

# AP-MVHR-RL

## Mechanical Ventilation Unit with Heat Recovery, Bypass and Re-Circulation for Ceiling Mounting Installation and Maintenance

### I.O Introduction

#### IMPORTANT

The unit must remain switched on at all times to maintain ventilation within the dwelling. Turning the unit off will cause long term damage to the unit and building fabric.

This appliance is not intended for use by persons (including children) with reduced physical, sensory or mental capabilities, or lack of experience and knowledge, unless they have been given supervision or instruction concerning the use of the appliance by a person for their safety. Children should be supervised so that they do not play with the appliance.

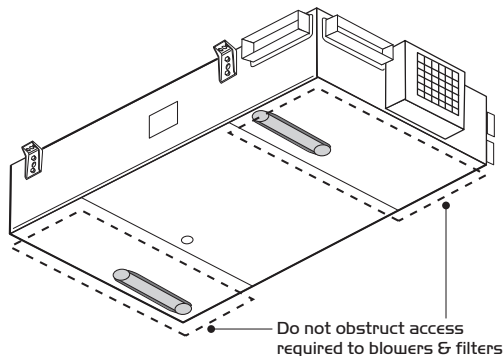
AP-MVHR-RL ceiling mounted unit is designed to provide mechanical supply and extract ventilation with heat recovery and bypass.

The unit is fitted with two independent fans. Each fan has full speed control for background and boost ventilation rates. To recover heat from the extract air the heat exchanger block is utilised. The heat exchanger can recover up to 95% of the normally wasted heat.

The bypass damper opens automatically via a wax actuator when the outside air reaches 20°C, when the outer air temperature returns below this level the unit returns to its original state. Outside air supplied through the bypass is still being filtered, so the air quality is optimal, irrespective of the bypass setting (open or closed).

The unit is fitted with a frost protection mode, in the event of the fresh air temperature dropping below -5°C the supply fan will switch off. The unit will then automatically switch back on when the temperature rises back above -5°C. The unit also has a supply re-circulation blower which is independently controlled. The fan unit pulls air from the habitable rooms (living room/ bedroom) and mixes with the supply air.

Figure 1. Typical view of the unit.



### 2.0 Installation

Installation must be carried out by competent personnel in accordance with the appropriate authority and conforming to all statutory governing regulations. All mains wiring must be in accordance with the current I.E.E. Regulations, or the appropriate standards.

Ensure that the mains supply (Voltage, Frequency and Phase) complies with the rating label.

Please note a clear working space is required around the installed unit to allow the cover to be removed and provide sufficient access for maintenance such as filter change.

The fan must be installed indoors, on a suitable ceiling away from direct sources of frost, heat, water spray or moisture generation. For a vibration-free result the unit must be mounted to a ceiling slab.

The unit is supplied for installation into in-line ductwork (internal) applications only.

Heat recovery modules and modules that incorporate cooling coils may produce condensation during use. (see insulated drip tray and drain connection details).

The method of mounting procedure is the total responsibility of the installer.

1. A mounting Kit consisting of M8 serrated and flat washers, M8 bolts and 4 off mounting feet supplied with the unit.
2. Use one M8 serrated and one M8 flat washer per bolt and fit mounting feet. Only hand tighten bolts. (There are multiple holes in the feet, use the holes that best suit your site conditions).
3. Once you have selected the appropriate fixing holes tighten the bolts using a 13mm spanner.

**Note: Unit must be installed in accordance with good industry practice, horizontal and level on a prepared ceiling utilising the fixing brackets supplied.**

**Note: Anti-vibration mounts can be sourced from Nuair if required.**

Figure 2a. M8 serrated and flat washers, and M8 bolts supplied.

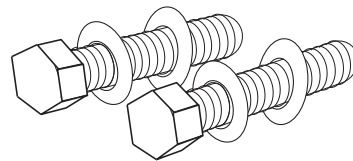
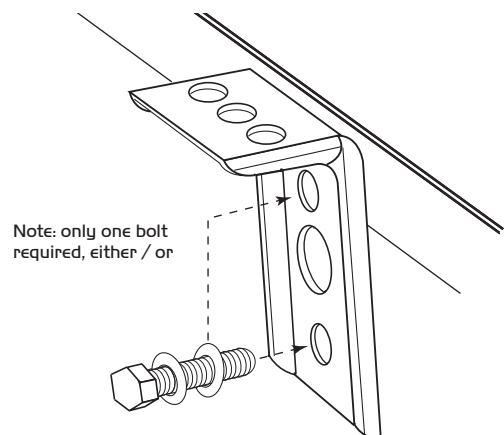


Figure 2b. 4 off mounting feet supplied with the unit.



## 2.1 Condensate Drain installation

The drain connector passes through the removable panel of the unit from the condensate drip tray to outside the unit.

Therefore the connection to this drain must be easily removable but maintain a water tight seal.

The condensate discharge connection is suitable for 21.5mm dia. overflow pipe.

If the condensation pipe is fitted in an unheated space the pipe should be insulated to prevent freezing.

**Nuair recommend MVHR-DRAIN be used as the primary condensate take-off. (see figure 3a and 3b).**

Figure 3a. MVHR-DRAIN option. Condensate drain, uninsulated drain pipe with 10° fall running to SVP.

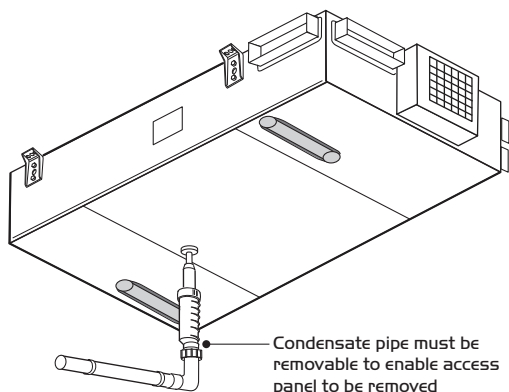


Figure 3b. Condensate pipe to run to sides of unit.

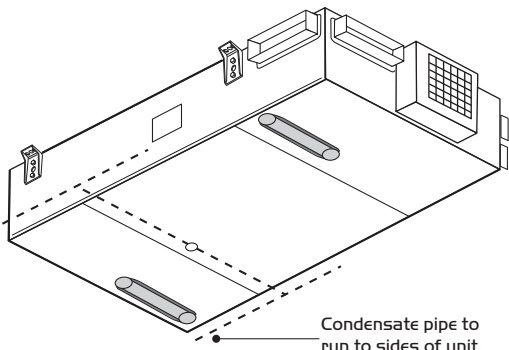
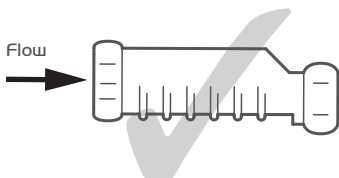
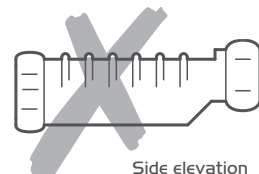


Figure 3c. MVHR-DRAIN correct installation.

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**WRONG**



When installed horizontally the ribs must be at the bottom to ensure correct operation.

### Fixing MVHR-DRAIN

Offer up the MVHR-DRAIN inlet to the threaded tail of the appliance waste outlet or MVHR-DRAIN knuckle or running adaptor, and tighten the threaded cap sufficiently hand-tight to provide a water-tight seal (check that the cap screws on square and does not 'cross-thread'). When the screwed cap is tight, the MVHR-DRAIN body is secure.

1. Cut the pipe to length, allowing for the full compression socket depth (using an appropriate pipe cutter, such as a Hepworth ratchet pipe cutter).
2. Remove any 'swarf' from the end of the plastic pipe. Ream the copper pipe end to remove any 'burr', and file if necessary to remove any external sharp edges. Mark the socket depth on the pipe, and check that the pipe section to be jointed is free of any surface damage which may affect the joint seal.
3. Unscrew the cap from the MVHR-DRAIN outlet, and slide the cap and rubber seal onto the pipe.
4. Insert the pipe end fully into the socket.
5. Slide the rubber seal and screwed cap up against the face of the socket, and tighten the cap sufficiently hand-tight (check that the cap is square to the body and does not 'cross-thread'). Hand tight should be adequate to form a proper seal.

## 2.2 Extract/input areas

The unit is designed to extract air from all wet rooms e.g. bathroom, kitchen, en-suite, utility room (with sink).

WC's do not need to be ventilated if openable windows are fitted.

Supply air should be to all habitable rooms e.g. bedrooms and lounge.

Extract / input grilles should be adjustable valve types (not supplied).

External grilles to have a minimum free area of 12,250 sq mm.

### IMPORTANT

Any air intake terminal **MUST** be installed in accordance with the appropriate regulation.

As a guide, the B55440 series of British Standards deals with this issue and currently states that an air intake must be at a minimum distance of 300mm from a gas boiler balanced flue.

Installers are advised to be aware of the requirements of this standard when installing 'through the wall' supply air ducting.

Similarly, supply and extract air grilles should be at least 300mm apart.

## 2.3 Ducting

Before commencing ducting installation reference should be made to building regulations document “Domestic ventilation compliance guide”. This document supports ADF2010 and details installation, testing and commissioning of all ventilation systems.

It is recommended that rigid ducting be used it all times. Flexible ducting has a very high resistance and it is impossible to calculate how much resistance will be on a system if used.

If used the flexible ducting must be kept to a minimum and should always be pulled taut. A maximum of 500mm should be used on each leg.

To prevent condensation on the outside of the outside air inlet duct and the air outlet duct from the unit, these ducts should be insulated.

Ducting must be installed in such a way that resistance to airflow is minimised. Bends should be kept to a minimum.

A minimum distance of 200mm between the appliance and any bends in ductwork is recommended.

Ideally 150/125mm diameter or 204 x 60mm rectangular ducting should be used.

Ducting joints must be sealed with silicone type sealant and shall be adequately and reliably fixed to the appliance.

## 2.4 Ventilation flow rates

Table 1.

ADF2006 / 2010 – Extract ventilation rates		
Room	Min high rate	Min low rate
Kitchen	13 l/s	Total extract rate should be at least the whole dwelling ventilation rate given in table 2.
Utility room	8 l/s	
Bathroom	8 l/s	
Sanitary accommodation	6 l/s	

Table 2.

Whole dwelling ventilation rate l/s	Number of bedrooms in dwelling				
	1	2	3	4	5
1, 2	13	17	21	25	29

### Notes:

1. In addition, the minimum ventilation rate should be not less than 0.3 l/s per m<sup>2</sup> of internal floor area. (This includes all floors, e.g. for a two-story building add the ground and first floor areas).

2. This is based on two occupants in the main bedroom and a single occupant in all other bedrooms. This should be used as the default value. If a greater level of occupancy is expected add 4 l/s per occupant.

## 2.5 Air permeability and infiltration

Is the uncontrolled exchange of air between inside and outside through cracks, porosity and other unintentional openings in the building. ADF2006 gives an allowance for this in both multi and single storey buildings, however ADF2010 has an allowance for multi storey only. Additionally ADF2010 only applies this allowance for dwellings leaker than 5m<sup>3</sup>/(h.m<sup>2</sup>) at 50Pa. (See below).

## 2.6 ADF 2006 Ventilation calculations Continuous supply and extract

**Step 1:** Determine the whole building ventilation rate from Table 2. Allow for infiltration by subtracting from this value:

- for multi-storey dwellings: 0.04 x gross internal volume of the dwelling heated space (m<sup>3</sup>);
- for single-storey dwellings: 0.06 x gross internal volume of the dwelling heated space (m<sup>3</sup>).

**Step 2:** Calculate the whole dwelling air extract rate at maximum operation by summing the individual room rates for ‘minimum high rate’ from Table 1.

(For sanitary accommodation only, as an alternative, the purge ventilation provisions given in ADF 2006 can be used where security is not an issue. In this case ‘minimum high extract rate’ for the sanitary accommodation should be omitted from the step 2 calculation).

**Step 3:** The required airflow rates are as follows:

- the maximum extract rate (e.g. boost) should be at least the greater of step 1 and step 2. Note that the maximum individual room extract rate should be at least those given in table 1. for minimum high rate.
- the minimum air supply rate should be at least the whole building ventilation rate found in step 1.

## 2.7 ADF 2010 Ventilation calculations Design of MVHR systems

The MVHR system has been sized for the winter period. Additional ventilation may be required during the warmer months and it has been assumed that the provisions for purge ventilation (e.g. openable windows) could be used.

**Step 1:** For any design air permeability, determine the whole dwelling ventilation supply rate from Table 2.

As an alternative where the design air permeability is intended to be leakier than (>) 5m<sup>3</sup>/(h.m<sup>2</sup>) 50 Pa, allow for infiltration for all dwelling types by subtracting from the whole dwelling ventilation supply rate from Table 2; 0.04 x gross internal volume of the dwelling heated space (m<sup>3</sup>).

**Step 2:** Calculate the whole dwelling extract ventilation rate by summing the individual room rates for ‘minimum high rate’ from Table 1.

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For Scotland refer to BRE Digest 398.

### 3.0 Dimensions

Figure 4a. Main unit.

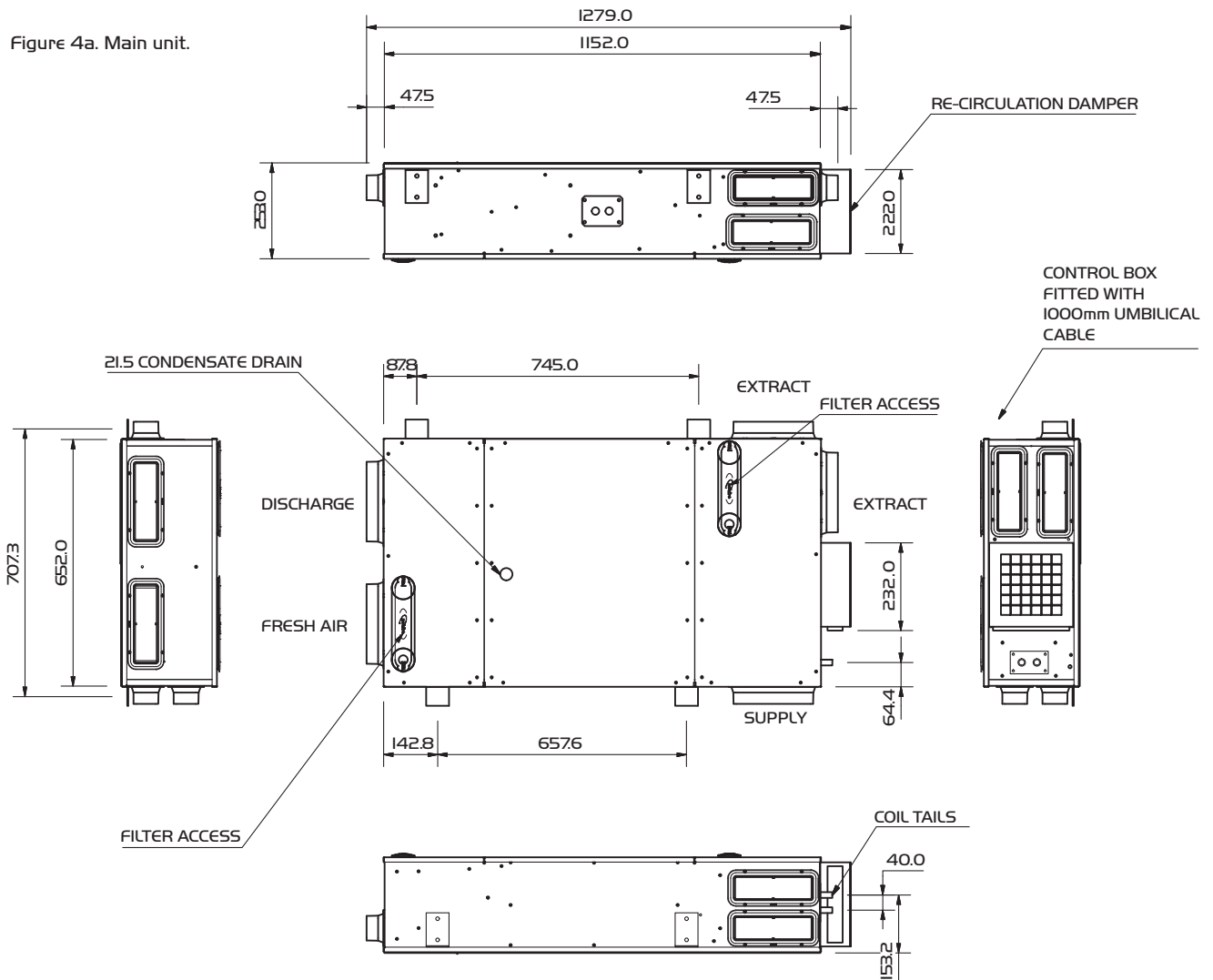
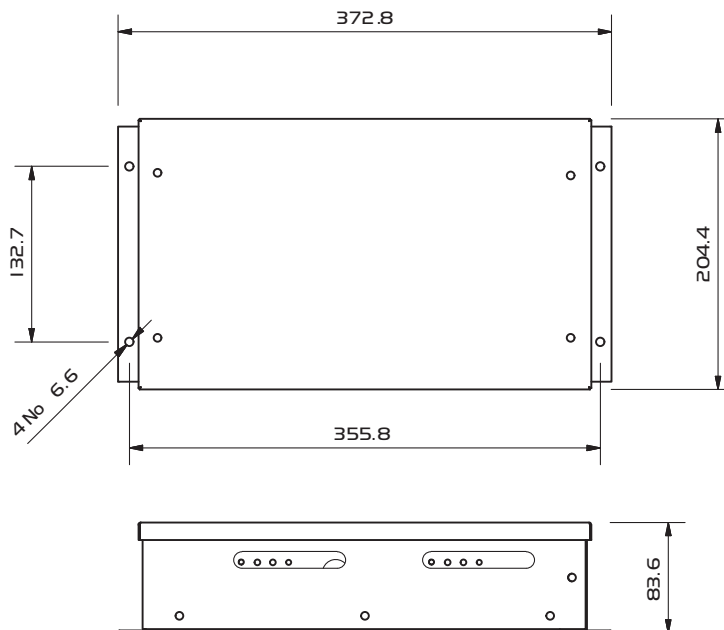


Figure 4b. Control Box





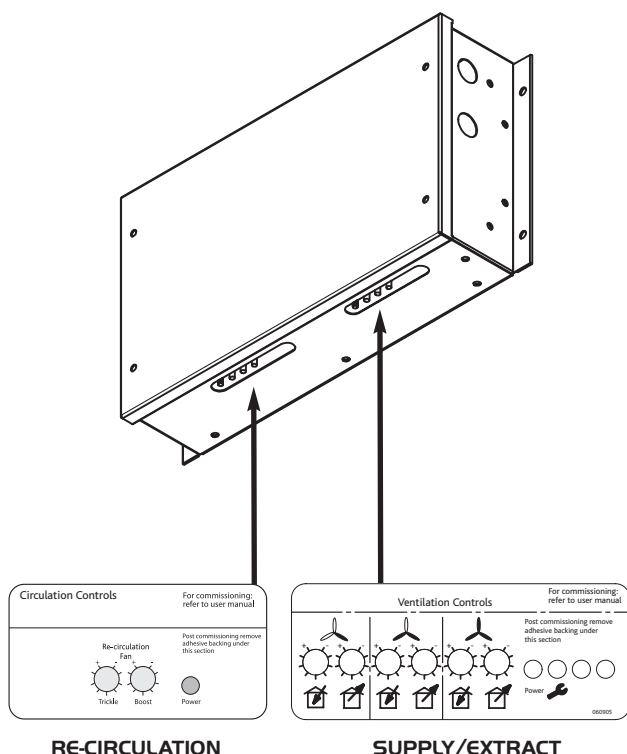
## 6.0 Commissioning

### IMPORTANT

The filters fitted inside the unit are protected with a plastic film. Prior to commissioning remove the covers (fig 13), take off the film and replace.

1. For the required air flow rates please refer to the design specification for the property, follow 2.4, or refer to building regulations ADF 2006/2010.
2. The unit is supplied with independent control for both normal and boost airflows. (see fig. 7).
3. Correct commissioning is essential to ensure the ventilation air flowrates are met. It also ensures the unit is not over ventilating and causing excessive power consumption.
4. Commissioning should be carried out in accordance with building regulations document "Domestic ventilation compliance guide". A calibrated moving vane anemometer and hood will be required to carry out commissioning.
5. Adjustment valves should be locked in place to prevent further adjustment.
6. Once commissioned the home owner / tenant should be informed that the unit should not be adjusted as it will have a detrimental effect on the indoor air quality and could result in condensation and mould growth. The label covering the control has an adhesive panel which should be removed post commissioning to prevent tampering.

Figure 7. Detail of control box panel.



## 7.0 Maintenance/Cleaning

### IMPORTANT

Isolation - Before commencing work make sure that the unit, switched live and Nuair control are electrically isolated from the mains supply and switched live supply.

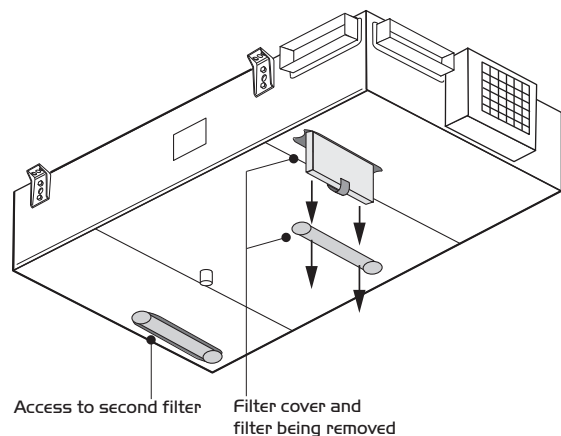
We recommend that the two G3 filters are inspected after 6 months, and replaced every 12 to 18 months.

The filters can be removed from the unit by removing the two filter covers on the front panel of the unit. Take hold of the two circular tabs either end of the filter covers and pull out.

The filter can now be extracted by pulling the removal loop on the front edge of the filter. Once the filters have been inspected return or replace them as necessary.

Inspect the heat exchanger every 5 years. Generally check for damage and security of components. Refit cover.

Figure 8. Removing the two filter covers on the bottom panel of the unit to gain access to the filters.



## 8.0 Replacement of Parts

Should any component need replacing Nuair keep extensive stocks for quick delivery. Ensure that the unit is electrically isolated, before carrying out any work.

Note: The supply cable must be replaced by an electrically competent person.

When ordering spare parts, please quote the serial number of the unit and the ARC number of the purchase if possible. (This information will be available on the fan label).

## 9.0 Warranty

The 5 year warranty starts from the day of delivery and includes parts and labour for the first year and parts only for the remaining 4 years. This warranty is conditional on planned maintenance being undertaken.

The product warranty applies to the UK mainland and in accordance with Clause 14 of our Conditions of Sale. Customers purchasing from outside of the UK should contact Nuair International Sales office for further details.

## 10.0 Service Enquiries

Nuair can assist you in all aspects of service. Our Technical Support department will be happy to provide any assistance required.

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## DECLARATION OF INCORPORATION AND INFORMATION FOR SAFE INSTALLATION, OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

We declare that the machinery named below is intended to be assembled with other components to constitute a system of machinery. All parts except for moving parts requiring the correct installation of safety guards comply with the essential requirements of the Machinery Directive. The machinery shall not be put into service until the system has been declared to be in conformity with the provisions of the EC Machinery Directive.

**Designation of machinery:** AP-MVHR-RL  
**Machinery Types:** Mechanical Ventilation with Heat Recovery, Bypass and Re-circulation  
**Relevant EC Council Directives:** 2006/42/EC (Machinery Directive)  
**Applied Harmonised Standards:** BS EN ISO 12100-1, BS EN ISO 12100-2, EN60204-1, BS EN ISO 9001, BS EN ISO 13857  
**Applied National Standards:** BS848 Parts 1, 2.2 and 5

Note: All standards used were current and valid at the date of signature.

**Signature of manufacture representatives:**



Name:	Position:	Date:
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## CE DECLARATION OF CONFORMITY

We declare that the machine named below conforms to the requirements of EC Council Directives relating to Electromagnetic Compatibility and Safety of Electrical Equipment.

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**I & M Serial No.:** 671668  
**Machinery Types:** Mechanical Ventilation with Heat Recovery, Bypass and Re-circulation  
**Relevant EC Council Directives:** 2004/108/EC (EMC), 2006/95/EC (Low Voltage Directive)  
**Applied Harmonised Standards:** EN55014-1, EN55014-2, EN61000-3-2, EN61000-3-3, EN60335-2-80  
**Basis of Self Attestation:** Quality Assurance to BS EN ISO 9001 BSI Registered Firm Certificate No. FM 149

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## INFORMATION FOR SAFE INSTALLATION, OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF NUAIRE VENTILATION EQUIPMENT

To comply with EC Council Directives 2006/42/EC Machinery Directive and 2004/108/EC (EMC).

To be read in conjunction with the relevant Product Documentation (see 2.1)

### 1.0 GENERAL

1.1 The equipment referred to in this Declaration of Incorporation is supplied by Nuaire to be assembled into a ventilation system which may or may not include additional components.

The entire system must be considered for safety purposes and it is the responsibility of the installer to ensure that all of the equipment is installed in compliance with the manufacturers recommendations and with due regard to current legislation and codes of practice.

### 2.0 INFORMATION SUPPLIED WITH THE EQUIPMENT

2.1 Each item of equipment is supplied with a set of documentation which provides the information required for the safe installation and maintenance of the equipment. This may be in the form of a Data sheet and/or Installation and Maintenance instruction.

2.2 Each unit has a rating plate attached to its outer casing. The rating plate provides essential data relating to the equipment such as serial number, unit code and electrical data. Any further data that may be required will be found in the documentation. If any item is unclear or more information is required, contact Nuaire.

2.3 Where warning labels or notices are attached to the unit the instructions given must be adhered to.

### 3.0 TRANSPORTATION, HANDLING AND STORAGE

3.1 Care must be taken at all times to prevent damage to the equipment. Note that shock to the unit may result in the balance of the impeller being affected.

3.2 When handling the equipment, care should be taken with corners and edges and that the weight distribution within the unit is considered. Lifting gear such as slings or ropes must be arranged so as not to bear on the casing.

3.3 Equipment stored on site prior to installation should be protected from the weather and steps taken to prevent ingress of contaminants.

### 4.0 OPERATIONAL LIMITS

4.1 It is important that the specified operational limits for the equipment are adhered to e.g. operational air temperature, air borne contaminants and unit orientation.

4.2 Where installation accessories are supplied with the specified equipment eg. wall mounting brackets. They are to be used to support the equipment only. Other system components must have separate provision for support.

4.3 Flanges and connection spigots are provided for the purpose of joining to duct work systems. They must not be used to support the ductwork.

4.4 In the event of RF interference the fan may change speed. This is normal and will have no adverse effect on the fan. The speed will return to normal once the interference has subsided.

### 5.0 INSTALLATION REQUIREMENTS

In addition to the particular requirements given for the individual product, the following general requirements should be noted.

5.1 Where access to any part of equipment which moves, or can become electrically live are not prevented by the equipment panels or by fixed installation detail (eg ducting), then guarding to the appropriate standard must be fitted.

5.2 The electrical installation of the equipment must comply with the requirements of the relevant local electrical safety regulations.

5.3 For EMC all control and sensor cables should not be placed within 50mm or on the same metal cable tray as 230V switched live, lighting or power cables and any cables not intended for use with this product.

### 6.0 COMMISSIONING REQUIREMENTS

6.1 General pre-commissioning checks relevant to safe operation consist of the following:

Ensure that no foreign bodies are present within the fan or casing.

Check electrical safety. e.g. Insulation and earthing.

Check guarding of system.

Check operation of Isolators/Controls.

Check fastenings for security.

6.2 Other commissioning requirements are given in the relevant product documentation.

### 7.0 OPERATIONAL REQUIREMENTS

7.1 Equipment access panels must be in place at all times during operation of the unit, and must be secured with the original fastenings.

7.2 If failure of the equipment occurs or is suspected then it should be taken out of service until a competent person can effect repair or examination. (Note that certain ranges of equipment are designed to detect and compensate for fan failure).

### 8.0 MAINTENANCE REQUIREMENTS

8.1 Specific maintenance requirements are given in the relevant product documentation.

8.2 It is important that the correct tools are used for the various tasks required.

8.3 If the access panels are to be removed for any reason the electrical supply to the unit must be isolated.

8.4 A minimum period of two minutes should be allowed after electrical disconnection before access panels are removed. This will allow the impeller to come to rest.

**NB: Care should still be taken however since airflow generated at some other point in the system can cause the impeller to "windmill" even when power is not present.**

8.5 Care should be taken when removing and storing access panels in windy conditions.



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