Metalworking Mist Collection Systems

Market Driven Product Solutions

Airflow Systems, Inc.[®] manufactures a full line of mist collection and filtration systems for all types of metal-

working applications, including wet grinding, EDM, and CNC turning and milling. Extensive field experience and technological expertise are the basis for product designs that help to satisfy worker, facility, regulatory, and budgetary demands in each type of metalworking application.



Oil Mist Collection: Pushing the Limits

In 1999, the Metalworking Fluids Standards Advisory Committee (MWFSAC) recommended to OSHA that the total exposure level limit of oil mist be lowered from 5.0 mg/m³ to 0.5 mg/m³, a 90 percent decrease in allowable levels from the previous limit. The

recommendation was based on a NIOSH study indicating a new standard was necessary to protect workers from skin and respiratory disorders, as well as the increased risk of numerous forms of cancer. The new standard challenges the metalworking industry to consider significant process and design changes to achieve these lower emission levels.



A NIOSH-directed study recommends that the total exposure level to oil mist be reduced to 0.5 mg/m³, a 90 percent decrease from the previous standard, a level that many mist filtration systems cannot effectively maintain. For more information, visit: www.osha.gov

Now What? How to Keep the Good News Good

Improving the work environment is always good news, but not always easy. A new technology from Airflow Systems, the Mist-Plus[™] Contaminant Management

System, makes it easy to achieve the lower emission levels necessary to meet new



standards and improve worker health. Designed specifically for the metalworking industry, the Mist-Plus[™] Contaminant Management System uses a proprietary barrier-type mist collection and filtration system. While conventional oil mist collection systems are subject to dust and dirt loading, the Mist-Plus[™] Contaminant Management System allows for 24 hour, 7 day per week operation with long filter life and minimum downtime. Primary Mist-Plus[™] filters may be washed and re-used reducing filter replacement expense.

Eliminate the Options: The Choice Is Clear

The Mist-Plus[™] Contaminant Management System provides high efficiency — up to 99.97% with an optional HEPA filter — over the full life of the filter. This performance was confirmed in specific mist collection tests using the oil mist test procedures developed by the University of North Carolina, and conducted in accordance with methods approved by Ford Motor Company and the United Auto Workers. The Mist-Plus[™] filter media is less susceptible to dust and dirt loading, and the increased drainage provided by the Mist-Plus[™] Contaminant Management System's barrier-type design extends filter life and decreases maintenance requirements.

Airflow Mist-Plus[™]: Oil Mist Contaminant Management

Leaving Dust Filters in the Dust

Most pleated and pocket filter-type mist collectors are design adaptations of dry dust collection systems and are inadequate for many types of oil mist collection — particularly respirable droplets of 3.0 microns and smaller. Dust filter-type designs typically load quickly with oil mist and provide little or no drainage. As a result, filters must be changed often to maintain collection efficiency and acceptable air flow levels. The Mist-Plus[™] Contaminant Management System, designed specifically for oil mist applications,

consists of multiple layers of glass media contained in specially designed frames to collect, remove, and drain collected fluids. Dust and dirt loading is significantly decreased and the superior drainage efficiency extends filter life and decreases maintenance requirements.





Air flow passes through four filtration stages, maximizing filtration efficiency without compromising motor/blower operating efficiency.

Aluminum Mesh Pre-filter
 First Loading Layer
 Fiber Barrier Layer
 Contaminant Management Layer

Washable Filter Design

Improves overall system operating costs. Filter replacement frequency and costs are reduced; maintenance cycles are extended.

Clean Air Release

Open filter frame design allows unrestricted release of clean air back into the work environment for maximum operating efficiency.

First Loading Layer

The First Loading Layer collects larger dry particles, removing them from the air flow path while maintaining the integrity of the highefficiency Fiber Barrier Layer.

Fiber Barrier Layer

A high-efficiency (95% + efficient on 1 to 4 micron mist droplets) glass fiber barrier collects the fine oil mist particles, agglomerating the mist to better facilitate re-liquification and drainage.

Contaminant Management Layer

This proprietary layer collects agglomerated liquid and drains it from the Fiber Barrier to the sump, extending filter life. The Fiber Barrier, together with the Contaminant Management Layer, eliminate the need for less efficient collection pleats and the air-to-cloth ratio concerns common with pleated dust-style collection cartridges.

Gravitational Filter Design

These washable, V-shape or circular design filters use gravitational pull to aid in the drainage of collected mist, reducing filter replacement cost and frequency. (Circular filter design used in MP4).

Mist-Pak[™] Series Models MP4 & MP14





MP4 Application Overview

The Model MP4 is designed for single-unit metalworking applications. It produces from 400 to 600 CFM with 95% filtration efficiency. The Model MP4 features a bottom inlet for simple, machine-top mounting or above unit hanging. Its small, 1.8 square foot cabinet footprint requires minimal floor space and eases installation.



Mist-Pak[™] Model MP4

Air Flow (CFM)	Efficiency	Inlet	Weight (lbs.)	Sound Level (dBA)	Blower Package(s)	Filter Modules
600 dry/400 wet	95%*	6" bottom only	105	73	0.75 HP single or three phase	 aluminum mesh pre-filter; Mist-Plus[™] primary filter (Circular design)

*Efficiency based on UAW-approved UNC oil mist test method.

MP14 Application Overview

The Model MP14 is designed for medium-duty metalworking applications. It produces from 1000 to 1400 CFM with 95% filtration efficiency for single or multiple machine tool collection systems. The MP14 features an inlet at the bottom to allow for shorter cabinet design, and can be mounted on top of a machine tool. Its small, 2.4 square foot cabinet footprint requires minimal floor space and eases installation.



Air Flow (CFM)	Efficiency	Inlet	Weight (lbs.)	Sound Level (dBA)	Blower Package(s)	Filter Modules
1,000 dry, 1,400 (optional)	95%*	10" bottom only inlet plenum & stand available	150	75	1.5 HP, or 1.5 High Flow (optional) single or three phase	2" aluminum mesh pre-filter; (3) Mist-Plus™ primary filters (V-shape design)

*Efficiency based on UAW-approved UNC oil mist test method.





Mist-Pak[™] Series Models MP30 & MP60



MP30 Application Overview

The Model MP30 is designed for use in medium- to heavy-duty metalworking applications. It produces from 2400 to 3000 CFM with 95% filtration efficiency. The MP30 features multiple inlet location options to easily facilitate collection from multiple machine tools. Its small, 4 square foot cabinet footprint requires minimal floor space. Units can be hung or floor mounted.



Mist-Pak[™] Model MP30

Air Flow (CFM)	Efficiency	Inlet	Weight (lbs.)	Sound Level (dBA)	Blower Package(s)	Filter Modules
3,000, 2,400 (optional)	95%*	14" sides & back only; 12" front	350	78	5 HP, 3 HP (optional) three phase	 2" aluminum mesh pre-filters: (4) Mist-PlusTM primary filters (V-shape design)

*Efficiency based on UAW-approved UNC oil mist test method.



MP60 Application Overview

The Model MP60 is designed for use in heavy-duty metalworking applications. It produces 6000 CFM, with 95% filtration efficiency for single- or multiple-unit collection systems. The MP60 features a sloped drain pan for faster reclamation of captured oil mist, and a 24 inch stand for secure floor mounting.



Model MP30 Shown

Mist-Pak[™] Model MP60

Air Flow (CFM)	Efficiency	Inlet	Weight (lbs.)	Sound Level (dBA)	Blower Package(s)	Filter Modules
6,000	95%*	20" sides & back, 18" front	771	79	10 HP three phase	 (2) 2" aluminum mesh pre-filters; (8) Mist-Plus[™] primary filters (V-shape design)

*Efficiency based on UAW-approved UNC oil mist test method.

Mist-Pak[™] Series Model MP120



MP120 Application Overview

The Model MP120 is designed for use in extremely heavy-duty, multiple machine tool metalworking applications. It produces 12,000 CFM, with 95% filtration efficiency. The MP120 features a sloped drain pan for faster reclamation of captured oil mist, and a 24 inch stand for floor mount installation.



Model MP30 Shown

Mist-Pak[™] Model MP120

Air Flow (CFM)	Efficiency	Inlet	Weight (lbs.)	Sound Level (dBA)	Blower Package(s)	Filter Modules
12,000	95%*	28" side or, 20" back	1550	79	20 HP three phase	 (4) 2" aluminum mesh pre-filters; (16) Mist-Plus[™] primary filters (V-shape design)

*Efficiency based on UAW-approved UNC oil mist test method.

Mist-Pak[™] Series Optional Equipment

Optional Equipment	Mist-Pak [™] Series MP4	Mist-Pak™ Series MP14	Mist-Pak [™] Series MP30	Mist-Pak™ Series MP60	Mist-Pak [™] Series MP120
Pressure Gauge Kit					
Indicates when filters require cleaning		•	•		
Pre-filters					
Polyester pads	1"	2"	2"	2"	2"
After-filters					
99.97% HEPA, 95% DOP & Odor Modules		•	•	•	
Drain Loop Kit					
Simplifies oil collection/reclamation; provides drain line air seal					
Floor Stand					
Stabilizes floor-mount units; eases maintenance	■ 5 & 24 inch	■ 8 & 24 inch	24 inch	Standard 24 inch	Standard 24 inch
Adsorption Modules	-	-			
12" V-bank refillable after-filters					

Mist-Pac and 1200 & 2400 VOM





The Mist-Pac and 1200 VOM include an extended surface pleated cartridge filter for 95% collection efficiency. (ASHRAE 52-76 test method)



For applications requiring less intensive oil mist removal, Mist-Pac and 1200 systems provide multistage filtration of mist, smoke, and dust for single-unit applications. Units produce up to 1000 CFM air flow and can be wall or machine mounted. These units provide up to 99.97% efficiency when equipped with an optional HEPA after-filter.



Mist-Pac & 1200

Air Flow (CFM)	Efficiency	Inlet	Weight (lbs.)	Sound Level (dBA)	Blower Package(s)	Filter Modules
Mist-Pac						
600	99.97% with HEPA after-filter	6" side only	106	65 or 68	.50 or .75 HP	 (1) cleanable impinger, (1) aluminum mesh, (1) 6" high-efficiency pleated filter
1200 VOM						
1,000	99.97% with HEPA after-filter	8" side only	120	72	1.0 or 1.5 HP	(1) cleanable impinger;(1) aluminum mesh;(1) high-efficiency12 inch pleated filter





The 2400 VOM includes a 26 inch extended surface pocket filter for 95% collection efficiency. (ASHRAE 52-76 test method)

2400 VOM Application Overview

For applications requiring less intensive oil mist removal, the 2400 VOM delivers up to 2400 CFM air flow for high volume filtration of mist, smoke, and dust for single- or multiple-unit applications. The 2400 VOM provides up to 99.97% efficiency when equipped with an optional HEPA after-filter.



Model 2400 VOM

Air Flow (CFM)	Efficiency	Inlet	Weight (lbs.)	Sound Level (dBA)	Blower Package(s)	Filter Modules
2,400	99.97% with HEPA after-filter	12" side or back	295	75	1.5 or 3.0 HP	 (1) cleanable impinger; (1) aluminum mesh; (1) high-efficiency 26 inch pocket filter

E-Z Arm[®] Extractor Arms

Positionable, high-efficiency units provide source-point collection in a variety of applications. Model choices include units for close-in work and multiple-arm collection, as well as stainless steel and food grade units. Arms are available in a range of lengths and air flow capacities.



Portable Collectors

Easily wheeled directly to a pollutant source, these complete, self-contained, low profile units feature an E-Z Arm[®] High Flow Extractor Arm, blower, and filter cartridge. A low profile cabinet allows for safe maneuverability and arm positioning.



Downdraft Benches

Source collection efficiency for applications that require larger, open collection areas and work surfaces. Particulate collection is incorporated with a work surface in a design that draws contaminants away from worker breathing zones. Available in stationary or portable designs, and in units designed exclusively for aluminum finishing and processing.



High Vacuum Units

Single units provide power for simultaneous, high-powered source collection from multiple work stations. Able to work with long cable systems. Non-electrostatic operation for high reliability, low maintenance.



Dust Collectors

Self-contained units collect and filter shop dust. Offered in a variety of designs that minimize ductwork and reduce installation costs. Available with casters for portability, and with floor stand/hopper to funnel dust away from filters and extend maintenance cycles.





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