

Danfoss iC7-Aqua: Intelligent VFDs for efficient water and wastewater systems

Highlights

- > Water sector focus: Enhanced intelligence with more sensors, analytics, and dedicated functions for optimal pump performance
- > Superior design: Highly compact IP20 modules and lightweight IP55 enclosures, for flexible installation
- > Ultra low-harmonic: iC7-Aqua ULH variant delivers supreme THDi (<3%) for distortion-sensitive sites
- > Cybersecurity: Advanced, hardware-based cybersecurity for decades of protection against unauthorized access
- > Integrated fieldbuses: Eliminate hardware options with integrated fieldbuses for seamless communication
- > EMC compliance: Built-in EMC filter for categories C1 and C2, ensuring electromagnetic compatibility

iC7-Aqua optimizes system performance in key water sector industries including water supply and distribution, wastewater treatment, industrial water purification, reverse osmosis for desalination, and irrigation for agriculture.



Advanced ultra low-harmonic drive

The iC7-Aqua ULH variant features an integrated active rectifier, delivering exceptional THDi (<3%) and minimal losses. This results in unmatched efficiency, compactness, low weight, and simplified integration. Ideal for applications requiring superior power quality.

Uncompromised cybersecurity

Protect your water services with market-leading, hardware-based cybersecurity. A built-in crypto chip on the control unit provides robust protection against unauthorized access. End-to-end encrypted

data transfer during datalogging and software downloads ensures data integrity. Malicious firmware prevention guarantees that only genuine firmware is executed. Encrypted software safeguards locally stored data.

Supply voltage and power range

- 3 x 380-480 V AC...0.37-710 kW (0.5-1000 hp)
- Available in IP20 (UL Open Type), IP21 (UL Type 1) and IP54/IP55 (UL Type 12) protection ratings to match different installation locations.
- Mains disconnect switch available

Robust and intelligent for optimal pump performance

A suite of dedicated features optimizes pump performance, protects equipment, and reduces total cost of ownership. Features like dry-run detection, flow compensation, and end-of-pump-curve detection safeguard pumps, while pipe fill mode and check valve ramps prevent water hammering. Energy savings are achieved through sleep mode, no/low flow detection, and pump cascade control. The integrated Logic controller can often eliminate the need for a PLC, and optional advanced multi-pump control provides maximum uptime. Additional features such as deragging, and pre/post lubrication further enhance pump life and system reliability.

World's most efficient cooling

Unique back-channel cooling removes up to 90% of heat losses from the electrical room, for maximum efficiency and space optimization. Extend the service life of electronic equipment and reduce energy costs significantly with dramatically less air conditioning load.

Prevent problems and improve uptime with condition-based monitoring

Integrated condition-based monitoring (CBM) functionality leverages built-in and connected sensors to deliver real-time data analytics, self-monitoring, and lifetime assessment. This enables proactive maintenance, minimizing downtime and maximizing the lifespan of your equipment, using

- Motor stator winding monitoring
- Vibration monitoring
- Load envelope monitoring
- Cavitation detection


Using edge computing, these functions are performed within the drive, with no need to take the information to the cloud for analysis. This protects the drive better from unauthorized access.

Functional safety compliance with integrated SIL3/PLe

Integrated Safe Torque Off (STO) meets SIL3/PLe safety levels. Integrated diagnostics eliminate the need for external safety relays, simplifying system design and reducing costs.

Ultimate user-friendliness with intuitive UI and digital tools

Keypad-based guided commissioning is streamlined with the set-up assistant, which directly navigates you to the relevant pump-specific settings. A unified user interface ensures a consistent experience across all control panel variants. Furthermore, the iC7 drives leverage the advanced MyDrive® digital tools for PC, offering comprehensive support for engineering, guided commissioning, and monitoring.

 Discover MyDrive® Suite digital tools



Halo indicator
Normal operation = white
Warning = orange
Fault = red



Key specifications

| Input | |
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| Supply voltage | 380-480 V AC, -15%, /+10% |
| Supply frequency | 45-65 Hz |
| Output | |
| Power range | 0.37-710 kW (0.5-1000 hp) |
| Output current | 1.3-1260 A |
| Overload ratings | 110% (fans, pumps and compressors), 150 % |
| Output frequency | 0-590 Hz |
| Environmental conditions | |
| Protection ratings | |
| – Frames Fx02-Fx08 | IP20 (UL Open Type), IP21 (UL Type 1), IP55 (UL Type 12) |
| – Frames Fx09-Fx12 | IP20 (UL Open Type), IP21 (UL Type 1), IP54 (UL Type 12) |
| Cooling versions | Flange mount (<i>up to 90 kW (125 hp)</i>), back-channel cooling (<i>110 kW (150 hp)</i> <i>and above</i>) |
| Ambient operating temperature ¹⁾ | -30 to 60 °C (-22 to 140 °F) <i>Refer to design guide for derating</i> |
| Maximum altitude | 4400 m (14400 feet) |
| Relative humidity | 3K22, maximum 95% non-condensing |
| Chemically active substances (IEC 60721-3-3:2019) | – C3 (P1) – Medium corrosivity – Non coated – C4 (P2) – High corrosivity – Coated |
| Shock & vibration (IEC 60721-3-3:2019) | 3M12 |
| Harmonic mitigation and THDi | |
| iC7-Aqua | DC coil integrated, THDi <40 % (full load) |
| iC7-Aqua ULH | Active front-end integrated, THDi <3 % (full load), THDi <5 % (50-90% load) |

| EMC protection (EN/IEC 61800-3 compliance class) | Cable length ²⁾ |
|---|---|
| C1 | Up to 50 m |
| C2 | Up to 150 m |
| C3 | Up to 300 m |
| Compliance | |
| Efficiency class (IEC61800-9-2) | IE2 |
| Approvals | UL, CE, others available soon |
| Functional safety I/O | |
| STO | SIL3, PLe |
| Control I/O – standard | |
| Analog inputs (AI) | 2 |
| – Voltage mode | 0-10 V, scalable |
| – Current mode | 0/4-20 mA |
| – Temperature sensor support | Pt1000, Ni1000, KTY81, KTY82, KTY84 |
| Analog outputs (AO) | 1 (0/4-20 mA) |
| Digital inputs (DI) | 4+2 (0/24V, selectable PNP or NPN) |
| Digital outputs (DO) | 2 (0/24 V) Digital outputs are reconfigured from digital inputs |
| Relay outputs (RO) | 2 (NO/NC), 2 A/250 V AC |
| Auxiliary voltages | 10 V output (10 mA), 24 V output (150 mA), 24 V external supply input (2 A) |

¹⁾ Rated operating temperature varies between products

²⁾ Cable length varies with product size



Key specifications (continued)

| Power options | |
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| Mains input variants | Mains switch, AC fuses |
| Output filters (integrated) | Common-mode filter |
| Output filters (external) | dU/dt filters, sine-wave filters, common-mode filters |
| Functional extension options | |
| General Purpose I/O OC7C0 | General purpose I/O extension board (3xDI, 2xDO, 2xAI, 1xAO, temperature measurement) |
| Relay Option OC7R0 | Relay I/O extension board, with 3 relays (2 NO/NC, 1 NO up to 250 V AC/2 A) |
| Temperature Measurement OC7T0 | Temperature measurement extension board with 5 sensor inputs, Pt100, Pt1000, Ni1000, and KTY81 |
| Fieldbus options (embedded) | |
| Ethernet | Modbus TCP, EtherNet/IP, PROFINET RT, PROFINET RT/S2 ¹⁾ , EtherCAT |
| Serial | Modbus RTU |
| Other protocols | OPCUA ¹⁾ |
| Ease-of-use | |
| Control panel | |
| - Display | 2.8", up to 8 lines, with graphic curves and visuals |
| - Buttons | "Undo", "on-board manual", rem/loc (HOA) etc |
| Commissioning | Guided setup and setup assistant |
| Parameter backup and restore | |
| Commissioning tools | MyDrive® Insight |
| Engineering tools | MyDrive® Harmonics, MyDrive® Select, MyDrive® Energy |
| Easy cable installation | Terminal sliders for 30-90 kW (45 -125 hp) units. Pluggable terminals for IP20 units up to 22 kW (30 hp). |

| Dedicated pump features | |
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| Dry run detection | Protects the pump |
| Flow compensation function | Saves energy |
| 2 step ramps (initial/final ramp) and minimum speed monitor | Protects deep well pumps |
| Check valve ramp | Protects against water hammering and saves installation cost for soft close valves |
| Pipe fill mode | Eliminates water hammering |
| Built-in motor alternation feature | Duty stand by operation, cost reduction |
| Sleep Mode and no/low flow detection | Save energy and protect the pump |
| End of pump-curve detection | Pump protection, leakage detection |
| Pump cascade controller | Saves energy and reduces equipment cost |
| MyDrive® Logic controller | Often makes PLC omissible |
| Advanced multi-pump control ¹⁾ | Fully redundant cascade system for maximum uptime |
| Deragging | Preventive/reactive pump cleaning |
| Pre/Post Lubrication | System and pump protection |
| Free programmable infos/warnings/alerts | Perfect system integration and adaptation to the application |
| Flow confirmation | System and pump protection |

¹⁾ Available soon