

Cooling units | ACU





ACU operating principle

Operating vessels in MARPOL Annex VI Sulphur Emission Control Areas (SECAs) requires vessels to use low sulphur fuels or scrubber systems. The low sulphur fuels, such as Marine Gas Oil (MGO) generally have a low viscosity and do not usually fill the minimum viscosity requirements of main engines.

The viscosity of the MGO can be increased by cooling the oil with the ACU-series fuel oil coolers.

In Auramarine Cooling Units (ACU) the cooling water is delivered to this unit from separate Auramarine Chiller Cooling (ACC) unit or it can be delivered from ship's LT-water or sea water cooling system. The

heat from the MGO fuel is transferred to the cooling water in the unit's heat exchanger.

The ACU modules have in-built mixing function control valve, which controls the cooling water flow (LT-water models) or MGO flow (Seawater models) based on the fuel outlet temperature. With this control the response in the fuel temperature is immediate and accurate. Unit temperature controller is factory set with temperature ramp (2°C / min) and the in-built thermal shock prevention can be taken into use with simple electrical connections to the changeover system (by wire) or can be taken into use in manual mode (local control).

Installation

The ACU shall be installed in the engines fuel system in such a way that the ACU will be able to ensure adequate viscosity of the fuel oil (MGO, or other low viscosity fuel). Depending on the position of the ACU in the booster circulation, different heat transfer characteristics can be attained, leading to different cooling water flow needed and a different resulting waterside pressure drop. Also the pressure drop at the fuel side of the ACU will be different whether ACU is installed at engine outlet, or engine inlet. The pressure drop must meet the requirements of the pumping system.

The interfaces (fuel oil and cooling water) to the unit are shown in the general arrangement drawing, please see list of referenced documents.

The electrical connections are shown in the electric drawings.

Only the seawater model (SW-model) is suitable for seawater. NOTE: LT-water models are not to be used in seawater systems.

ACU Product range - standard units

Order code	Product	Cooling media	Heat exchanger type	Max fuel flow (m³/h)	Max water flow (m³/h)
CG500098	ACU-M-2-T-TU-G-LT			8	16,5
CG500099	ACU-M-3-T-TU-G-LT	LT water*		13	16,5
CG500100	ACU-M-7-T-TU-G-LT]	Tube	18	28
CG500101	ACU-M-2-T-TU-G-SW	Seawater or		8	11,9
CG500102	ACU-M-3-T-TU-G-SW	LT-water*		13	11,9
CG500103	ACU-M-7-T-TU-G-SW			18	24
CG500104	ACU-M-4-T-PL-S-LT			12	16
CG500105	ACU-M-8-T-PL-S-LT	LT water*		16,5	22
CG500106	ACU-M-15-T-PL-S-LT		Plate	26	35
CG500109	ACU-M-4-T-PL-S-SW	Seawater or		12	12
CG500110	ACU-M-8-T-PL-S-SW	LT-water*		16,5	16
CG500111	ACU-M-15-T-PL-S-SW			26	30

Explanation of the name of the module (ACU- X_4 - X_5 - X_4 - X_5 - X_4 - X_5 - X_5):

- ACU = Auramarine Cooler Unit
- $X_1 = M$ (Marine)
- $X_2 = 2$ to 15 (Model number)
- $X_3 = T$ (Temperature controlled)
- $X_4 X_5$ = Heat exchanger identifier
- X₆ = SW (Seawater model) or LT (Fresh water model)
- *LT water = Fresh water or 20% Glycol-Water mixture

Technical data

MGO fuel standard	ISO8217:2017 DMA (2-6cSt at 40°C)	
Unit controller cooling mode temperature	40°C (unless otherwise specified in project specific	
set point factory setting	data)	
Cooling media	Sea-water or LT water*	
Unit controller temperature ramp factory	2°C / min	
setting		
Control voltage	230 VAC, internally transformed	
Supply voltage	230V/380V/400V/440V/450V/480V/690V 50/60Hz	
Design pressure max.	Oil side 16 bar, water side 10 bar	
Design temperature:	100°C (maximum operating temperature)	

Main components

Position Denomination

B101	Heat exchange	r, plate or tube type	
V202	Mixing valve, Temperature control,]
	electrically actuated, PN16		
F201	Orifice, (only for fresh water		
	models) - Flow balancing		<u></u>
T101	Temperature se		
TI		iquid pillar type,	
	scale in °C		90
PI	Pressure	scale bar+kPa/kg/	
	gauges- Ø 63	cm2+psi	
	mm, glycerine		
	filled		

Control panel materials, miscellaneous

Control panel	• IP54	
	Insulation resistance tested	
Inputs for Automatic	Main fuel line ACU by-pass valve limit switch signal as potential free	
changeover functions	contact	
in ACU (Not in use when	• ACU by-pass line temperature signal (mA signal, 4-20mA, 0-200°C),	
unit is on manual mode)	for temperature ramp start in temperature control mode in	
	changeover situation	
	MGO to HFO changeover signal as potential free contact (optional)	
	Low viscosity signal for cooler as potential free contact (optional)	
Inputs for ACU heat	High viscosity signal as potential free contact (optional)	
exchanger forced by-pass	• Fuel system on HFO mode signal as potential free contact (optional)	
(direct driving of mixing	Changeover system supply voltage on signal as potential free	
valve actuator)	contact (optional)	
Outputs	• Temperature process value signal (linear mA signal, 4-20mA,	
	0-200°C)	
	Temperature alarm (combined low temperature and high	
	temperature) signal as potential free contact	
	• Cooler control valve on full by-pass –signal as potential free contact	
	Unit running	
Frame	Bolted sheet metal construction	
	1" threaded female connection at frame for draining of leakages	
Painting system	• ISO 12944-5; 2007 A2.06 EP120/2-FeSa2½ (frame and pipes)	
Pipes	Seamless carbon steel P235GH, EN10217 or equal	
	Welding according to ISO 5817 C	
	Water side pipes insulated with foamed nitrile rubber	
Connecting flanges	• EN 1092-1 PN16/40, counter flanges, gaskets, bolts and nuts	
	included (excluding seawater models water connections)	
Valves	Ball valves, nominal pressure class min. 16 bar	
Name plates	English, stainless steel, on piping and components	
Max module dimensions	• 1500x1900x580 mm	
Max module weight	• ~550 kg	

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