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Guidelines for selection of planetary gear units of the 300-INDUSTRIAL series for installation in hazardous areas, classified by Directive 99/92/EC 010101011100



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1.0 - SCOPE OF DOCUMENT

This Technical Bulletin serves as an aid for the selection of 300 series planetary gear units intended for installation in explosion risk areas, classified according to Directive 1999/92/EC.

This Technical Bulletin is an integral part of the 300-IND series catalogue, code 1900, and subsequent revisions, and has the following scope:

- describes the **constructional characteristics** of gear units conforming to the "ATEX" Directive 94/9/EC, where they differ from those of standard construction gear units see par. 4.0.2.
- specifies the **selection criteria** approved by the Manufacturer to ensure that said gear units operate in compliance with the minimum safety requirements stipulated by Directive 94/9/EC see par. 4.0.4.

2.0 - INTRODUCTION TO THE ATEX DIRECTIVES

Under the provisions of Directive 94/9/EC, an explosive atmosphere is defined as a mixture:

- a) of flammable substances, whether gas, vapour, mist or dust;
- b) with air;
- c) in certain atmospheric conditions;
- d) in which, following ignition, combustion spreads to the entire unburned mixture (note that in the case of dust, the entire quantity of dust is not always completely burnt after combustion).

An atmosphere which may potentially be transformed into an explosive atmosphere due to operating and/or ambient conditions is defined as a **potentially explosive atmosphere**. The products governed by Directive 94/9/EC are intended for use only in a potentially explosive atmosphere defined in this way.

European harmonised ATEX standards

The European Union has issued two harmonisation guidelines in the area of health and safety. Directive 94/9/EC stipulates the minimum safety requirements for products intended for use in explosion risk areas within the member countries of the European Union. The directive also assigns such equipment to **categories**, which are defined by the directive itself.

Directive 1999/92/EC defines the minimum health and safety requirements for the workplace, for working conditions and for the handling of products and materials in explosion risk areas. The directive also divides the workplace into **zones** and defines the criteria for the application of product **categories** in said zones.

The following table describes the **zones** into which the user of a plant, in which an explosive atmosphere may occur, is required to divide the equipment application areas.

Zones				
Gaseous atmosphere	Dusty atmosphere	Formation frequency of a potentially explosive atmosphere	Type of danger	
G D				
0	20	Present continuously or for long periods	Permanent	
1	21	Likely to occur in normal operation occasionally	Potential	
2	22	Not likely to occur in normal operation but if it does occur will persist for short period only	Minimal	

BONFIGLIOLI RIDUTTORI gear units selected in this catalogue are suitable for installation in zones 1, 21, 2 and 22, as highlighted in grey in the above table.

As from 1 July 2003 the ATEX directives came into force throughout the entire European Union, and replace existing conflicting national and European laws on explosive atmospheres. The directives apply to mechanical, hydraulic and pneumatic equipment.





Levels of protection for the various categories of equipment

The various categories of equipment must be able to operate in conformity with the Manufacturer's operational specifications, at certain defined levels of protection.

	Category			
Protection level	Group	Group	Type of protection	Operating conditions
	I	II		
Very high	M1		Two independent means of protec- tion or safety capable of operating even when two independent faults occur	The equipment remains powered and operational even in the presen- ce of an explosive atmosphere
Very high		1	Two independent means of protec- tion or safety capable of operating even when two independent faults occur	The equipment remains powered and operational in zones 0, 1, 2 (G) and/or zones 20, 21, 22 (D)
High	M2		Protection suitable for normal ope- ration and heavy duty conditions	Power to the equipment is shut off in the presence of a potentially ex- plosive atmosphere
High		2	Protection suitable for normal opera- tion and frequent faults or equipment in which malfunction is normal.	The equipment remains powered and operational in zones 1, 2 (G) and/or zones 21, 22 (D)
Normal		3	Protection suitable for normal ope- ration	The equipment remains powered and operational in zones 2 (G) and/or 22 (D)

Definition of groups (EN 1127-1)

- **Group I** Applies to equipment intended for use underground in parts of mines and those parts of surface installations of such mines, liable to be endangered by firedamp and/or combustible dust.
- **Group II** Applies to equipment intended for use in other places liable to be endangered by explosive atmospheres.

The areas highlighted in grey indicate the only categories in which BONFIGLIOLI RIDUTTORI products may be used. BONFIGLIOLI RIDUTTORI products may not therefore be installed in mines, classified in **Group I**. To summarise, the classification of equipment into groups, categories and zones is illustrated in the table below, where the availability of BONFIGLIOLI RIDUTTORI products is highlighted in grey.

Group	l mines firedamp		II							
	mines, firedamp			other potentially explosive areas (gas, dust)						
Category	M1	M2	1		2		3			
Atmosphere ⁽¹⁾			G	D	G	D	G	D		
Zone			0	20	1	21	2	22		
Type of protection gear unit ⁽²⁾					c, k	c, k	c, k	c, k		

(1) G = gas D = dust
 (2) as per EN 13463



3.0 - USE, INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE



The instructions for safe storage, handling and use of the product are given in the unit's User, Installation and Service Manual.

This document must be kept in a suitable place, in the vicinity of the installed gear unit, as a reference for all persons authorised to work with or on the product throughout its service life.

The Manufacturer reserves the right to modify, supplement or improve the Manual, in the interests of the User.

4.0 - PECULIARITIES OF 300 SERIES GEAR UNITS COMPLIANT WITH DIRECTIVE 94/9/EC

4.0.1 - PRODUCT AVAILABILITY

Frame sizes : 300 to 321.

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Configurations	•	L 1	-		-	
	300321	L 2	300306	R 2	-	
	300321	L 3	300321	R 3	300307	L 3
	300321	L 4	300321	R 4	•	L 4

	Foot mount		Flange mount			Shaft mount	Agitator (vertical)
Versions							
	PC	PZ	MC/HC	MZ/HZ	FZ	FP	VK



Accessories					
	P	B0A	M0A	G0A	W0A





4.0.2 - CONSTRUCTIONAL CHARACTERISTICS

- Only synthetic lubricants are used.
- Only VITON® gaskets are used.
- Oil seals are equipped with dust lips.
- Vent plugs are equipped with valves with anti-intrusion springs, to prevent contamination of the lubricant by solid particles.
- Oil filler, drain and level plugs are made from steel and equipped with aluminium lock washers.
- No external metal moving parts in contact with other parts.
- No plastic parts prone to accumulating static charges; if present, such parts are shielded.
- Each gear unit is supplied with an installation drawing indicating the following information:
 - main technical characteristics
 - installation specifications
 - location of oil plugs for the specified mounting position
 - lubrication instructions
- The units are fitted with an additional nameplate specifying the product category. For example:



4.0.3 - OPERATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS

For installation in zones 21 and 22, the Customer must set out and implement a specific cleaning schedule for the unit's surfaces and recesses to prevent build ups of dust exceeding 5 mm in depth.



4.0.4 – SELECTING THE PRODUCT

The gear unit and gearmotor selection procedure is identical to that given in the 300-IND Series catalogue, article code 1900, and any future revisions thereof.

The following chapters contain **variations** to the procedure given in the catalogue, code 1900, and subsequent revisions thereof as regards the selection of products compliant with Directive 94/9/EC, which **super-sede** the procedure specified in the catalogue for units intended for installation in areas without risk of explosion.

These variations primarily affect the following:

- Application of an adjusting factor to the thermal capacity.
- Application of a service factor « fs » with a greater safety margin.

- Thermal capacity « Pt » [kW]

This value represents the power applicable to the gear unit operating in a continuous duty cycle at an ambient temperature of 20 °C, generating a surface temperature no greater than 135 °C and with a Δt in any case no greater than 95 °C relative to the ambient temperature « t_a ».

Should the ambient temperature be different to 20 °C or the input speed « n_1 » be different to that specified in the unit's technical data charts, the value « P_t » must be recalculated using the adjusting factors for the specific conditions in question, as given in the table below:

f _t							
		Intermittent duty					
t _a (°C)	Continuous duty	Intermittence ratio « I »					
		80%	60%	40%	20%		
10	1.2	1.3	1.6	1.8	2.0		
20	1.0	1.1	1.3	1.5	1.7		
30	0.9	1.0	1.2	1.3	1.5		
40	0.7	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.2		
50	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9		

n ₁ (min ⁻¹)	f _v
750	1.5
950	1.2
1500	1.0

 $I = \frac{t_f}{t_f + t_r} \times 100$

 t_f = operating time under load; t_r = rest time.

	Config	uration	no du officio o	£	
Frame size	in line	right angle	reductions	IEx	
300321	L	-	2	0.9	
300321	L	-	3 - 4	1.0	
300306	-	R	2	0.8	
300321	-	R	3 - 4	0.9	

After application of the above, the following condition should be obtained:

 $P_{r1} \leq P_t \times f_t \times f_v \times f_{Ex}$



- Service factor « fs »

Service factor « f _s »								
			Accumula	ted operating	hours (h)			
Duty	Starts/hour	≤ 5000	10000	15000	25000	50000		
			Daily	operating hou	urs (h)			
	z	h < 4	4 < h < 8	8 < h < 12	12 < h < 16	16 < h < 24		
	Z < 10	1.10	1.10	1.15	1.30	1.60		
Uniform load	10 < Z < 30	1.10	1.15	1.30	1.50	1.80		
	30 < Z < 100	1.10	1.25	1.45	1.60	2.00		
	Z < 10	1.10	1.25	1.45	1.60	2.00		
Moderate shock load	10 < Z < 30	1.10	1.40	1.60	1.80	2.20		
	30 < Z < 100	1.20	1.50	1.70	2.00	2.40		
	Z < 10	1.20	1.50	1.70	2.00	2.40		
Heavy shock load	10 < Z < 30	1.30	1.60	1.80	2.10	2.60		
	30 < Z < 100	1.40	1.75	2.00	2.30	2.80		



5.0 - ORDERING NUMBERS

5.0.1 - DESIGNATION OF IN-LINE (300 L) AND RIGHT ANGLE (300 R) GEAR UNITS









5.0.2 - DESIGNATION OF COMBINED WORM+PLANETARY (3/V) GEAR UNITS









Input keyed shaft



6.0 - DECLARATION OF CONFORMITY

The Declaration of Conformity, of which a copy is given in this Bulletin, attests to the conformity of the product with the provisions of Directive 94/9/EC.

Conformity is subordinated to observance of the instructions given in the User, Installation and Service Manual which specifies the safe use of the product throughout its service life.

The ambient condition specifications are of particular importance inasmuch as failure to observe them during operation renders the certificate null and void.

In case of doubt regarding the validity of the Declaration of Conformity, contact the BONFIGLIOLI RIDUTTORI Technical Service.





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CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE (according to EC Directive 94/9/CE Annex VIII)

BONFIGLIOLI RIDUTTORI S.p.A.

declares under its own responsibility that the following products:
300 INDUSTRIAL series planetary gear units

in category **2G** and **2D** to which this certificate refers, are in compliance with the requirements of the following Directive:

94/9/EC OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND THE COUNCIL of 23 March 1994 Conformity with the provisions of this Directive is proven by complete compliance to the following Standards:

EN 1127-1, EN 13463-1, prEN 13463-5, prEN 13463-8

BONFIGLIOLI RIDUTTORI filed the documents according to 94/9/EC Annex VIII, with the following notified body:

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