
INSTALLATION MANUAL



Adjustable Pitch Fan Assembly

34' Diameter

Hudson Tuf-Lite IV® fan blades

Hudson Tuf-Lite IV® fan blades are of single piece fiberglass reinforced plastic (FRP) construction optimized for performance, reliability, noise, and cost effectiveness. Tuf-Lite IV® fan blades are constructed of light weight, corrosion-resistant, fiberglass reinforced vinyl-ester resin, with materials, thickness, and processes determined from finite element analysis modeling. Tuf-Edge® provides superior resistance against leading edge erosion and UV inhibited pigmentation yields longer life. 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 0-300 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. Lock bushing on shaft by tightening the set screw in flange with an Allen Wrench. Line up key and set hub on bushing. Engage the four (4) 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.

Bushing Size	Allen Wrench Size	Cap Screw Size	Socket Size	Torque (ft-lb) Dry
W1	1/4"	3/4"	1-1/8"	250

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.

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 Size	Socket Size	Torque Value (ft-lb)	
		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.

SEAL DISC HARDWARE INSTALLATION

*Seal disc mounting hardware must be installed BEFORE installing blades and blade clamps, due to limited access to seal disc bolt holes.

Install seal disc spacer as shown in Figures 1 and 2. Install flat washers and 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).

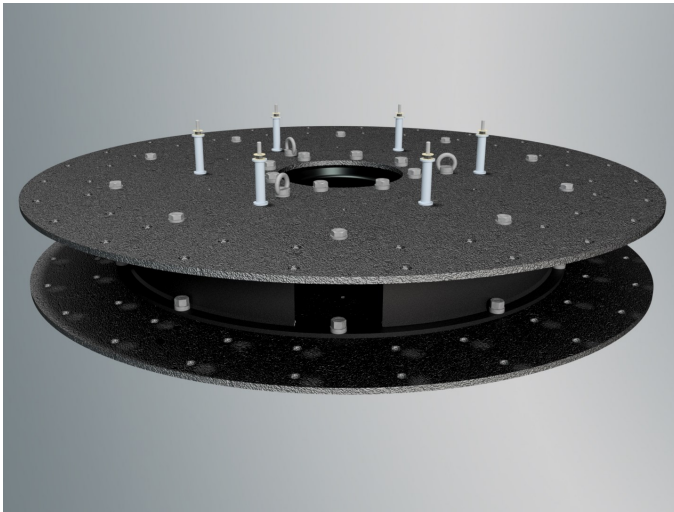


Figure 1

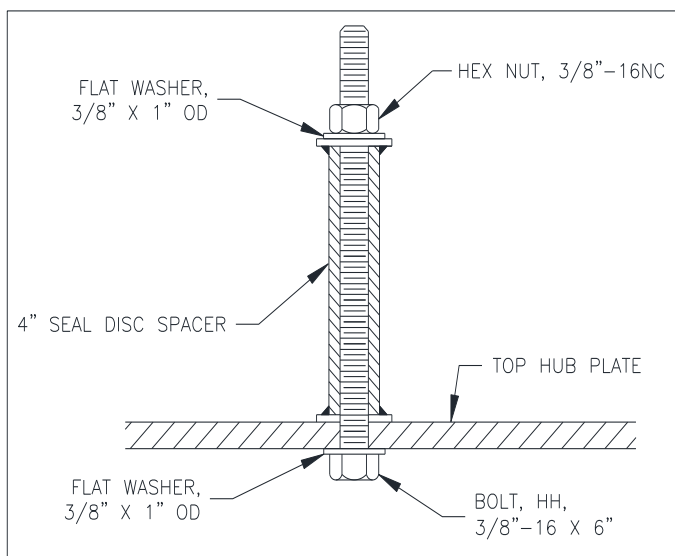


Figure 2

THRUST RETAINER (optional equipment)

Install proper load bolt (not provided) into top of fan shaft and tighten (See Figure 3). Install thrust retainer channel on top hub plate using existing hub spool cap screws. Torque cap screws to 60-65 ft-lb. Install thrust retainer eyebolt and jam nut. Hand tighten eyebolt. Tighten jam nut securely against top of thrust retainer channel.

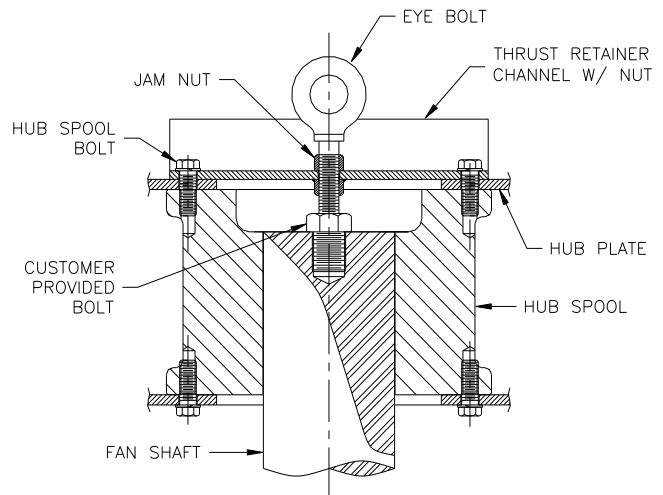


Figure 3

BLADE INSTALLATION

Remove blade clamp bolts, nuts, lock washers, and blade clamp halves from hub. 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.

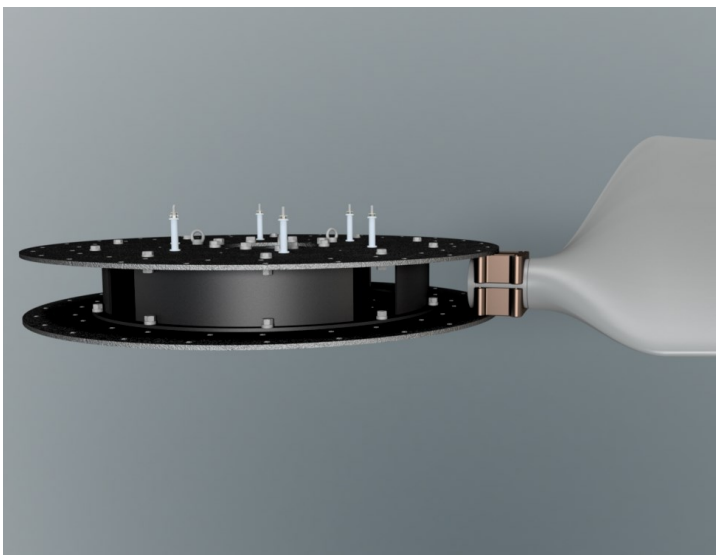


Figure 4

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

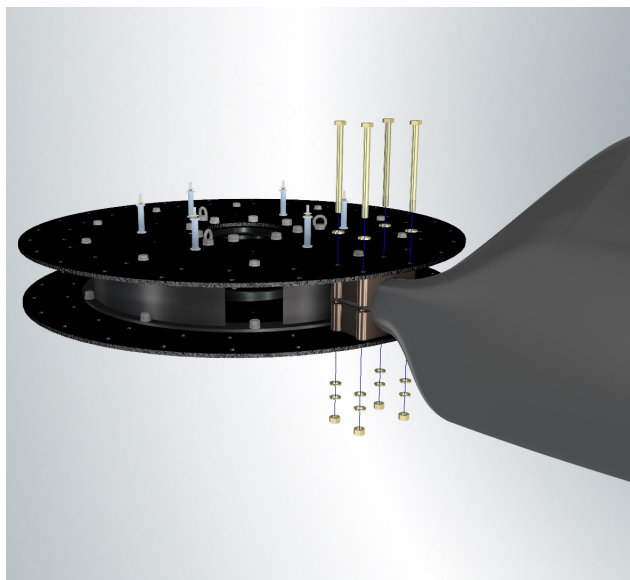


Figure 5

SET PITCH AND TRACK

Use Hudson EXACT-A-PITCH[®] digital protractor (See Figure 6) to set blade pitch. Mount protractor on the trailing edge of the blade and ensure that protractor is long enough to reach at least half across the blade chord. Place the protractor 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.

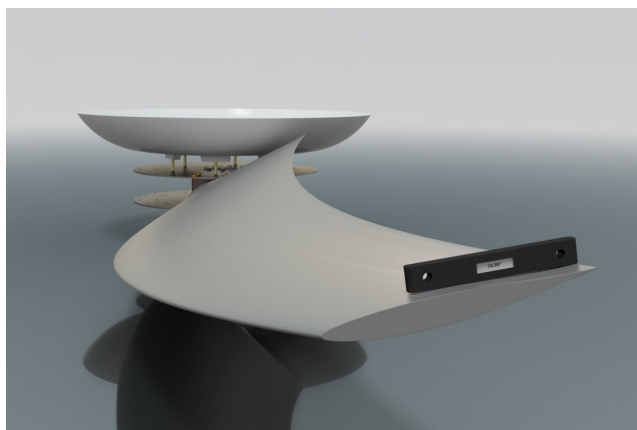


Figure 6

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 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 per Table 1 below:

Table 1: Clamp Bolt Torque Values

Clamp Bolt Type	Torque Value (ft-lb)	
	Lubricated	Dry
Grade 8, EcoGuard [®]	n/a	220

Re-check pitch setting. Blade must be set within $\pm 0.2^\circ$ of desired pitch angle. Tighten clamp bolts evenly. **DO NOT OVERTORQUE 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 1" or more, 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 1". 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 per Table 1.

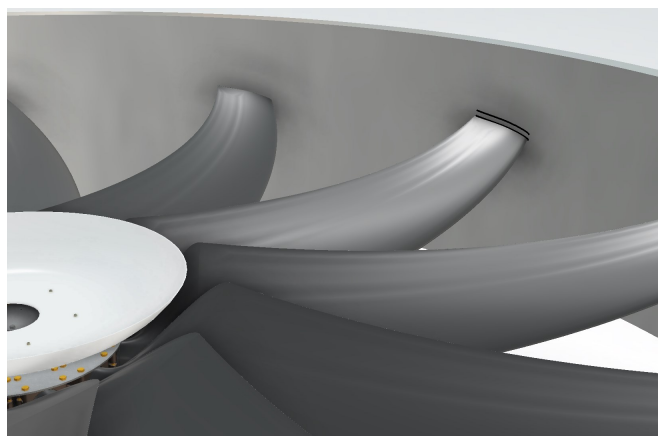


Figure 7

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 7a). This distance should be within 1" 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 per Table 1.

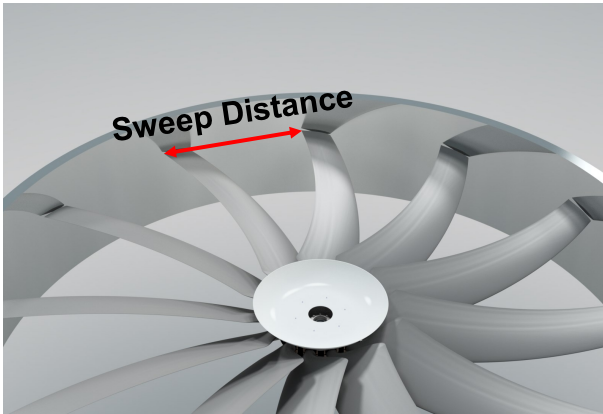


Figure 7a

SEAL DISC ASSEMBLY & INSTALLATION

After installing blades, seal disc should be installed on the previously installed seal disc hardware as shown in Figure 8. First install self adhesive rubber gaskets on both flanges of one seal disc half. Bolt two halves of seal disc together, using 3/8" NC bolts, flat washer, lock washer, and nut. Torque to 15 ft-lb (lubricated) and 20 ft-lb (dry). Then, install seal disc on the previously installed seal disc hardware as shown in Figure 8.

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

NOTE: The purpose of the seal disc is to prevent adverse air recirculation at non-aerodynamic portion of the fan blade, hence increasing efficiency.

Note: Refer to instructions included with seal disc for further details.

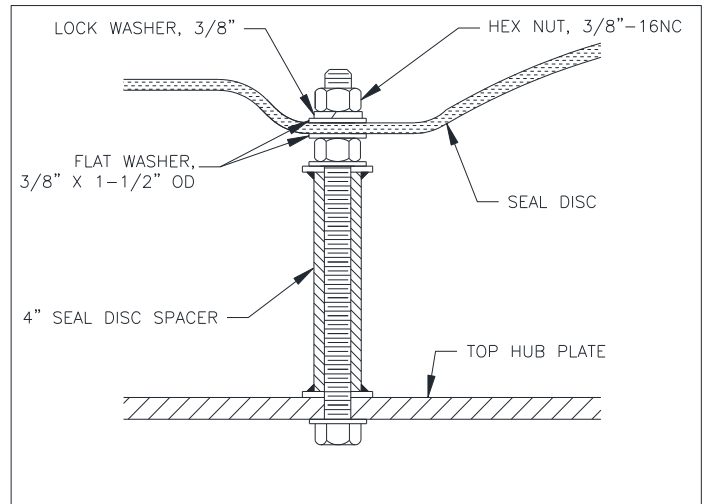


Figure 8

CHECKING TIP CLEARANCE

Rotate fan in position inside fan stack to check tip clearance (See Figure 9). The recommended tip clearance is between 1" and 2". Check for spots where fan blade clearance is not within the recommended tolerance. If necessary, adjust fan stack by shimming to obtain proper clearance.



Figure 9

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 34' Diameter Series 6000MM HUB

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	TYPE	PART. NO.	NO. OF BLADES						
				6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	34 Ft. Dia. Fan Up to 7.44" Diameter Shaft	W-1	Hub Assy. No. Part No.	6906M9.65 42470	6907M9.65 42471	6908M9.65 42472	6909M9.65 42473	6910M9.65 42474	6911M9.65 42475	6912M9.65 42476
1	62.25" Dia. Hub Plates for 34' Dia. Fans	W-1	Part No.	D6862	D6863	D6864	D6865	D6866	D6867	D6868
ITEM	DESCRIPTION	TYPE	PART. NO.	QUANTITY PER ASSEMBLY						
2	Hub Spool	W-1	D6854	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
3	Bushing	W-1	Specify Bore	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
4	Blade Clamp Half, Powder Epoxy Coated Die Cast Alum. (Standard) Option 1: Powder Epoxy Coated Ductile Iron** Option 2: Coal Tar Epoxy Coated Ductile Iron**		D5131 65013 65013C	12	14	16	18	20	22	24
5	Blade Clamp Bolt 3/4"-10 x 10" (Grade 8,EcoGuard®)		42404	24	28	32	36	40	44	48
6	3/4" Lock washer (EcoGuard®)		42405	24	28	32	36	40	44	48
7	3/4" Flat washer (EcoGuard®)		42406	48	56	64	72	80	88	96
8	Hex Nut 3/4"-10 (EcoGuard®)		42407	24	28	32	36	40	44	48
9	Hub Spool Cap Screw 3/4"-11 x 2 1/2"(316 SS)		57027	16	16	16	16	16	16	16
10	3/4" Lock washer (316 SS)		73739	16	16	16	16	16	16	16
11	3/4" Flat washer (316 SS)		73720	16	16	16	16	16	16	16
12	Pin, Grooved, 1/2" X 1-1/2 "		74540	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
13	Stiffener Ring (1 per hub)		D6869	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
14	Stiff. Ring Bolt, 5/8"-11 X 2" w/nut (316 SS)		65690	20	20	20	20	20	20	20
15	Stiff. Ring Lock Washer 5/8" (316 SS)		73731	20	20	20	20	20	20	20
16	Stiff. Ring Flat Washer 5/8" (316 SS.)		73719	40	40	40	40	40	40	40
17	Eye Bolt W/ Nut 3/4"-10 x 2" (HDG)		59547	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
18	3/4" Flat Washer (HDG)		16716	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
19	3/4" Lock Washer (HDG)		73738	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
20	88" Diameter Seal Disc Assy Kit *		81126STLIV	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
21	Tuf-Lite IV® Blade (Black)		(Varies)	6	7	8	9	10	11	12

* Includes all hardware (316 SS) to assembly and mount.

** Recommended on concrete and round towers, or corrosive environments. Contact Hudson for pricing.

STANDARD MATERIALS & FINISHES

Blades: Fiberglass reinforced vinyl ester

Hub Spool: Ductile Iron, Coal Tar Epoxy coating

Plates: Coal Tar Epoxy coated steel

Bushing: Malleable Iron

Seal Disc: Fiberglass Reinforced Polyester

Blade Clamps:

Epoxy Powder Coated Die Cast Alum (Standard)

Epoxy Powder Coated Ductile Iron (Option 1)

Coal Tar Epoxy Coated Ductile Iron (Option 2)

Fasteners:

Grade 8 (EcoGuard®)

Complete Fan with K500 Monel (Option 1)

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

EXAMPLE:

APT

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34M

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8

6 1/2" BORE

Fan Model
Adjustable Pitch

Fan Diameter & Blade Type
(Specify "M" for Tuf-Lite IV® Blades)

Number
of Blades

Shaft Diameter

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