

WF182BD17/18/19/20 7" die cast, black coated paper/glass fiber cone mid/woofers



The 7" transducers WF182BD17 and WF182BD19 (both 4 ohm) and WF182BD18 and WF182BD20 (both 8 ohm) were designed as high performance bass and midrange units for monitors and high-end hi-fi speakers. They offer outstanding deep bass performance and dynamic and detailed midrange.

FEATURES

- Balanced Drive motor structure for optimal drive force symmetry resulting in largely reduced even order harmonic distortion
- Copper cap on center pole to reduce voice coil inductance and to minimize variations in voice coil inductance as a function of voice coil position
- Cone made of a new paper/glass fiber mix with improved consistency and stability
- Rigid die cast alu chassis with extensive venting for lower air flow speed reducing audible distortion
- Vented voice coil former for reduced distortion and compression
- Vented center pole with dual flares for reduced noise level at large cone excursions
- Heavy-duty black fiber glass voice coil former to reduce mechanical losses resulting in better dynamic performance and low-level details
- Large motor with 1½" voice coil diameter for better control and power handling
- Built-in alu field-stabilizing ring for reduced distortion at high levels
- Low-loss suspension (high Qm) for better reproduction of details and dynamics
- Black motor parts for better heat transfer to the surrounding air
- Conex spider for better durability under extreme conditions
- Gold plated terminals to ensure long-term trouble free connection



Left photo: Round frame version. Right: Truncated frame version

NOMINAL SPECIFICATIONS

		WF182BD17/19		WF182BD18/20		
Notes	Parameter	Before	After	Before	After	Unit
		burn-in	burn-in	burn-in	burn-in	
	Nominal size		7	7		[inch.]
	Nominal impedance	4		8		[ohm]
	Recommended max. upper frequency limit	2.5		2.5		[kHz]
1, 4	Sensitivity, 2.83V/1m (average SPL in range 200 - 1,000 Hz)	88.5		86		[dB]
2, 4	Power handling, short term, IEC 268-5, no additional filtering	400		400		[W]
2, 4	Power handling, long term, IEC 268-5, no additional filtering	250		250		[W]
2, 4	Power handling, continuous, IEC 268-5, no additional filtering	80 131		80		[W]
	Effective radiating area, Sd			131		[cm²]
3, 4, 6	Resonance frequency (free air, no baffle), F _S	33	28.5	34	29.5	[Hz]
	Moving mass, incl. air (free air, no baffle), M _{ms}	23.4		21.9		[g]
3, 4	Force factor, Bxl	6.5		8.2		[N/A]
3, 4, 6	Suspension compliance, Cms	1.0	1.33	1.0	1.33	[mm/N]
3, 4, 6	Equivalent air volume, Vas	24.3	32.4	24.3	32.4	[lit.]
3, 4, 6	Mechanical resistance, R _{ms}	0.44	0.46	0.44	0.46	[Ns/m]
3, 4, 6	Mechanical Q, Q _{ms}	10.9	9.1	10.5	8.8	[-]
3, 4, 6	Electrical Q, Q _{es}	0.37	0.32	0.44	0.38	[-]
3, 4, 6	Total Q, Qts	0.35	0.31	0.42	0.37	[-]
4	Voice coil resistance, RDC	3.2		6.4		[ohm]
5	Voice coil inductance, Le (measured at 10 kHz)	0.10		0.17		[mH]
	Voice coil inside diameter	39		39		[mm]
	Voice coil winding height	16		16		[mm]
	Air gap height	5		5		[mm]
	Theoretical linear motor stroke, Xmax	±5.5		±5.5		[mm]
	Magnet weight	725		725		[g]
	Total unit net weight excl. packaging	1.95		1.95		[kg]
3, 4, 5	K _{rm}	131		117		[mohm]
3, 4, 5	Erm	0.30		0.34		[-]
3, 4, 5	K _{xm}	17.5		37		[mH]
3, 4, 5	E _{xm}	0.47		0.43		[-]

Note 1 Measured in infinite baffle.

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Note 2 Tested in free air (no cabinet).

Note 3 Measured using a semi-constant current source, nominal level 2 mA.

Note 4 Measured at 25 deg. C

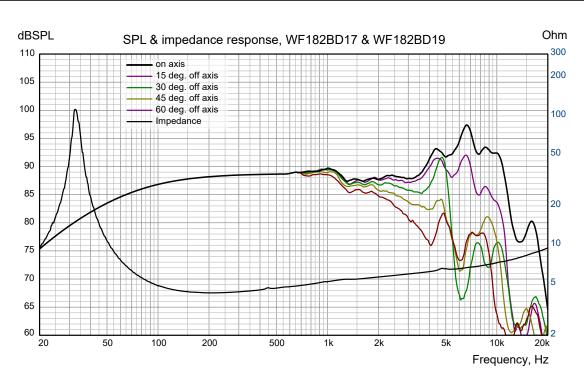
It is generally a rough simplification to assume that loudspeaker transducer voice coils exhibit the characteristics of an inductor. Instead it is a far more accurate approach to use the more advanced model often referred to as the "Wright empirical model", also used in LEAP-4 as the TSL model (www.linearx.com), involving parameters K_{TM}, E_{TM}, K_{XM}, and E_{XM}. This more accurate transducer model is described in a technical paper here at our web site.

Note 6 After burn-in specifications are measured 12 hours after exiting the transducer by a 20 Hz sine wave for 2 hours at level 10/14.1 V_{RMS} (4/8 ohm version). The unit is not burned in before shipping.



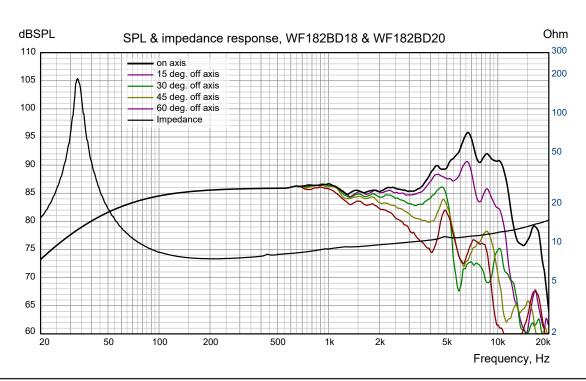
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Measuring conditions, SPL
Driver mounting: Flush in infinite
baffle, back side open (no cabinet)
Microphone distance: 1.0 m

Input level: 2.83 V_{RMS} Smoothing: 1/6 oct. Measuring conditions, impedance Driver mounting: Free air, no baffle, back side open (no cabinet) Input signal: Semi-current-drive, nominal current 2 mA Smoothing: None

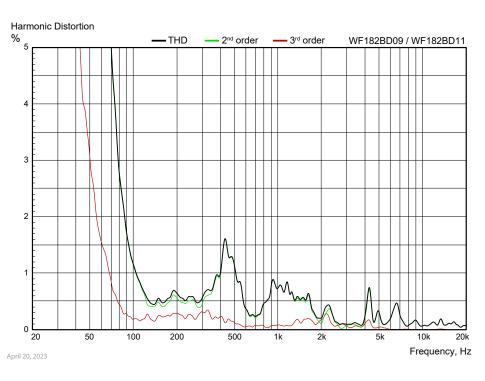


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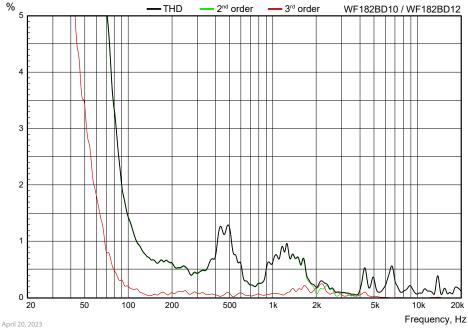
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Measuring conditions, distortion Driver mounting: 5 lit. sealed cabinet Input voltage: 5.65 VRMS Smoothing: 1/12 oct.





Measuring conditions, distortion Driver mounting: 5 lit. sealed cabinet Input voltage: 7.75VRMS Smoothing: 1/12 oct.

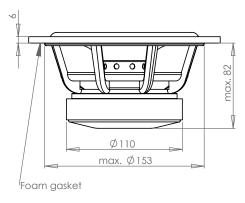
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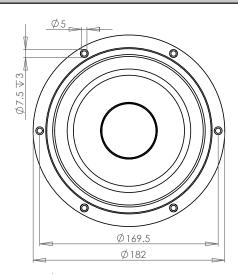


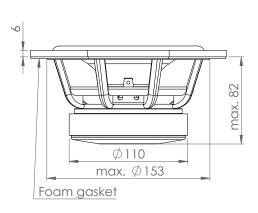
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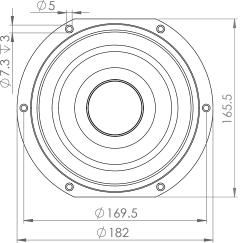


OUTLINE DRAWING (nominal dimensions, mm)

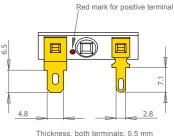








CONNECTIONS



Thickness, both terminals: 0.5 mm Terminal plating: Gold

PACKAGING AND ORDERING INFORMATION

4 ohm version, round frame, individual packaging (one piece per box)
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