Installation and Operational Manual

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1WHV Series

Whole House Ventilator

1WHV Kit Includes: Whole House Ventilator, 1 pce Wood Plenum 1" x 4", 1 pce 12 hr Timer Package, 1 pce Ceiling Mount Shutter, 1 pce Seal Strip, 1 pce Sponge Rubber Vibration Damper, 1 pce Additional hardware (bolts, washers, nuts), 1 pce





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Please read and save these instructions. Read carefully before attempting to assemble, install, operate or maintain the product described. Protect yourself and others by observing all safety information. Failure to comply with instructions could result in personal injury and/or property damage! Retain instructions for future reference.

- To reduce the risk of fire, electric shock, or injury to person, observe the following:
 - a.Use this unit only in the manner intended by the manufacturer. If you have questions, contact the manufacturer.
 - b.Before servicing or cleaning unit, switch power OFF at service panel and lock service disconnecting means to prevent power from being switched on accidentally. When the service disconnecting means cannot be locked, securely fasten a prominent warning device, such as a tag, to the service panel.
 - c.INSTALLATION WORK AND ELECTRICAL WIRING MUST BE PERFORMED BY QUALIFIED PERSON(S) IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE CODES AND STANDARDS, INCLUDING FIRE-RATED CONSTRUCTION.
 - d.When cutting or drilling into walls or ceilings, DO NOT damage electrical wiring or other hidden utilities.
 - e.Sufficient air is needed for proper combustion and exhausting of gases through the flue (chimney) of fuel-burning equipment to prevent back drafting.
 Follow the heating equipment manufacturer's guideline and safety standards such as those published by the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), and that American Society for Heating, Refrigeration and Air conditioning Engineers (ASHRAE), and

local code authorities.

- This fan is for general ventilating use only. Do not use to exhaust hazardous or explosive materials and vapors.
- This unit has an unguarded propeller. Do not use in locations readily accessible to people or animals. Mount with the lowest moving parts at least 8 feet (2.5 meters) above floor or grade level.
- 4. Do not depend upon any switch or thermostat as the sole means of disconnecting power when installing or servicing the fan. Always disconnect power at the main circuit breaker as described above. Failure to do so may result in fatal electrical shock.
 - a. Your whole house fan will operate only on 120 volt AC, 60 Hz (cycle) current.
 Permanent THREE WIRE (grounded) wiring must be used. DO NOT USE AN EXTENSION CORD.
 - b. To avoid risk of electrical shock, fire and other injuries, DISCONNECT MAIN
 POWER SUPPLY before installing or servicing. If the power disconnect is out of sight, lock it in the open position and tag it to prevent unexpected application of power. Failure to do so may result in fatal electric shock.
 - c. If shutter is removed for servicing, replace before normal operation.
- 5. To reduce the risk of fire or electric shock, DO NOT USE THIS FAN WITH ANY SOLID-STATE FAN SPEED CONTROL DEVICE.
 - a. Wear safety goggles when drilling, hammering or cutting materials.
 - b. The motor is equipped with a manual reset thermal protector which will disconnect power if the motor overloads. ALWAYS disconnect power at the circuit breaker before resetting thermal protector.
 - c. The fan is intended ONLY for permanent installation in accordance with the National Electrical Code (NEC) in the

U.S.A., all applicable local codes and ordinances, and all sections of this manual. Follow instructions carefully to avoid creating unsafe conditions.

- d. Special attention must be given to any grounding information pertaining to this fan and to any other equipment associated with its installation and use. To insure proper ground, the grounding means must be checked by a qualified electrician.
- 6. Improper grounding may create the risk of electrocution.
 - a. This fan is intended for residential ventilation only. Any other use voids the warranty and may create unsafe conditions. It must NOT be used in potentially dangerous locations such as flammable, explosive, chemical-laden or wet atmospheres. Do not operate this fan in areas where gas or oil fired equipment is in operation.
 - b. This fan shall be installed where the entrance of drawn-in water (rain) is unlikely.
 - c. If air discharge is readily accessible, a protective guard MUST be installed around it. An effective guard is a 2 X 2" lumber frame with ½" square wire mesh screening securely fastened to it. The guard should not be easily removable.
 - d. Do not insert fingers or foreign objects into the fan. Do not block or tamper with it in any manner while it is in operation.
 - e. Use caution when touching the exterior of the motor before it has cooled. It may be hot enough to cause injury.
 - f. In a case in which property damage may result from malfunction of the fan, a suitable alarm system should be incorporated into the fan circuitry.

Description

Fantech whole house ventilating fans cool and ventilate the entire home by replacing hot, stale air from living areas with cooler outside air. Fans are fully assembled (motor is assembled in collapsed position for ease of shipping and handling) with a sturdy propeller, permanently lubricated ball bearing pillow blocks, 2-speed resilient mount motor, and a heavy-gauge steel venturi panel with sturdy supports. A wood plenum and adhesive-backed sponge rubber mounting strips simplify installation.

All models include a 12-hour timer with hold function, which will turn the fan off at predetermined time or will provide continuous operation, as well as a 2-speed switch that allows selection of desired air delivery volume.

Unpacking and inspection

After unpacking unit, inspect carefully for any damage that may have occurred during transit. Check for loose, missing or damaged parts. Shipping damage claim must be filed with carrier. Please make note of the model and date code here for future reference. This unit is shipped with motor bracket assembly in collapsed position; remove motor bracket assembly (Do NOT remove motor from motor bracket) by removing four (4) bolts, washers and nuts (two sets on each side) before taking the fan in the attic; save hardware for completing installation. Additional hardware (four bolts, washers, and nuts) is included in the package.

Dimensions



Table 1: Dimensional data

Model	A / B	C _{max}	D	Propeller
WHV 24	28	23	4	24
WHV 30	34	24	4	30
WHV 36	40	26	4	36

Dimensional information is in inches.

Specification

Table 2: Specification data

Model	Fan Dia.	Rated power	Voltage/ Phase	Full load	RPM	Speed	0.0" P _s	0.10" P _,	Sones @ 0.0" P _s	Sones @ 0.10" P _s	Cooling capacity	Min. net attic exhaust area
		W	V/~	Amps	min ⁻¹		C	fm			sq. ft.	sq. ft.
WHV 24	24	1/3	120/1	6.2	529	High	3700	2610	8.2	7.5	850	6
		1/ ₁₀		3.9	230	Low	1610	1150°	2	-		
WHV 30	30	1/ ₃	120/1	5.8	519	High	6510	5250	12.5	115	1,500	10
		1/ ₁₀		2.8	341	Low	4280	3460°	6.5	6.5		10
WHV 36	36	1/2	400/4	7.0	472	High	10820	9160	13.5	13	0.500	15
		¹ / ₄	120/1	4.1	318	Low	7290	6200°	8	7.5	2,000	10

Adequate opening for air intake and net attic exhaust area must be provided for proper fan operation.

Performance ratings include the effects of a shutter in the airstream.

"Low speed performance is less than 0.1" based on system curve and Fan Law.

Assembly

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Installation

Tools required for installation

- Hammer
- Utility knife or sheetrock saw
- Power or hand saw
- Pencil
- Framing square
- Straight edge
- Measuring tape

- Screwdriver
- Safety goggles
- Power or hand drill

Other material required

- Framing lumber
- Automatic ceiling shutter (see Table below)
- Code-required electrical material

Table 3: Recommended shutter selection

Model	Shutter*	Required ceiling shutter opening	Overall shutter dimensions	
WHV 24	1ACC24CS	24 X 24	26 X 26	
WHV 30	1ACC30CS	30 X 30	32 X 32	
WHV 36	1ACC36CS	36 X 36	44 X 44	

Dimensional information is in inches.

"Insulated shutter covers offered as an accessory to meet California Code A4.207.9. 1ACCICS-fits 24" and 30" shutters, 1ACCICL-fits 36"



Figure 1 : Airflow being drawn from entire house



Figure 2: Mounting ceiling shutter



Figure 3: Preparing ceiling for frame



Figure 4: Securing wood plenum

Location of fan

The fan should be located near the center of the house, preferably in the hallway or corridor. This will allow air to be drawn from all parts of living area (refer to Figure 1).

Typical installation

STEP 1.

Select desired ceiling shutter to meet your specific mounting requirements (see Table 2).



Overall shutter dimensions are 2" larger than opening required. Be sure ample space is available to mount ceiling shutter (refer to Figure 2).

STEP 2.

After the installation site has been selected, and using the INSIDE DIMENSIONS of the shutter, lightly mark the shutter opening on the ceiling with pencil. Drill a small pilot hole in the center of the square through ceiling. Do not cut opening at this time.

STEP 3.

Find pilot hole in attic and temporarily lay out the same opening as on ceiling below. Adjust location of pilot hole in order to cut as few ceiling joists as possible. A minimum clearance of 3 ft. above attic floor is required for installation and the attic must have adequate exhaust vent area for proper performance of the fan (refer to Table 4 for requirements and Figure 5 for examples of exhaust vent systems). Refer to Figure 3 for the following procedures:

- a. Starting with one joist as a side or end, mark off the opening. Opening should correspond to the required ceiling shutter opening from Table 4.
- b. Carefully cut and remove section(s) of ceiling and joist(s) running across center of opening.
- c. Install headers between cut joists to complete framing, which will be same size as ceiling shutter opening dimensions.

STEP 4.

Center wood plenum over frame ceiling opening. Securely toe-nail in place (refer to Figure 4).



WHEN TOE NAILING PLENUM IN PLACE, MAKE CERTAIN THAT THE SIDES OF THE PLENUM REMAIN STRAIGHT AND SQUARE, OR THE FAN WILL NOT FIT PROPERLY.

STEP 5.

Seal any gaps between plenum and attic fan frame to prevent attic air from being pulled across when fan is running. Use spray foam, caulk, duct tape, or aluminum foil tape. Apply included 1/2" adhesive-backed sponge rubber mounting strip to top of wood plenum.

STEP 6.

Set assembled fan on top of rubber mounting strip.



It is not necessary to anchor the fan because its weight keeps it in place. We do not recommend nailing in place, as this tends to transmit any vibration to the framework of your house.

STEP 7.

Install motor bracket assembly by following these steps:

- a. Insert two (2) bolts in each clamp and motor bracket assembly as shown in Figure 7a; two (2) bolts on each side. Add a nut to each bolt and turn it four (4) times. These bolts are used to rest motor bracket assembly on fan tube structure and free your hands for installation.
- b. Slide and rest motor bracket assembly on fan tube structure as shown in Figure 7b.
- c. Use four (4) bolts (plus washers) from additional package and insert them through the clamps (two on each side) around the tube structure into the motor bracket holes. Fasten a nut on each bolt and tighten them loosely. See Figure 7c.
- d. Move motor bracket in direction of fan shaft and install belt by first placing it around the motor pulley and then moving it over the larger fan pulley. e. Push motor bracket away from fan shaft to create proper belt tension and tighten all eight (8) bolts.

Proper belt tension exists when the belt deflects approximately 1/2" when pressed at midspan with normal thumb pressure. Excessive tension will shorten the life of the belt and bearings.

STEP 8.

Install the shutter (see separate instructions packaged with shutter), and secure to wood frame with appropriate screws (not supplied).



• Before proceeding, make sure electrical service to the fan is locked in the OFF position.

- For safety, a lockable disconnect switch, UL rated for HP and voltage, should be located near the fan so power can be positively disconneccted while servicing the unit.
- All electrical wiring (including jumper wire -see Figure 6) shall be performed only by a qualified electrician. Wiring must conform to NEC and local codes.

STEP 9.

Install the fan control(s) in the desired location and wire according to the appropriate wiring diagram (following applicable NEC and local codes). Connect power to motor and 2-speed switch with timer using approved wiring methods. Motor terminal connection data is provided on the motor terminal box cover plate (refer to Figure 6).



• The fan frame and motor must be electrically grounded to a suitable electrical ground such as a ground water pipe, or properly grounded metallic raceway or ground wire system!

- This fan has rotating parts. Exercise applicable safety precautions during its handling, assembly, operation and maintenance. Disconnect power before handling, assembling, operation or maintaining. If disconnect means is out of sight, lock it in the open position to prevent unexpected starts.
- Insect screen over exhaust opening is not recommended, but if used, add a minimum of 100% to the net exhaust area requirements shown in Table 4.
- Opening for air intake equal to at least 6 square feet must be provided before starting the fan. Failure to do so may result in a broken window or soot being drawn down the chimney and into the house.

STEP 10.

Open windows and doors as required. Energize fan momentarily to ensure proper rotation. Fan should turn clockwise as observed from air discharge side or counterclockwise from below. If rotation is incorrect, disconnect power and reconnect motor per instructions on wiring diagram.



Figure 5: Various exhaust systems

Operation

After all installation and wiring procedures have been correctly completed, your fan is ready for operation.



Opening for air intake equal to at least 6 square feet must be provided before starting the fan. Failure to do so may result in a broken window or soot being drawn down the chimney and into the house.

Turn the fan speed switch to the high speed position to provide rapid cooling of the house. Start by setting the timer to the desired time setting or to hold for continuous operation. Switch to low speed for exceptionally quiet operation or to maintain a continuous air movement. The shutter will open and close automatically.

The whole-house ventilating fan does not cool the air but creates a gentle and comfortable air flow. It is especially beneficial in the evening when the outside air drops in temperature. The path of the air flow can be directed by opening the windows in the rooms to be ventilated and closing the windows in the rooms not being used. This will also increase the speed of the air flowing in the rooms where the windows are open.

Table 4: Fan cooling capacity and net attic exhaust area requirements

Model	Shutter used	Sq. Ft. cooling capacity	Min. net exhaust area requirements
WHV 24	24 X 24	850	6 sq. ft.
WHV 30	30 X 30	1,500	10 sq. ft.
WHV 36	36 X 36	2,500	15 sq. ft.

Figure 6: Recommended wiring diagram: ALL WIRING MUST CONFORM TO CURRENT NEC AND LOCAL ELECTRICAL CODES

a) Recommended wiring diagram with timer switch





b) Recommended wiring diagram when timer switch NOT used

Figure 7: Motor bracket installation

a) Insert bolts in motor bracket holes

b) Rest motor bracket on fan support

c) Insert remaining bolts in motor bracket holes









Maintenance



- Make certain that electrical service to the fan is disconnected before servicing the fan.
- For safety, a lockable disconnect switch, UL rated for HP and voltage, should be located near the fan so power can be positively
 disconnected while servicing the unit.
- Do not depend upon any switch or thermostat as the sole means of disconnecting power when installing or servicing the fan. If the power disconnect is out of sight, lock it in the open position and tag to prevent application of power. Failure to do so may result in fatal electrical shock.
- a. Check belt tension and adjust as necessary while cleaning or maintaining fan. Proper belt tension exists when the belt deflects approximately ½" when pressed at midspan with normal thumb pressure. Excessive tension will shorten the life of the belt and bearings.
- b. The motor bearings and the pillow blocks are prelubricated at the factory and do not require any further lubrication.



Cleaning

When checking belt tension, it is advisable to remove any accumulated dirt from propeller.



Figure 8: Switch/timer set components assembly

Troubleshooting

Symptom	Possible causes	Corrective Action
Excessive noise	 Defective bearing Foreign material inside bearing Pulley not tight on shaft Loose or damaged belt Damaged propeller Motor or propeller loose 	 Replace shaft/bearing assembly Replace shaft/bearing assembly Check alignment and tighten Adjust or replace Replace Tighten securely
Fan inoperative	 Blown fuse or open circuit breaker Open thermal protector on motor Broken belt Loose pulley Defective motor Incorrect motor wiring 	 Replace or reset Disconnect power at circuit breaker and reset thermal protector Replace Check alignment and tighten Replace Connect per motor wiring diagram
Insufficient air flow	 Shutter will not open Loose belt Inadequate intake or exhaust area Incorrect motor rotation 	 Repair or replace Adjust Increase area (see Table 4 and "Operation") See Step 10 in "Installation"
Excessive vibration	 Fan mounted too tightly Worn or defective belt Misaligned pulley Loose motor mounting bolts Worn or damaged bearings Bent propeller 	 Check rubber mounting strips and reset fan upon the plenum Replace Check alignment and reposition as required Tighten securely Replace shaft/bearing assembly Replace

For repair parts, call 1.800.747.1762 (USA)

7 a.m. to 5 p.m. (CET), Monday-Friday

Please provide following information:

- Model number
- Date code
- Part description and number as shown in parts list



Figure 9: Repair parts illustration

Ref no.	Description	Part number for models:	Qty		
		WHV 24	WHV 30	WHV 36	
1	Propeller	483054	483055	483056	1
2	Frame	497380	497381	497382	1
3	Motor	483066	483066	483067	1
4	Shaft/bearing set	497389	497389	497389	1
5	Timer	483076	483076	483076	1
6	Switch	483075	483075	483075	1
7	Fan pulley	AL74 x 7/8	AL74 x 7/8	AL84 x 7/8	1
8	Belt	4L270	4L300	4L330	1
9	Bolt, 5/16-24 x 3/4	×	*	*	16
9	Washer, 5/16 x 5/8	×	*	*	16
9	Nut, flange lock, 5/16-24	×	*	*	16
10	Motor pulley	AK22	AK22	AK23	1
11	Motor support clip	480200	480200	480200	1

* Standard hardware item, available locally

** Not shown

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This warranty does not cover any losses or damages due to misuse, accident, abuse, neglect, normal wear and tear, negligence lother than ours), unauthorized alteration, use beyond rated capacity, or improper installation, maintenance or application. This warranty shall be null and void to the extent that purchaser supplied incorrect information to us about the necessary product specifications or the environment in which the products were to be used, and our selection or design of the products for the purchaser was based in part on such information.

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Warranty claims should be sent to Fantech, Inc.,

Attn: Quality Department, 10048 Industrial Blvd., Lenexa, KS 66215. Included in the claim should be Order Number, Model Numbers, Serial Numbers and a detailed description of the issues.

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