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# **Fluid Machines - FM series**



# **Propeller Turbine – FM63**

A self contained, small-scale propeller turbine unit. This fixed blade, axial flow turbine may be considered as the prototype form of a propeller turbine, itself a forerunner of the Kaplan turbine.

METAL FRAMEWORK WITH TRANSPARENT TEST SECTION FOR OBSERVATION CONTROL AND DATA LOGGING VIA PC SIMPLE USB CONNECTIVITY



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#### Description

The FM63 consists of a framework base which houses a large water reservoir and a circulating pump.

A stainless steel top supports the turbine itself and a dynamometer assembly. The propeller itself is housed in a clear acrylic pipe to enable maximum visibility of the workings.

The unit incorporates a paddle wheel type flow meter and a pressure sensor to measure the inlet condition of the water.

The dynamometer module incorporates a magnetic type brake which applies load to the turbine. The level of braking is controlled directly from the software.

A load cell measures the braking force, hence the power and an optical sensor measures the rotational speed of the turbine.

## **Requirements** Scale PC USB

Armfield IFD7

► Software requires a computer running Windows XP or above with a USB port (computer not supplied by Armfield)

Technical specifications		
Maximum power:	55W	
Maximum speed:	8,500rpm	
Maximum torque:	0.60Nm	
Head:	14m	
Flow rate:	4.4l/s distributor	
8 guide vanes, @ 45°:	External diameter 50mm	
9 guide vanes, @ 40°	External diameter 50mm	
Submersible pump with motor nominal power:	55W	
Tank:	Approx. 75l	
Measuring ranges		
- temperature:	0 to 100°C	
- pressure (at turbine inlet):	-100 to 100 kPa	
- pressure (at turbine outlet):	-100 to 100 kPa	

#### Overall dimensions

Length	0.91m		
Width	0.66m		
Height	1.12m		
Packed and crated shipping specifications			
Volume	1.40m <sup>3</sup>		
Gross weight	160kg		

#### **Demonstration capabilities**

- Determining the characteristics of the propeller turbine, including the relationships of:
  - volume flow rate
  - head
  - torque produced
  - power output
  - efficiency to rotational speed



#### Software

The ArmSOFT software enables the operator to control the pump speed 0 to 100%. Feedback from the sensors is then displayed in real time for the end user with simultaneous data logging.

The data trend is also displayed graphically in real time and can be exported to another platform such as Excel for further analysis.

#### Essential accessories / equipment

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#### Ordering specification

- ► Self-contained, small-scale hydropower unit designed to demonstrate the operating principles of a propeller turbine
- 75l water reservoir
- Circulating pump which produces 14m head at 4.4 l/s
- ► Loaded by a magnetic brake unit which is controlled direct from the PC
- ▶ Links to a PC via a USB interface
- Electronic sensors monitor process variables

#### **Ordering codes**

E1448.4	
► FM63-A:	220-240V / 1Ph / 50Hz
► FM63-B:	120V / 1Ph / 60Hz
► FM63-G:	220-240V / 1Ph / 60Hz
► IFD7-A:	220-240V / 1Ph / 50Hz
► IFD7-G:	220-240V / 1Ph / 60Hz

#### Armfield standard warranty applies with this product



### Aftercare

Installation Commissioning Training Service and maintenance Support: armfieldassist.com

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