

Tuf-Lite II[®] Fans 8000 Series Hub

INSTALLATION MANUAL



Adjustable Pitch Fan Assembly 34' through 40' Diameter

Hudson Tuf-Lite II® fan blades

Hudson Tuf-Lite II® (white, prev. blue**) fan blades are made from fiberglass reinforced vinyl-ester resin having a very high strength-to-weight ratio and superior ultra-violet and corrosion resistance. An elastomeric blade/holder joint cover (not shown) prevents moisture from entering the blade (shown above).

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® 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 0-250 ft-lb.

INSTALLATION PROCEDURES

ASSEMBLY WITH BUSHING

Clean all mating surfaces between hub, bushing and shaft. If there is no shoulder on shaft to prevent bushing from sliding down shaft, slide spacer/sleeve (not provided) on shaft before bushing. Slide bushing and key onto shaft until flush with end of shaft. Lock W-2 bushing on shaft by tightening set screw in flange with 1/4" Allen Wrench. (Note: set screw is not present on all bushings) Line up key and set hub on bushing. Engage the four (4) 3/4" cap screws in flange of bushing into hub spool. Using a torque wrench with a 1-1/8" socket, tighten evenly to recommended standard of 250 ft-lb (dry).

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 two (2) set screws in hub.

ASSEMBLY WITH TAPERED SHAFT (NO BUSHING REQUIRED)

Clean all mating surfaces between 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.

		Torque Value			
Cap Screw	Socket	(ft-lb)			
Size	Size	Lubricated	Dry		
5/8" NC	15/16"	100	110		
3/4" NC	1-1/8"	125	130		
1" NC	1-1/2"	150	160		

NOTE: Retaining arrangement varies with gear shaft design.

ASSEMBLE BLADE CLAMP ON BLADE NECK

Remove blade clamp studs, lock washers, and blade clamp halves from hub. Assemble blade clamp halves over groove in blade neck, with thick leading edge to left and thin trailing edge to right as you stand at end of blade. Use a band clamp to hold the two blade clamp halves in position on the blade for installation in the hub body (See Figure 1).



Figure 1

INSTALL BLADE INTO HUB

Hoist the blade into position. (Blade and clamp halves weight about 300 lbs.) Slide blade clamp into blade arm plates and install four (4) blade studs, eight (8) lock washers and eight (8) nuts (See Figure 2). Tighten lightly.



Figure 2 SET PITCH AND TRACK

Use Hudson EXACT-A-PITCH® digital protractor (Shown in Figure 3) 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 a 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 midpoint of blade travel. Hold blade at the midpoint. Pull blade back so that it sits against blade clamp. Push blade to the right to remove all slack.

Use torque wrench to tighten clamp bolts to recommended standard of 280 ft-lb (lubricated) or 300 ft-lb (dry). Re-check pitch setting. Blade must be set within \pm 0.2° of desired pitch angle. Tighten clamp bolts evenly. **DO NOT OVERTORQUE CLAMP BOLTS.**



Figure 3

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 procedures above. After tightening bolts, mark top end of each blade in same place first blade was marked. If marks differ by 1-1/2" or more, adjust blade.

CHECK TRACK

After fan is installed in fan ring, outline top end of each blade onto fan ring with a marker. The difference between levels of highest and lowest outlines should not be more than 1-1/2". Correct blade track by loosening clamp bolts and adjusting blade to match track of other blades. Re-tighten bolts and recheck track and pitch angle setting. Re-tighten blade clamp bolts to recommended standard of 280 ft-lb (lubricated) or 300 ft-lb (dry) torque (See Figure 4).



Figure 4

CHECK SWEEP

Measure the distance from trailing edge at blade tip of one blade to trailing edge at blade tip of the adjacent blade (See Figure 4a). This distance should be within 1-1/4" of each other for all successive blades. Correct blade sweep by loosening clamp bolts and adjusting blade to match sweep of other blades. Re-tighten bolts and re-check sweep and pitch angle setting. Re-tighten blade clamp bolts to recommended standard of 280 ft-lb (lubricated) or 300 ft-lb (dry) torque.

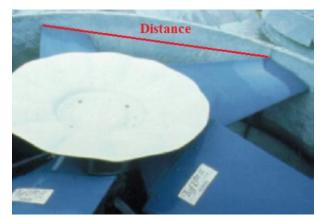


Figure 4a

SEAL DISC ASSEMBLY & INSTALLATION

Place seal-disc quarter section on hub, aligning the pear-shaped opening over one of the eyebolts (See Figure 5) and drop the seal-disc quarter section onto the nearest group of seal-disc bracket stud pairs. Remove adhesive backing on nitrile gasket section and apply gasket to seal-disc flange surface carefully such that holes in gasket lineup with the holes in the flange (See Figure 6). Repeat these operations with the next three seal-disc quarter sections, ensuring that seal-disc balance match marks are aligned.



Figure 5



Figure 6

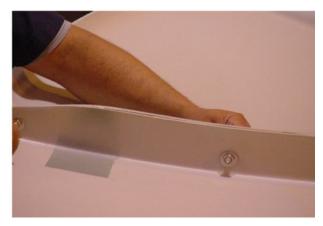


Figure 7

Make final adjustments to the quarter sections such they mate properly with each other and all seal-disc bracket studs, install the fasteners loosely joining each seal-disc section using one flat washer against the fiberglass surface on each side, one 3/8" hex bolt, lock washer, and hex nut at each flange hole location (See Figure 7). Ensure final fit-up of the seal-disc sections, check flatness and alignment of pear-shape openings with the eyebolts, and snug all fasteners. Complete fasteners (Figure 8) at each bracket location (two per bracket) using a seal disc mounting pad (P/N A8105), a flat washer, lock washer, and hex nut according to Detail A on page 7. Snug these fasteners.



Figure 8



Figure 9

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



Figure 10

CHECK TIP CLEARANCE

Rotate fan in position inside fan ring or fan stack to check tip clearance. Check for spots where fan blade clearance is less than 3/4" or greater than 1-1/2" from fan ring (See Figure 10). If necessary adjust fan ring or fan stack by shimming to obtain proper clearance. Note that different cooling towers may have different ways to adjust the fan ring or fan stack.

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

Start fan and check rotation. Viewed from top, 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.



Figure 11

PART LIST HUDSON PRODUCTS CORPORATION

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				NO OF BLADES								
ITEM	DESCRIPTION	TYPE	PART. NO	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	Up to 7.44 Diameter Shaft	W-2	Hub Assy. No. Part. No.	8906 D8116	8907 D8117	8908 D8118	8909 D8119	8910 D8120	8911 D8121	8912 D8122	8913 D8123	8914 D8124
1	Hub Plate (2 Per Hub)	W-2	Part. No	D8126	D8135	D8128	D8129	D8130	D8131	D8132	D8133	D8134
ITEM			PART. NO	QUANTITY PER ASSEMBLY								
2	Hub Spool	W-2	65060	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
3	Bushing	W-2	Specify Bore	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
	Blade Clamp Half, Coal Tar Epoxy Coated Gray Cast Iron (Standard) Option 1: Powder Epoxy Coated Gray Cast Iron Option 2: Customer Specified Coating of Gray Cast Iron		65018 65018S (Varies)	12	14	16	18	20	22	24	26	28
5	Blade Clamp Stud W/ 2 Nuts 1"-8 x 14-1/2" (Mech. Galv.)	70643	24	28	32	36	40	44	48	52	56
	6 1" Flat washer (Mech. Galv.)		57402	48	56	64	72	80	88	96	104	112
	7 1" Lock washer (Mech. Galv.)		73742	48	56	64	72	80	88	96	104	112
8	8 Hub Spool Cap Screw 3/4"-10 x 2-1/2" (316 SS)		57027	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16
9	3/4" Flat washer (316 SS)		73720	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16
10	3/4" Lock washer (316 SS)		73739	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16
11	Blade Arm, 44" Long		61650	12	14	16	18	20	22	24	26	28
12	12 Blade Arm Stiffener, 30-5/16" Long		61660	12	14	16	18	20	22	24	26	28
13	13 Bolt, HH, 1"-8 x 3" (Mech. Galv.)		59815	48	56	64	72	80	88	96	104	112
14	14 Bolt, HH, 1"-8 x 2-1/2" (Mech. Galv.)		69927	24	28	32	36	40	44	48	52	56
15	15 Nut, Heavy Hex, 1"-8NC (Mech. Galv.)		72120	72	84	96	108	120	132	144	156	168
16	16 1" Flat washer (Mech. Galv.)		57402	144	168	192	216	240	264	288	312	336
17	1" Lock washer (Mech. Galv.)		73742	72	84	96	108	120	132	144	156	168
18	Seal Disc Bracket Weldment		B8136	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8
19	19 A563 GR A HDG Hex Nut portion only, bolt is integral to seal disc bracket dwg 8136, P/N B8136		15314	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16
20	Seal Disc Mounting Pad 1.50" OD X 0.375" ID X 0.25" The	HK	A81 05	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16
21	Flat washer, 3/8" x 1-1/2" OD x 0.078 Thk (Mech Galv.)		73723	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16
22	Lock washer 3/8" (Mech. Galv.)		72974	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16
23	Cap Screw, HH, 3/8"-16NC x 3/4" (316 SS)		70033	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16
24	4 3/8" Lock Washer (316 SS)		73722	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16
25	25 Eye Bolt W/ Nut 3/4"-10 x 2" (Mech. Galv.)		59547	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
26	26 3/4" Flat Washer (Mech. Galv.)		16716	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8
27	27 3/4" Lock Washer (Mech. Galv.)		73738	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
28	28 160" Diameter Seal Disc Kit *		D8053	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
29	29 Seal Disc Joint Gasket		73047	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
30			53622	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24
31	31 Seal Disc Hex Nut, 3/8" (316 SS)		72050	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24
32	Seal Disc Flat Washer 3/8" x 1" OD (316 SS)		73623	48	48	48	48	48	48	48	48	48
33	()		73722	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24
34	Tuf-Lite II [®] Fan Blade (White) **		(Varies)	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14

^{*}Includes all hardware items 19 thru 22 and 29 thru 33 to assembly and mount.

STANDARD MATERIALS & FINISHES

Blades: Fiberglass reinforced vinyl ester or epoxy Hub Spool: Ductile Iron, Zinc Rich Coating Plates: Coal Tar Epoxy coated steel

Bushing: Malleable Iron

Seal Disc: Fiberglass Reinforced Polyester

Blade Clamps:

Powder Epoxy Coated Die Cast Alum (Standard) Powder Epoxy Coated Ductile Iron (Option 1) Coal Tar Epoxy Coated Ductile Iron (Option 2)

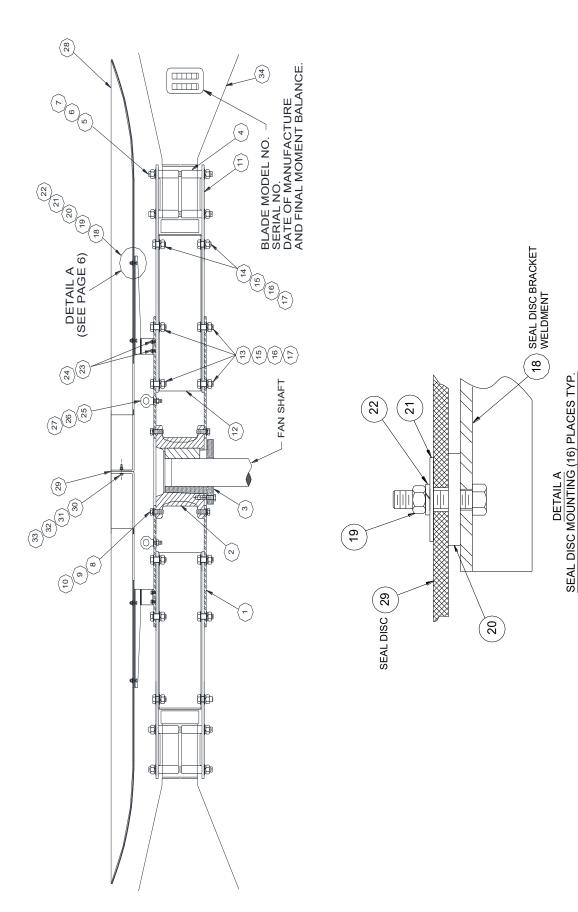
Fasteners:

Steel, Mech. Galvanized & 316 SS Opt. Complete Fan with 316 SS (Option 1) Complete Fan with K500 Monel (Option 2)

WHEN OR	RDERING, SPECIFY	FAN DIAMI	EIER, IYPE & I	NUMBER OF	BLADES & SI	HAFT DIAMETER
EXAMPLE:	APT		40H		8	6 1/2" BORE
	Fan Model Adjustable Pitch	Far (Specify	n Diameter & Blade / "H" for Tuf-Lite II [®]	Type Blades)	Number of Blades	Shaft Diamete

^{**}Blade color was blue prior to March 2006.

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