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MANUAL OVERVIEW

OVERVIEW OF THIS PUBLICATION

The IronHorse General Purpose DC Motor User Manual describes the installation, maintenance and use of all IronHorse General Purpose DC Motors.

WHO SHOULD READ THIS MANUAL

This manual contains important information for those who will install, maintain, use and/or resell any of the IronHorse motors.

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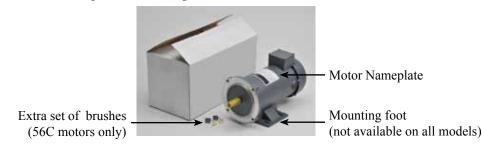
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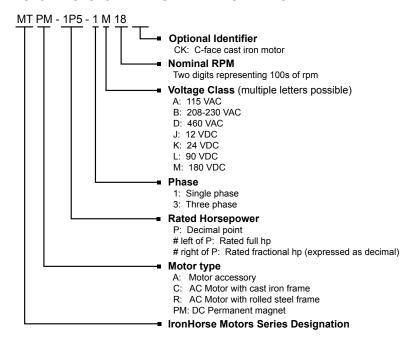
After receiving an IronHorse motor, please check for the following:

- Open the motor packaging and inspect for damage during shipment.
- Make sure the part number indicated on the motor nameplate corresponds with the part number on your order.
- For all 56C-frame motors, make sure that the shipment contains the motor, with attached removable mounting foot and two spare brushes.



AVAILABLE MODELS

IRONHORSE MOTORS PART NUMBER INFORMATION



PERMANENT MAGNET DC MOTORS FEATURES AND SPECIFICATIONS

SMALL-FRAME PERMANENT MAGNET DC (PMDC) MOTORS

IronHorse small-frame PMDC motors are available from 1/31 hp to 1/4 hp. All models have a TENV rolled steel frame. Motors have easy-access brushes.





SMALL-FRAME PMDC MOTOR SPECIFICATIONS

	Motor Specifications – Small-Frame DC Motors												
Part Number	Voltage (VDC)	HP	Speed (rpm)	F.L. Torque (oz·in)	F.L. Current (A)	Shaft Dia (in)	Pilot Shaft (in)	Overhung Load (lb)	Wiring Type	Motor Weight (lb)			
MTPM-P10-1JK43	12 24	1/20 1/10	1746 4252	28	4.83	0.2425	4.00	0.5	flying	2.75			
MTPM-P13-1JK42	12 24	1/17 1/8	1825 4224	32	5.39	0.3125	1.00	85	leads	3.25			
MTPM-P17-1JK43	12 24	1/13 1/16	1841 4290	42	7.54					5.3			
MTPM-P25-1JK40	12 24	1/6 1/4	1732 3996	96 80	14.3 12.2	0.50	2.02	130	junction box	7.8			
MTPM-P25-1JK44	12 24	1/5 1/4	1854 4375	113 70	18.1 11.9					9			
MTPM-P03-1L18		1/31	1797	18	0.39	0.2425	1.00	O.F.	flying leads	2.75			
MTPM-P04-1L17		1/26	1749	22	0.46	0.3125	1.00	85		3.25			
MTPM-P05-1L19	90	1/19	1917	28	0.68					5.3			
MTPM-P13-1L19		1/8	1917	73	1.4					7.8			
MTPM-P14-1L19		1/7	1740	86	1.61	0.50	2.02	120	junction	9			
MTPM-P07-1M24		1/15	2440	28	0.42	0.50	2.02	130	box	5.3			
MTPM-P13-1M19	180	1/8	1865	73	0.73					7.8			
MTPM-P14-1M18		1/7	1828	84	0.83					9			



ROLLED STEEL 56C FRAME PERMANENT MAGNET DC (PMDC) MOTORS



IronHorse 56C frame PMDC motors are available from 1/3 hp to 2hp. All models have a TEFC or TENV rolled steel frame, cast aluminum end bell and removable mounting bases. Motors have easy-access brushes.

ROLLED STEEL 56C FRAME PMDC MOTOR SPECIFICATIONS

N	Motor Specifications – DC 56C Frame Motors – 1800 RPM											
Part Number	HP	Base RPM	Armature Voltage	Housing	NEMA Frame	Service Factor	F.L. Amps	Motor Weight (lb)	Approx Ship Weight (lb)			
MTPM-P33-1L18	1/3			TENN/			3.5	17.70	19			
MTPM-P50-1L18	1/2			TENV	56C flange mount	1.0	5.2	20.74	22			
MTPM-P75-1L18	3/4		90 VDC	TEFC			7.8	25.30	27			
MTPM-001-1L18	1						10.4	28.36	30			
MTPM-1P5-1L18	1-1/2						15.4	34.97	37			
MTPM-P33-1M18	1/3	1800		TENV			1.75	17.60	19			
MTPM-P50-1M18	1/2						2.6	20.74	22			
MTPM-P75-1M18	3/4		100 \/DC				3.9	25.58	27			
MTPM-001-1M18	1		180 VDC	TEEC			5.2	28.32	30			
MTPM-1P5-1M18	1-1/2			TEFC			7.7	35.70	37			
MTPM-002-1M18	2						9.8	61.95	65			
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ROLLED STEEL 56C FRAME PMDC PERFORMANCE DATA

	Performance Data * – DC 56C Frame Motors – 1800 RPM																
Part Number	HP	ture Voltage (VDC)	Armature Resistance (Ω)	Torque (Ib·ft)	DC Power Form Factor **	Ambient Temp. (°C [°F])	Insulation Class		Ball Irings	Mounting	e / Housing	Shaft	Constant Torque Speed Range	Overall Speed Range	Base / Type	Paint Color	Efficiency (%)
		Armature (VD	A Res	Full Load	DCF	Am!	nsul	DE	ODE	2	Wire		Cons Spe	MO	Вс	Pι	Effi
MTPM-P33-1L18	1/3		1.85	0.97													79
MTPM-P50-1L18	1/2		1.31	1.46	_												80
MTPM-P75-1L18	3/4	90	0.86	2.19													80
MTPM-001-1L18	1		0.67	2.92					_			_		e		80	
MTPM-1P5-1L18	1-1/2		1.45	4.38						ntec	ction Box Keyed	_	90-1800 RPM	0-2000 RPM	Rigid Removable		81
MTPM-P33-1M18	1/3		7.6	0.97	1.35	40°C (104°F)	F	62	6203	Jon		eye				Gray	79
MTPM-P50-1M18	1/2		5.25	1.46		(1041)				Top Mounted	Junction	~					80
MTPM-P75-1M18	3/4	100	3.23	2.19						-	_						80
MTPM-001-1M18	1	180	2.63	2.92													80
MTPM-1P5-1M18	1-1/2		1.45	4.38	1											Ì	81
MTPM-002-1M18	2		1.45	5.84													85

^{*} For performance curves and additional data, refer to Chapter 5: Reference.

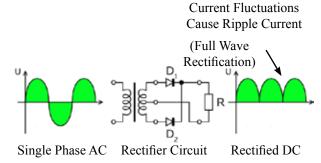
^{**} See the discussion of Form Factor in the following section of this chapter.



PERMANENT MAGNET DC MOTORS FEATURES AND SPECIFICATIONS (CONTINUED)

FORM FACTOR

The voltage normally used to power a permanent magnet (PM) DC motor is not pure DC. It is derived by rectifying a supplied AC voltage. The resulting DC voltage has a ripple that is related to the frequency of the AC input, as shown in the example below.



Form factor is the ratio of I_{rms} to I_{dc} and indicates how close the driving voltage is to pure DC. The form factor for a DC battery is 1.0. The higher the form factor is above 1.0, the more it deviates from pure DC. The Form Factor Table shows examples of commonly used voltages.

Form factor should not exceed 1.35 for continuous operation. Half wave rectification is not recommended as it increases form factor.

Operating Ironhorse PMDC motors with DC voltages with form factors higher than 1.35 can result in premature brush failure and excessive motor heating.

	Form Factor Table								
Form factor DC voltage source									
1.0	Battery (pure DC)								
1.05 *	Pulse width modulation (PWM)								
1.35 ** Full wave rectification (single phase)									
1.9 *** Half wave rectification (single phase)									
* All DC-input	IronHorse GSD series DC drives are								
1.05.									
IronHorse AC	C-input GSD5 DC drive is 1.05.								
** Single phase	full wave rectification is the most								
common for	m of DC drive in 0.33-2 hp range. All								
AC-input Ir	AC-input IronHorse GSD series DC drives are 1.35								
or better.									
*** Not Recom	mended.								



RESHIPPING

If an IronHorse motor needs to be reshipped from the initial shipping point, the following procedures should be followed to protect the motor from damage.

- 1) If the original packaging is to be used for reshipment, inspect the packaging for previous shipping damage and repackage if necessary. Take care to protect the motor body, fan cover and shaft.
- 2) It is a good idea to bolt or strap the motor to a platform that fits securely in the bottom of the shipping crate or box. This helps prevent the motor from shifting during transport and thus protects the bearings from damage.

LONG TERM STORAGE

The following preventative measures should be taken when storing IronHorse motors for a long period of time.

- 1) Store motors in a controller temperature, dry atmosphere free of excess dirt, dust and airborne particles.
- 2) Rotate the motor shaft every sixty days to prevent hardening of the bearing grease.

WARRANTY

IronHorse 56C-frame PMDC motors carry a two year warranty from the date of invoice, and the small-frame PMDC motors carry our standard one year warranty.

MOUNTING AND INITIAL STARTUP



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SAFETY INFORMATION

DANGER!



HAZARDOUS VOLTAGE! BEFORE MAKING ANY CONNECTION TO THE MOTOR, DISCONNECT ALL POWER TO THE MOTOR.



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Warning: To avoid physical injury, keep your hands and clothing away from all moving parts.

WIRING NOTES: PLEASE READ PRIOR TO INSTALLATION.

- 1) During installation, follow all local electrical, construction, and safety codes for the country in which the motor is to be installed.
- 2) Make sure the appropriate protective devices (circuit breaker or fuses) are connected between the power source and motor controller.
- 3) Make sure that the leads are connected correctly and the motor is properly grounded. (Ground resistance should not exceed 0.1Ω .)
- 4) Use ground leads that comply with AWG/MCM standards and keep them as short as possible.
- 5) Make sure that the power source is capable of supplying the correct voltage and required current to the motor.
- 6) Do not attach or remove wiring when power is applied to the motor.

APPLICABLE CODES

SMALL-FRAME MOTORS

All IronHorse small-frame PMDC motors are UL recognized (E365956) and CSA approved. Therefore they comply with the requirements of the National Electrical Code (NEC) and the Canadian Electrical Code (CEC).

Installations intended to meet the UL or CSA requirements must follow the instructions provided in the "Wiring Notes" as a minimum standard. Follow all local codes that exceed UL or CSA requirements. Refer to the technical data on the motor nameplate for electrical and performance data.

IronHorse small-frame PMDC motors are RoHS compliant.

56C-FRAME MOTORS

All IronHorse 56C-frame PMDC motors are cCSA_{us} listed, and therefore comply with the requirements of the National Electrical Code (NEC) and the Canadian Electrical Code (CEC).

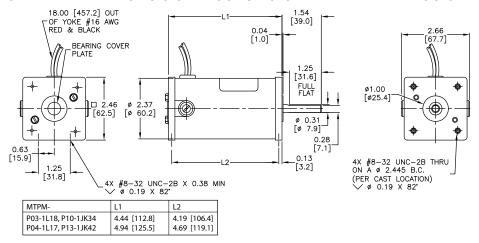
Installations intended to meet the ${}_{c}CSA_{us}$ requirements must follow the instructions provided in the "Wiring Notes" as a minimum standard. Follow all local codes that exceed ${}_{c}CSA_{us}$ requirements. Refer to the technical data on the motor nameplate for electrical and performance data.

IronHorse 56C-frame PMDC motors are CE compliant.

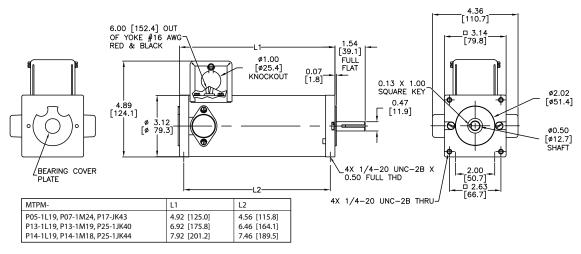
MOTOR DIMENSIONS

(DIMENSIONS = in [mm])

SMALL-FRAME TENV DC MOTORS WITH 0.3125-INCH SHAFT DIAMETER - DIMENSIONS



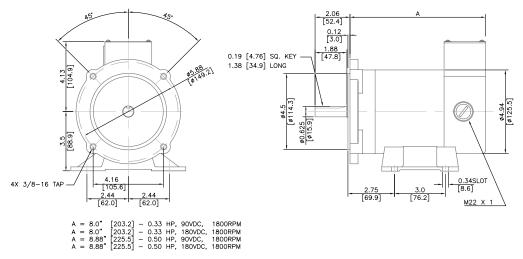
SMALL-FRAME TENV DC MOTORS WITH 0.50-INCH SHAFT DIAMETER - DIMENSIONS



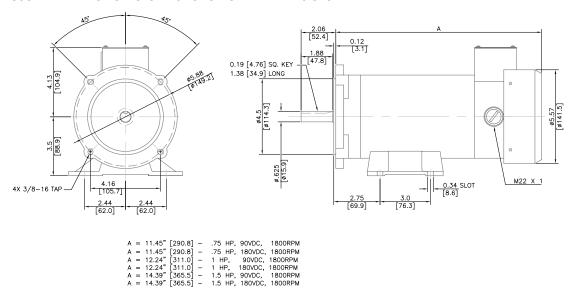
MOTOR DIMENSIONS (CONTINUED)

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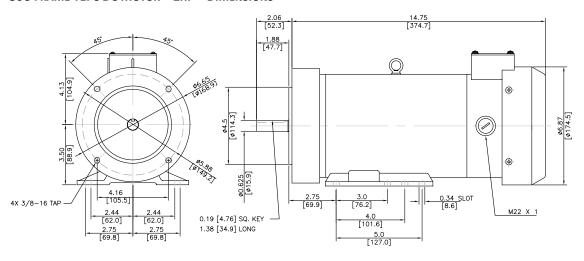
56C-FRAME TENV DC MOTOR - 0.33 TO 0.5 HP - DIMENSIONS



56C-FRAME TEFC DC MOTOR - 0.75 TO 1.5 HP - DIMENSIONS



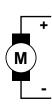
56C-FRAME TEFC DC MOTOR - 2HP - DIMENSIONS



TERMINAL DIAGRAM AND WIRING

DC motors are very easy to wire. There are only two terminals; one for the positive (red) lead and one for the negative (black) lead.

If wired correctly, the motor will turn clockwise when you are facing the motor shaft. If the motor turns counterclockwise, reverse the positive and negative leads.







NOTE: These motors do not have connectors for installing encoders or tachometers.

MOTOR MOUNTING

IronHorse motors should be properly mounted to prevent premature motor and/or bearing failure. There are no limitations on mounting orientation; that is, the motor can be installed vertically, horizontally, upside down, or at any angle. When necessary, use motor shims to level the motor at all mounting bolt holes. Use proper diameter bolts of the highest grade material available for the application. Use the chart below to select the correct size bolt for each frame size.

A mounted motor must operate vibration free. Each motor installation should be checked for potential vibration situations. Base shims should also be used when necessary for level mounting.

	Moto			
Frame Size	Bolt Diameter	Minimum Usable Thread Length (A)	Minimum Exposed Anchor Length (B)	A B
Small Frame	Fa	ace mounting only; no mo		
56	5/16 in	0.45 in	0.88 in	

STABLE™ SLIDE BASES

AutomationDirect offers STABLE slide bases for simple mounting of NEMA standard frame motors. STABLE slide bases are manufactured from heavy-duty steel and allow motor position adjustment when mounting any NEMA framed motor. See Chapter 4 (Accessories) for complete details.



PROPER INSTALLATION CONDITIONS

SMALL-FRAME MOTORS

IronHorse small-frame motors should be properly mounted to prevent premature motor and/ or bearing failure. There are no limitations on mounting orientation; that is, the motor can be installed vertically, horizontally, upside down, or at any angle. Use proper diameter bolts of the highest grade material available for the application, as shown on the dimension diagrams.

A mounted motor must operate vibration free. Each motor installation should be checked for potential vibration situations.

56C-FRAME MOTORS

Care should be taken to make sure that an IronHorse 56C-frame motor is mounted at least thirty inches from a wall or structure that would prevent proper ventilation of the motor. The installation area should be free of dust and smoke particles. Any air contaminate could inhibit proper operation of the motor fan.

If an IronHorse motor is to be installed in a high altitude or in a low temperature location, use the Altitude / Ambient Temperature Derating chart below for proper motor sizing.

	Altitude / Ambient Temperature Derating Chart											
			Altitude – Meters (Feet) Above Sea Level									
		1000 (3281)	1500 (4921)	2000 (6562)	2500 (8202)	3000 (9842)	3500 (11,483)	4000 (13,123)				
	10 (50)							1.50				
٦	15 (59)						1.05	0.99				
°C (°F)	20 (68)					1.05	0.99	0.93				
re –	25 (77)				1.05	0.98	0.93	0.88				
Temperature –	30 (86)			1.05	0.97	0.92	0.87	0.82				
dwa	40 (104)	1.00	0.94	0.89	0.85	0.80	0.76	0.72				
۲	50 (122)	0.85	0.80	0.76	0.72	0.68	0.65	0.62				
	60 (140)	0.71	0.67	0.64	0.60	0.57	0.55	0.52				

Example:

1hp @ 60 °C and 2000 meters

1 / 0.64 = 1.56 hp

The motor should be a 2hp motor.

COUPLING ALIGNMENT

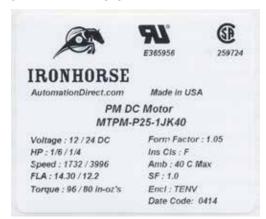
Correct coupling alignment is very important to the life of the motor. Coupling misalignment is the major cause of motor bearing failure. In belt driven applications, pulleys should be installed correctly. Belt tension, alignment and wear should be checked at installation and at regular maintenance intervals. Install motor couplings per the manufacturers instructions. Whenever possible, direct couple or flange mount IronHorse motors in their application. Doing so can greatly extend the bearing life.



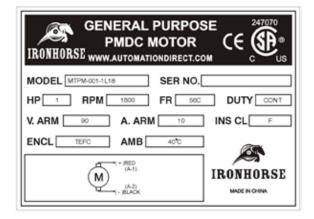
MOTOR NAMEPLATE AND STARTER INFORMATION

TYPICAL IRONHORSE MOTOR NAMEPLATE

SMALL-FRAME MOTOR NAMEPLATE



56C-FRAME MOTOR NAMEPLATE



MOTOR CONTROL INFORMATION

	Starting System Information											
Frame Size	Number of Internal Leads			Voltage	DC Motor Type							
Small-Frame	2	16 AWG	6 in (with junction box) 18 (without junction box)	12-24/90/180 VDC	Permanent							
56C (1Ø)	2	16 AWG	6 in	90/180 VDC	Magnet							

INSPECTION BEFORE STARTUP

- 1) Turn the shaft by hand and make sure the shaft turns freely. Listen for any unusual noises and feel for any interruption in the shaft as it turns.
- 2) Perform a final check on the installation of all parts in the assembly. Check the motor mounting bolts, coupling, belt drive, C-face mount, alignment, etc.
- 3) Verify all electrical connections for the motor and drive. Make sure all terminal screws are tightened properly.
- 4) Make sure that all electrical components used in the installation are rated for the locked rotor amperage.
- 5) Make sure the motor is properly grounded. Use the grounding lug provided in the motor terminal box.

INITIAL STARTUP INSPECTION

- At initial startup monitor the start-up voltage and the running voltage of the motor. The full load voltage should never exceed the line voltage on the motor nameplate multiplied by the service factor of the motor.
 Example: 180 VDC x 1.00 = 180 VDC.
- 2) Check the full load running amperage of the motor. The full load running amperage should not be more than the amount indicated on the motor nameplate
- 3) Listen for any unusual noises at motor start-up and in the first hour of operation. Listen for any unusual bearing noise in the drive end and opposite drive end of the motor. Abnormal bearing noise can be an indication of a defective bearing. Ironhorse PMDC motors have sealed bearings.

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MAINTENANCE AND TROUBLESHOOTING



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ROUTINE MAINTENANCE

A routine maintenance schedule should be developed for every IronHorse motor installation based on the individual application. Motors installed in a harsh running environment should be serviced more frequently than those installed in a clean, climate controlled area. The following list should be used as a basis for creating the routine maintenance schedule.

- 1) Clean the motor housing using a brush, soft cloth or compressed air. Remove any dirt and dust from the fan and fan cover vents.
- 2) Frequently monitor the bearing temperature on the motor. It should not exceed 60°C (140°F).
- 3) Have the insulation checked periodically by an authorized motor specialist.
- 4) Replace the motor brushes after every 2500 hours of operation.

BEARING SIZE INFORMATION

Bearing Chart										
Frame Size	Drive End Bearing SKF Type	Opposite Drive End Bearing SKF Type								
Small-Frame	not user s	erviceable								
56C	6203	6203								
All IronHorse 56C-frame motors use premium sealed SKF brand bearings.										

REPLACING BRUSHES



WARNING: TO PREVENT SERIOUS PERSONAL INJURY AND DAMAGE TO YOUR EQUIPMENT, ALWAYS DISCONNECT INPUT POWER BEFORE REPLACING BRUSHES.

A spare set of brushes ship in each 56C-frame PMDC motor box, and the brushes should be replaced after every 2500 hours of operation. Small-frame PMDC motor brushes should be replaced as needed. If you visually inspect the brushes, the minimum acceptable length is 6mm.

See "Chapter 4: Accessories" for replacement brush ordering information. Make sure you install the correct replacement brushes; check the part numbers carefully. Ensure that the replacement brushes are the same width as the brushes being removed from the motor. DO NOT install smaller brushes in a larger motor. There is no break-in period with new brushes.

Replacement brush and spring assembly sets:







NOTE: The brushes are spring-loaded. Be careful when removing the brush cover.

Motor has two brushes; one on each side of the motor.

Always replace the brushes in pairs.

- Remove the brush cover using a flathead screwdriver as shown. Turn the brush cover counterclockwise to remove.
- Carefully remove the old brush and spring assembly and install the replacement.
- 3) Reinstall the brush cover, turning clockwise.
- 4) Replace the other motor brush and spring following the same steps.







TROUBLESHOOTING

To prevent serious damage, faults observed when a motor first goes into service or during subsequent operation should be investigated and repaired immediately. These troubleshooting tables cover most common PMDC motor problems.



WARNING: TO PREVENT SERIOUS PERSONAL INJURY AND DAMAGE TO YOUR EQUIPMENT, ALWAYS DISCONNECT INPUT POWER BEFORE INSPECTING OR REPAIRING YOUR MOTOR.

Mechanical Problems – Noise While Running									
Problem	Possible Causes	Solutions							
	Defective transmission components, or problem with the machine being driven.	Inspect transmission and drive components. Check alignment.							
Motor vibrates or runs noisily when	Foundation has become unlevel.	Realign machine set. Check and repair foundation level.							
coupled up, but runs okay when uncoupled.	Problem with gear drive.	Align drive, check driving and driven gear pitch circles.							
	Incorrectly balanced drive or driven machine components.	Re-balance drive and/or driven components.							
	Bearing damage.	See Bearing Problems troubleshooting table.							
Motor runs rough	Mounting bolts are loose.	Re-tighten and lock mounting bolts.							
when uncoupled.	Fitted drive components (coupling or pulleys) affecting rotor balance.	Balance rotor with coupling or pulley fitted.							

	Mechanical Problems – Roller Bearing Problems										
Problem	Possible Causes	Solutions									
Scratching, rubbing, or rumbling noise from bearing.	Bearing is defective.	Replace bearing. *									
Whistling noise	Bearing has run dry.	Replace bearing. *									
from bearing.	Faulty cage.	Replace bearing. *									
Excessive bearing wear.	Bearing overloaded.	Check alignment, belt tension, gear pressure, coupling thrust. Reduce bearing load. If needed, reduce additional axial load.									
Scoring when motor is inoperative.	Bearing is being subjected to vibration from outside source.	Isolate motor from source of vibration or keep motor turning over.									
Scoring when motor running.	Current leakage.	Remove motor from service. Repair or replace motor.									
* Bearings in the small-frame PMDC motors are not user replaceable; replace motor instead of bearings.											



TROUBLESHOOTING (CONTINUED)

Electrical Problems										
Problem	Possible Causes	Solutions								
Motor shaft rotates in wrong direction (should rotate clockwise when facing shaft).	Positive (+) and negative (-) input power leads are reversed.	Switch the input power connections.								
	Break in the armature supply.	Check and repair connection.								
	Fuse is blown.	Replace fuse.								
Motor fails to start off-load.	Controller damaged or incorrectly connected.	Check starter for break in circuit and repair break.								
Motor falls to start off-load.	Armature coils burned out or short-circuiting.	Correct short circuit. This may require bringing the motor to a repair shop.								
	Brushes not bearing down correctly.	Check brush position and bearing pressure. Replace worn brushes.								
	Break in starter circuit.	Repair break.								
Jerky starting.	Armature short-circuit.	Correct short circuit. This may require bringing the motor to a repair shop.								
	Commutator short-circuit.	Check commutator and repair short-circuit.								
	Short circuit in the supply.	Locate short circuit and repair.								
Motor will not run under load.	Overloading.	Check current input and remedy overload.								
load.	Voltage drop.	Increase supply line cross section.								
Motor overspeeding and hunting while under load.	Controller.	Decrease IR compensation. Check speed potentiometer wiring and signal, and repair if needed.								
	Overloading.	Check voltage and current levels, and correct overload condition.								
	Insufficient airflow.	Improve cooling conditions.								
Motor overheating.	Cooling air temperature too high.	If TEFC model, inspect the fan for damage.								
	Armature winding short-circuit.	Check windings and soldered connections. Repair coils or windings.								

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STABLE SLIDE BASES

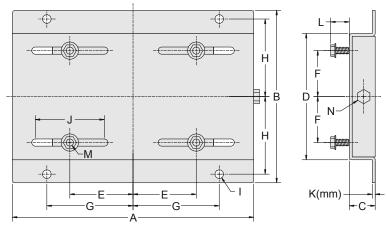
AutomationDirect offers STABLE motor slide bases for mounting NEMA motor frame sizes from 56 to 449. These heavy-duty steel bases are primed with an oven-baked primer ready for painting. The motor mounting bolts are welded to the exact motor foot pattern to prevent the bolts from spinning. The motor position is adjustable along the long axis.



SLIDE BASE SELECTION

Motor Slide Bases											
Part Number	Fits Frame Type	Shipping Weight (lb)	IronHorse Model								
MTA-BASE-W56	56	3.5	MTPM-xxx-1L18 MTPM-xxx-1M18								

SLIDE BASE DIMENSIONS



W56 - W145T Motor Slide Base Dimensions

Dimensions [inches, except as noted] – STABLE Motor Slide Bases											
MTA-BASE-Wxxxx	Α	В	С	D	E	F	G				
56	10-5/8	6-1/2	1-1/8	4-1/2	2-7/16	1-1/2	3-13/16				

Dimensions [inches, except as noted] – STABLE Motor Slide Bases (continued)											
MTA-BASE-Wxxxx	Н	I	J	K (mm)	L	М	N				
56	2-7/8	3/8	3	2 mm	7/8	5/16 x 1	3/8 x 4				

REPLACEMENT ACCESSORIES







Replacement brushes and spare/replacement parts can be ordered at www.automationdirect.com.

REPLACEMENT DC MOTOR BRUSHES

All small-frame IronHorse® DC motors ship with brushes installed, and the brushes should be replaced as needed. (Minimum brush length is 6mm.)

Brushes for 56C-frame motors should be changed after every 2500 hours of use. Each 56C-frame motor ships with brushes installed, plus one extra set of spare/replacement brushes.

Match the replacement brush part number against the motor horsepower carefully to insure you order the correct brushes for your motor. When replacing brushes, pay special attention that the correct brush is inserted into the motor (especially if you have multiple motor sizes at your facility). Verify that the width of the brush you remove matches the width of the replacement brush. DO NOT install smaller brushes into a larger motor.

See "Chapter 3: Maintenance and Troubleshooting" for brush replacement procedure.

	DC Motor Replacement Brushes												
Part Number	Description	Motor Type	Rated Voltage	Motor HP	Brush Materials								
MTPM-BRUSH-1	Brushes with		90 VDC 180 VDC	0.33–1									
MTPM-BRUSH-2	springs (one set of 2)		180 VDC	1.5–2 hp	Resin class Graphite								
MTPM-BRUSH-3	(one set of 2)					90 VDC	1.5 hp						
MTPM-BRUSH-4		IronHorse MTPM	12/24	1/4 @ 24VDC	Cannar Cranhita								
MTPM-BRUSH-5	Brushes with springs and		VDC	1/10-1/6 @ 24VDC	Copper Graphite								
MTPM-BRUSH-6	caps (one set of 2)		90VDC 180VDC	1/8-1/7 @ 90VDC 1/8-1/7 @ 180VDC	Carban Cranbita								
MTPM-BRUSH-7	,		90VDC 180VDC	1/31–1/19 @ 90VDC 1/15 @ 180VDC	Carbon Graphite								

All IronHorse DC motors ship with one set of brushes installed.

All IronHorse 56C-frame DC motors ship with one set of brushes installed and one extra set in the box.

SPARE/REPLACEMENT PARTS KIT FOR SMALL-FRAME DC MOTORS

	Small-Frame DC Motors Spare Parts Kit										
Part Number	Description	For Motors MTPM-									
MTGA-KIT-1	DC motor spare parts kit, for certain MTPM series permanent magnet DC motors as listed. Includes: two metal brush cap covers, one terminal box, one 1/8 (0.125 inch) shaft key, and one 3/16 (0.187 inch) shaft key.	P05-1L19, P13-1L19, P14-1L19; P17-1JK43, P25-1JK40, P25-1JK44; Pxx-1Mxx									
MTGA-KIT-1	MTGA-KIT-1 includes spare/replacement parts only.										
All parts in th	e kit are included with the applicable motors.										

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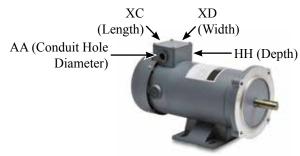
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JUNCTION BOX DIMENSIONS FOR 56C-FRAME MOTORS



Junction Box Dimensions						
Frame Size	XD Width	XC Length HH Depth		AA Conduit Hole (NPT)		
56	2.5 in	2.76 in	1.55 in	1/2 in		

SHIPPING CRATE DIMENSIONS FOR 56C-FRAME MOTORS

Nominal Shipping Crate Dimensions						
Frame Size	HP	Width x Depth x Height (in)				
	1/3	13.2 x 7.5 x 8.5				
	1/2	13.2 X 7.5 X 8.5				
500	3/4	15.2 x 7.5 x 8.5				
56C	1	15.9 x 7.5 x 8.5				
	1-1/2	18.1 x 7.5 x 8.5				
	2	18.7 x 9.8 x 10.6				
Motor and shipping weights are listed in the Motor						
Specifications tables in "Chapter 1: Getting Started."						

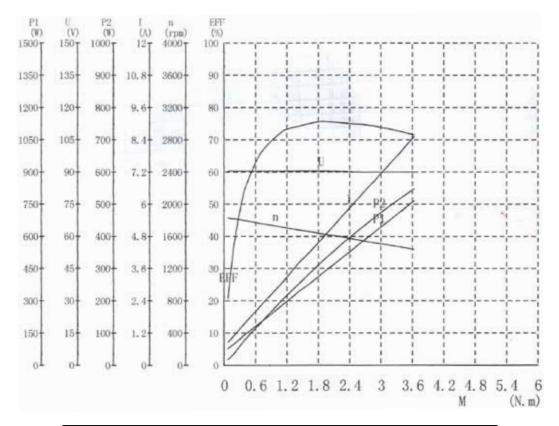
DECIBEL LEVELS FOR 56C-FRAME MOTORS

The decibel (sound) level of an IronHorse PMDC motor should be measured after initial startup, after 30 days, and after six months of use. Decibel levels should remain fairly consistent, and can be an indication of misalignment and premature bearing wear. If the measured decibel level for your IronHorse model exceeds the value listed below by more than 10%, contact AutomationDirect or a local motor service technician found at www.easa.com.

Average Decibel Levels					
Frame Size	HP	Noise Level: Lw dB (A)			
56	All	55.0			

PERFORMANCE CURVES FOR 56C-FRAME MOTORS

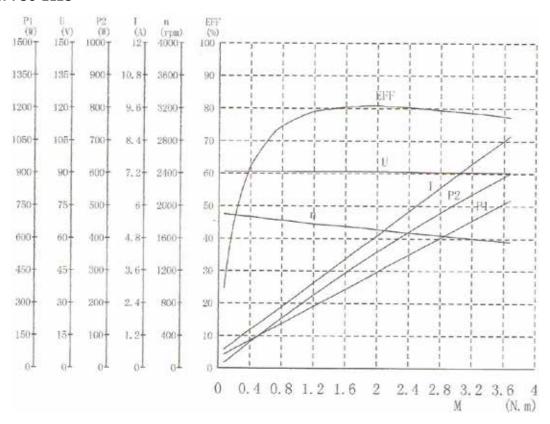
MTPM-P33-1L18



Performance Data – MTPM-P33-1L18								
Description	U (V)	I (A)	P1 (W)	M (N·m)	n (rpm)	P2 (W)	Eff	
No Load	90.23	0.850	76.71	0.083	1828	15.92	20.7	
Rated	90.07	3.752	337.9	1.422	1678	250.0	73.9	
Max Eff	90.03	4.680	421.4	1.869	1630	319.9	75.6	
Max P _{out}	89.91	8.502	764.4	3.640	1435	546.9	71.5	
Max Torque	89.91	8.502	764.4	3.640	1435	546.9	71.5	
End	89.91	8.502	764.4	3.640	1435	546.9	71.5	

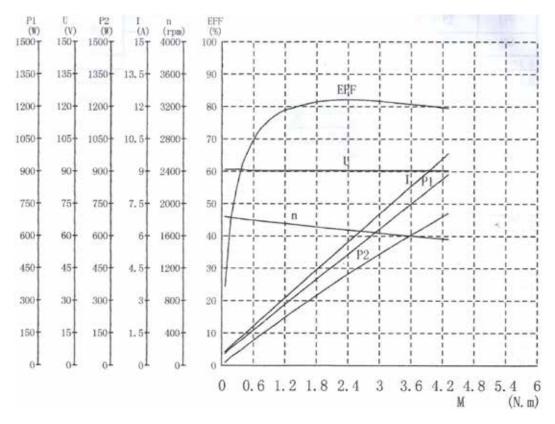
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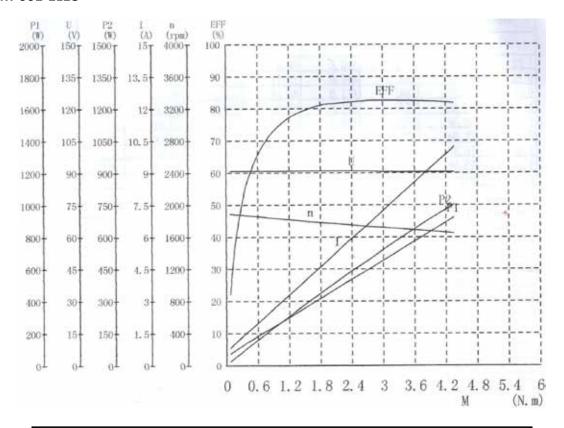
Performance Data – MTPM-P50-1L18							
Description	U (V)	I (A)	P1 (W)	M (N·m)	n (rpm)	P2 (W)	Eff
No Load	90.67	0.690	62.60	0.077	1896	15.40	24.6
Rated	90.40	5.146	465.3	2.115	1693	375.0	80.5
Max Eff	90.41	5.067	458.1	2.092	1696	371.4	81.0
Max P _{out}	90.30	8.576	774.5	3.684	1551	598.3	77.2
Max Torque	90.30	8.576	774.5	3.684	1551	598.3	77.2
End	90.30	8.576	774.5	3.684	1551	598.3	77.2

MTPM-P75-1L18



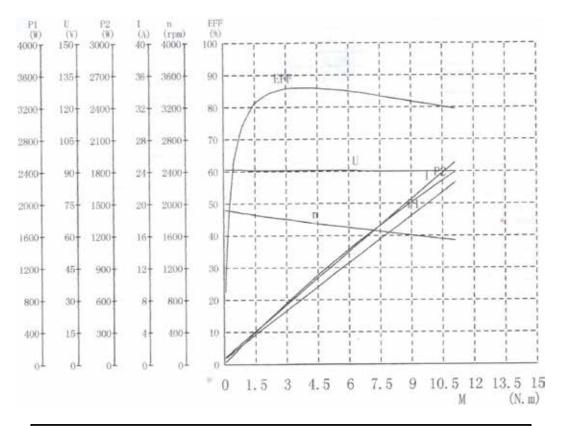
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Description	U (V)	U (V) I (A) P1 (W) M (N·m) n (rpm) P2 (W) Eff							
No Load	90.44	0.615	55.68	0.071	1833	13.66	24.5		
Rated	90.11	7.519	677.5	3.244	1619	550.0	81.1		
Max Eff	90.17	5.634	508.1	2.383	1673	417.4	82.1		
Max P _{out}	90.05	9.803	882.8	4.313	1555	702.2	79.5		
Max Torque	90.05	9.803	882.8	4.313	1555	702.2	79.5		
End	90.05	9.803	882.8	4.313	1555	702.2	79.5		

MTPM-001-1L18



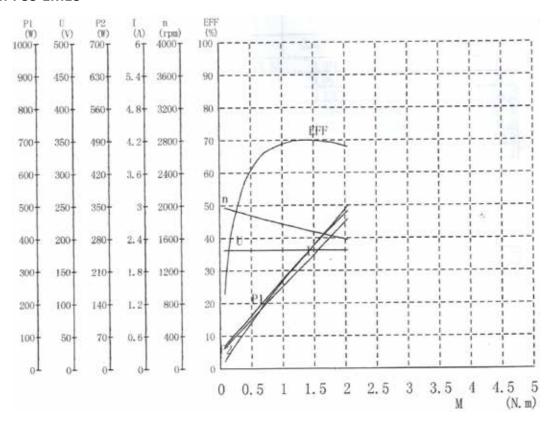
	Performance Data – MTPM-001-1L18								
Description	U (V)	U (V) I (A) P1 (W) M (N·m) n (rpm) P2 (W) Eff							
No Load	90.67	0.816	73.99	0.082	1887	16.35	22.1		
Rated	90.30	10.16	918.4	4.345	1647	750.0	81.6		
Max Eff	90.34	8.131	734.6	3.418	1694	606.2	82.5		
Max P _{out}	90.30	10.21	922.2	4.364	1647	752.9	81.6		
Max Torque	90.30	10.21	922.2	4.364	1647	752.9	81.6		
End	90.30	10.21	922.2	4.364	1647	752.9	81.6		

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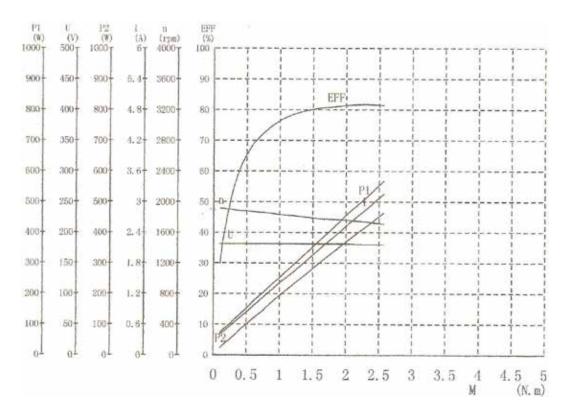
Performance Data – MTPM-1P5-1L18							
Description	U (V)	I (A)	P1 (W)	M (N·m)	n (rpm)	P2 (W)	Eff
No Load	90.51	0.852	77.18	0.086	1917	17.42	22.5
Rated	90.01	14.75	1328	6.373	1686	1125	84.7
Max Eff	90.13	9.510	857.2	3.992	1765	737.8	86.0
Max P _{out}	89.77	25.07	2251	11.110	1537	1787	79.4
Max Torque	89.77	25.07	2251	11.110	1537	1787	79.4
End	89.77	25.07	2251	11.110	1537	1787	79.4

MTPM-P33-1M18



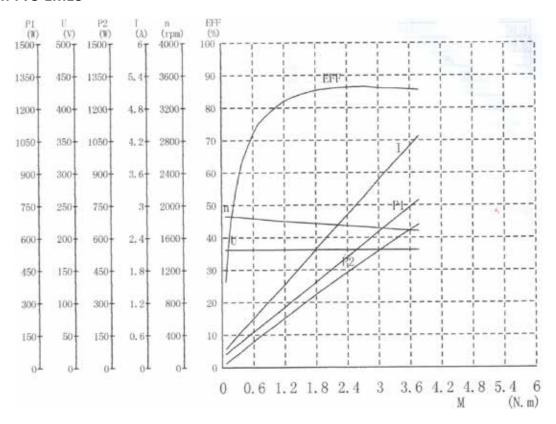
Performance Data – MTPM-P33-1M18										
Description	U (V)	U (V) I (A) P1 (W) M (N·m) n (rpm) P2 (W) Eff								
No Load	180.6	0.375	67.90	0.076	1966	15.64	23.0			
Rated	180.5	1.980	357.5	1.414	1687	250.0	69.9			
Max Eff	180.5	1.980	357.5	1.414	1687	250.0	69.9			
Max P _{out}	180.4	2.744	495.2	2.046	1573	337.0	68.0			
Max Torque	180.4	2.744	495.2	2.046	1573	337.0	68.0			
End	180.4	2.744	495.2	2.046	1573	337.0	68.0			

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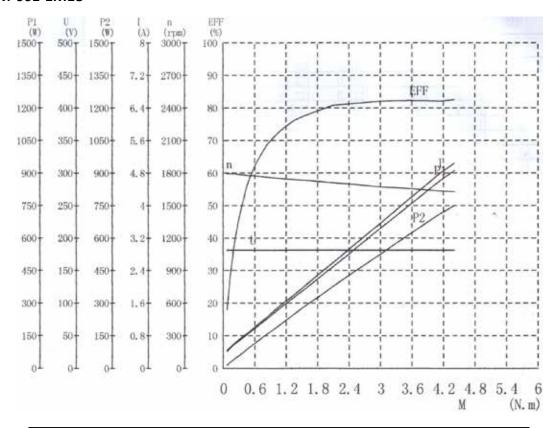
Performance Data – MTPM-P50-1M18								
Description	U (V)	I (A)	P1 (W)	M (N·m)	n (rpm)	P2 (W)	Eff	
No Load	180.2	0.391	70.66	0.106	1905	21.22	30.0	
Rated	180.1	2.554	460.2	2.044	1752	375.0	81.4	
Max Eff	180.0	2.812	506.4	2.278	1734	413.6	81.6	
Max P _{out}	180.0	3.142	565.9	2.571	1710	460.4	81.3	
Max Torque	180.0	3.142	565.9	2.571	1710	460.4	81.3	
End	180.0	3.142	565.9	2.571	1710	460.4	81.3	

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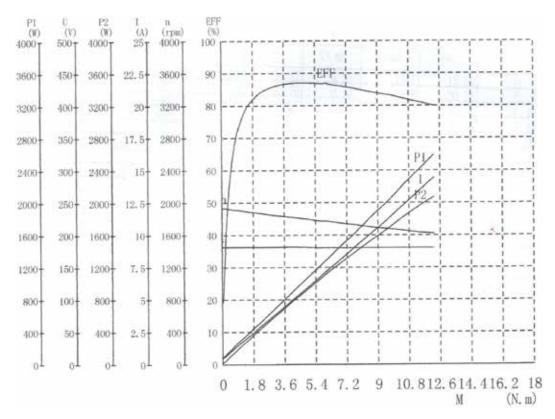
Performance Data – MTPM-P75-1M18								
Description	U (V)	I (A)	P1 (W)	M (N·m)	n (rpm)	P2 (W)	Eff	
No Load	180.8	0.333	60.35	0.081	1858	15.87	26.3	
Rated	180.5	3.547	640.7	3.081	1704	550.0	85.8	
Max Eff	180.6	3.164	571.4	2.736	1722	493.3	86.3	
Max P _{out}	180.5	4.272	771.4	3.766	1672	659.3	85.4	
Max Torque	180.5	4.272	771.4	3.766	1672	659.3	85.4	
End	180.5	4.272	771.4	3.766	1672	659.3	85.4	

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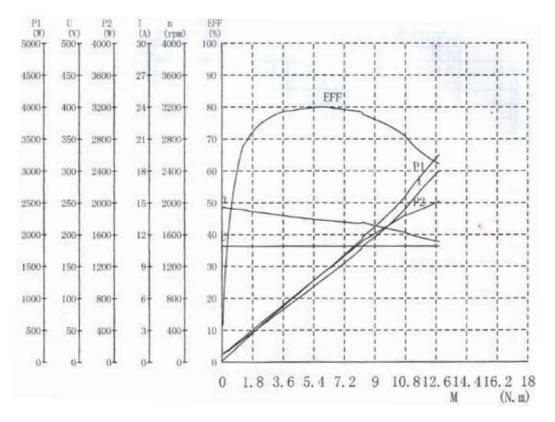
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Description	U (V)	I (A)	P1 (W)	M (N·m)	n (rpm)	P2 (W)	Eff		
No Load	180.6	0.434	78.52	0.075	1792	14.10	17.9		
Rated	180.4	5.026	909.7	4.412	1623	750.0	82.4		
Max Eff	180.4	5.026	909.7	4.412	1623	750.0	82.4		
Max P _{out}	180.4	5.026	909.7	4.412	1623	750.0	82.4		
Max Torque	180.4	5.026	909.7	4.412	1623	750.0	82.4		
End	180.4	5.026	909.7	4.412	1623	750.0	82.4		

MTPM-1P5-1M18



	Performance Data – MTPM-1P5-1M18								
Description	U (V)	I (A)	P1 (W)	M (N·m)	n (rpm)	P2 (W)	Eff		
No Load	180.3	0.492	88.87	0.084	1927	17.02	19.1		
Rated	180.0	7.198	1296	6.099	1761	1125	86.8		
Max Eff	180.1	5.337	961.5	4.427	1804	836.2	86.9		
Max P _{out}	179.8	14.40	2590	12.261	1612	2069	79.8		
Max Torque	179.8	14.40	2590	12.261	1612	2069	79.8		
End	179.8	14.40	2590	12.261	1612	2069	79.8		

MTPM-002-1M18



Performance Data – MTPM-002-1M18								
Description	U (V)	I (A)	P1 (W)	M (N·m)	n (rpm)	P2 (W)	Eff	
No Load	180.7	0.690	124.8	0.07	1933	14.16	11.3	
Rated	180.3	10.58	1910	8.25	1733	1500	78.5	
Max Eff	180.4	8.374	1510	6.54	1763	1207	79.9	
Max P _{out}	180.1	18.00	3244	12.82	1502	2017	62.1	
Max Torque	180.1	18.00	3244	12.82	1502	2017	62.1	
End	180.1	18.00	3244	12.82	1502	2017	62.1	



INTRODUCTION TO PERMANENT MAGNET DC MOTORS

INTRODUCTION

Permanent magnet DC motors are useful in a range of applications from conveyors to pumps. PMDC motors have a linear speed-torque curve well suited to adjustable speed applications where the motor will operate at less than 3000 rpm.

Inside these motors, permanent magnets replace the field windings found in shunt motors. A wound armature and commutator brushes complete the motor.

Permanent magnets supply the field flux, eliminating the need for external field current. This design yields a smaller, lighter, energy-efficient motor.

The PMDC motor's field has a high reluctance (low permeability) that eliminates significant armature interaction. High reluctance yields a constant field, permitting linear operation over the motor's entire speed-torque range. In operation with a constant armature voltage, as speed decreases, available torque increases. As armature voltage increases, the linear speed-torque curves shift upwards. Thus, a series of parallel speed-torque curves, for different armature voltages, represents the speed-torque properties of a PMDC motor. Speed is proportional to voltage and torque is proportional to current.

FORM FACTOR

The voltage used to power a PMDC motor is not a pure DC. It is derived DC voltage by rectifying an AC voltage. Thus, the DC voltage has a ripple component related to the frequency of the AC input.

Form factor is the ratio of I_{rms} to I_{dc} and indicates how close the driving voltage is to pure DC. Form factor for a pure DC source, such as a battery, is 1.0. The higher the form factor is above 1.0, the more it deviates from pure DC. The table here shows typical form factors for common voltage sources.

Form F	Form Factor: Comparing Driving Voltage to Pure DC						
Form Factor	DC Voltage Source						
1.0	Battery – Pure DC						
1.05 *	Pulse Width Modulation (PWM)						
1.35 **	Full Wave Rectification (Single Phase)						
1.9 ***	Half Wave Rectification (Single Phase)						

^{*} All DC-input IronHorse GSD series DC drives are 1.05. IronHorse AC-input GSD5 DC drive is 1.05.

For Ironhorse PMDC motors it is recommended that form factor not exceed 1.4 for continuous operation. Half wave rectification is not recommended because it increases the form factor.

Driving a Ironhorse PMDC motor with a higher form factor control than intended can cause premature brush failure and excessive internal heating.

PMDC motors can generate high momentary starting and acceleration torques, typically 10 to 12 times full rated torque. Thus, they suit applications requiring high starting torques or momentary bursts of power. However, they are not intended for continuous operation at these higher levels of torque. This can cause overheating, which can result in non-reversible demagnetization of the field magnets.

Torque (current) limiting in the drive limits stall conditions and current draw, particularly during high torque demand, and protects against detrimental overload.

^{**} Single phase full wave rectification is the most common form of DC drive in 0.33–2 hp range. All IronHorse GSD series DC drives are 1.35 or better.

^{***} Not Recommended.

ENCLOSURE AND ELECTRICAL INSULATION SYSTEMS

Other considerations for PMDC motor selection include proper choice of enclosure and electrical insulation system. If safety factors dictate a totally enclosed motor, it may be non-ventilated (TENV) or fan-cooled (TEFC).

Electrical insulation systems, as shown is the following table, are tested for 20,000 hours at a rated temperature without degradation (as recognized by UL, CSA, BSI, and VDE). Subtract ambient temperatures (usually 25 °C or 40 °C) to determine allowable rise.

Electrical Insulation Systems					
Class A	105 degrees C				
Class B	130 degrees C				
Class F	155 degrees C				
Class H	180 degrees C				

PERMANENT MAGNETS

A number of magnetic materials are available for permanent magnets. These include ceramic oriented ferrites, rare earth permanent magnets, and Alnico. The following table compares common magnet materials.

Comparing Permanent Magnet Motor Materials							
Type Cost Demagnetizing Resistance Energy Product							
Ceramic Oriented Ferrites *	Low	Medium	Low				
Samarium Cobalt	High	High	High				
Neodymium Iron Boron	Neodymium Iron Boron High High High						
* Ironhorse PMDC motors c	* Ironhorse PMDC motors contain ceramic oriented ferrite magnets.						

Ceramic oriented ferrites, typically made with barium or strontium have become the material of choice in most PM motors, replacing Alnico, because of their greater resistance to demagnetization and low cost.

Rare earth magnets may allow a downsized PM motor or boost its power rating. They include samariumcobalt and neodymium-iron-boron. Their characteristics, include high energy and low susceptibility to demagnetization; however, the cost of these materials remains high.



BRUSHES

PMDC motors use a mechanical commutator to switch current to the armature winding. Commutator bars connect to the armature windings. Spring loaded brushes make mechanical contact with the commutator bars, carrying the current to the armature. The armature commutator and the brushes act as a rotary switch for energizing the windings.

The ideal brush offers low voltage loss, negligible dust formation, no arcing, little commutator wear, and generates little noise.

Commonly used brush materials include carbon and carbon graphite, graphite, electro-graphitic, and metal-graphite. The following table compares these brush materials.

Comparing Motor Brush Materials							
Voltage Drop	Current Capacity	Limitations of Use					
High	Low	High Voltage, Low Speed, Fractional hp Only					
Medium	Medium	Medium Speed / High Voltage					
Medium	High	Medium to High Speed / High Voltage					
Low	Low	Low Voltage / Low Speeds					
Very Low	Very Low	Very Low Voltage / Low Speeds					
	High Medium Medium Low	Voltage DropCurrent CapacityHighLowMediumMediumMediumHighLowLow					

^{*} PMDC motors use resin-class graphite brushes, which puts them in the category of carbon-graphite brushes.

RESIN-BONDED BRUSHES (INCLUDING RESIN-CLASS GRAPHITE / CARBON-GRAPHITE BRUSHES)

The raw material is graphite, bonded with resin, which is pressed and heat treated in a special process. The advantage of special graphite brushes is their high contact drop and low internal resistance. They also have good oxidation resistance. These properties are very valuable for machines with high commutating requirements. The main field of application for special graphite brushes covers machines with high commutating requirements, but with relatively low brush current. These include small PMDC motors.

Other factors also affect brush life and performance, including temperature, humidity, altitude, spring pressure, control form factor, size and duty cycle.

If spring pressure is too low, excessive electrical wear may occur. If it is too high, excessive mechanical wear may occur. The optimal spring-pressure range for minimal wear is between the high electrical and mechanical wear regions.

Low humidity, high temperature or high altitude environments may not have enough moisture present to form the necessary lubricating film between brush and commutator bar. Special lubricant impregnated brushes can correct the problem.

Under light load conditions, the low current draw can cause poor lubrication of the commutator. Smutting of the commutator and uneven commutation often result.



Ironhorse PMDC brushes have been specifically manufactured for optimal performance with the Ironhorse PMDC motors.

WE DO NOT RECOMMEND USING OTHER MANUFACTURER'S BRUSHES.



POWER SUPPLY

Ironhorse PMDC motors are designed for use with NEMA code K power supplies, but can be supplied by five basic types of power sources: batteries, generators, six-step SCR, three-step SCR, and single phase SCR. These types of supplies are divided into four NEMA codes, based on the quality of the output power as shown below.

Common PMDC Power Supplies								
NEMA Code	Description	Power Quality Use		Form Factor				
А	Batteries, Generators	Excellent	Limited	1.0				
С	3 Phase / 6-Step SCR (Solid State)	Excellent	High (for high hp)	C: 1.04				
D	3 Phase / 6-Step SCR (Solid State)			D: 1.13				
E	3 Phase / 3-Step SCR (Solid State)	Average	Limited	1.05				
К	1 Phase SCR (Solid State)	Poor	High (for low hp)	1.35				

The most common way to provide DC voltage to a motor from an AC line is through the use of an electronic drive. Depending on the construction, a drive will provide a pulse wave form similar to the voltage from a battery. These pulses are characterized by a form factor which is defined by NEMA (National Electrical Manufacturers' Association) as a power supply code. Codes are based on the quality of the power output. Application concerns include drive cost, operational cost (efficiency), reliability, and output power quality.

NEMA POWER CODE A

This power supply is a pure DC power supply such as a battery or a generator. High frequency PWM power supplies will approach NEMA power code A.

NEMA POWER CODES C AND D

This power supply is close to being pure and consists of six silicon controlled rectifiers (SCRS) connected in a three phase, full-wave bridge configuration.

NEMA POWER CODE E

This power supply has average quality and consists of three controlled rectifiers (SCRS) connected in a three phase, halfwave bridge configuration. Most DC motors will require some derating when used on this type of power supply.

NEMA POWER CODE K

This power supply has limited applications and consists of two controlled rectifiers (SCRs) and two diode style rectifiers connected in a single phase full-wave bridge configuration. A freewheeling rectifier may be used across the motor armature terminals. This type of power supply is normally used for motors rated up to 7-1/2 HP.

Ironhorse MTPM series motors are rated for use with Code K DC power supplies.

SINGLE-PHASE POWER SUPPLY CONSIDERATIONS

This type of power supply is limited to motors fractional through 7-1/2hp. Drive application is limited due to simplicity of power supply.

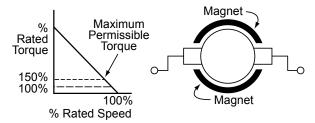


DC MOTOR TYPES

There are four kinds of DC motors commonly used in industrial applications: shunt, series, compound wound or stabilized shunt, and permanent magnet. Ironhorse MTPM series motors are permanent magnet DC motors.

PERMANENT MAGNET MOTORS

Permanent magnet motors are generally used where response time is a factor. They are built with a conventional type of armature, but have permanent magnets in the field section rather than windings. Permanent magnet motors are considered less expensive to operate as they require no field supply.



CONTROLLING SPEED

The method of controlling the speed of a PM direct current motor is armature voltage control.

ARMATURE VOLTAGE CONTROL

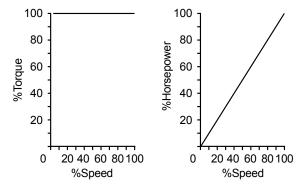
For this type of speed control the armature voltage is varied. The output torque of a DC motor is proportional to the product of the main pole flux, armature current, and a machine constant which is a function of armature windings. With armature voltage speed control, the torque is dependent upon the armature current only; that is, at rated armature current the torque is constant.

A DC motor, operated with armature voltage control and fixed field excitation, will develop rated torque at rated armature current independent of the speed. This is commonly called constant torque operation.

LOAD CONSIDERATIONS

CONSTANT TORQUE

Many industrial applications such as conveyors, mixers, squeeze rolls, continuous processing machinery, etc., require nearly constant torque over their operating speed range. Direct current motors operated with fixed shunt field excitation and adjustable armature voltage have an approximately constant torque capacity over their speed range as shown below.





HIGH TEMPERATURE CONSIDERATIONS

Overload is only one cause of over-temperature problems. High ambient temperatures or improper cleaning of filters on the machine itself contribute to short service life by increasing operating temperatures. This in turn causes abnormally high differential expansion stress resulting in cracks in the insulation which usually propagate through to the bare conductor, opening the circuit to contamination failure. In addition, the commonly known effect is the more rapid degradation of the insulation materials which shrink and harden, then gradually lose both strength and insulating characteristics.

Ambient temperatures greater than 40°C are also harmful to grease, cables, brushes, and commutation.

CONTAMINATION CONSIDERATIONS

Nonconducting contaminants such as factory dust and sand gradually promote over-temperature by restricting cooling air circulation. In addition, these may erode the insulation and the varnish, gradually reducing their effectiveness.

Conducting contaminants such as metal dust, carborundum, carbon, and salt, in addition to promoting over-temperature, also provide immediate conducting paths for shorting or grounding leakage currents wherever the electrical circuit is contacted. Normal differential expansion, rotational stresses, and thermal expansion of trapped air in voids within the insulation system eventually open the insulated circuit at unpredictable locations. Depending on the severity of the operating voltage, service life may be measured in years, months, days, or hours.

Oil deposits promote easy adhesion of contaminants to the internal insulated and exposed un-insulated surfaces to promote early service life problems.

Water from splashing or condensation seriously degrades an insulation system. The water alone is conducting. Nonconducting contaminants are readily converted into leakage current conductors. Intermittent or occasional wetness ultimately causes service failure because successive leakage situations gradually deposit a permanent path for continuation of the damaging shorting or grounding currents.

VIBRATION CONSIDERATIONS

High vibration promotes service life problems by subjecting the shaft to stress, which finally results in actual shorting of conductors between turns or between layers. In addition, the severe stress causes fissures and cracks in the conductor insulation exposing the electrical circuit to contamination failure. Another important factor is the work hardening effect that this vibration has on the conductor itself, resulting in an open circuit by conduction or cracking. Commutation problems may arise because of brush bouncing. Continued severe vibration fatigues metals and could cause failure in casting or bearings.

ALTITUDE CONSIDERATIONS

Standard motor ratings are based on operation at any altitude up to 3300 feet (1000 meters). All altitudes up to and including 3300 feet are considered to be the same as sea level. High altitude derating is required because of lower air density which requires a greater amount of cooling.

DC motors are derated by 3% per 1000 feet above the 3300 feet. In some cases, a blower will be sufficient to cool the motor instead of using a larger frame motor.



AMBIENT TEMPERATURE

Motors for use in abnormally hot places are usually designed to accommodate the higher ambient by having a lower winding temperature rise. If the ambient temperature is above 50°C, special consideration must also be made of the lubricant. Although it's possible to operate in ambients above 50°C, application should be referred to the manufacturer to determine what steps must be taken.

In general, the simplest method of derating for high ambient temperatures is to derate the horsepower rating of the motor. In this way, the armature will operate at reduced current. For ambients lower than 40°C, a standard 40°C machine is normally used at rated load. In the case when the ambient is maintained well below 40°C, a standard ambient motor may be used at overload, provided the following factors are known:

- 1) The ambient is known always to be low.
- 2) Shaft stresses, bearing loading and commutation are approved by the factory.
- 3) Overload protection for the motor from an over load or stalled condition is available and used.

Operation of motors in ambients below 0°C results in severe duty on the machine component parts. Of major concern are the lubrication system and the insulation system.