

# 12LW1400

## Extended Low Frequency Ferrite Transducer

### Key Features

- 95 dB SPL 1W / 1m average sensitivity
- 100 mm (4 in) Interleaved Sandwich Voice coil (ISV)
- 900 W continuous pink noise power handling
- Weather protected cone and plates for outdoor usage
- Double Silicon Spider (DSS) for improved excursion control and linearity
- Demodulating Ring for lower distortion
- Improved heat dissipation via unique basket design
- Specially designed for high loading compact enclosures



### General Description

The 12LW1400 is a low frequency loudspeaker which sets a new industry standard in 12" (300 mm) 4" voice coil high performance transducers, already accomplished by the 15LW1400 and 18LW1400 respectively.

It has been designed for use as a subwoofer or low frequency component in multi-way systems where considerable amounts of power and low distortion are needed. It is ideally suited for very high loading situations, such as bandpass, horn loaded or compact reflex configurations. In its reflex configuration, it can be used in extremely compact enclosures (30 - 60 lt), making the 12LW1400 ideally suited for touring applications, sound reinforcement or fixed installations, including indoor and outdoor concert reinforcement systems.

Maximum strength, smooth response and high displacement piston motion are obtained using Double Silicon Spider technology (DSS) and a large excursion surround. A special formulation cone material has been used to enable it to withstand high loading and high power peaks. The suspension system has been designed to give symmetric large signal behavior across the whole working range, providing low harmonic distortion at different excitation levels.

A new state-of-the-art voice coil, based on Interleaved Sandwich Voice coil (ISV) provides high levels of thermal stability and durability. The ISV technology is based on a high strength fiberglass former with half the coil wound on the outside and half on the inside ensuring uniform thermal dissipation on both sides. It is bonded together using unique high temperature resin adhesive to achieve a balanced and solid linear motor unit.

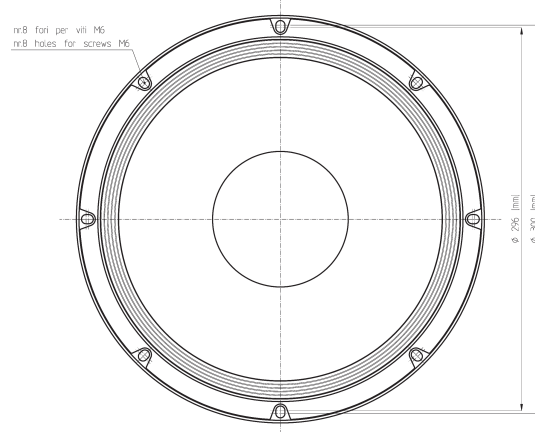
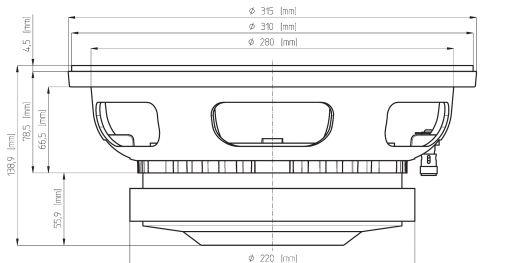
Great care has been taken to symmetrize all non linear characteristics, mechanical as well as electromagnetic. Customized Double Demodulation Rings technology (DDR) has also been used to further improve the performance of this speaker. This technology dramatically reduces the intermodulation and harmonic distortion whilst improving the transient response.

The top plate and back plate design have been optimized for cone excursion and maximum symmetric force factor by the use of in-house FEA Magnetic simulation software.

Furthermore, excellent heat dissipation has been achieved by the special basket design which incorporates air channels between the basket and magnetic top plate.

The speaker is able to perform properly under inclement weather conditions due to an exclusive cone treatment which improves pulp strength and gives water repellent properties to both sides of the cone. In addition, the special treatment of both the top and back plates makes them far more resistant to the corrosive effects of salts and oxidation. This treatment is far more effective than any other treatment in use today.

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FERRITE LF-MB-MF TRANSDUCERS

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## GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS

NOMINAL DIAMETER	300 mm (12 in)
RATED IMPEDANCE	8 Ohm
CONTINUOUS PINK NOISE (1)	900W
CONTINUOUS POWER (2)	600 W
PROGRAM POWER (3)	1200 W
PEAK POWER (4)	6000 W
SENSITIVITY (5)	96 dB
FREQUENCY RANGE (6)	51 ÷ 4000 Hz
POWER COMPRESSION @-10DB (7)	(60 W) 0,5 dB
POWER COMPRESSION @-3DB	(300 W) 2,2 dB
POWER COMPRESSION@FULL POWER	(600 W) 3 dB
MAX RECOMM. FREQUENCY	1000 Hz
RECOMM. ENCLOSURE VOLUME	30 ÷ 60 lt. (1,06 ÷ 2,12 cuft)
MINIMUM IMPEDANCE	6,8 Ohm at 25°C
MAX PEAK TO PEAK EXCURSION	36 mm (1,4 in)
VOICE COIL DIAMETER	100 mm (4 in)
VOICE COIL WINDING MATERIAL	aluminum

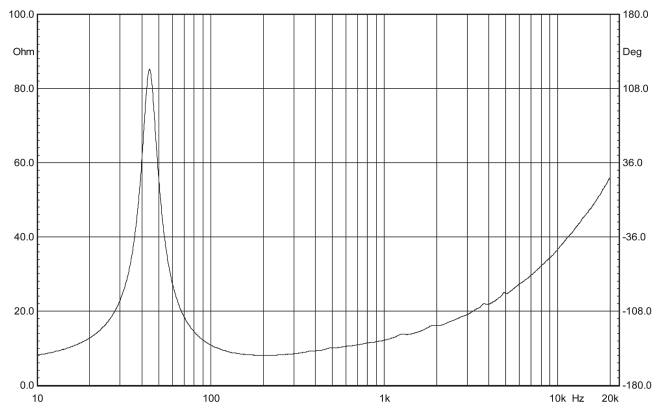
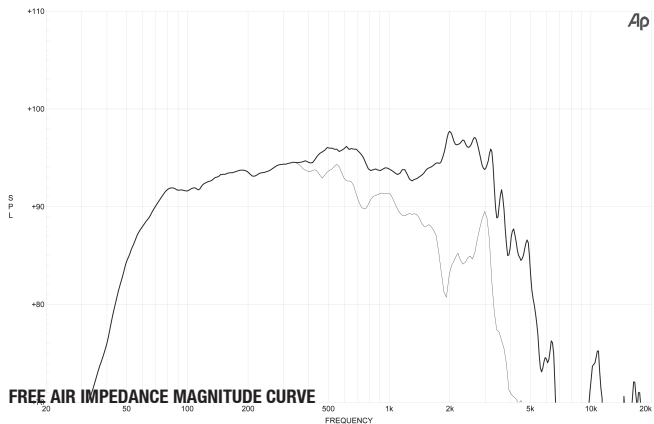
## THIELE SMALL PARAMETERS (8)

Fs	45 Hz
Re	5,2 Ohm
Sd	0,053 sq.mt. (82,15 sq.in.)
Qms	5
Qes	0,32
Qts	0,3
Vas	55 lt. (1,94 cuft)
Mms	88 gr. (0,19 lb)
BL	20 Tm
Linear Mathematical Xmax (9)	± 8,25 mm (± 0,32 in)
Le (1kHz)	1,5 mH
Ref. Efficiency 1W@1m (half space)	1,5% (94 dB)

## MOUNTING INFORMATIONS

Overall diameter	315 mm (12,4 in)
N. of mounting holes	8
Mounting holes diameter	7,15 mm (0,28 in)
Bolt circle diameter	296 - 300 mm (11,65 - 11,8 in)
Front mount baffle cutout ø	282 mm (11,1 in)
Rear mount baffle cutout ø	282 mm (11,1 in)
Total depth	141 mm (5,55 in)
Flange and gasket thickness	17,5 mm (0,69 in)
Net weight	10,9 kg (26,5 lb)
Shipping weight	11,5 kg (27,8 lb)
CardBoard Packaging dimensions	332 x 332 x 184 mm (13,07 x 13,07 x 7,24 in)

**FREQUENCY RESPONSE CURVE OF 12LW1400 MADE ON 50 LIT. ENCLOSURE TUNED 60 HZ IN FREE FIELD (4PI) ENVIRONMENT. ENCLOSURE CLOSES THE REAR OF THE DRIVER. THE THIN LINE REPRESENTS 45 DEG. OFF AXIS FREQUENCY RESPONSE**



### NOTES

- (1) AES standard
- (2) Continuous power rating is measured in 50 lit enclosure tuned 60Hz using a 40 - 400Hz band limited pink noise test signal applied continuously for 2 hours.
- (3) Program power rating is measured as for 2 above but 50% duty cycle.
- (4) The peak power rating is based on a 10dB crest factor above the continuous power rating and represents the maximum permitted instantaneous peak power level over a maximum period of 10ms which will be withstood by the loudspeaker without damage.
- (5) Sensitivity represents the averaged value of acoustic output as measured on the forward central axis of cone, at distance 1m from the baffle panel, when connected to 2,83 V sine wave test signal swept between 100Hz and 500Hz with the test specimen mounted in the same enclosure as given for 2 above.
- (6) Frequency range is given as the band of frequencies delineated by the lower and upper limits where the output level drops by 10 dB below the rated sensitivity in half space environment.
- (7) Power compression represents the loss of sensitivity for the special power, measured from 50-500 Hz, after a 5 min pink noise preconditioning test at the specified power.
- (8) Thiele - Small parameters are measured after the test specimen has been conditioned by 900 W AES power and represent the expected long term parameters after a short period of use.
- (9) Linear Mat. Xmax is calculated as;  $(Hvc-Hg)/2Hg/4$  where Hvc is the coil depth and Hgis the gap depth.

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