FREEANAL FAN SERIES OPERATORS MANUAL
(Galvanized and Polymer)

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Galvanized Panel Fan

IMPORTANT: READ AND SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

Read all instructions carefully before attempting to assemble, install, operate or service the product described. Failure to comply with instructions could result in personal injury and/or property damage.

Using this product for any other purpose than it was intended, or not within the operating specifications in this manual will void the warranty and may cause damage to the fan or serious injury to personnel.

WARNING - TO REDUCE THE RISK OF FIRE OR ELECTRIC SHOCK:

• Do not expose fan to water or rain.
• The power source must conform to the electrical requirements of the fan. Consult your local electrician before wiring and follow all national, state, and local electrical codes.
• Disconnect all power before performing maintenance.
• DO NOT use a variable speed control device unless your fan has been equipped with a VFD-compatible motor.

GENERAL SAFETY

• This fan is intended for general use only. Do not use near hazardous or explosive materials or vapors.
• Never insert fingers or any other objects into the fan when in operation.
• Use of an OSHA complying guard if within seven feet of floor is recommended.
• Use of a guard if above seven feet of floor is recommended.
• Carefully read all safety messages in this manual and on your equipment safety decals. Follow recommended precautions and safe operating practices.

! WARNING - TO REDUCE THE RISK OF FIRE OR ELECTRIC SHOCK:

FAN INSTALLATION: Fan must be installed according to the guidelines stated in the user manual for this product.

WIND ADVISORY: Turn fan OFF when sustained winds exceed 15 mph (25 kph) or wind gusts exceed 20 mph (30 kph) (measured at the fan).

Failure to follow these warnings may result in damage to fan, will create a hazard to people, property or animals, and will void your warranty.

WARNING! CALIFORNIA PROPOSITION 65: This product can expose you to chemicals, including lead, which are known to the State of California to cause cancer and birth defects or other reproductive harm. For more information go to www.P65Warnings.ca.gov.
KEEP THIS MANUAL IN A CLEAN, DRY PLACE FOR FUTURE REFERENCE.

All information, illustrations and specifications in this manual are based on the latest product information available at the time of printing. Product specifications subject to change. We reserve the right to make changes at any time without notice.

If you need replacement parts, please contact your dealer. Take special care when ordering replacement blades, pulleys, motors and belts to ensure you get the proper configuration for your fan. If you do not have that information, please call Schaefer Ventilation Equipment at 800-779-3267 for assistance.

SAFETY INFORMATION

Warning and danger decals have been placed on the equipment to warn of potentially dangerous situations. Care should be taken to keep this information intact and easy to read at all times. Replace missing or damaged safety decals immediately.

IMPORTANT!

Schaefer strongly recommends that a good alarm system be installed in confinement buildings to warn of power failure and high temperature. Schaefer also recommends that an alternate power source be available for confinement buildings in case of power failure.

FAN MODEL NUMBER

The model number and date of manufactured information is located on a label attached to the motor pan. Refer to this information when requesting service/information or parts.

INSTALLATION INFORMATION

The installation information is not the same for all panel fans. Refer to the Rough-In Opening Dimension chart for the correct opening for your product.

The Fan can be mounted in three ways:

1. Fan unit mounted in the building side wall. (Galvanized Panel Fans Only)
2. Fan unit suspended from the ceiling.
3. Fan unit attached to pole/post mount.

Build wall framing to the required wall opening illustrated in the chart here. The fans are shipped completely assembled and need only to be fastened to the wall framing with appropriate fasteners for your facility (not supplied).

INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

1. After you have made the opening in the wall, the fan unit can be placed into the opening and secured with fasteners appropriate for your application. Refer to the air flow directional arrow to ensure the fan is installed in the correct direction to achieve the desired air flow.
2. Flashing should be attached across the top of the fan on the outside of the building. Caulking can be used on the sides of the fan housing to assure a tight seal.
3. Once the unit has been securely fastened to the wall, the fan is ready to be wired.

POWERING THE FAN:

CAUTION:

ALL ELECTRICAL WORK SHOULD BE COMPLETED BY QUALIFIED ELECTRICIAN AND MEET ALL NATIONAL, STATE AND LOCAL CODES.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR WIRING

- Wiring should only be done by a trained electrician to prevent injury or death.
- Configure internal wires to match supply voltage and wire according to motor nameplate. Test to verify correct rotation.
- Many of the electric motors in our fans are reversible. Make sure the fan is rotating in the proper direction (see BLADE ROTATION ARROW LABEL on the fan housing). Follow instructions on the motor label to change rotation if necessary.
- Schaefer recommends installing a lockable disconnect switch near each fan.
- Route wire to motor with drip loop and secure. Drip loop will drain accumulated moisture away from the motor.
- Only permit power to unit when motor cover plate is properly installed to prevent injury.
**PANEL FAN POLE/POST METHOD INSTALLATION**

Schaefer recommends using a mount when hanging your panel fan. Schaefer offers mounting options for all Panel Fans. Complete step-by-step instructions are included with each kit.

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**POLE MOUNT INSTALLATION (WOOD POST OR STEEL POLE)**

If using Schaefer kit or customer supplied kit, you must follow these directions.

**Correct pole mount installation.**

Pole is anchored to the ground and tied into overhead structure to prevent pole movement.

**WARNING! Incorrect pole mount installation.**

Pole is anchored to the ground but does not tie into overhead structure. Panel fan and pole assembly are not fully restrained and can vibrate during operation – creating a risk of damage to panel fan assembly and hazard to people, property or animals, and will void the fan warranty.

**WARNING! SUSPENDED PANEL FANS MUST BE INSTALLED CORRECTLY.**

Failure to follow the described hanging methods may result in damage to panel fan assembly and create a hazard to people, property or animals, and could void the fan warranty.

Customer supplied hardware must be rated for overhead lifting and must fasten through the fan support tubes as shown. Panel fans must be attached at four points as shown.
WARNING! SUSPENDED PANEL FANS MUST BE INSTALLED PROPERLY CONTINUED

To prevent fan sway both sets of support chains must be installed at an outward angle as shown.

Remove the 1/4”-20 x 2-1/4” hex head bolt at one end of the support tube.

Warning! Eyebolts must be rated for lifting.

Install a 1/4”-20 x 2” eyebolt through the support tube and venturi panel. Secure the eyebolt with a washer and Nylock nut. Install eyebolts at all four ends of support tubes.

Orient eyebolts so they are in-line with the direction of pull.

Upper (leading edge) eyebolts and support chains should be vertical.

Lower (trailing edge) support chains attached at angle greater than 20 degrees.

Poly Panel Fans chain mount attachment points
MAINTENANCE

The fan you have purchased is built with heavy duty components, designed to give you many years of worry-free performance. Like anything else that is mechanical, your fan will require a small amount of periodic maintenance to assure maximum efficiency.

**Disconnect power before cleaning or maintaining your fan in order to prevent serious injury or death.**

### PERFORM EVERY 6 MONTHS

**Clean motor, fan blade and guard option**

- Service and repair of fan should only be completed by a qualified technician.
- Use an air hose to remove dust.
- Use a damp cloth to remove grime and grease.
- **PRESSURE WASHING WILL VOID WARRANTY.**
- Do not use harsh chemicals or cleaners to clean any part of the fan.
- Sealed motor bearings are pre-lubricated and do not require servicing.

**CAUTION:** Fasteners may loosen over time. It is important to check and tighten fasteners frequently.

**CAUTION:** Inspect fan components and fasteners frequently for corrosion. Replace any corroded fasteners or parts.

### SET SCREW TIGHTENING SCHEDULE

1. Before initial operation of the fan, tighten set screws according to the procedure outlined below.
2. After 500 operating hours or three months, whichever comes first, tighten set screws to the full recommended torque.
3. At least once a year, tighten set screws to the full recommended torque.

### PROCEDURE FOR TIGHTENING SET SCREWS IN BEARINGS AND BLADES

**ONE SET SCREW APPLICATION**

Using a torque wrench, tighten the set screw to the full torque recommended in Table 1.

**TWO SET SCREW APPLICATION**

1. Using a torque wrench, tighten the one set screw to half of the torque recommended in Table 1.
2. Tighten the second set screw to the full recommended torque.
3. Tighten the first set screw to the full recommended torque.

### BELT DRIVE FANS ONLY

**PERFORM EVERY 6 MONTHS**

**CHECK BELT TENSION**

- Belt tension should be just tight enough to minimize slipping, but not so tight as to cause premature wear. Correct tension is 3/4” deflect at 10 lbs. of force.
- When a new belt is installed, the indicator on the idler base should line up between the third and fourth notch on the idler arm.
- To increase tension from idler arm, while holding the hex on the face of the idler, loosen the 3/8” attaching bolt. Release the large hex and rotate the idler base clockwise. Now hold the large hex stationary and re-tighten the 3/8” attaching bolt, making sure the larger hex does not turn. To decrease belt tension, rotate base counter-clockwise. After adjustment, verify idler arm moves freely.
- Lubricate the idler base with 1-2 shots of grease. Frequency and quantity of grease may vary based on operating conditions.

**EVERY 800 HOURS OF OPERATION**

**GREASE THE BEARINGS**

- While slowly turning the bearing, use 1-2 shots of a lithium base NLGI #2 grease from a hand operated grease gun to adequately fill the bearing 30-50% full.

Note: Verify that the grease seals on both sides of the bearing are intact and not showing signs of displacement or deformation once greasing activities have been completed. Over greasing bearings will cause premature failure of bearings if seals are compromised.
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## WARRANTY

**Pinnacle Climate Technologies Limited Warranty Policy**

Pinnacle Climate Technologies (PCT) provides the following limited warranty from the date of invoice to the initial purchaser of our products or to its customer with a dated proof of purchase:

Two-year coverage (unless otherwise indicated below) applies to all products, components and assemblies provided by PCT that prove to be defective in material or workmanship. Any such defective product will be repaired or replaced at PCT’s option, with the defective product or component returned upon approval to PCT, F.O.B Sauk Rapids, Minnesota.

This warranty does not cover: failure, damage or malfunction as a result of: Improper installation or installation not in accordance with installation instructions. Operating conditions that vary from PCT’s operating instructions. Misuse, abuse, negligence, alteration, or accident. Transporting the product. Improper operation or lack of appropriate or regular maintenance of the product. Loss of time, inconvenience, loss of use of the product or other consequential or incidental damages. Parts that need replacement due to normal wear and tear. Superficial or cosmetic rust or corrosion. Any product whose name plate has been removed.

*A full warranty statement may be printed or downloaded from www.schaeferventilation.com.*