

XLB Series

BENCH MOUNTED HIGH PRECISION 2,350°F (1,285°C) ELECTRIC BOX FURNACES

APPLICATIONS

The XLB furnace achieves high precision by featuring extremely accurate digital PID controls, solid-state contactors for fast cycle times, two-zone control (top and bottom), and very even spacing of elements. It reaches 2,350°F (1,285°C) with the standard iron-aluminum-chrome elements or 2,100°F (1,150°C) with the optional nickel-chrome elements. The XLB is bench mounted. It features a spring loaded vertical lift plug door. The furnace shown has silicon-carbide hearth, fan and 100-mm strip chart DANGER recorder options. L&L SPECIAL FURNACE CO., INC

FEATURES

HIGH TEMPERATURE UNIFORMITY

The XLB furnace is uniform to within $\pm -20^{\circ}$ F ($\pm -10^{\circ}$ C) at 1,800°F (975°C) within 2/3 of the machine. Optional recirculating systems are available for tighter uniformity of up to $\pm -10^{\circ}$ F.

TWO-ZONE CONTROL FOR CLOSE GRADIENTS

The elements are divided into top and bottom zones. The control output is routed through two input switches that allow adjustment of the total time onto each zone. There are thermocouples mounted in the top and bottom, with a selector switch to read the temperature differential.

EVEN ELEMENT PLACEMENT

The elements are evenly spaced around the top, bottom and sides. On the XL112, XL124 and XL126, there are 12 elements evenly divided on each of these surfaces. The XL 894 has five elements on the top and bottom and three on each side.

CERAMIC ELEMENT HOLDERS

The elements are supported in proprietary ceramic element holders. These provide perfect support for the coiled element as well as excellent radiating characteristics. The smooth surface prevents premature failure of the element as it expands and contracts.

EFFICIENT MULTILAYERED INSULATION

The furnace is insulated with 2-1/2" of low K factor refractory firebrick as the primary insulation. This is backed up by 2" of very low K factor mineral wool board on all surfaces except the bottom, which has 2" of hard calcium silicate backup for solid hearth support. Top is 4-1/2" firebrick for strength. This yields an excellent combination of strength, insulating quality and fast heat-up and cooldown time. All refractory is coated with a special facing that prolongs firebrick life and helps prevent spalling and dusting. The refractory sections are available completely shaped for easy replacement without cementing. All sections fit together with engineered heat locks that improve the insulating integrity of the furnace. No asbestos is used.

FAST HEAT-UP AND COOLDOWN TIMES

An empty XLB furnace will heat up to 2,000°F (1,093°C) in approximtely one hour. The higher K.W. option will trim this time. Cooldown to 500°F (260°C) takes approximately 10 hours. The venturi option speeds cooling.

HEAVY-DUTY BENCH MOUNTED CASE

The furnace case is constructed of 10-, 14- and 16-gauge steel with stiffeners. The entire case is primed with 800°F silicone paint and finished in machine enamel. Lifting rings are provided.

CERAMIC HEARTH INCLUDED

The standard hearth is a 3/4"-thick ceramic plate elevated on ceramic standoffs 1-1/2" above the bottom elements. This air space aids uniformity.

SPRING LOADED VERTICAL PLUG DOOR

The furnace door is a spring loaded swing-up vertical door. The spring holds the door tightly closed, counterbalances it while opening, and holds it up while open. The hot face of the door is kept from the operator. There is a 1/2" refractory plug that protrudes into the furnace chamber and provides an effective heat lock. The furnace features a 2" refractory to refractory seal around the perimeter of the door. Pneumatically operated vertical doors are optional.

DIGITAL PID CONTROL SYSTEM

The standard control is a Honeywell UDC 2500 digital PID 3 mode tuning control with two displays. All fuses, transformers, contactors and controls are located in a NEMA 1 panel. Quiet, long-life solid-state power contactors are standard; SCR power controls are optional. The thermocouples are Type K. Thermocouple break protection is included. Limit switches shut off furnace power if the door is opened or the element cover plate is removed. Control voltage is 120 volts. The control circuit and each power branch circuit are fully fused. A NEMA 13 lighted on/off switch is included. The customer must connect fused power supply to a single point on the panel.

TESTING AND INSTRUCTIONS

The furnace is power tested to ensure proper watt ratings. A complete instruction manual includes easy startup instructions, theory of operation, maintenance instructions, parts list and a detailed trouble-shooting guide. A ladder logic diagram and panel layout are prepared on CAD for easy readability.

WARRANTY

The furnace is warranted for one year except for elements and thermocouples, which are warranted for six months.

OPTIONS

- OVERTEMPERATURE SYSTEM: Honeywell UDC 1200 digital high limit backup control with manual reset, backup contactors and separate thermocouple.
- JIC CONTROL OPTION: This includes a NEMA 12 control cabinet, all
 oil tight switches and a panel mounted fused disconnect switch. Zone
 switches are percentage timers.
- **HIGH K.W.:** See Specifications for amount.
- INERT ATMOSPHERE CONTROL
- RAMP/SOAK PROGRAM CONTROLS
- TEMPERATURE RECORDERS: Round and strip chart.
- SCR POWER CONTROL: For greater precision. It is also possible to put
 the element circuits on separate SCRs and bias the control output digitally for precision zone control.
- HIGH TEMPERATURE FAN: Increases uniformity to +/-10°F. Limited to 1,875°F operation.
- **SPECIAL HEARTHS:** Silicon-carbide or alloy hearth increases maximum load capacity by 1-1/2 times.
- ANGLE IRON FLOOR STAND: Hearth level is approximately 40" from the floor with this stand.

SPECIFICATIONS

| Model | Inside Dimensions | | | Outside Dimensions | | | Stand | High | Amps | Max Load | Ship |
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| Number | W | Н | D | W | Н | D | K.W. | K.W. | K.W. | Lbs | Weight |
| XL 112 | 13 | 12 | 12 | 50 | 38 | 28 | 6.1 | 8.0 | 22.1 | 75 | 290 |
| XL 124 | 13 | 12 | 24 | 50 | 38 | 40 | 9.8 | 13.0 | 35.3 | 150 | 350 |
| XL 126 | 13 | 12 | 36 | 50 | 38 | 52 | 13.0 | 17.0 | 31.2 | 225 | 450 |
| XL 894 | 18 | 9 | 24 | 55 | 35 | 40 | 12.0 | 16.0 | 32.5 | 250 | 600 |

Dimensions are in inches. Weight is in pounds. Working dimensions should be approximately 2" less in each direction than inside dimensions. 240 or 480 volts are normal. 208, 380 and 575 volts are optional. 3 phase is normal although single phase is available. 480 volt amps are 1/2 of 240 volt amps. Specifications are subject to change without notice.

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