



UNDERGROUND VENTILATION SPECIALISTS

WEDFAN (Swedish Underground Ventilation AB) offers complete turnkey ventilation systems for large scale tunneling and mining projects since 1995. SWEDFAN has designed and manufactured ventilation systems for more than 2.000 tunneling projects worldwide.

As a leader in the industry, SWEDFAN has a wealth of knowledge and expertise that's incomparable, utilizing this experience to provide both companies and individuals with quality and innovative products they can truly count on.

UNDERGROUND VENTILATION SYSTEMS Swedfan undertakes the design and calculations for complete ventilation systems. Swedfan also manufacture and supply heavy-duty high-pressure axial tunneling fans for air flows from 2.5 to 200 cu m/sec for flexible ducting with diameters of 500 to 3,300 mm. Tunneling and mining ventilation systems are characterized by highest possible pressure capacity together with requirements of low energy consumption and low noise. All Swedfan fans are delivered with all necessary accessories such as silencers, frequency inverters, dust filters and cooling machines.

In order to offer market-best quality of complete ventilation systems, SWEDFAN flexible ducting is also manufactured in house. The ducting is manufactured from PVC-coated polyester fabric in diameters from 500-3,300 mm and lengths of 10-300 m. SWEDFAN always offer bends and branch pipes tailored according to each project requirements. The duct fabrics are made with so called "ripstop" which prevents mechanical damages to cause further tear.

Manufacturing facilities are located in Sweden, Czech Republic and Shanghai, China.

The SWEDFAN underground ventilation system is unique in the way that one and the same company manufacture both fans and ducting, and also undertake the design of the entire ventilation system.

SWEDFAN is taking full responsibility for the functionality of the complete ventilation system.

BO STROMSHOLM CEO, SWEDFAN



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PRODUCTS

wedfan offers complete turnkey venti-lation systems for under ground tunneling and mining projects, including:

- High-preassure tunneling fans Flexible Ventilation Ducting
- Dust collectors
- Cooling systems Ventilation system design
- Project supervision

TURNKEY VENTILATION SYSTEMS

The selection of products manufactured by Swedfan Underground Ventilation are not only of the highest quality but are also available in a variety of options to ensure you find exactly what you're looking for. With top-of-the-line materials, cutting-edge production technologies and a highly qualified team, we guarantee complete satisfaction.





WEDFAN HIGH-PRESSURE TUNNELING FANS SWEDFAN high-pressure tunneling fans are manufactured in Sweden, ensuring the highest quality in accordance to Scandinavian quality standards.

The Impeller

A large hub, short blades and a small gap (1-3 mm) between the blades and the fan casing result in a high quality fan capable of working well during very high system pressure. The impellers rotate towards specially designed guide vanes which eliminate swirl and turbulence. This, in combinadtion with the extreme twist of the blades, contribute to the high fan efficiency and the low sound levels.

Heavy duty construction

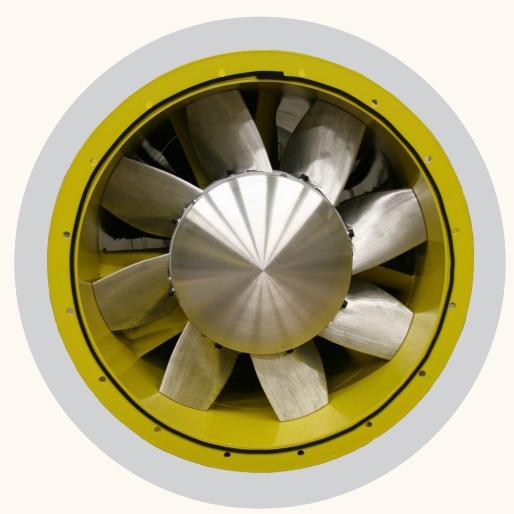
SWEDFAN Mining and Tunnelling Fans are made in a robust and heavy duty design with fully welded flanges. The anti-rust protection is designed for withstanding acid and aggressive environments.

Adjustable airflow

The impellers consist of a hub of cast steel and individually adjustable blades of aluminium. The possibility of changing the blade angle gives the advantage of using the same fan for a number of different tunnel conditions. E.g.a. 1250 mm fan can be set to deliver from ≈ 16 m3/s to ≈ 44 m3/s. An additional advantage is that only the blades need to be changed when the impellers are overhauled. The impellers are statically and dynamically balanced.

Made in Sweden

The fans are manufactured in Sweden. Continuous development is carried out in cooperation with both domestic and international research institutes. The aim is to further increase the efficiency, to increase the air delivering capability of the fans at higher system pressures, to further lower the sound levels and to improve the automatically controlled ventilation.



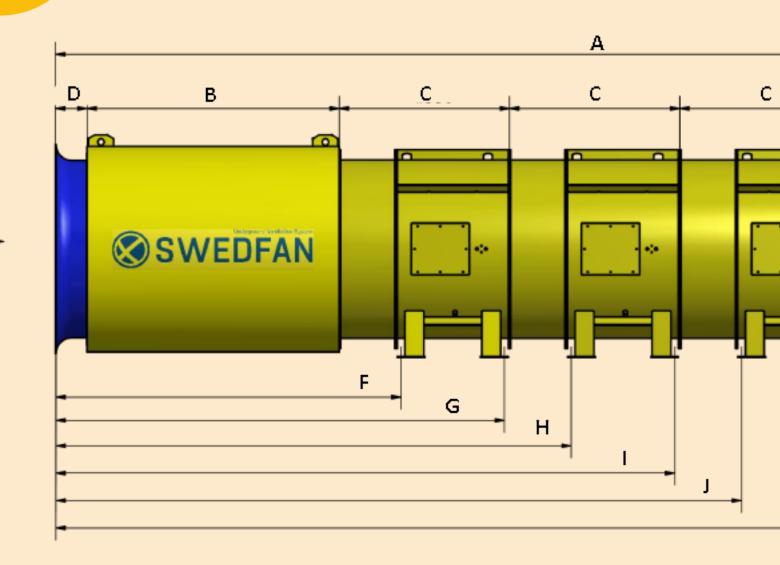
otor
SWEDFAN Mining and Tunnelling
Fans are equipped with ISO classified high quality motors. Lubrication
of motor bearings is done from outside the
casing. The motors are labelled with individual serial numbers for future search of spare
parts etc. Thermistors are mounted directly onto the motor windings for sensing the
heat of the winding. A reduced cooling of the
motors (due to dirt on the cooling ribs etc)
will not burn out of the motors, provided that
thermistors are connected to monitoring or
shut-down devices.

Great experience

SWEDFAN System Design uses calculations based on in situ measurements from more than 600 different tunnelling jobs.

SWEDFAN makes calculations using PC-supported software and the calculations are presented as calculation sheets showing project specific data. Total leakage is presented as "leakage factor" which states how much more air that has to be delivered from the fan compared to the amount of air delivered at the heading.

To date SWEDFAN can show a great number of major tunnelling projects where SWED-FAN made the ventilation system design with fully satisfactory ventilation during the entire project.



Quality Control

SWEDFAN works according to the quality system ISO 9001 and the fans are delivered with CE marking affixed.

Every fan is tested before delivery and accompanied by a test report showing the capacity curve.

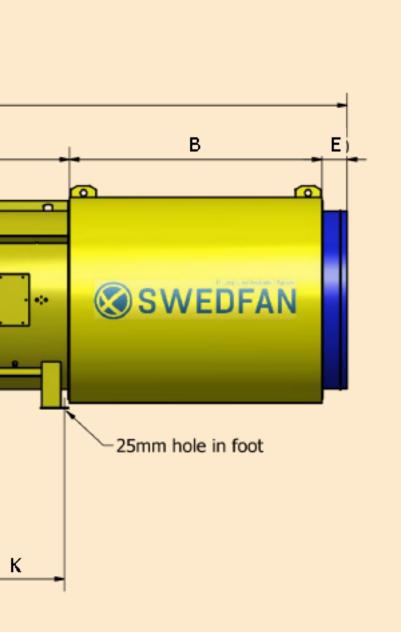
Regulated Ventilation

For optimized energy saving and variated air flow, SWEDFAN Mining and Tunnelling Fans can be provided with the following two alternative solutions for adjusting the air flow as the fans are running:

- Two-speed or multi-speed fan motors.
- Frequency inverters.

Large Capacity Range

SWEDFAN Mining and Tunnelling Fans are manufactured in many different diameters and capacities, from Ø630 to Ø2300 mm and from 1.5 to 200 m3/s. The fans can withstand a system pressure of up to 4200 Pa per stage. At higher system pressures two or more fans are mounted in series into one multi-fan station.





SWEDFAN FAN STATION MEASUREMENTS

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SWEDFAN ACCESSORIES

PERFECT FIT - TO ENSURE A HIGH QUALITY VENTILATION SYSTEM, SWEDFAN OFFERS ACCESSORIES TAILORED TO FIT THE VENTILATION SYSTEM PERFECTLY.

SWEDFAN offers three main types of starters. Direct starters, Dahlander starters (for two-speed motors) and Frequency inverters. Depending on the logistics of the tunnelling job SWEDFAN evaluates which type of starter will give the lowest energy cost and recommends which of the three types will be most suitable.

Highly efficient silencers

Our standard silencers are manufactured with mineral wool as absorbing material. For additional noise reduction, the silencers are provided with a centre core filled with mineral wool which efficiently also reduces the high frequency noise.

Casing is made from 3 or 4 mm steel sheet, depending on size. Anti-rust protection is performed for the fan casing. Silencers are a safe protection against splinter if a fan should burst.

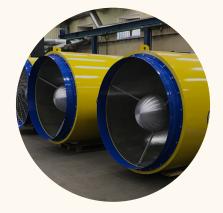
Additional Accessories

- Inlet bells
- Outlet diffusors
- Connection flanges for flexible duct
- Mounting frames
- Air flow measuring devices
- Vibration alarms
- Duct damper



STARTERS

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SILENCERS

Swedfan offers high quality silencers for efficient noise reduction.



ADDITIONAL

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Mounting frames, etc.



FLEXIBLE DUCTING

THE BASE FABRIC IS MADE WITH AN ENHANCED YARN WHICH DRAMATICALLY INCREASES THE TEAR STRENGTH

SWEDFAN FLEXIBLE DUCTING

SWEDFAN Flexible Ducting is manufactured from PVC-coated polyester fabric and is distinguished by the relatively low weight with kept high strength values which results in a very pliabel and easy to handle duct.

FLEXIBLE DUCTING

SWEDFAN Flexible Ducting is manufactured in diameters from 500 up to 3,300 mm and in unit lengths from 10 m up to 300 m. All fabric joints are vulcanized 40 mm wide. Every unit length is marked with information regarding diameter, unit length, quality, max allowed working pressure and manufacturing date.

Diameter and Quality Standard

SWEDFAN Flexible Ducting is manufactured in two different standard qualities and in one antistatic quality which all fulfil the following Flame Retardant standards DIN 4102-B1, MSHA and EN13501-1 regarding fire resistance. SWEDFAN works according to the quality system ISO 9001 and all strength values are continuously tested in the production.

Rip-stop

The base fabric is made with an enhanced yarn which dramatically increases the tear strength. This feature prevents the duct from further longitudinal tear under normal conditions.

Standard coupling system

Every flexible ducting is manufactured with a steel ring vulcanized in one or both ends of every unit length. The outer diameter of the steel ring is equivalent to the nominal diameter of the duct.

The unit lengths are connected together by pulling the end of one duct over the end with a steel ring of the next duct. Around the joint, a SWEDFAN coupling clamp is positioned. The coupling clamp is made of 1.5 mm profiled galvanized steel with mounted threaded crank. The joint is sealed by tightening the coupling clamp using the threaded crank. This is the standard coupling system of SWEDFAN ducting.

SUSPENSION HOOKS

The ducting, as standard, is delivered with mounted suspension hooks c/c 0.75 m in one line (from Ø 300 to Ø 1,700 mm) and c/c 1.0 m in two parallel lines (from Ø 1,800 to Ø 3,300 mm).

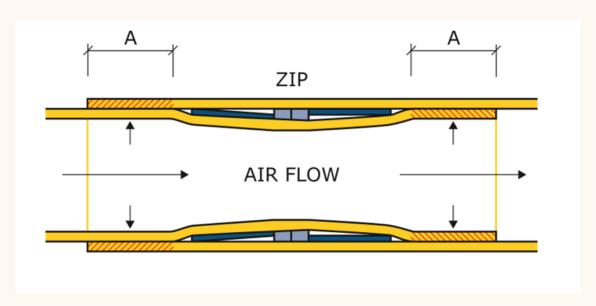
Every hook is fixed to the duct by a fabric "strap" which is vulcanized to the duct. This construction eliminates holes in the fabric which would break the armour and weaken the construction (compare "eyelets"). Further, this construction also eliminates the common longitudinal continuous suspension "flap" with eyelets which also contributes to keeping the duct pliable and the weight low.





For SWEDFAN flexible ducting, both duct ends can be fitted with a split zipper of heavy duty PVC-type. The protection-flap hides the zipper on the outside and seals the joint on the inside, according to the principle "the higher pressure the tighter joint".

The ZIP-joint eliminates the coupling clamp and steel ring at the duct end. With the ZIP-joint the ducting is delivered on standard pallets $1,200 \times 800$ mm.



The mantles (the sections of duct labled "A" in the picture above) prevent air leakage through the zip, due to the inner air pressure.

TEST RESULTS OF ZIPPER

SWEDFAN started delivering Air Ventilation Ducts during 1995. In the beginning, several different Zippers were tested for best quality and standard. Since 2009 SWEDFAN Ducting use a Black Zipper with Teeth 8 mm of polypropylene from one and the same manufacturer.

The Requirements for Rating Pass is 470 Newton for Chain Crosswise Strength Test and 60 Newton for Slider Lock Holding Strength Test. The test standard follow BS3084 E class.

Below we present some Test Results of the Zippers used for various projects.

The Zippers were tested for both chain crosswise strength and for the strength of the locking slider.

Zippers from item A, B, C and D have all been used for many air ventilation projects since the latter part of 2018, with good results.

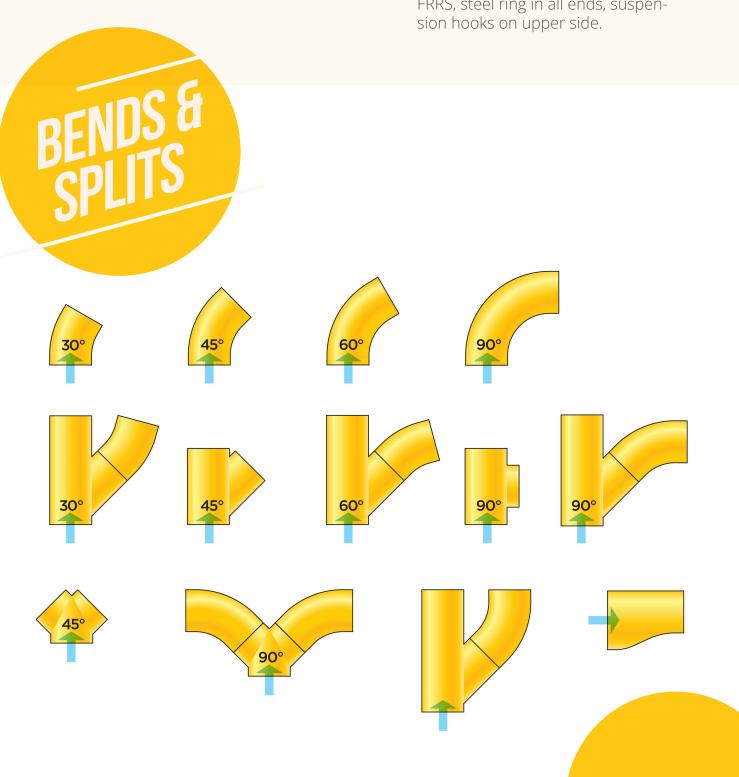
Zipper delivery time	Chain Crosswise Strength Test	Slider Lock Holding Strength Test	
	Newton	Newton	
A.Sept 2018/18-149	5	565	148
B.Nov 2018/18-312	5	568	112
C.Nov 2018/18-411	ϵ	506	134
D.March 2019/19-109	6	512	154



SPECIAL DUCTS

SWEDFAN SPECIAL DUCTS CAN BE MADE IN ALL DIFFERENT SIZES, MEASUREMENTS AND STYLES.

- SWEDFAN BRANCH PIPES, standard Made of PVC coated fabric Titan FRRS, suspension hooks on both upper and lower side.
- SWEDFAN BENDS, standard Made of PVC coated fabric Titan FRRS, suspension hooks on upper side.
 - SWEDFAN Y-BRANCH, standard Made of PVC coated fabric Titan FRRS, steel ring in all ends, suspension hooks on upper side.
- SWEDFAN CONE PIPES, standard Made of PVC coated fabric Titan FRRS, steel ring in all ends, suspension hooks on upper side.



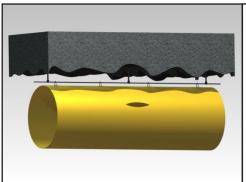
REPAIR SLEEVE

THE SWEDFAN REPAIR SLEEVE IS A FAST AND SECURE TOOL FOR REPAIRING HOLES AND TEARS OF FLEXIBLE DUCTING.

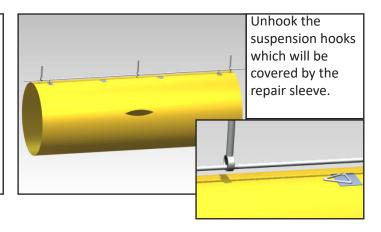
The sleeve is made from standard duct material and a longitudinal zipper for closing the sleeve. The sleeve is made approx. 0.5% smaller than the nominal duct diameter

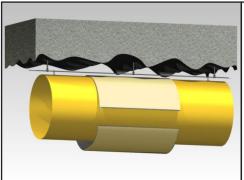
which will allow the sleeve to be really tight against the duct once the duct is pressurized. With the repair sleeve, the repair will be professionally done and the leakage from any hole will be reduced to a minimum.

The repair sleeves are manufactured in standard lengths 1.0, 2.0, 3.0 and 5.0 m. Other lengths will be manufactured upon request.



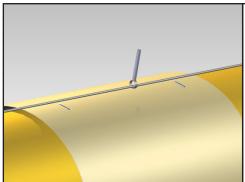
Determine the length of the hole. The repair sleeve should cover the hole with at least 0.5 m margin.



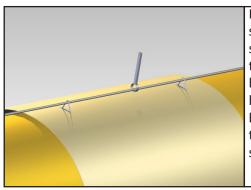


pair sleeve over the duct. Make sure the hole is well covered by the sleeve and the zipper is at least 0.5 m away from the hole.

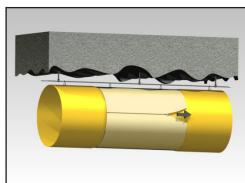
Wrap the re-



Cut a hole in the repair sleeve for each suspension hook using a knife.



Pull the suspension hooks through the holes and hook them back onto the suspension cable.



Close the zipper and the repair is finished.



REMOTE CONTROL CONTROL SYSTEM

ABOUT THE REMOTE CONTROL SYSTEM

The Remote Control System enables the control and monitoring of fans and dampers at tunneling sites from mobile applications. Controllers for fans and dampers communicate over a mobile network.

Apart from controlling and monitoring the fans, this application also retrieves the real time power load which the fans are running at and can provide information of both momentous and summary of the energy costs for all fans at the tunneling site.



WHO CAN USE THE REMOTE CONTROL SYSTEM?

The Remote Control System can be useful for both tunneling site workers, construction managers and project managers.



PETER CONSTRUCTION WORKER

"I want to carry out work in the ventilation duct, stop the fan and lock the control panel on the fan."

"Stuff will be blasted, so all fans in the tunnel must be stopped. Start after blasting to get out the gasses and dust."

"I need more air in the side tunnel, so I'm changing the damper from a 25% opening to a 75% opening."



JON SITE MANAGER

"I want to know how much power the fans at the building site run on."

"I am over target, so I reduce the speed of fan 3 from 100% to 75% to reduce consumption"



LISA PROJECT MANAGER

"I am interested in knowing the cost of the fans at all the construction sites in my project."

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN IN TERMS OF MONEY?

The energy costs for running the Ventilation System usually exceed the investment cost of the entire Ventilation System. By adding a control system you can overview and manage the cost and energy comsumption of the entire Ventilation System at site.



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