.
2. The adjustment can be made through the inlet on open inlet fans. On fans with ducted inlets, open the wheel area access door.
3. Place adjustment tool around end of blade (see Figure 6, below). If necessary, apply “cheater bar” around the 1 1/4” diameter end for additional leverage. The blades can be turned by hand on open inlet fans. If additional leverage is needed, place a wrench on the leading edge of the blade near the hub. Take care not to mar the surface of the blade.
4. Prior to adjusting the blade angle, check the performance data to insure that the motor will not overload.
5. Turn blade to desired angle. See Figure 1. There is an indicator mark on the hub. Align the Vernier index line on the blade with the indicator mark on the hub. The Vernier has the characters 3, 4, and 5 with gradation lines in between. (Note: Character 3 is 30°, 4 is 40°, 5 is 50°.) Each gradation is 2.5°. The blade is adjustable between 25° and 50°.
6. Friction and centrifugal force will hold the blade at the set angle. No additional adjustment is necessary.
7. Adjust all blades to the same angle.
8. Close the wheel area access door before operating the fan.

General Maintenance
The key to good fan maintenance is a regular and systematic inspection of all fan parts. Severity of the application should determine frequency of inspection. The components requiring service are generally the moving parts which include bearings, propeller, belts and sheaves and motor. Included with this shipment is a General Installation and Maintenance Manual (IM-100) covering these items.

Cleaning Propeller and Guide Vanes
The propeller in an axial flow fan must be kept reasonably clean if it is to perform properly. Fans handling fresh air for ventilating purposes will seldom need cleaning. Fans exhausting process air should be cleaned as required. Dirt or chemical deposits will usually build up evenly on a propeller and although performance is affected, vibration is usually acceptable until the deposits become thick enough to break away in crust-like pieces. When this happens, the propeller may be thrown out of balance and the resulting vibration could be serious. Accumulations should be removed by solvent cleaning or scraping. If the propeller has been coated, be careful not to cut through this protective covering.

The vaneaxial fan is constructed with a set of guide vanes adjacent to the propeller. These should be cleaned at the same time the propeller is cleaned. The guide vanes are important to the performance of the fan and should be inspected carefully. They may accumulate dirt even under conditions where the propeller remains clean.
**Suggested Installations**

**Same Size Duct**
Normal fan installation. Rating tables are based on this arrangement. Variations in installations as indicated below may provide more economical fan performance but may require higher installation costs.

**Tapered Discharge**
Allows regain of a portion of the velocity pressure to static pressure. The fan can then be picked at a lower pressure for more economical operation. For specific design information, consult your Aerovent representative.

**Converging Inlet & Discharge**
Provides lower duct velocities and less friction to airflow. This allows choosing a fan at lower pressure for more economical operation.

**Suggested Connections For Fans in Duct Systems**

`Flexible Connection
Minimum Vibration
(Use Canvas or Other Suitable Material)`

Flexible connections between the fan and duct section will reduce vibration to the duct and decrease noise. Mounting the fan on vibration isolators is also necessary for noise dampening.