



# USER'S MANUAL

POWERED AIR PURIFYING RESPIRATOR

**MK12**

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## 1. Field of application and conditions for use

The MK12 powered respirator is used for dust removal and partial odour removal, not for gases or vapors and is used to reduce or remove resistance to inhalation during respiration by producing a constant airflow. The unit is designed with manufacturer's minimum design flow rate 170 litres, 210 litres or 250 litres per minute (the flow rate at which the equipment still will fulfill the requirements of the class in EN12941). The actual working time will be about 8 hours.

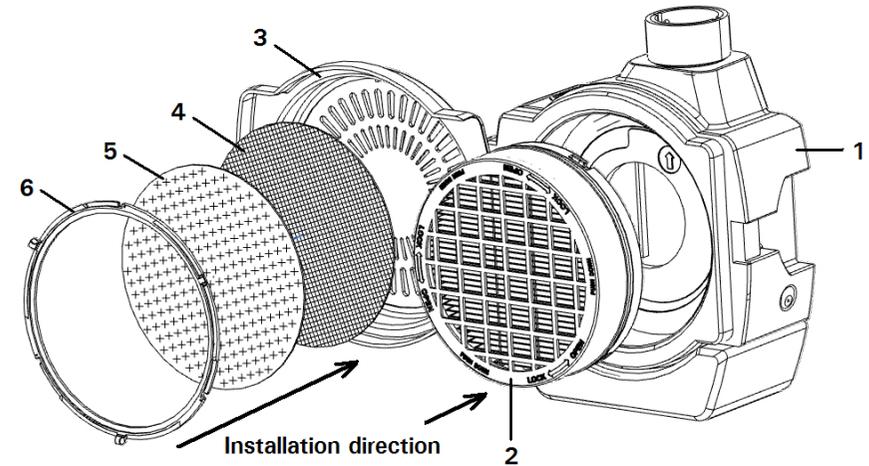
## 2. Description

A complete powered respirator apparatus consists of:

- ◆ Blower master unit, provided with a dust P3 filter, a steel pre-filter and an activated carbon filter (chart 1), supplied with a belt and a comfort plate.
- ◆ Rechargeable battery, which is equipped underside the apparatus.
- ◆ A hose with a bayonet connector to blower unit and a bayonet connector to mask,
- ◆ Battery charger, fully automatic.

## 3. Use

The MK12 unit supplies an overcapacity of clean and filtered ambient air, which is fed to the mask. It allows the user to breathe in air without himself having to overcome the resistance of the filter. Considering that an adult person requires some 50 litres of air per minute, the overcapacity ensures an overpressure and thus a high degree of protection.



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| 1、 Master       | 4、 Pre-filter (steel)      |
| 2、 P3 filter    | 5、 Activated carbon filter |
| 3、 Filter cover | 6、 Holding frame           |

Chart 1

With a fully charged battery the unit will operate for about 8 hours. The unit contains a warning facility to warn the user against reduced air supply, due to clogged filter or low battery.

### 3.1 Prior to use

Before using the powered respirator, the user must ensure that all the conditions for safe use have been satisfied. See below for the applicable statutory regulations and rules.

- ◆ Check that the appropriate hose connector is fitted to the hose
- ◆ Check before use that the battery is sufficiently charged and that the free flow of air is not obstructed by a blocked hose or other causes.
- ◆ Check that a set of filters is fitted correctly.
- ◆ Check that the lock of the battery box and the lid filter housing are closed.

### 3.1.1 Usage limitations system

- ◆The space in which the unit is to be used must contain at least 17% oxygen and must not contain any explosive gases or vapors. In enclosed spaces where there is a risk of oxygen deficiency, use of the unit should be avoided.
- ◆In case of physical effort, it is possible that a temporary negative pressure occurs in the blower unit, resulting in a reduction of the protection factor of the system.
- ◆Air speed in excess of 2m/s can affect the protection factor.
- ◆The ambient usage temperature should be between the limits of -5 and +50
- ◆Do not use the unit in circumstances where hazardous gases and/or vapors are present.



Warning

If the wearer of the respirator feels dizzy or uncomfortable or can smell/taste something, he should abandon the contaminated area immediately.

### 3.1.2 Usage limitations filter element

- ◆Used filter elements cannot be cleaned.



Warning

Never attempt to clean a filter element; the filter media may be damaged, resulting in loss of protection.

### 3.1.3 Charging batteries

The battery is supplied in a non-full charged state; the charging time for a fully discharged battery is approximately 3 hours. The automatic setting of the charger prevents damage to the batteries when the charging time is exceeded.

Under normal circumstances the battery can be charged and discharged approximately 500 times.

After the battery is completely charged, the charger will switch over to trickle charging. This will expand the lifetime of the battery beyond 500 charge cycles. If the unit is used for more than 8 hours a day, it is recommended that user carry a second battery for backup.

Batteries may be charged on or off the unit.

### 3.1.4 Filter assembling

Open the front cover by releasing the retaining clip on the side of the unit by hand (do not use tools). Fit the filter squarely into the power unit by aligning the three concave points of the filter box to the three convex points in the cavity. Then press the filter hard and rotate a small angle clockwise to lock. To unlock the filter, press it and rotate anticlockwise.

The pre-filter and the activated carbon filter should be installed on the inner side of the upper cover, assembled in the order and direction indicated in Figure 1, and then pressed by the frame. Three notches on the frame are aligned with three buckles on the top cover. Press the frame and rotated clockwise to lock. To disassemble them, press the frame and rotated anticlockwise to unlock.

## 3.2 Switching on

The unit can be switched on by pushing the ON/OFF button for about three seconds. An alarm signal will be heard, and the LCD will display the real statuses of air flow, filter and the battery power. Then the unit will start on the low speed.

### 3.3 During use

This product has three levels of air flow. By shortly pressing the " SET" button, the flow level will change according to "low - medium - high - low..." circulation accompanied by an alarm signal. The icon on LCD also changes synchronously. At the same time, the digit on LCD indicates the real air flow rate. If during use the air supply drops or fails entirely, leave the work area immediately. If a signal for low battery (2 beeps repeatedly) or a clogged filter element is given (a single short beep repeatedly), leave the workroom immediately, and check according to chapter 6.

### 3.4 After use

By pressing the ON/OFF button for 3 seconds, the motor will stop gradually accompanied by a long tweet. When the icons on LCD disappeared after about 15 seconds, the apparatus will turn off completely.

#### *Cleaning and disinfecting*

After each session clean the unit, using a mixture of water and a mild detergent. Subsequently, rinse thoroughly with clean water. Do not use any solvent. During cleaning ensure that no water can enter the apparatus. The unit must not be immersed in fluid. Dry the unit with a cloth and/or leave it to dry in the open air.



Advice

For reasons of hygiene each operator should be equipped with their own hood or mask.

## 4. Maintenance and inspection

Prior to use: functional checks for the user

After use: Cleaning and disinfecting of the blower unit.  
Cleaning, functional checking of the complete system.

Every 6 months: Cleaning and disinfecting of the blower unit.  
Cleaning, functional checking of the complete system. Check the hose for leakage and inspect the connector for damage.

## 5. Storage

Before storing the unit in the carrying case, it should be thoroughly dry.

Do not keep soiled filter together with the unit and the mask in the same enclosed storage space.

Remove the filters from the unit and seal them appropriately.

The unit is only recommended for storage in the temperature range -10°C to +55°C and in conditions where relative humidity does not exceed 85%.

## 6. Faults/troubleshooting

Blower unit fails to supply air:

- ◆ Battery is empty
- ◆ ON/SET button defective
- ◆ Plug connection defective
- ◆ Motor bearings defective
- ◆ Printed circuit-board defective

Blower supplies insufficient air:

- ◆ Filter unit blocked
- ◆ Hose blocked or leaking
- ◆ Blockage or leakage in mask, air hood or breathing helmet
- ◆ Suction opening clogged

Battery fails to charge:

- ◆ Power lead or plug connection defective
- ◆ Charger defective
- ◆ Battery defective or worn out

Battery is too fast empty:

- ◆ Charger defect
- ◆ Battery defect or worn out

**Repairs**



Note

All other repairs should only be carried out by the manufacturer, or an authorized service and maintenance distributor.

## 7. Technical specifications

### 7.1 Blower unit

Airflow:	170 L/min,210L/min,250L/min
Motor Speed:	Electronically controlled
Alarms:	Electronically controlled, for low flow and Low battery
Material:	Impact proof ABS

Colour:	Black/ Orange red
Weight :	1080 grams (including battery and filter)
Dimensions LxWxH:	165x95x200mm

### 7.2 Filter

Filter class:	P3
Material filter medium:	Efficient filtering low resistance papers
Material support disks:	ABS
Colour:	Black
Weight:	90 grams
Dimension: DxH:	ø120x38mm

### 7.3 Battery

Type:	Lithium,rechargeable
Voltage:	12 Volt
Capacity:	5200 mAh
Operating time:	HI:7 Hours,MI:9 Hours,Lo:11 Hours
Charging time:	3 h
Charging cycles:	> 500
Material case:	Impact proof ABS
Color:	Black
Weight:	350 grams
Dimensions:	137x50x72 mm

### 7.4 Battery charger

Type:	Fully automatic, overcharge protection
Primary voltage:	100-240 v, 50/60 Hz
Secondary voltage:	12.6 Volt
Color:	Black
Weight:	200 g
Dimensions:	110x48x30 mm

## 7.5Hose

Length: 800 mm  
Diameter(int): 35 mm  
Connection: Bayonets for blower unit and mask  
Material: HDPE

## 8. Statutory requirements and regulations

REGULATION (EU ) 2016/425 : European regulation for  
Personal protective devices  
Norm EN 12941: Powered filtering devices incorporating a  
helmet or a hood

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