







INSTALLATION, OPERATION and MAINTENANCE MANUAL







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CONTACTING OUR SERVICE DEPARTMENT

When contacting our customer service department always quote the data indicated on the gearbox's identification plate.

Our service department is located at:





MAINTENANCE

Routine checks

Periodically check the outer surfaces of the gearbox and the cooling air passages for cleanliness. Regularly make sure that no lubricant leaks through the seals, mounting flanges, mounting screws of the covers, caps etc..



Cleaning

Direct cleaning should usually be carried out using soft solvents in order not to damage the paintwork. Then clean inside immediately with the same oil used during actual operations. It is good practice to do this with hot oil, flushing out any coolant in the circuit. In this case be careful not to allow any foam to form - this happens due to the presence of impurities. When this operation has been completed, drain the oil while still hot. Both the oil characteristics and the regularity with which the oil reaches the pre-determined points are extremely important factors to ensure efficient lubrication.

Checking the oil level

Regularly check that the oil level is correct when the gearbox has stopped and cooled down sufficiently. To do this, use the sight-glass provided. This should be kept clean and see-through at all times. When looking through the sight-glass, if it seems as though there are deposits in the oil, make sure that no foreign bodies such as dust, sand or water have got inside the gearbox housing. If the oil level has fallen below the minimum level, top up immediately. If the gearbox runs with insufficient lubricant, this could quickly cause extremely serious and irreparable damage. If the level of oil inside the gearbox is too low it affects the heat exchange process and the reduced cooling power and heat dissipation cause the internal operating temperature to increase, especially at the points where the sides of the teeth come into contact.



Operating temperature

The operating temperature depends on a number of factors such as the type of power transmission, the type and quantity of lubricant, the characteristics and structure of the gearbox, the speed and power applied and the environment in which the gearbox is operating.

When ring seals made of nitrile rubber compounds are installed, it is not a good idea to run the gearbox at temperatures above +85°C. Therefore, if the temperature inside the gearbox reaches more than +85°C for significant lengths of time, a special version needs to be requested with ring seals in fluoridated compounds (viton).





Measuring the operating temperature

Wherever possible, suitable instruments should be used to measure the external temperature of the gearbox housing. As, under optimum operating conditions, there is a rise in temperature of15-20°C inside the gearbox compared to outside, the housing normally becomes too hot to touch. It is therefore wrong to assume that the gearbox is too hot just because it cannot be touched. In fact, it cannot be touched as soon as the temperature goes above 50°C. It is important to check that the operating temperature when the gearbox runs at normal speed, when the operating conditions remain the same, is more or less constant. This indicates that the gearbox is running in a trouble-free manner.



Replacing the seals

The efficiency and service life of the ring seals largely depends on the operating temperature in the contact zone, any chemical reactions which may occur between the rubber compound and the lubricant and, finally, its wear condition.

The ring seals need to be replaced when:

the seal is no longer efficient and, as a result, oil is leaking out;
the entire machine or system is overhauled.

Whenever a seal is no longer efficient, it must be replaced immediately to avoid any further leakage and prevent any other parts from being damaged.

When installing the new ring seal, follow the instructions below:

- take great care when handling the seal and make sure it is in good condition (do not leave it in stock for too long as this could cause premature wear especially if it is stored in a damp environment)
- always check that the seat where the seal is to be fitted is perfect i.e. without scoring, marks, nicks, dents or surface defects of any kind
- make sure the lip of the new seal is not fitted at exactly the same point **1** as the previous one
- if the area where the ring seal comes into contact with the shaft has worn down by more than 0.2-0.3 mm, do not, under any circumstances, install a new seal but contact our local service centre where the staff will see whether the shaft can still be used and identify the cause of the damage
- install the ring seal perpendicularly to the shaft, with the lip absolutely free and not curled under or pinched
- install the ring seal so that the lip faces the oil that must be kept in or the side from where the pressure is exerted
- for ring seals without a dust-tight lip, coat the outside of the lip with grease
- for ring seals provided with a dust-tight lip, fill the gap between the seal lip and the dust-tight lip with grease
 lubricate the seal seat on the shaft
- do not use sealants because, if they get on the seal lip or shaft surface they can cause rapid wear
- when installing the seal, press down as near as possible to the outside edge
- do not block the ring seal axially or apply too much load
- always use suitable tools to avoid damaging the seal lip with threads, grooves, sharp edges or keyways
- always cover the seal lip and the seat on the shaft when repainting the gearbox.

All the precautions mentioned above need to be taken in order to prevent the ring seal from becoming dry especially when the shaft first starts to rotate. If the seal becomes dry, the temperatures in the area where it comes into contact with the shaft would become too high and this would immediately damage the seal material causing the lip to harden and producing cracks and discolouring.





Lubrication

A- Gearboxes supplied with oil

Lubricating the gearboxes with synthetic oil ensures top performance, unlimited service life and minimum maintenance is required. In this case the only maintenance procedure to be performed is cleaning the outside of the gearbox housing with soft solvents so as not to ruin the paintwork.

a) running in the gearboxes

The running in time is about 300 hours. During this period we recommend gradually increasing the power up to a limit of 50-70% of the maximum power output (during the first hours of operation). At this stage, the gearbox may reach higher temperatures than normal. The oil does not need to be changed after the running in period unless any dirt or particles of abrasive material are found which could affect the gearbox operations.

B- Gearboxes supplied without oil

The gearboxes supplied by our company without oil are the ones intended for heavy-duty use. In this case, the maintenance procedures to be performed are as follows:

a) running in the gearboxes

The running in time is about 300-400 hours. During this period we recommend gradually increasing the power output up to a limit of 50-70% of the maximum power output (during the first hours of operation). At this stage, the gearboxes may reach higher temperatures than normal. It is advisable to change the oil after the running in period.

b) changing the oil

The time interval at which the oil should be changed depends on the operating conditions. These are outlined in the chart below:

Oil temperature	Duty	Time interval (hours)
<60°C	Continuous Intermittent	5000 8000
>60°C	Continuous Intermittent	2500 5000

The data indicated in this chart refers to mineral and synthetic lubricants. The latter can be used for long-term lubrication if used within a normal temperature range and as long as they are not ruined by dirt, air, etc. getting inside the gearbox.



All the gearboxes provided with a first reduction gear pair (OT../3, PM../3 and PD../3) are supplied by us with the first reduction gear pair already lubricated and lubricant does not therefore need to be added by the customer. Shell Tivela SC 320 synthetic oil is used. On the other hand, the OT, PL and PD gearboxes with 2 reduction stages, as well as the main housing of the gearboxes with a first reduction gear pair, are supplied without oil and it is therefore the customer's responsibility to carry out the lubrication procedure. Always use lubricants exactly as specified in the chart below:

Recommended lubricants for the HL25+HL70 gearboxes

Synthetic oils (Lifetime lubrication)

Brand	Type of oil		
IP	Telium Oil VSF		
SHELL	Tivela Oil SC 320		
KLÜBER	Syntheso D 220 EP		
FINA	Giran S 320		
ESSO	Glycolube Range 220		

Ambient temperature -30°C +50°C Operating temperature -40°C +130°C

It is essential to check the exact amount of lubricant required for the specific mounting position as this could vary according to the operating position. Once the lubricant has been added, make sure the filler, drain and level plugs are in the correct location for the pre-determined mounting position. Always specify the mounting position if you wish the plugs to be placed in the correct location by SITI S.p.A.

NOTE

The synthetic oils recommended above ensure lifetime lubrication and never need to be changed.

It is nevertheless good practice to check the oil level by looking through the sight-glass (placed in the correct position). This is important in case there are any problems - for example if there are oil leaks through the seals - although this is highly unlikely. If the oil does need to be topped up, always use the same type of oil as that already present in the gearbox. Take into account the mounting positions of the OT, PL and PD gearboxes to determine the correct amount of lubricant to be added and the right position for the plugs.



Amount of lubricant (OT and OT../3)

	Mounting position	OT and OT/3 Main housing					
		56	63	80	100	125	160
Amount of	B3 - B7	0.8	0.9	1.4	2.6	5.6	9.5
lubricant	B6	0.8	0.9	1.4	2.6	5.6	9.5
(litres)	B8	0.9	1.1	1.6	3.2	6.5	11.0
	V5 - V6	0.9	1	1.5	3.0	5.8	10.5

OT/3							
56	63	80	100	125	160		
0.2	0.3	0.5	0.7	0.9	1.5		

Primary reduction for OT../3 gearbox supplied pre-lubricated by SITI.

Mounting positions

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	B3	B6	B7	B8	V5	V6



Amount of lubricant (PL and PL../3)

	Mounting position	PL and PL/3 Main housing				
		63	80	100	125	160
Amount of	B3 - B8	0.9	1.5	2.8	5.6	10
lubricant	B6	1.4	2.1	4.0	7.6	12.5
(litres)	B7	1.1	1.8	3.6	7.0	11.7
	V5 - V6	1.2	1.9	3.8	7.2	12.0

PL/3						
63	80	100	125	160		
0.2	0.3	0.4	0.6	0.8		

Primary reduction for PL../3 gearbox supplied prelubricated by SITI.

Mounting position

PL PL/3					0 0 0	
	B3	B6	B7	B8	V5	V6

Amount of lubricant (PD and PD../3)

	Mounting position	PD and PD/3 Main housing				
		63	80	100	125	160
Amount of	B3	1.1	1.6	2.8	5.5	10
lubricant	B6 - B7	0.8	1.4	2.6	5.3	9.8
(litres)	B8	1.0	1.7	3.5	6.6	11.2
	V5 - V6	1.1	1.8	3.6	6.8	11.6

PD/3						
60	80	100	125	160		
0.2	0.3	0.5	0.6	0.8		

Primary reduction for PD../3 gearbox supplied prelubricated by SITI.

Mounting position

PD PD/3						
	B3	B6	B7	B8	V5	V6



TROUBLE-SHOOTING

PROBLEM	POSSIBLE CAUSES	REMEDY
The motor does not start	a) The motor's electrical wiring is faultyb) The motor is faultyc) Wrong size motor	a) Check the connectionsb) Replace the motorc) Replace the motor
The motor and gearbox reach temperatures which are too high	a) Mechanical overload b) Wrong size geared motor assembly	a) Check the mechanical parts driven by the geared motor assemblyb) Replace the geared motor assembly
The current absorbed and/or the tem- perature of the motor are too high	a) Motor faultyb) Wrong size motor	a) Replace the motorb) Replace the motor
The gearbox reaches a temperature which is too high	 a) Gearbox faulty b) Wrong size gearbox c) Wrong mounting position d) Not enough lubricant 	 a) Repair or replace the gearbox b) Replace the gearbox c) Check that the gearbox supplied is that ordered d) Add lubricant until the level indicated is reached
Oil leaks from the shafts	 a) Ring seals worn down or defective b) Seal seat on the shaft worn 	 a) Replace the ring seals b) Replace the ring seals and install them in a very slightly different position or replace the shafts
Oil leaks from the seals	a) Flanges not tightened properlyb) Seals defective	 a) Tighten the flanges b) Replace the seals and check that the surfaces are properly machined
A banging noise is coming from the gearbox	a) Gear teeth defective	a) Contact our customer service department
A whistling noise is coming from the gearbox.	 a) Not enough lubricant b) Gears defective or worn down c) Bearings defective or not installed properly. 	 a) Add lubricant until the level indicated is reached b) Contact our customer service department c) Contact our customer service department.







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