



Standard Air Knife

Air Knives

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Hard hitting curtain of air for web, sheet and part blowoff.



What Is The Standard Air Knife?

A quiet, energy efficient way to clean, dry or cool parts, webs or conveyors. The Standard Air Knife utilizes the Coanda effect (wall attachment of a high velocity fluid) to create air motion in its surroundings. Using a small amount of compressed air as a power source, the Standard Air Knife pulls in large volumes of surrounding air to produce a high flow, high velocity curtain of air for blowoff.



Why The Standard Air Knife?

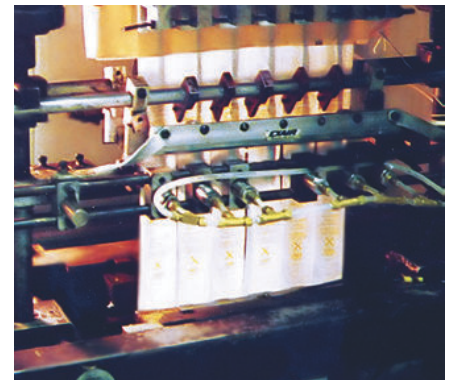
Amplification ratios (entrained air to compressed air) of 30:1 are achieved with the Standard Air Knife, compared to 3:1 for drilled or slotted pipe. **Air savings of 40% to 90%** are possible when replacing these “homemade” blowoff devices. Pay-back is normally measured in weeks, not months or years.

The Standard Air Knife dramatically reduces “wind shear” by gradually introducing the entrained air to the ejected compressed air. **Noise level is typically cut in half.** The result is a high velocity, high volume sheet of air with reduced noise level and air consumption.

Drilled pipe or open jets, by contrast, provide minimal air amplification. They also produce unacceptably high noise levels as the compressed air shears into the still air.



(3) Model 2012 12" (305mm) Standard Air Knives perform the drying cycle in this parts washer.



A Model 2012 12" (305mm) Standard Air Knife opens mustard packets prior to fill.

Applications

- Part drying after wash
- Sheet cleaning in strip mills
- Conveyor cleaning
- Web drying or cleaning
- Part or component cooling
- Environmental separation
- Pre-paint blowoff
- Bag opening/fill operations
- Scrap removal on converting operations

Advantages

- Up to 10 dBA noise reduction
- Reduced air consumption
- 30:1 air amplification
- Aluminum or stainless steel
- Compact, rugged, easy to install
- Stock lengths to 48" (1219mm)
- No moving parts
- Compressed air inlets on each end
- Variable force and flow

? Is the Standard Air Knife best for your application? see page 32

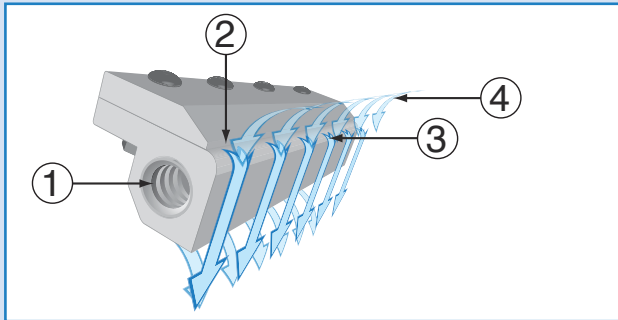


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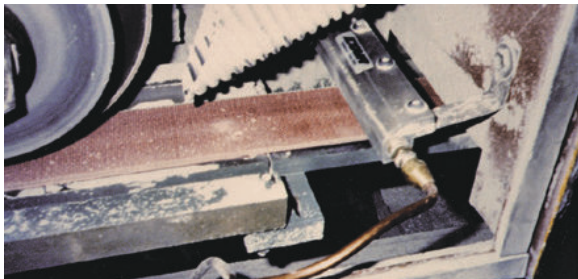
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How The Standard Air Knife Works



Compressed air flows through the inlet (1) into a plenum chamber. It is then throttled through a thin nozzle (2) extending the length of the Standard Air Knife. This primary airstream adheres to the Coanda profile (3), which turns it 90° and directs the flow down the face of the unit. The primary stream immediately begins to entrain surrounding air (4), for an amplification ratio of 30:1 at 6" (152mm) away.



A Model 2006 6" (152mm) Standard Air Knife blows powder loose from a belt so it can be vacuumed away.



Kits include a Standard Air Knife, shim set, filter separator, and pressure regulator (with coupler).

Standard Air Knife Specifications

The Standard Air Knife is available in ten standard lengths of 3", 6", 9", 12", 18", 24", 30", 36", 42" and 48" (76, 152, 229, 305, 457, 610, 762, 914, 1067 and 1219mm). This measurement refers to the airflow length. The overall length is 1" (25mm) longer. **Special lengths up to 48" (1219mm) are available.** Any number of Standard Air Knives may be installed across a given area.

Compressed Air Inlets: A Standard Air Knife has compressed air inlets on each end. Lengths 24" (610mm) and longer should be supplied with compressed air at each end to maintain uniform airflow.

Filtration: The use of clean air is essential. Kits include an automatic drain filter with a 5 micron filter element that is sized properly for flow.

Materials of Construction: The Standard Air Knife is available in either aluminum or stainless steel construction.

Mounting: See page 29 for complete details on the Universal Air Knife Mounting System. The Standard Air Knife can also be supported by the compressed air pipe.

Regulation: A pressure regulator on the compressed air supply provides infinite control of flow, force, and air consumption. Kits include a pressure regulator that is sized properly for flow.

Shim Sets: A Standard Air Knife has a .002" (0.05mm) gap setting. This gap is set with a shim positioned between the cap and body of the Standard Air Knife. Force and flow through the Standard Air Knife may be easily increased by adding shims to open the gap. Standard Air Knife Kits include a shim set (three additional shims). Shim sets for aluminum Standard Air Knives include a .001" (0.03mm) **Amber color** [Amber], .003" (0.08mm) **Green color** [Green], and .004" (0.10mm) thick **Tan color** [Tan] plastic shims. Shim sets for stainless steel Standard Air Knives include (3) .002" (0.05mm) thick stainless steel shims.

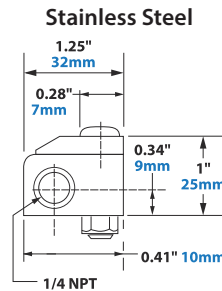
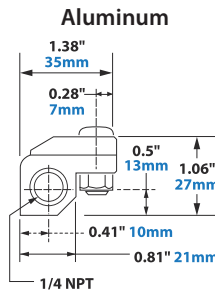
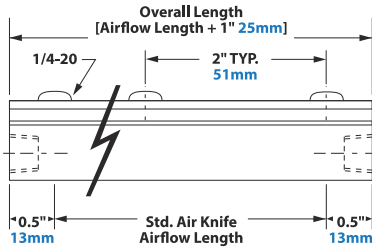
Standard Air Knife Performance with .002" (0.05mm) thick shim installed

Pressure Supply		Air Consumption per Inch (25mm)		Velocity @ 6" (152mm) from target		Sound Level @ 3' (914mm)	Force per Inch (25mm) @ 6" (152mm) from target	
PSIG	BAR	SCFM	SLPM	FPM	M/S	dBA	Ozs	Grams
20	1.4	1.3	37	4,000	20.3	65	0.45	13
40	2.8	2.0	57	5,800	29.5	74	1.1	31
60	4.1	2.7	76	8,500	43.2	80	2.0	57
80	5.5	3.4	96	11,000	55.9	83	2.7	77
100	6.9	4.1	116	13,000	66.0	86	3.3	94

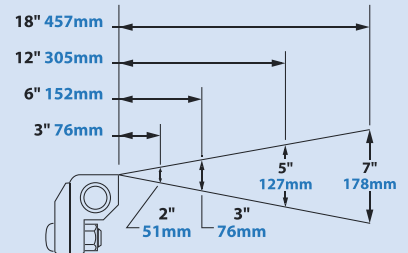
12" (305mm) Standard Air Knife tested

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Standard Air Knife Dimensions



Airflow Pattern



Universal Air Knife Mounting System



EXAIR's Universal Air Knife Mounting System allows for easy positioning of all EXAIR Air Knives.

See page 29 for details.

Special length Standard Air Knives are available. Magnetic bases with Stay Set™ flexible hoses are also available for smaller Standard Air Knives. Please contact our factory.

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Standard Air Knife Only		
Airflow Length	Aluminum Model	Type 303SS Model
3" (76mm)	2003	2003SS
6" (152mm)	2006	2006SS
9" (229mm)	2009	2009SS
12" (305mm)	2012	2012SS
18" (457mm)	2018	2018SS
24" (610mm)	2024	2024SS
30" (762mm)	2030	2030SS
36" (914mm)	2036	2036SS
42" (1067mm)	2042	2042SS
48" (1219mm)	2048	2048SS

Standard Air Knife Kits		
Kits include a Standard Air Knife, shim set, filter separator and pressure regulator (with coupler).		
Airflow Length	Aluminum Model	Type 303SS Model
3" (76mm)	2203	2203SS
6" (152mm)	2206	2206SS
9" (229mm)	2209	2209SS
12" (305mm)	2212	2212SS
18" (457mm)	2218	2218SS
24" (610mm)	2224	2224SS
30" (762mm)	2230	2230SS
36" (914mm)	2236	2236SS
42" (1067mm)	2242	2242SS
48" (1219mm)	2248	2248SS

Accessories	
Model #	Description
9001	Auto Drain Filter Separator, 3/8 NPT, 65 SCFM (1,841 SLPM)
9032	Auto Drain Filter Separator, 1/2 NPT, 90 SCFM (2,549 SLPM)
9002	Auto Drain Filter Separator, 3/4 NPT, 220 SCFM (6,230 SLPM)
9066	Auto Drain Filter Separator, 1-1/4 NPT, 400 SCFM (11,327 SLPM)
9005	Oil Removal Filter, 3/8 NPT, 15-37 SCFM (425-1,048 SLPM)
9006	Oil Removal Filter, 3/4 NPT, 50-150 SCFM (1,416-4,248 SLPM)
9010	Oil Removal Filter, 1-1/2 NPT, 130-310 SCFM (3,679-8,773 SLPM)
9008	Pressure Regulator, 1/4 NPT, 50 SCFM (1,416 SLPM)
9033	Pressure Regulator, 1/2 NPT, 100 SCFM (2,832 SLPM)
9009	Pressure Regulator, 3/4 NPT, 220 SCFM (6,230 SLPM)
9067	Pressure Regulator, 1-1/4 NPT, 700 SCFM (19,822 SLPM)
9020	Solenoid Valve, 120V, 50/60Hz, 1/4 NPT, 40 SCFM (1,133 SLPM)
9034	NEMA 4/4X Solenoid Valve, 120V, 50/60Hz, 1/2 NPT, 100 SCFM (2,832 SLPM)
9036	NEMA 4/4X Solenoid Valve, 120V, 50/60Hz, 3/4 NPT, 200 SCFM (5,664 SLPM)
9065	NEMA 4/4X Solenoid Valve, 24VDC, 1 NPT, 350 SCFM (9,911 SLPM)

Deluxe Standard Air Knife Kits		
Kits include a Standard Air Knife, EFC, Universal Mounting System, shim set, filter separator and pressure regulator (with coupler).		
Airflow Length	Aluminum Model	Type 303SS Model
3" (76mm)	2203DX	2203SSDX
6" (152mm)	2206DX	2206SSDX
9" (229mm)	2209DX	2209SSDX
12" (305mm)	2212DX	2212SSDX
18" (457mm)	2218DX	2218SSDX
24" (610mm)	2224DX	2224SSDX
30" (762mm)	2230DX	2230SSDX
36" (914mm)	2236DX	2236SSDX
42" (1067mm)	2242DX	2242SSDX
48" (1219mm)	2248DX	2248SSDX

Standard Air Knife Shim Sets		
Shim Sets include (1) each of a .001" (0.03mm), .003" (0.08mm) and .004" (0.10mm) plastic shim. Stainless steel shim sets include (3) .002" (0.05mm) shims.		
Airflow Length	Aluminum Model	Type 303SS Model
3" (76mm)	2303	2303SS
6" (152mm)	2306	2306SS
9" (229mm)	2309	2309SS
12" (305mm)	2312	2312SS
18" (457mm)	2318	2318SS
24" (610mm)	2324	2324SS
30" (762mm)	2330	2330SS
36" (914mm)	2336	2336SS
42" (1067mm)	2342	2342SS
48" (1219mm)	2348	2348SS



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