

# RIKT – Isothermal Turbocompressors

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**MAN Diesel & Turbo**



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MAN Diesel & Turbo's isothermal compressors have been built since 1915 and more than 1,400 units have been sold. This unique design has proven its reliability in various industries where large amounts of air need to be compressed.

The RIKT is available in eight frame sizes from 71 to 160 seamlessly covering an actual inlet volume range between 100,000 and 750,000 m<sup>3</sup>/h. Depending on the discharge pressure and the energy evaluation, the RIKT will be designed with 2 to 4 intercoolers and 3 to 6 impellers, thus adapting the compressor to deliver gas at a pressure ratio ranging between 4.5 and 20 in a single, compact casing. The integrated coolers not only reduce the overall dimensions to the smallest possible footprint, but also avoid interconnecting process piping. Noise emanating from high velocity gas in the impellers is also significantly reduced by the plate fin coolers and casing.

### Applications

- Air separation industry
- Iron and steel industry
- Fertilizer industry
- Nitric acid
- Enhanced Oil Recovery (EOR)
- Compressed Air Energy Storage (CAES)
- Any industry where a large amount of compressed air is required

### Standardized configuration

The RIKT frame sizes are based on geometrical scaling of most components, leading to a high degree of standardization and reliable performance. If necessary, major components such as impellers and diffusors may be tailored to fit process requirements.

### Characteristics

- In accordance with API 617
- Inlet flow range from 100,000 to 750,000 m<sup>3</sup>/h
- Selection of rotors for a given frame size
- Integrated intercoolers with water separators
- Up to 6 impellers and 2 to 4 intercoolers
- Axial inlet with 1<sup>st</sup> stage open impeller
- Subsequent impellers closed type
- Casing welded in carbon steel plate

### Inlet Guide Vanes (IGV)

Inlet guide vanes ensure for best efficiency over a wide range and allow a precise control of the process by:

- Pressure or flow control
- Power limitation

### Intercoolers

The intercoolers are integrated in the casing. The gas is guided through an optimized flow path thus leading to very low interstage pressure losses.

### Bearings

- Tilting pad journal and Kingsbury type axial bearings
- Accessible without removing the upper casing half

### Couplings

- Maintenance-free, flexible disc-type couplings for the low- and high-speed shafts.

### Gear

- Double helical gear
- Axial bearing on low-speed shaft
- Shaft-driven main oil pump

### Driver

- Direct-driven by steam or gas turbine
- Electric motor with gear (set)

### Control system

- Anti-surge control system
- Reverse flow protection

### Reliability & availability / Service

- The RIKT series has a track record with over 3 Mio. operating hours
- Designed for highest reliability
- After sales services are available worldwide by MAN PrimeServ and cover the entire product life cycle: spare parts, overhauls, repairs, re-vamps/modernization and training.

## Features

Widely referenced isothermal compressors with more than 1,400 units built since 1915

Standardized core units and modularly built trains

Standardized rotors built with referenced impellers

Pressure ratio up to 20

Abraidable seals with negative clearance

Adjustable Inlet Guide Vanes (IGV)

No external piping and intercoolers

Integrated intercoolers (IC)  
(2 to 4 IC's per casing)

Intercoolers with various material combinations

Proven 2-stage water separator with coalescing mesh and fin collector firmly attached to the IC's

Vertical removal of intercooler bundles with an overhead crane

Direct drive by steam or gas turbine

Electric motor drive

Flexible disc type couplings for the low and high-speed shaft

## Lube oil system and gear

RIKT 71 to 90: oil system integrated into base frame

RIKT 100 and larger: separate oil system

## Benefits

Highest reliability

Referenced, many identical machines in operation

Performance predictability

Rotor exchangeability

For all air separation processes and other applications where large amounts of air have to be compressed

Minimum seal losses

Wide operating range

High efficiency at part load operation

Constant speed operation

Short installation time, low interstage pressure losses leading to higher efficiency, significantly lower noise emission

Low pressure losses between the stages

High efficiency → lower energy consumption

Compact design → smallest footprint → reduced building costs

Wide range of cooling water qualities, incl. seawater cooling

High degree of condensate removal

No separate cooler bundle extraction device required

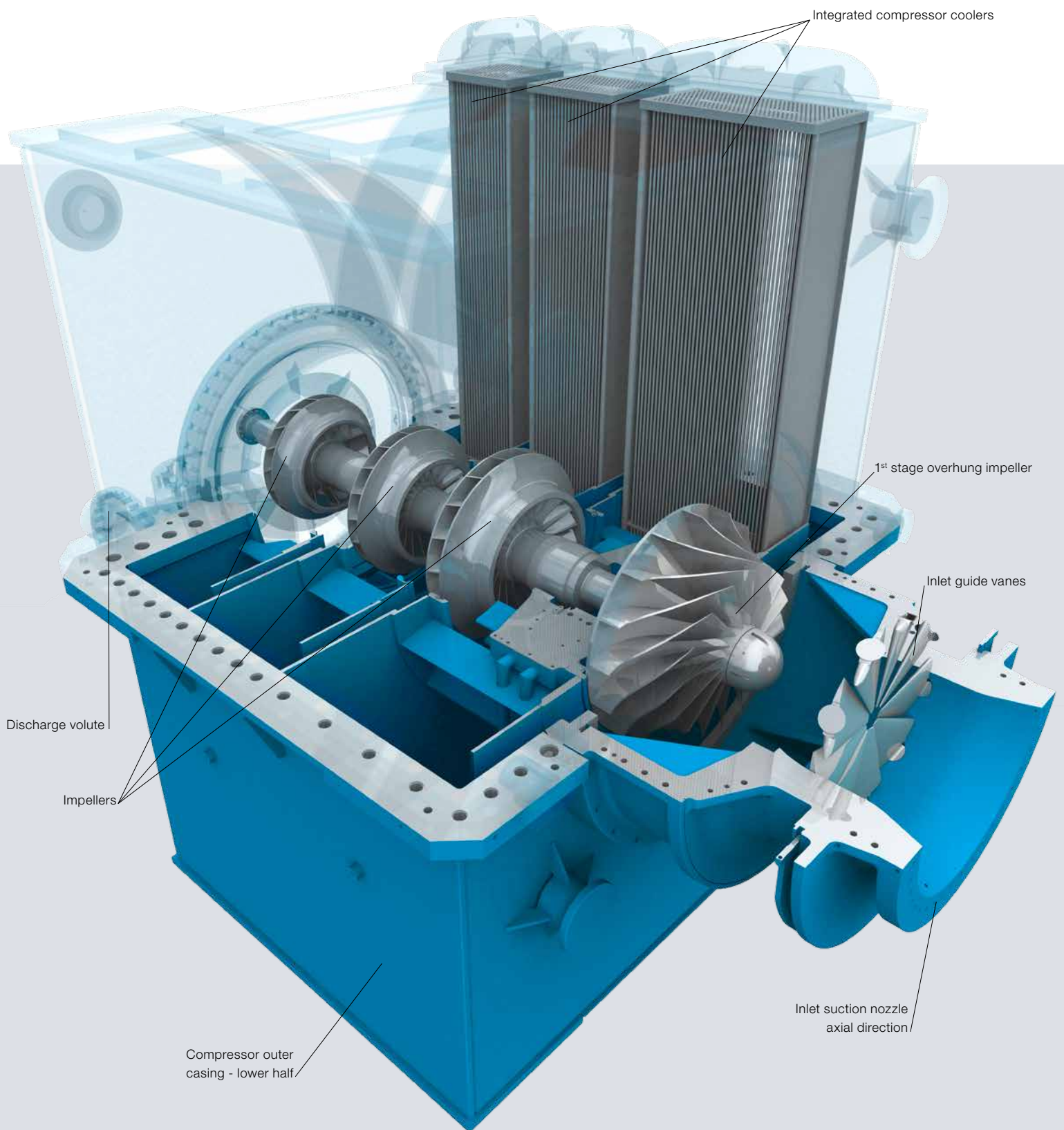
Simple train arrangement with a minimum number of rotating parts

Gearing-up with standardized double helical gear, use of the most economical 4-pole standard electric motors

Maintenance free

Shorter erection time, smaller footprint

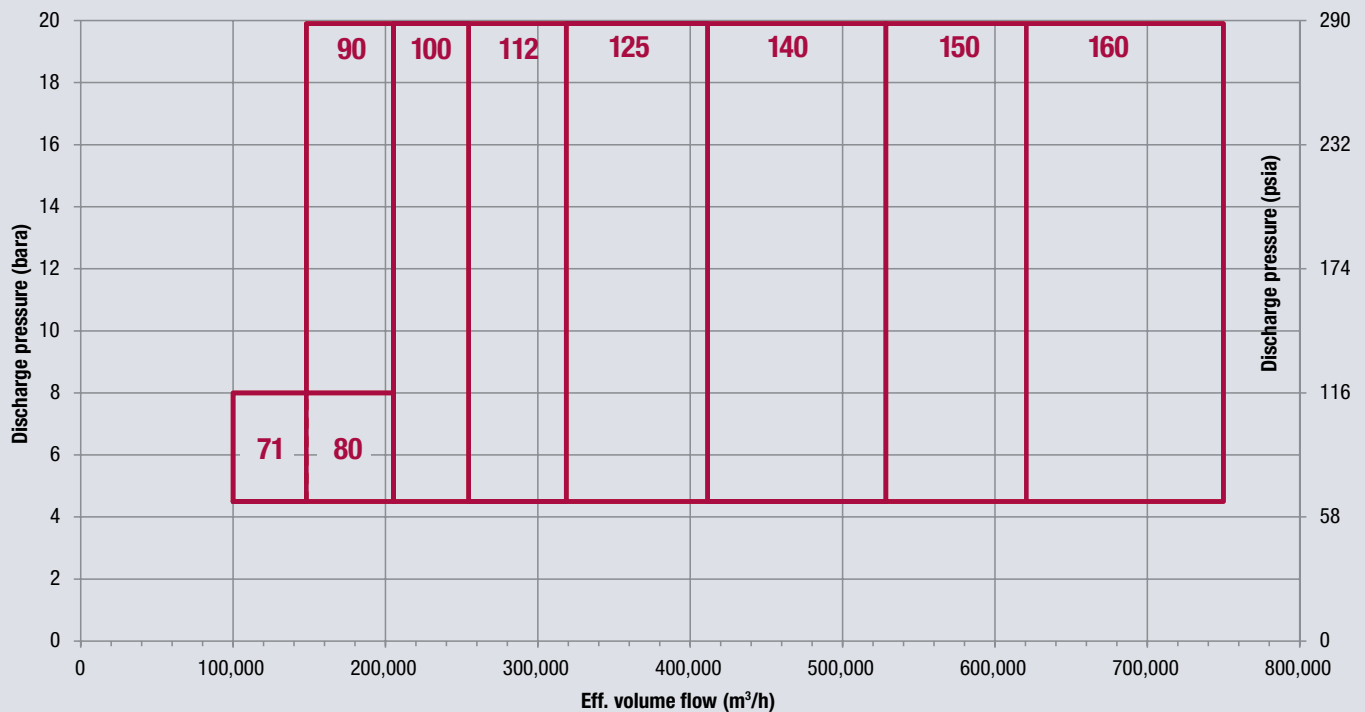
To reduce dimensions for transportation



# Technical Data

Driver	Electric motor, steam or gas turbine
Suction pressure	ambient pressure
Discharge pressure [bara]	up to 20 bara
Flow rate [m <sup>3</sup> /h]	Max. 750,000 m <sup>3</sup> /h
Power range [MW]	Approx. 60 MW
Number of impeller stages	3-6
Number of intercoolers	2-4

## RIKT Compressor Frame Size Selection Diagram



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