

iPAK 4500AW water cooled resistance welding inverter

Typical Configurations



Inverter modules ready to be integrated into your existing or custom cabinet.

Complete engineered welding control in self contained easy to install cabinet, including safety screens, circuit breaker with door interlocking, optional isolation contactor, power supplies and earth leakage protection.

iPAK 4500AW with Typical Suitable Transformer/Rectifier (Averaging Time 2 Seconds)				
Transformer type	TDC-5982	TDC-5982	TDC-6007	TDC-6007
kVA	560 kVA	560 kVA	600 kVA	600 kVA
Transformer primary V	650 volts	650 volts	650 volts	650 volts
Secondary Voltage	13.0 volts	16.2 volts	13.0 volts	16.2 volts
Turns Ratio	50:1	40:1	50:1	40:1
Sec. Current @ 3%	172,000 Amps (D)	140,689 Amps (T)	172,000 Amps (D)	150,738 Amps (D)
Sec. Current @ 10%	96,323 Amps (T)	77,058 Amps (T)	103,203 Amps (T)	82,563 Amps (T)
Sec. Current @ 20%	68,111 Amps (T)	54,488 Amps (T)	72,976 Amps (T)	58,381 Amps (T)
Sec. Current @ 50%	43,077 Amps (T)	34,462 Amps (T)	46,154 Amps (T)	36,923 Amps (T)
Sec. Current @ 100%	30,460 Amps (T)	24,368 Amps (T)	32,636 Amps (T)	26,109 Amps (T)
3 phase voltage	480v max	480v max	480v max	480v max

C=Limited by the inverter T=Limited by transformer kVA D=Limited by secondary diodes

Important note:

The current values shown in the above tables take no account of the secondary resistance of the machine, which in most circumstances will have a significant effect on the maximum current available from the system. The figures given are only intended as a guide and to demonstrate the limiting factors.

General Power Specification		
Maximum output power @ 20% Duty Cycle @ 2 seconds averaging time	2,925 kVA @ 480 V line voltage	
Maximum line input voltage	480 V ac +10%-20% @ 50/60 Hz	
Maximum output current – Limited electronically	4,500 Amps	
Maximum Continuous output current	2,012 Amps	
Maximum line input current per phase	2,598 Amps	
Continuous equivalent rms line current per phase (4,500A@20%DC)	1,162 Amps	
Power Factor	Leading	
Current regulation and feedback	Primary and secondary	
Current regulation accuracy	±2 %	
Current regulation repeatability	±1%	
Inverter switching frequency	1 kHz	
Maximum averaging time	2 seconds	
Water flow rate	30 litres per minute (10 litres/module)	
Maximum inlet water temperature	30 degrees centigrade	

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Installation of water-cooled iPAK nnnAW inverter modules to qualify for warranty

These notes are provided to assist customers who are installing inverter modules into their own equipment. Failure to follow these rules will render the warranty void.

- 1. The inverter must be fitted into a customer cabinet which is sealed against ingress of dust.
- 2. There must be a free air space around all sides of the inverter module of at least four inches or 100mm.
- 3. The cabinet internal ambient temperature must not rise above 104 degrees Fahrenheit or 40 degrees Centigrade when under normal operating conditions.
- 4. All entry and exit conduits must be sealed with appropriate bulkhead fittings or glands.
- 5. All unused holes must be sealed.
- 6. The inverter must be supplied with three phase AC via an earth leakage circuit breaker (ELCB or GFI), suitably rated for the inverter (please see BF ENTRON Data sheet), with thermal and magnetic trips. This is required to provide protection for the inverter in the event of a device failure.
- 7. Maximum load/transformer primary current must not exceed the inverter rated current at the machine maximum duty cycle specified over the averaging time of two seconds (see BF ENTRON graph).
- 8. Duty cycle limits must not be exceeded beyond those specified in the BFE data sheet.
- 9. Water flow must be at least the following:
 - I. iPAK 150AW 1 gal/min or 5 litres/min
 - II. iPAK 360AW 1 gal/min or 5 litres/min
 - III. iPAK 600AW 1.5 gal/min or 7.5 litres/min
 - IV. iPAK 1000AW 2 gal/min or 10 litres/min
 - V. iPAK 1500AW 2 gal/min or 10 litres/min
 - VI. iPAK 3000AW 4 gal/min or 20 litres/min
 - VII. iPAK 4500AW 6 gal/min or 30 litres/min
 - VIII. iPAK 6000AW 8 gal/min or 40 litres/min
- 10. A water management system must be used which is independent of both the machine and the welding transformer cooling systems.
- 11. The water management system must have the following components in each flow path :
 - I. A manual flow regulator or constant flow valve.
 - II. A programmable flow switch which is monitored by the welding control or line PLC.
 - III. A shut off valve.
 - IV. The water flow must drain to atmosphere.
- 12. Inlet water temperature must not exceed 77 degrees Fahrenheit or 25 degrees Centigrade.
- 13. The water temperature must not be low enough to cause the formation of condensation inside the inverter.
- 14. Water savers may be used, but should be used on the water outlet of the inverter. Water flow should be started at least half a second before a weld commences and the water must remain flowing for at least one minute after the weld has finished.

If the above conditions cannot be met BFE can supply a self contained cabinet with earth leakage circuit breaker.

Important Notes – Warranty Exclusions:

- a. Excessive dust or moisture contamination may render the warranty void.
- b. Excessive internal cabinet temperatures may cause the inverter to be damaged and the warranty will be void.
- **c.** Evidence of significant inverter damage as a result of unprotected flash over as a result of no ELCB (GFI) being fitted will render the warranty void.

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Suggested Minimum Electrical Installation Data for iPAK 4500AW

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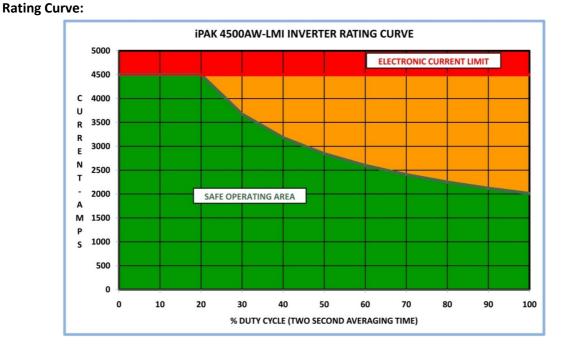
All the calculations for cable sizing assume that the inverter will be used at maximum permissible current and maximum permissible duty cycle, but within the inverter specification.

WARNING

The calculations given below are intended as a guide, and should therefore be checked by a professional electrical engineer to ensure that local installation regulations are met.

Assumptions for three phase supply feed: Ambient temperature = 30°C (86°F) Cable Insulation = Butyl = 85°C (185°F) Conductor temperature Maximum volts drop at full load = 5% of nominal supply voltage. Continuous current rating for cable sizing = 1,162 Amps (thermal equivalent current) Current Rating for volts drop = 2,598 Amps **Recommended fusing** = 1500 Amps HRC Recommended thermal/magnetic circuit breaker = 1200 Amps Minimum cable size for 10 metre feed cable = 2 x 240 sq. mm (2 x 474 kMCM) (flat spaced) Volts drop over 10 metres of cable @ 2,598 Amps = 2.20 volts/10 metre length of run Assumptions for Welding transformer feed: Ambient temperature $= 30^{\circ}C(86^{\circ}F)$ **Cable Insulation** = Butyl Conductor temperature = 85°C (185°F)

- Maximum volts drop at full load
- Continuous current rating for cable sizing
- Current Rating for volts drop
- Minimum cable size for 10 metre feed cable
- Volts drop over 10 metres of cable @ 4,500 Amps
- = 5% of nominal supply voltage.
- = 2,012 Amps (thermal equivalent current)
- = 4,500 Amps
- = 3 x 240 sq. mm (3 x 474 kMCM) (flat spaced)
- = 2.550 volts/10 metre length of run

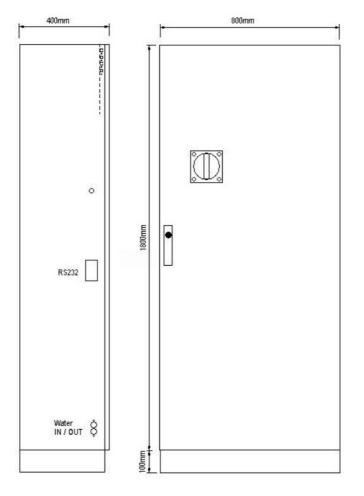


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Outline Drawings – Inverter Modules (3 modules used per Inverter): 300mn 267mm 24n 175mi H1 / H2 Shrouds 140mm IJЛ - ----253mm 895mm 870mm 592mm 90mm 12.5mm 173mm 205mn 5mm

Outline Drawings – Standard case:



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