

Selection Guide | VLT® HVAC Basic Drive FC 101

A compact and competitive solution for applications with basic needs



Makes your buildings perform



Danfoss commitment

Danfoss' longstanding experience in applying drives in HVAC systems has enhanced our ability to design a HVAC Basic drive to the exact needs in simple mass produced applications.

Save energy and CO₂ emission

Energy savings through more than 1.5 million VLT® HVAC Drives installed worldwide are estimated at 285 million MWhrs a year. This equals the annual energy consumption of 60 million households and has an impact on the annual CO₂ emissions – a reduction of 180 million tonnes!

A wealth of knowledge

The various applications incorporated within high performance buildings are well understood by Danfoss and as global market leader we have built a wealth of knowledge and developed products and technology to ensure we meet and shape future trends in HVAC.

Danfoss HVAC application knowledge will ensure that the investment made in VLT® drives provide a qualified return.

Certify your building

Today the prime focus is on overall buildings performance which includes design, construction, efficiency, sustainability and the environmental impact of buildings in the future.

Energy efficient products form part of this overall plan. In many countries around the world the evaluation of high performance buildings falls under the banner LEED. Danfoss VLT Drives helps you to reduce the energy consumption in your building and to fulfill the highest standards set by these certification standards.







Proven HVAC experience



For simple fan and pump applications

User-friendly, distributed intelligence and reduced power consumption are beneficial for fan applications. Basic AHU functions enable the VLT® HVAC Basic Drive to control a wide range of functions. Pump-specific features developed in cooperation with OEMs, contractors and manufacturers around the world.

Fire Override Mode

Fire Override Mode prevents the VLT® HVAC Basic Drive from stopping for self-protecting reasons. In this mode it will continue vital fan operation regardless of control signals, warnings or alarms. Fire Override Mode helps keep fire escape routes free of smoke and ensures secure and continued operation within applications such as stair-well pressurization, car park exhaust fans, smoke exhaust and essential service functions. Fire mode is clearly indicated on the display to prevent any confusion. When set, the drive will override self protection and will continue operation despite the possibility of permanent damage in case of over-heating or overload. The vital goal is to keep the motor running even if it means self-destruction.

Skip frequencies

By pressing a few buttons on the Local Control Panel the drive can be set to avoid frequency bands at which connected fans create resonances in the ventilation system. This reduces vibration, noises and wear on equipment.

Belt Monitoring

The drive can, from the speed/ current, detect when the motor has lost contact to the fan and set off an alarm if the belt is broken.

Flying start

The drive can detect speed and direction of a freely spinning fan or pump and "catch" it at the right speed. This feature prevents violent starts and tear on the equipment.

Sleep Mode

When sleep mode is enabled, the drive automatically detects a no- or low-flow condition and stops the motor. The drive constantly monitors the situation in order to re-start the motor, when the load demand increases. This secures no interruptions in the supply, maximises the energy savings, reduces noise and extends the lifetime of the entire system.

The Danfoss EC+ concept



The Danfoss EC+ concept allows PM motors with non IEC or IEC conform dimensions to be used with Danfoss VLT® frequency converters. Danfoss has integrated the necessary control algorithm in the existing VLT® converter series. This means that there are no changes for the operator. After entering the relevant motor data, the user benefits from the high motor efficiency of EC technology.

Advantages of the EC+ concept

- Free choice of motor technology:
 PM or asynchronous with the same frequency converter
- Device installation and operation remain unchanged
- Manufacturer independence in the choice of all components like fans, motors etc.
- Superior system efficiency thanks to a combination of individual components with optimum efficiency
- Retrofitting of existing systems possible
- Wide range of rated powers for standard and PM motors

VLT® HVAC Basic Drive

The VLT® HVAC Basic Drive is a competitive drive for simple applications – with basic needs.

Easy commissioning

Its Quick Menu wizzard makes normal set-up and operation easy.

Maintenance free

Due to a series of self-protecting and monitoring features, the VLT® HVAC Basic Drive is maintenance free, except for general cleaning. Replacement of internal fans or capacitors is normally not required during lifetime.

Save space

Due to its ultra compact design, the VLT® HVAC Basic Drive is easily mounted inside a HVAC unit or panel, reducing overall enclosure costs.

Built-in mains filters

The standard integrated DC coils comply with EN 61000-3-12 reducing losses in mains and ensuring reliable

operation in the whole grid. The DC coils increase the lifespan of the DC link capacitors and they also ensure that the drive can operate motors to their full performance. Integrated DC coils save the cost for adding external filters

Reduced installation costs

- Built-in HVAC functions reducing need for other system components
- Ease of installation and set-up

Competitive performance

- Up to 98.5% efficiency
- Automatic Energy Optimisation
- System diagnostics

VLT® HVAC Basic Drive product range:

3 x 200 – 240 V	0.25 – 45 kW
3 x 380 – 480 V	0.37 – 90 kW
3 x 525 – 600 V	2.2 - 90 kW

Available enclosure ratings:

- IP 20
- IP 21/UL Type 1 (separate option kit)
- IP 54

Intuitive control panel

- 2-line alphanumeric display
- 7 languages + numeric menu
- Status LED's
- Quick menus (wizard for open loop applications, closed loop applications, and motor setup)
- IP 54 when mounted in a panel front
- Password protection
- Same parameter structure as the Danfoss VLT® FC - family drives
- Removable under operation (IP20)
- Upload and download parameters (LCP copy function)

Comparision of limits EN 55011/61800-3

The built-in EMC filter makes the VLT® HVAC Basic Drive conform to the limits for category C1 and C2 according to EN 61800-3, with no additional external components needed, even with long motor cables.

However, more importantly in practice is the compliance with the environmental standard EN 55011, Class B (residential) and Class A1 (industrial). This ensures reliable system operation in full compliance

Categories according to EN 61800-3	C1	C2	C3	C4	
Limits according to EN 55011	Class B	Class A1	Class A2	Exceeding class A2	

with all requirements for EMC in the operating environments and eliminates required product warnings and restrictions prescribed by the standard, if the drive used does not conform to category C1.

IP 21/ Type 1 Kit

The IP 21/ Type 1 kit is used for installation of VLT® HVAC Basic Drives in dry environments where dripping water can occour. The enclosure kits are available for all frame sizes.

PG 16 and PG 21 holes for cable glands

LCP Panel Mounting Kit

For easy installation of the local control panel in a cabinet door.

- IP 54 (front)
- Thumb screws for tool-free installation
- Incl. 3 meters of cables in industry quality (also available separately)
- Easy to install

Ordering number LCP & kit

- 132B0201 (Mounting kit for LCP including fasteners, 3 m cable and gasket).
- 132B0200 (Alpha Numeric Local Control Panel - to be ordered separately for IP20 units – it is delivered as standard for IP 54 units).





Ordering codes IP21/Type 1 kit

	Ordering codes if 21/ Type T Kit							
	Frame size	IP 21 kit	UL Type 1 kit	Decoupling plate				
	H1	132B0212	132B0222	132B0202				
	H2	H2 132B0213		132B0202				
	H3	132B0214	132B0224	132B0204				
H4 132B0215		132B0225	132B0205					
	H5	132B0216	132B0226	132B0205				
	H6	132B0217	132B0217	132B0207				
	H6	132B0217	132B0227	132B0242				
	H7	132B0218	132B0218	132B0208				
H7 132B0218		132B0218	132B0243					
	H8	132B0219	132B0219	132B0209				

Enclosure protection options





on 1-3 (break), 1-2 (make)

IP 20, Type 1/IP 21, IP 54 enclosures

The installation volume and/or the mounting surfaces are minimized.

The functional sections nevertheless fulfil the highest requirements even for applications with ambient temperatures up to 50° C.

Compact design

Optimized efficiency and intelligent cooling technology ensure compact and service-friendly design. Supplementary equipment such as EMC filters and harmonics suppression are integrated into the ultra compact enclosure.

Save installation time

The IP 20, Type 1/IP 21 (with option) and IP 54 series is designed for easy accessibility and time-saving installation. Mechanical fastening points are easy to access from the front even with automatic tools. All terminals are sufficiently dimensioned and clearly marked behind a plate. Accessories for bonding screened cables are included making compact enclosures easier to install.

240 VAC, 2 A and 400 VAC, 2 A

Specifications (Basic unit without extensions)

Main supply (L1, L2, L3)	
Supply voltage	200 – 240 V ±10%
Supply voltage	380 – 480 V ±10%
Supply voltage	525 – 600 V ±10%
Supply frequency	50/60 Hz
Displacement power factor (cos φ)	> 0.98 (near unity)
Switching on input supply L1, L2, L3	1–2 times/min.
Harmonic disturbance	Meets EN 61000-3-12

0 – 100% of supply voltage
0 – 400 Hz
Unlimited
1 – 3600 sec.

Digital inputs	
Programmable digital inputs	4
Logic	PNP or NPN programable
Voltage level	0 – 24 V DC
Maximum voltage on input	28 V DC
Input resistance, Ri	Approx. 4 kΩ

Analog inputs	
Analog inputs	2
Modes	Voltage or current
Voltage level	0 to +10 V (scaleable)
Current level	0/4 to 20 mA (scaleable)
Accuracy of analog inputs	Max. error: 0.5% of full scale

Analog output	
Programmable analog outputs	2
Current range at analog output	0/4 – 20 mA
Max. load to common at analog output (terminal 30)	500 Ω
Accuracy on analog output	Max. error: 1% of full scale

Control card	
RS485 interface	Up to 115 kBaud
Max. load (10 V)	25 mA
Max. load (24 V)	80 mA
Relay output	
Programmable relay outputs	2
Max. terminal load (AC)	240 VAC 2 A and 400 VAC 2 A

Surroundings/external	
Enclosure	IP 20/Chassis (IP 21/Type 1 optional kit) IP 54
Vibration test	1.14 g
Max. relative humidity	5% – 95% (IEC 721-3-3; Class 3K3 (non-condensing) during operation
Ambient temperature	up to 50° C
Galvanic isolation of all	I/O supplies according to PELV
Aggressive environment	Designed for coated/uncoated 3C3/3C2 (IEC 60721-3-3)

Fieldbus communication	
Standard built-in:	BACnet Modbus RTU N2 Metasys FLN Apogee FC Protocol

Protection mode for longest possible up-time

- Electronic thermal motor protection against overload
- Temperature monitoring of the heatsink ensures that the frequency converter trips if the temperature reaches 95° C \pm 5° C.
- The frequency converter is protected against short-circuits on motor terminals U, V, W.
- The frequency converter is protected against earth faults on motor terminals U, V, W.
- Protection against mains phase loss

Powers and currents

200 – 240 VAC

Enclosure	IP 20/Chassis		H1			H2	Н3	H4		H5	
200 – 240 VAC			PK25	PK37	PK75	P1K5	P2K2	P3K7	P5K5	P7K5	P11K
T : 161 (10 : .		[kW]	0.25	0.37	0.75	1.5	2.2	3.7	5.5	7.5	11
Typical Shaft Output		[HP]	0.33	0.5	1	2	3	5	7.5	10	15
Output Current	Continuous	[A]	1.5	2.2	4.2	6.8	9.6	15.2	22	28	42
(3 x 200 – 240 V)	Intermittent	[A]	1.7	2.4	4.6	7.5	10.6	16.7	24.2	30.8	46.2
		[mm ²] ([AWG])		4/10					16/6		
Max. Input Current	Continuous	[A]	1.1	1.6	2.8	5.6	8.8/7.2	14.1/12	21/18	28.3/24	41/38.2
(3 x 200 – 240 V)	Intermittent		1.2	1.8	3.1	6.2	9.5/7.9	15.5/13.2	23.1/19.8	31.1/26.4	45.1/42
Environment											
Estimated power loss	at rated max. load, best case	[W]	12	15	21	48	80	97	182	230	369
	typically		14	18	26	60	182	120	204	268	386
Weight [kg]		[kg]		2.0		2.1	3.4	4.5	7.	9	9.5
Efficiency [%], best case		97.0	97.3	98.0	97.6	97.1	97.9	97.3	97.5	97.2	
typically			96.5	96.8	97.6	97.0	96.3	97.4	97	97.	1

Enclosure	IP 20	/Chassis	H6	H	7		H8		
200 – 240 VAC			P15K	P18K	P22K	P30K	P37K	P45K	
Typical Shaft Output		[kW]	15.0	18.5	22.0	30.0	37.0	45.0	
Typical Shart Output		[HP]	20.0	25.0	30.0	40.0	50.0	60.0	
Output Current	Continuous	[A]	59.4	74.8	88.0	115.0	143.0	170.0	
(3 x 200 – 240 V)	Intermittent	[A]	65.3	82.3	96.8	126.5	157.3	187.0	
Max. cable size Mains, motor		[mm ²] ([AWG])	35	5/2	50)/1	95/0	120/(4/0)	
Max. Input Current	Continuous	[A]	52.7	65.0	76.0	103.7	127.9	153.0	
(3 x 200 – 240 V)	Intermittent	[A]	58.0	71.5	83.7	114.1	140.7	168.3	
Environment									
Estimated power loss at rated max. load, best case		[W]	512	658	804	1015	1459	1350	
	typically		-	-	-	-	-	-	
Weight	[kg]	24.5		36	6.0		51.0		
Efficiency [%], best case		97.0	96.9	96.8	97.0	96.5	97.3		
typical		-	-	-	-	-	-		

380 – 480 VAC

	IP:	20/Chassis		H1			H2		Н	3	
Enclosure 380-480 VAC		IP 54	NA			I2			I.	3	
300-400 VAC			PK37	PK75	P1K5	P2K2	P3K0	P4K0	P5K5	P7K5	
Tunical Chaft Outnut		[kW]	0.37	0.75	1.5	2.2	3	4	5.5	7.5	
Typical Shaft Output		[HP]	0.5	1	2	3	4	5	7.5	10	
Output Current	Continuous	[A]	1.2	2.2	3.7	5.3	7.2	9.1	12	15.5	
(3 x 380-440 V)	Intermittent [1 min. max]	[A]	1.3	2.4	4.1	5.8	7.9	9.9	13.2	17.1	
Output Current (3 x 440-480 V)	Continuous	[A]	1.1	2.1	3.4	4.8	6.3	8.2	11	14	
	Intermittent [1 min. max]		1.2	2.3	3.7	5.3	6.9	9.0	12.1	15.4	
Max. cable size	IP 20	[mm ²]	4/10								
Mains, motor	IP 54	([AWG])	4/10								
Max. Input Current	Continuous	FA3	1.2	2.1	3.5	4.7	6.3	8.3	11.2	15.1	
(3 x 380-440 V)	Intermittent [1 min. max]	[A]	1.3	2.3	3.9	5.2	6.9	9.1	12.3	16.6	
Max. Input Current	Continuous	[A]	1.0	1.8	2.9	3.9	5.3	6.8	9.4	12.6	
(3 x 440-480 V)	Intermittent [1 min. max]	[A]	1.1	2	3.2	4.3	5.8	7.5	10.3	13.9	
Environment											
Estimated power loss at rated max. load		[W]	13	21	46	46	66	95	104	159	
Weight	IP 20	fl1	2	.0	2.1	3.	.3	3.4	4.3	4.5	
	IP 54	[kg]				5.3			7.2		
Efficiency [%]			97.8	98.0	97.7	98.3	98.2	98.0	98.4	98.2	

	IP 20/Chassis IP 54		H	14	H	5 H6				Н	17	H8
Enclosure 380-480 VAC			14		16		17		18			
300-400 VAC			P11K	P15K	P18K	P22K	P30K	P37K	P45K	P55K	P75K	P90K
Typical Shaft Output		[kW]	11	15	18	22	30	37	45	55	75	90
		[HP]	15	20	25	30	40	50	60	75	100	125
Output Current	Continuous		23	31	37	42.5	61	73	90	106	147	177
(3 x 380-440 V)	Intermittent [1 min. max]	[A]	25.3	34	40.7	46.8	67.1	80.3	99	116	161	194
Output Current	Continuous	FA 3	21	27	34	40	52	65	80	105	130	160
(3 x 440-480 V)	Intermittent [1 min. max]	[A]	23.1	29.7	37.4	44	57.2	71.5	88	115	143	176
Max. cable size	IP 20	[mm²]	16/6				35/2			50/1	95/0	120/250
Mains, motor	IP 54	([AWG])	10/7		35/2		50/1		95/(3/0)	120/(4/0)		
Max. Input Current	Continuous	[A]	22.1	29.9	35.2	41.5	57	70	84	103	140	166
(3 x 380-440 V)	Intermittent [1 min. max]		24.3	32.9	38.7	45.7	62.7	77	92.4	113	154	182
Max. Input Current	Continuous	FA1	18.4	24.7	29.3	34.6	49-46	61-57	73-68	89-83	121-113	143-133
(3 x 440-480 V)	Intermittent [1 min. max]	[A]	20.2	27.2	32.2	38.1	54-50	67-62	80-74	98-91	133-124	157-146
Environment												
Wainht	IP 20	[ka]	7.9		9.5		24.5		3		6	51
Weight	IP 54	[kg]	13.8			27		45		65		
Efficiency		[%]	98.1	98.0	98.1	98.1	97.8	97.9	97.1	98.3	98.3	98.3

525 – 600 VAC

Enclosure	IP 2	0/Chassis		Н	9		H10		Н6	
525 – 600 VAC			P2K2	P3K0	P5K5	P7K5	P11K	P15K	P22K	P30K
Typical Shaft Output		[kW]	2.2	3.0	5.5	7.5	11.0	15.0	22.0	30.0
Typical Shart Output		[HP]	3.0	4.0	7.5	10.0	15.0	20.0	30.0	40.0
Output Current	Continuous	[A]	4.1	5.2	9.5	11.5	19.0	23.0	36.0	43.0
(3 x 525 – 550 V)	Intermittent	[A]	4.5	5.7	10.5	12.7	20.9	25.3	39.6	47.3
Output Current	Continuous	[A]	3.9	4.9	9.0	11.0	18.0	22.0	34.0	41.0
(3 x 551 – 600 V)	Intermittent	[A]	4.3	5.4	9.9	12.1	19.8	24.2	37.4	45.1
Max. cable size Mains, motor		[mm²] ([AWG])		4/	10		10/8		35/2	
Max. Input Current	Continuous	543	3.7	5.1	8.7	11.9	16.5	22.5	33.1	45.1
(3 x 525 – 550 V)	Intermittent	[A]	4.1	5.6	9.6	13.1	18.2	24.8	36.4	49.6
Max. Input Current	Continuous	FA1	3.5	4.8	8.3	11.4	15.7	21.4	31.5	42.9
(3 x 551 – 600 V)	Intermittent	[A]	3.9	5.3	9.2	12.5	17.3	23.6	34.6	47.2
Environment										
Estimated power loss at rated max. load		[W]	8.4	112.0	178.0	239.0	360.0	503.0	607.0	820.0
Weight		[kg]	6.6				11	.5	24.5	
Efficiency [%]					97	7.0			97.5	

Enclosure	IP 2	0/Chassis	Н	7	H8		
525 – 600 VAC			P45K	P55K	P75K	P90K	
Typical Shaft Output		[kW]	45.0	55.0	75.0	90.0	
Typical Shart Output		[HP]	60.0	70.0	100.0	125.0	
Output Current	Continuous	[A]	65.0	87.0	105.0	137.0	
(3 x 525 – 550 V)	Intermittent	[/4]	71.5	95.7	115.5	150.7	
Output Current	Continuous	[A]	62.0	83.0	100.0	131.0	
(3 x 551 – 600 V)	Intermittent	[/4]	68.2	91.3	110.0	144.1	
Max. cable size Mains, motor		[mm ²] ([AWG])	50)/1	95/0	120/ (4/0)	
Max. Input Current	Continuous	[A]	66.5	81.3	109.0	130.9	
(3 x 525 – 550 V)	Intermittent	[/4]	73.1	89.4	119.9	143.9	
Max. Input Current	Continuous	FA1	63.3	77.4	103.8	124.5	
(3 x 551 – 600 V)	Intermittent	[A]	69.6	85.1	114.2	137.0	
Environment							
Estimated power loss	Estimated power loss at rated max. load		972.0	1182.0	1281.0	1437.0	
Weight		[kg]	36.0		51.0		
Efficiency [%]			98	3.0	98.4	98.5	



What VLT® is all about

Danfoss VLT Drives is the world leader among dedicated drives providers – and still gaining market share.

Environmentally responsible

VLT® products are manufactured with respect for the safety and well-being of people and the environment.

All frequency converter factories are certified according to ISO 14001 and ISO 9001 standards.

All activities are planned and performed taking into account the individual employee, the work environment and the external environment. Production takes place with a minimum of noise, smoke or other pollution and environmentally safe disposal of the products is pre-prepared.

UN Global Compact

Danfoss has signed the UN Global Compact on social and environmental responsibility and our companies act responsibly towards local societies.

Impact on energy savings

One year's energy savings from our annual production of VLT® drives will save the energy equivalent to the energy production from a major power plant. Better process control at the same time improves product quality and reduces waste and wear on equipment.

Dedicated to drives

Dedication has been a key word since 1968, when Danfoss introduced the world's first mass produced variable speed drive for AC motors – and named it VLT®.

Twenty five hundred employees develop, manufacture, sell and service drives and soft starters in more than one hundred countries, focused only on drives and soft starters.

Intelligent and innovative

Developers at Danfoss VLT Drives have fully adopted modular principles in development as well as design, production and configuration.

Tomorrow's features are developed in parallel using dedicated technology platforms. This allows the development of all elements to take place in parallel, at the same time reducing time to market and ensuring that customers always enjoy the benefits of the latest features.

Rely on the experts

We take responsibility for every element of our products. The fact that we develop and produce our own features, hardware, software, power modules, printed circuit boards, and accessories is your guarantee of reliable products.

Local backup – globally

VLT® motor controllers are operating in applications all over the world and Danfoss VLT Drives' experts located in more than 100 countries are ready to support our customers with application advice and service wherever they may be.

Danfoss VLT Drives experts don't stop until the customer's drive challenges are solved.



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