

# Tuf-Lite III<sup>®</sup> Fans 4000KW Series Hub

## **INSTALLATION MANUAL**



## Adjustable Pitch Fan Assembly 11' through 20' Diameter

## *Hudson Tuf-Lite III<sup>®</sup> fan blades*

Hudson Tuf-Lite III<sup>®</sup> fan blades are of single piece fiberglass reinforced plastic (FRP) construction optimized for performance, reliability, noise, and cost effectiveness. Tuf-Lite III<sup>®</sup> fan blades are constructed of lightweight, corrosion-resistant, fiberglass reinforced vinyl-ester resin, with materials, thickness, and processes determined from finite element analysis modeling. Tuf-Edge<sup>®</sup> leading edge erosion and UV protection is a standard with this blade.

The individually balanced blades can be replaced independently - matched sets are not required.

#### **RECOMMENDED TOOLS**

- Long T-Handle Allen Wrench Set (3/16" to 3/8")
- Medium Size Flat Head Screw Driver
- Brass Ball Peen Hammer
- Flat Bastard File
- 240 Grit Sand Paper
- Anti-Seize Lubricant
- WD-40
- 12" Crescent Wrench

- Shop Towels
- Exact-A-Pitch<sup>®</sup> Digital Protractor (P/N 62375)
- 25 ft. Measuring Tape
- Pencil or Marker
- Open/Box End Wrench Set (1/2" 1-1/2")
- Socket Set for 1/2" Drive (1/2" 1-1/2")
- Torque Wrench(s) Rated for 0-200 ft-lb

#### **INSTALLATION PROCEDURES**

#### ASSEMBLY WITH BUSHING

Clean all mating surfaces between hub, bushing and shaft. All grease and lubricant should be removed, leaving the mating surfaces dry.

If there is no shoulder on shaft to prevent bushing from sliding down shaft, slide spacer/sleeve (not provided) on shaft before bushing or use a thrust retainer (optional equipment) on top of hub. Slide bushing and key onto shaft until flush with end of shaft. The shaft size determines the bushing type (Q2, R2, or S2). Lock bushing on shaft by tightening the set screw in flange with an Allen Wrench. (Note: Q2 bushings have no set screws.) Line up key and set hub on bushing. Engage the three (3) cap screws in flange of bushing into hub spool, using a torque wrench with a socket, and tighten evenly. Use the following table to determine the proper tools and torque values.

	Allen	Сар		Torque	
Bushing	Wrench	Screw	Socket	(ft-lb)	
Size	Size	Size	Size	Dry	
Q2	-	3/8"	9/16"	29	
R2	3/16"	3/8"	9/16"	29	
S2	3/16"	1/2"	3/4"	70	

## ASSEMBLY WITH STRAIGHT SHAFT (NO BUSHING)

Clean all mating surfaces between the hub and the shaft. If there is no shoulder on shaft to prevent hub from sliding down shaft, slide spacer/sleeve (not provided) on shaft before hub or use a thrust retainer (optional equipment) on top of hub. Install key in shaft. Line up key and keyway and set hub on shaft. Tighten set screw(s) in hub.

## ASSEMBLY WITH TAPERED SHAFT (NO BUSHING REQUIRED)

Clean all mating surfaces between the hub and shaft. Coat all mating surfaces with an anti-seize or lubricating compound. Align keyways and install hub. Install retainer plate and cap screw(s) with lock washer(s). Shaft size determines what size cap screw is necessary. Using a torque wrench with a socket, evenly tighten cap screw to recommended standard per table below.

Cap Screw	Socket	Torque Value (ft-lb)				
Size	Size	Lubricated	Dry			
5/8" NC	15/16"	80	90			
3/4" NC	1-1/8"	120	130			
1" NC	1-1/2"	150	160			

NOTE: Retaining arrangement varies with gear shaft design.

#### SEAL DISC HARDWARE INSTALLATION

\*Seal disc mounting hardware must be installed BEFORE installing blades and blade clamps, due to limited working space.

For 3 to 9 Blades:

Install seal disc spacer as shown in Figures 1 and 2. Install 3/8" bolts on the top hub plate with the threaded portion pointing upwards. Place spacer on bolt, then flat washer, and then tighten 3/8" NC nut to recommended standard of 15 ft-lb (lubricated) or 20 ft-lb (dry).



Figure 1

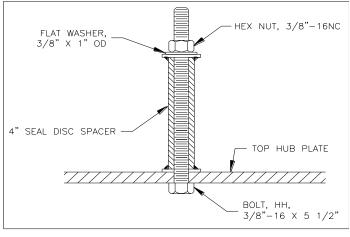
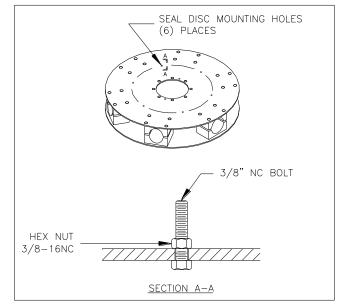


Figure 2

For 10 to 12 Blades:

Install 3/8" NC bolts at six (6) places on top hub plate as shown in Figure 3. Threaded portion of bolts must be pointing up to mount seal disc. Install nut on each bolt. Tighten 3/8" NC nuts to 15 ft-lb (lubricated) and 20 ft-lb (dry).





### BLADE INSTALLATION

To prevent installation problems, work on one blade at a time. Remove blade clamp bolts, nuts, lock washers, and blade clamp halves from hub. Discard the plastic shipping spacers between the upper and lower blade clamp halves. Assemble blade clamp halves over groove in blade neck, and install into hub (See Figure 4). The thick leading edge will be to your left and thin trailing edge will be to your right as you stand at end of blade.



Figure 4

Install clamp bolts through hub plates and blade clamp, putting bolt heads on top, lock washers and nuts on bottom. Tighten lightly (See Figure 5).

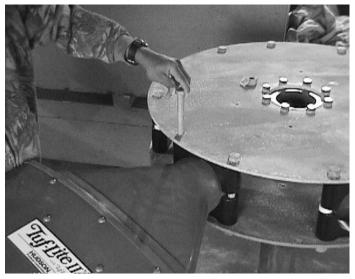


Figure 5

### SET PITCH AND TRACK

Use Hudson's EXACT-A-PITCH<sup>®</sup> digital protractor (See Figure 6) or a bubble protractor to set blade pitch. Mount protractor on a flat bar as a base and place it approximately 1" from tip of blade. Note pitch on protractor. Rotate fan 360°, noting high and low pitch readings. Locate place where pitch reading is at mid-point between high and low readings, and set pitch at that point.

Rotate blade in clamp until digital protractor shows specified pitch angle to within  $\pm 0.2^{\circ}$ . Fan pitch angle is shown on fan specification sheet for design duty. After desired pitch angle is set, raise and lower end of fan blade and find mid-point of blade travel. Hold blade at the mid-point. Pull blade outward so that the blade neck flange rests against the back of the blade clamps. Push blade to the right to remove all slack.

Use torque wrench to tighten clamp bolts to 120 ft-lb (lubricated) or 130 ft-lb (dry). Re-check pitch setting. Blade must be set within  $\pm -0.2^{\circ}$  of desired pitch angle. Tighten clamp bolts evenly. **DO NOT OVER-TORQUE CLAMP BOLTS.** 

When bolts are tightened, hold a pencil against top end of blade and mark the level onto a fixed object, such as a pole or the fan ring.

Install remaining blades at same place as first blade, following the instructions above. After tightening bolts, mark top end of each blade in same place first blade was marked. If marks differ by more than 3/4", adjust blade.

## CHECK TRACK

After fan is installed in fan stack cylinder ring, outline top side of each blade onto fan stack cylinder ring with a marker (See Figure 7). The difference between levels of highest and lowest outlines should not be more than 3/4". Correct blade track by loosening clamp bolts and adjusting blade to match track of other blades. Re-tighten bolts and re-check track and pitch angle setting. Re-tighten blade clamp bolts to recommended standard of 120 ft-lb (lubricated) or 130 ft-lb (dry) torque.



Figure 6



Figure 7

#### SEAL DISC INSTALLATION

#### For all blade counts:

After installing blades, seal disc should be installed on the previously installed seal disc hardware as shown in Figure 8 for 3 to 9 bladed hubs, or Figure 9 for 10 to 12 bladed hubs. Install flat washer, then place seal disc on top. Install another flat washer, lock washer, and nut on top. Tighten 3/8" NC nut to recommended standard of 15 ft-lb (lubricated) or 20 ft-lb (dry). If difficulty is encountered, loosen bolts on seal flanges until seal disc can be mounted, then re-tighten.

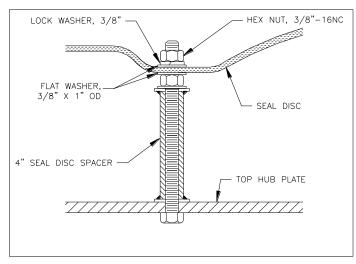


Figure 8 (3 to 9 bladed hub)

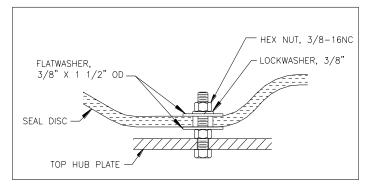


Figure 9 (10 to 12 bladed hub)

*NOTE:* The purpose of the seal disc is to prevent hot air from recirculating back down through the hub, increasing efficiency.

## CHECKING TIP CLEARANCE

Rotate fan in position inside fan ring or fan stack to check tip clearance (See Figure 10). The recommended tip clearance is between 3/8" and 3/4". Check for spots where fan blade clearance is not within the recommended tolerance.





If necessary adjust fan ring or fan stack by shimming to obtain proper clearance. For heat exchangers, spacers may be added at the fan ring joints to increase clearance (See Figure 11). Use a chisel to maintain the correct gap until the bolts on the ring are re-tightened.

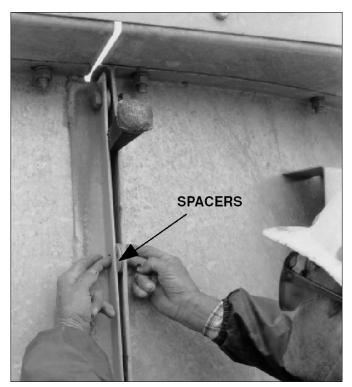


Figure 11

If a small adjustment is needed, tighten or loosen nut on fan strut in section requiring adjustment (See Figure 12).



Figure 12

### **OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS**

Start fan and check rotation. Viewed from top (discharge), fan blades should rotate clockwise.

Hudson recommends to re-verify the blade clamp torque after the initial 10-15 minutes of cold operation (i.e., the fan doesn't need to be exposed to the working temperature of the process). This will ensure that the blades are settled within the clamps after the centrifugal forces have acted.

Check motor power consumption to be sure fan is pulling desired load. *CAUTION: If positive pitch is set in summer to use all available motor amps (nameplate rating), motor could be overloaded in winter*. Design pitch angles usually do not use all of the available motor horsepower. This ensures that the motors will not be overloaded at low winter temperatures.

For the fans that have remained idle (such as a shut-down or turn-around), it is highly recommended to re-verify the torque on the blade clamps before putting it back into operation.

#### PART LIST HUDSON PRODUCTS CORPORATION Adjustable Pitch Fan Assembly 11' Thru 20' Diameter 4000KW Series hub

				NO. OF BLADES										
ITEM	DESCRIPTION	TYPE	PART NO.	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
	1" Diameter Thru 2.62"	Q-2	Hub Assy. No.	4103KW	4104KW	4105KW	4106KW	4107KW	4108KW	4109KW	4110KW	4111KW	4112KW	
	Diameter Shaft		Part No.	77442	77443	77444	77445	77446	77447	77448	77449	77450	77451	
	2.68" Diameter Thru 3.62"	R-2	Hub Assy. No.	4203KW	4204KW	4205KW	4206KW	4207KW	4208KW	4209KW	4210KW	4211KW	4212KW	
	Diameter Shaft		Part No.	77452	77453	77454	77455	77456	77457	77458	77459	77460	77461	
	3.68" Diameter Thru 4.19"	S-2	Hub Assy. No.	4303KW	4304KW	4305KW	4306KW	4307KW	4308KW	4309KW	4310KW	4311KW	4312KW	
	Diameter Shaft		Part No.	77462	77463	77464	77465	77466	77467	77468	77469	77470	77471	
1	Hub Plate (2 Per Hub)	Q-2 / R-2 / S-2	Part No.	D4126	D5124	D4125	D4126	D4127	D4128	D4129	D4130	D4131	D4132	
ITEM	DESCRIPTION	ТҮРЕ	PART NO.	QUANTITY PER ASSEMBLY										
2	Hub Spool	Q-2	65045	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
-		R-2	65050			•								
		S-2	65055											
3	Bushing	Q-2	Specify	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
		R-2	Bore											
		S-2												
4	Blade Clamp Half, Un-painted Aluminum		4742A	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24	
	(Standard) Option 1: Epoxy coated Alun Option 2: Epoxy coated Duc		C4742A 65010											
5	Blade Clamp Bolt With Nut 3/4"-10 x 10" (Mech. Galv.)		79299	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24	
6	3/4" Lock washer (Mech. Ga	lv.)	73738	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24	
7	Hub Spool Bolt 5/8"-11 x 1 1/2" (316 SS)		72402	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	
8	5/8" Lock washer (316 SS)		73731	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	
9	Seal Disc Bolt 3/8"-16 X 1 1/2" (316 SS)		60274	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	6	6	
10	3/8" Flat Washer (316 SS)		73623	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	12	12	
11	3/8" Lock washer (316 SS)		73722	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	6	6	
12	3/8" Hex Nut (316 SS)		72050	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	12	12	
13	53" Dia. Seal Disc (3-6 blades) 8		81114	1	1	1	1							
	64" Dia. Seal Disc (7-9 blade	es)	81115					1	1	1				
	76" Dia. Seal Disc Kit* (10-12 Blades) D5177		D5177								1	1	1	
14	Seal Disc Spacer 4" height		B4328	3	4	5	6	6	6	6	0	0	0	
15	Spacer Bolt, HH, 3/8"-16 x 5 1/2 (316 SS)		78659	3	4	5	6	6	6	6	0	0	0	
16	3/8" Hex Nut (316 SS)		72050	6	8	10	12	12	12	12	0	0	0	
17	3/8" Flat Washer (316 SS)		73623	9	12	15	18	18	18	18	0	0	0	
18			73722	3	4	5	6	6	6	6	0	0	0	
19	Tuf-Lite III <sup>®</sup> Blade (Teal Gre	en)	(Varies)	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	

\*Includes all 316 SS hardware (items 9 thru 12) to assemble and mount

#### **STANDARD MATERIALS & FINISHES**

Blades: Fiberglass reinforced vinyl-ester or epoxy Hub Spool: Ductile Iron, Zinc Rich Coating Plates: Steel, Galvanized Bushing: Malleable Iron Seal Disc: Fiberglass Reinforced Polyester

#### Blade Clamps:

Un-painted Aluminum (Standard) Epoxy Coated Aluminum (Option 1) Epoxy Coated Ductile Iron (Option 2) **Fasteners:** Steel, Mech. Galvanized & 316 SS Opt. Complete Fan W/31 6 SS (Option 1) Complete Fan W/K500 Monel (Option 2)

#### WHEN ORDERING, SPECIFY FAN DIAMETER, TYPE & NUMBER OF BLADES & SHAFT DIAMETER

EXAMPLE:

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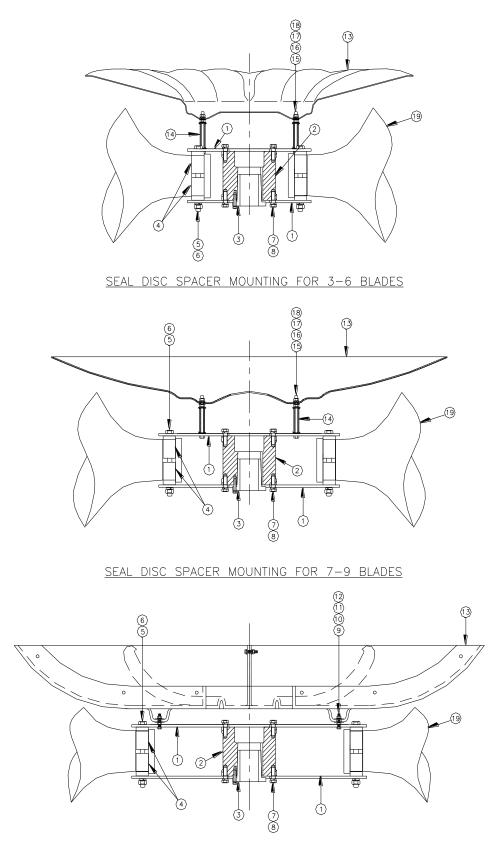
14KW

6

2 7/8" BORE

Fan Model Adjustable Pitch Fan Diameter & Blade Type (Specify "KW" for Tuf-Lite III<sup>®</sup> Blades)

Number of Blades Shaft Diameter



SEAL DISC MOUNTING FOR 10-12 BLADES

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