1.1 INTRODUCTION
Thank you for purchasing a Flexxaire Fan System.
Flexxaire takes great pride in designing, manufacturing and assembling its products for many years of use.
This manual (P/N 01906) is produced to assist in the installation, operation and maintenance of the GEN 2 Flexxaire® Series 1000 Fan Systems using Pneumatic or Hydraulic actuation.
Flexxaire has made every effort to ensure that the information contained in this manual is correct and complete at the time of printing. Flexxaire will assume no responsibility for any errors or omissions. If you have any questions regarding this manual, any other document provided with your fan system or any questions not answered by this manual, please contact:

Flexxaire Inc.
Product Support Department
10430-180 Street
Edmonton, Alberta, Canada
T5S-1C3
Phone: 780-483-3267
Fax: 780-483-6099
Monday to Friday 7:00 am to 3:30 pm MST

1.2 IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION
The safety information in this publication is to be used in conjunction with the safety information supplied from the original machine manufacturer. Please refer to all safety information supplied, prior to doing any work on the fan assembly or any other component to assure safety.
Improper operation, maintenance or repair of this product can be dangerous and could result in injury or death.

Always use Genuine Flexxaire parts and components or Flexxaire approved parts and components. The use of un-approved parts and/or components will void the 1-year warranty.

Do not operate or perform any maintenance on this product until you have read and understand the operation and maintenance information. Please contact Flexxaire or an approved dealer for any information that you may require.

The person(s) servicing the product may be unfamiliar with many of the systems or components on the product. It is important to use caution when performing any type of service work. Knowledge of the product and/or its components is important before the removal or disassembly of any component.

1.2.1 PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT
Always wear protective glasses, protective shoes and any other protective equipment as required by law and/or your company safety program.

1.2.2 PRESSURIZED FAN HUB
The hub assembly is spring loaded. If disassembly of the hub is required, take caution that you are well protected from the hub’s release which may be sudden and pose an impact related injury.
Also make sure that the internal pressure is released. Consult the pneumatic or hydraulic control instructions in this manual.

1.2.3 HOT FLUIDS AND PARTS
To avoid burns, be alert for hot parts on the assembly or the machine that have just been stopped and have hot fluid in lines, tubes and compartments.

1.3 FAN SPECIFICATIONS
The following needs to be considered prior to the installation of the Flexxaire Fan System. If your situation is listed in this section, DO NOT INSTALL THE FAN. Damage and/or injury may occur.

1.3.1 MOUNTING
WARNING: This fan is not designed to be mounted onto a crank shaft or crank shaft pulley. Torsional vibration from cranks shafts will damage the fan and could result in machine damage and serious injury.

1.3.2 FAN BLADE TIP SPEED
WARNING: The fan system must not exceed a blade tip speed of 20,000 feet/minute. Exceeding this speed may cause damage to and/or failure of the fan, which in turn may cause injury or death, or damage to the radiator and surrounding equipment.
To calculate the blade tip speed, use the following formula:

\[ \text{Fan Diameter (Inches) X 3.14 X Fan RPM} \]

If your calculated tip speed exceeds 20,000 ft/min, contact Flexxaire directly, prior to installation. It is important to use Fan RPM and NOT engine RPM.
1.4 FAN OVERVIEW

Flexxaire’s Series 1000 fan systems are designed to minimize overheating caused by debris plugged radiators, screens and guards, and reduce overcooling in low ambient temperatures. The blades of the Series 1000 vary pitch, not speed, to control air flow volume and direction.

How your Series 1000 Fan works:
The Series 1000 fan can be purchased as a pneumatically actuated variable pitch fan or hydraulically actuated variable pitch fan. The blades are held in full pitch by a heavy spring. As pneumatic (or hydraulic) pressure is applied to the control line, the pitch of the blade is reduced and then reversed. When the pressure is released, the fan blades return to their default position.

The Series 1000 fan has a number of important features:

1. Fail Safe Operation: The blades are spring loaded into the default full pitch position. If the fan loses pressure, the fan will default to full pitch and act like a fixed pitch fan giving maximum cooling.
2. Depending on the control kit ordered (see Section 2.0), the fan can be run in a neutral pitch (or any pitch in between) to solve overcooling problems and save horsepower and fuel.
3. When purging, there are no horsepower spikes, in fact, the horsepower drops off as you pass through neutral pitch, then slowly builds as pitch increases.

2.0 CONTROL KITS

Due to the variability of machines that the Series 1000 fan may be installed on, the fan does not include any control components. Flexxaire has a number of different control kits available to suit a wide range of applications:

PNEUMATIC CONTROL:
- 2 Position kit (Manual Purge)
- 2 Position kit with timer (Manual and Auto Purge)
- Infinitely Variable Pitch Controller (IVP fan control)
- Each kit is available with or without an air compressor
- Available in 12V and 24V configurations

HYDRAULIC CONTROL:
- 2 Position kit (Manual Purge)
- 2 Position kit with timer (Manual and Auto Purge)
- Infinitely Variable Pitch Controller (IVP fan control)
- Available in 12V and 24V configurations

Contact Flexxaire or your dealer for details and availability.
2.1 MAJOR COMPONENTS
The Series 1000 Fan Assembly can be identified by several external components as shown in Figure 1. Use this diagram for terminology and major component identification.

![Fan Components Diagram](image)

**Figure 1: Fan Components**

**MAJOR COMPONENTS:**

1. Blade Assembly
2. Hub Assembly
3. Blade Counter Weight
4. Pressure line (Pneumatic or Hydraulic)
5. Mounting Adapter Bolts
6. Mounting Adapter
7. Hub Mounting Bolts

2.2 EXISTING FAN REMOVAL
The following is a general description for the removal of an existing fan and the installation of a Flexxaire Series 1000 Fan.

1. Remove fan guards and safety equipment to gain access to the existing fan.
2. Loosen belt(s) and remove existing fan hardware as required.
3. Clean mounting surface of the fan drive.

2.3 INSTALLATION

### 2.3.1 Mounting Adapters
The Series 1000 fan is supplied with a pre-machined mounting adapter plate. Pre-machined mounting adapters are machined for your pilot and bolt circle.

For some applications, a wider 2-piece adapter may be used, and the necessary hardware for assembling the 2 parts together will be included. This 2-piece adapter may be pre-assembled.
2.3.2 Fan Position

Ideally the fan should be centered in the shroud (30-70% immersion is acceptable). This may require modification or removal of the fan spacer or modification of the shroud. See Figure 2.

Figure 2

1. Install the Flexxaire supplied mounting adapter using bolts from the original fan. If the bolt length needs to be changed, use an equivalent or better grade of bolt. Follow original equipment manufacturer's torque and thread locking specifications when installing the mounting adapter to the fan drive. Refer to Figure 3.

Figure 3

2. Set up dial gauge to measure axial deviation of the mounting adapter on the fan mounting surface. Deviation should not exceed 0.005”. Refer to Figure 3.

3. Set up dial gauge to measure radial deviation of the mounting adapter on the 1” pilot hole surface. Deviation should not exceed 0.005”. Refer to Figure 3.

4. Remove the shipping plug from the rear of the fan. Place the Series 1000 fan onto the mounting adapter and torque the M8 bolts to 21 ft-lbs (28 N.m). Do not use loctite. Refer to Figure 4.

Figure 4
5. Rotate the fan by hand and check for obstructions. A final check will be required once the pneumatic or hydraulic hose has been connected to the fan. (See Page 6, 7 and 8 for a list of required pressures for each fan model and hose routings) Spin the fan by hand with the blade pitch reversed and check for obstructions.

6. Ensure you have the correct blade clearance. See Figure 5 for or a list of recommended minimum clearances based on fan diameter.

7. Tighten the fan belts and replace all the fan guards and safety equipment.

8. Attach the “WARNING” label to the machine, on a housing, guard, or any location near the fan where it can be easily seen.

**WARNING:** Failure to have the correct blade clearance required for the rotary union could result in premature failure of the rotary union and/or damage to objects contacting the rotary union.
3.0 PNEUMATIC SPECIFICATIONS

Flexxaire supplies a number of pneumatic control options, but the Series 1000 Pneumatic versions can be operated using any air source that meets the general specifications listed below. If your machine has air on board then this source will be available. If not, then a compressor kit will be required.

Series 1000 Pneumatic General Specifications:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Specification</th>
<th>Details</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Full Pitch (default position)</td>
<td>0 psi</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Reverse Pitch (Purge position)</td>
<td>60 psi</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Max continuous pressure</td>
<td>130 psi</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

(extended operation at higher pressure will reduce the life of the rotary union seal).

Recommended minimum flow rate: .35cfm @ 70 psi.
(The lower the flow rate, the longer it takes to purge the fan. –at .35cfm @ 70psi it takes approximately 7 seconds to fully reverse pitch).

3.1 PNEUMATIC LINE INSTALL

1. Drill a hole in your fan shroud to allow the flexible hose to be routed into the engine compartment. Secure the hose using hose clamps or tie wraps. Be sure that the air line is properly secured so it cannot interfere with the fan blades.

2. Attach the incoming air line to the push-in fitting on the front of the fan. If you did not purchase one of Flexxaire’s control kits you will need to source flexible hose and fittings that will attach to the 1/8-NPT female fitting on the front of the fan. The hose should be robust enough to withstand abrasion from air flow, and temperature and vibration inherent from engines. Failure of the hose could lead to fan damage if the hose comes in contact with the blades.

WARNING: Do not secure the air lines in any way that will cause leverage to be applied to the rotary union. Failure of the rotary union could result.

4.0 HYDRAULIC SPECIFICATIONS

Flexxaire supplies a number of hydraulic control options, but the Series 1000 Hydraulic versions can be operated using any hydraulic source that meets the general specifications listed below. If your machine has hydraulics on board then this source should be available.

Series 1000 Hydraulic General Specifications:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Specification</th>
<th>Details</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Full Pitch (default position)</td>
<td>0 psi</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Reverse Pitch (Purge position)</td>
<td>350 psi</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Maximum continuous pressure</td>
<td>600 psi</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

4.1 HYDRAULIC LINE SPECIFICATION

1. The connection on the rotary union is a 1/8NPT female thread.

2. The fitting on the end of the default hose is a male 1/8NPT. An adapter is used to mate to the #6 ORB port on the manifold.

3. If supplying your own hose, it is recommended to use a hose that is as small as possible. The potential exists that a large, heavy hose with bulky fittings could create a side load on the rotary union, just due to the weight of the hose. Side loads can drastically reduce the life of the rotary union.

4. Maximum allowable working hydraulic pressure is 600 psi.

4.2 HYDRAULIC LINE ROUTING

Care needs to be taken when determining how to route the hydraulic line for Hydraulic versions of the fan. Incorrect routing could lead to damage of the fan blades and premature wear and/or failure of the rotary union.

The fan is shipped with a default hose assembly attached to the hub assembly. Contact Flexxaire if a different hose length of different fittings are required for future orders. The hose is attached at the Flexxaire factory to avoid unnecessary side loads to the bearings of the rotary union that can be applied every time the hose is attached or detached from the rotary union.

Using Figures 6 to 10 inclusive, route the hydraulic hose in such a way that eliminates the side loading of the Rotary Union. Any slack left in the hydraulic line must also be clear of any of the moving components of the fan.
Figures 6, 7 and 8 show acceptable routings of the hydraulic line that should eliminate the side loading of the rotary union of the fan.

Figure 9 and 10 are examples of a routing that needs to be avoided since it will create side loading of the rotary union and cause it to fail prematurely or be pulled out of the fan assembly.

**WARNING:** Do not secure the hydraulic line so tight as to cause a side load on the rotary union. Failure of the bearings could result.

**WARNING:** Do not secure the hydraulic hose so loose that the hose could contact the blades due to sudden air reversal, vibration, etc....

**WARNING:** Ensure that you have the minimum clearance between the rotary union and closest obstruction as per Figure 5 on page 5.

Figure 6

In figure 6, the routing is the hydraulic line on the outside of the shroud. A natural bend is created by installing a hose clamp as close to 90 degrees to the running of the Hydraulic Line to the fan.

Figure 7

In figure 7, the routing of the hydraulic line runs through the shroud. A natural bend is created by installing a hose clamp as close to 90 degrees to the running of the Hydraulic Line to the fan. A second (or additional) clamps can be used as required to assist in the final install of the hydraulic line.

Figure 8

In figure 8, the routing of the hydraulic line runs along the cross member. A natural bend is created by creating a small bend in the hose and clamp on the cross member. The hose needs to be secured to the member with an appropriate clamp that holds the line in place and does not fail due to heat.
In figure 9, the hydraulic line routing will create a side load on the Rotary Union that will lead to premature failure of the Rotary Union, or it can be pulled out of the fan assembly. This routing needs to be avoided.

In figure 10, the hydraulic line routing will create a whipping effect that causes a side load on the Rotary Union that will lead to premature failure of the Rotary Union or it could be pulled out of the fan assembly. The extra slack could make contact with the blades. This routing needs to be avoided.

5.0 INSTALL CHECKLIST

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>CHECK</th>
<th>YES</th>
<th>NO</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Does fan rotate in default and full reverse pitches?</td>
<td>☐</td>
<td>☐</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Is the pressure line secured away from the blades?</td>
<td>☐</td>
<td>☐</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Has the side load on the pressure line been minimized?</td>
<td>☐</td>
<td>☐</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Is the pressure line flexible enough to accommodate relative movement between the radiator and engine?</td>
<td>☐</td>
<td>☐</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Are any of the blades damaged?</td>
<td>☐</td>
<td>☐</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Does the rotary union rotate freely?</td>
<td>☐</td>
<td>☐</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Are there any pressure leaks in the system?</td>
<td>☐</td>
<td>☐</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Are all screens and guards secured?</td>
<td>☐</td>
<td>☐</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Have you recorded the fan S/N for future reference?</td>
<td>☐</td>
<td>☐</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>S/N</td>
<td>☐</td>
<td>☐</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

6.0 MECHANICAL REVIEW

1. Ensure that the fan fully reverses pitch.
2. Check for air leaks in the rotary union.
3. Check that the rotary union bearings rotate smoothly.
4. Verify that you have the correct blade clearance as per Figure 5 on page 5.

7.0 SERVICE AND MAINTENANCE

Flexxaire’s TAC1000 fan hub is fully sealed with o-rings, and contains a small quantity of grease. (EP00 semi-fluid grease) As a result, the fan itself should not require any maintenance.

7.1 VISUAL INSPECTIONS

Under normal operating conditions TAC1000 fans do not require any scheduled maintenance and are built to provide thousands of hours of trouble free service. In moderate to extreme operating conditions a visual inspection of the moving parts in recommended from time to time to safeguard against fan blade damage which could lead to equipment downtime and/or other damages.
8.0 Rotary Union Replacement

Figure 11

Figure 12

Figure 13

View 14

Pull straight out

Torx - T15

Apply light oil to the O-rings
8.0 Rotary Union Replacement

8.1 Internal Pin Verification for Pitch Sensor

Enabled/Pitch Sensor Ready Fans

For Pitch Sensor Fans: Install Pin Centering Gauge. Use Caution: Do not bend the pin.

The Pin must be adequately centered so that it does not contact the inside of the pitch sensor or damage to the sensor will occur. Flexxaire has provided a Pin Centering Gauge to test for accurate centering. Place the Pin Centering Gauge over the Pin. The Pin should not touch the sides of the Pin Centering Gauge. If there is contact, then remove the Gauge, gently bend the Pin to center the Pin, and recheck.

Torx - T15
1. Apply Loctite 243 to threads.
2. Torque 21 in/lb (2.4 Nm)

Push in straight. If internal pin is visible, refer to Section 8.1

Figure 15

Figure 16

Figure 17

View 18