

# Electric Duct Heaters

## IDHB & IDHC Series



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Greenheck has a complete line of configurable electric duct heaters that are perfectly suited to your HVAC application. Our CAPS configuration tool helps you save time with its industry leading selection speed and information packed submittals. With quick lead times and a proven history of on time shipping, we can ensure that your heater will be available when you need it. Experience the difference by choosing Greenheck duct heaters for your project.



## Applications

Greenheck duct heaters are used in forced air applications to provide dedicated space heat or to supplement existing heating systems. Typical applications are:

- Space heating
- Primary heating
- Secondary and/or auxiliary heating
- Reheat
- Multi-zone and VAV systems
- Replacement

## Models: IDHB & IDHC

Greenheck offers two heater styles: IDHB and IDHC series. All heaters are factory assembled and wired for 50/60 Hertz.

Both models feature:

- Fan interlock
- Ground lugs
- Automatic limit switch for primary over temperature protection
- Manual reset limit switch for secondary over temperature protection
- Disconnecting contactor
- Power terminal board
- Control panel constructed of heavy gauge corrosion resistant steel
- Control terminal board
- Left hand offset control box (standard)
- Control components secured to a raised plate
- UL 1996 Listed
- 105°C appliance wire



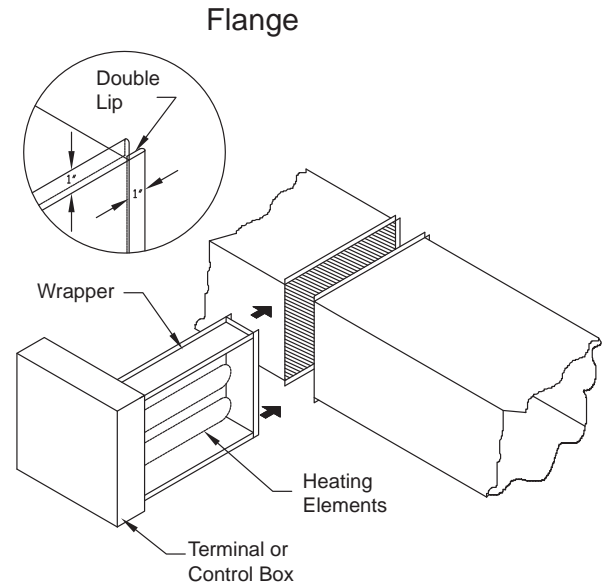
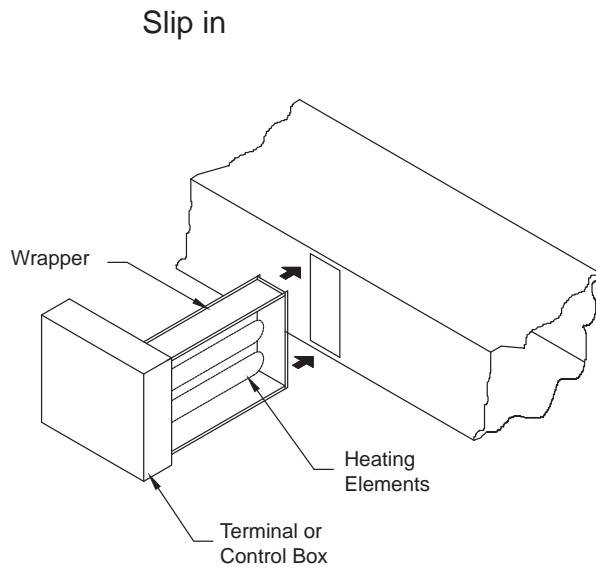
IDHB Series



IDHC Series

Two frame types are available:

- Slip in - allows you to slip the heater into the opening in the ductwork.
- Flange - allows you to bolt into place between two sections of flanged duct.



**Why would I choose Greenheck heaters versus other brands?**

We provide:

- Bi-directional airflow in horizontally mounted applications
- Hinged access cover with latch
- All limit controls are resettable
- Proven wire rack system provides very low pressure drop and extended element life
- Zero clearance rating for installations into ducts
- All components (except the SCR) are mounted inside the control panel

	<b>IDHB</b>	<b>IDHC</b>
Voltages/Stages	120/1 - 480/3	120/1 - 575/3
Capacity	0.5 - 39.9 kW	0.5 - 500 kW
Minimum Size	8 x 8	8 x 8
Maximum Size	36 x 36	120 x 144
Controls	1 or 2 stage Pneumatic	Stage Step SCR control Vernier SCR (Larger kW) Pneumatic
Thermostat	Room	Room Duct



## Control Panel

- Removable hinged access door with latch (standard)
- Detailed wiring diagram
- Configurable with left or right offset

Available options:

- Dust tight construction with gasketed cover and sealed seams
- Vapor barrier
- Recess for internally insulated ducts
- Flush mount configuration

## 1 - Airflow Switch

Fan Interlock switch (standard/UL required)

Optional airflow switch senses air pressure across the heater surface closing the electrical switch and allowing the heater to activate. This switch is available with fixed or adjustable set point.

## 2 - Disconnect Switch

A door interlocking disconnect switch is used to prevent the control door from being opened until power to the heater is disconnected.

## 3 - Power Fusing

UL and NEC codes require heaters in excess of 48 amps be subdivided into circuits of 48 amps or less. If 48 amps or greater, fusing comes standard. Less than 48 amps, fusing is optional.

## 4 - Terminal Blocks

Terminal blocks are standard on all heaters for quick and easy integration with field installed control wiring.

## 5 - Contactors

Disconnecting contactors break all ungrounded lines on UL listed duct heaters and are UL approved for 250,000 cycles. There are two types available:

- Magnetic - standard for all heaters
- Mercury - used where silent operation and/or frequent cycling is desired (optional)





## 6 - Control Transformer

Control transformers are used to provide single point wiring when the control voltage differs from the line voltage. The transformer is available as fused or unfused.

## 7 - Capacity Controls

### Staged Control

One to four stages are provided standard.

### Pneumatic

Pneumatic controls allow a pneumatic building control system to operate heaters with up to three stages. An airflow switch is standard with this option.

### Proportional Controls

Model IDHC is available with the following proportional control options which are compatible with a 0-10Vdc or 4-20mA analog signal from a BMS, Room or Duct T-stat.

### Electronic Step Controller

An electronic step controller provides electronic sequencing control of an electric duct heater up to 12 steps. When interruption of power occurs all stages cycle off. Upon restoration of power the step sequence resumes.

### SCR (pictured)

Solid state relays are used to provide continuous modulation. SCR is the most precise form of heater control.

### Vernier SCR (Step and SCR)

Vernier SCR control combines the benefits of Step and SCR control to provide precise proportional control on heaters in excess of 135 amps.

## 8 - Elements

Standard heater elements are 60% Ni grade C wire which exhibit excellent performance in standard applications. Elements are supported with a wire rack system that significantly reduces element sag and pressure drop. Optional features include:

- 80/20 NiCr, grade A element wire provides superior corrosion resistance in reheat and high humidity applications
- Derated coils aid in longer element life in single and multi-zone air handler applications

## Pilot Light

Pilot lights are installed on the side panel and used to indicate heater conditions as follows:

- heater energized
- step energized
- airflow switch open
- Available with 24V or 120V control voltages



## Time Delay Relay

A time delay relay provides a delay of 30 to 60 seconds when energizing or de-energizing the circuit controlled.

- Standard control voltages are 24V through 277V



## Pressure Electric Switches (PE)

A PE switch is used to control the heater with a pneumatic air signal.

- Requires field adjustment for specific job requirements



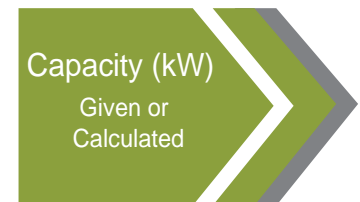
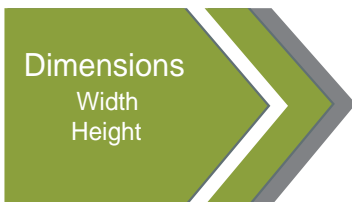
## Thermostat

Room stat - Controls heater to maintain adjustable space temperature when heater is used as primary heating method

Duct stat - Controls heater to maintain adjustable discharge temperature. This is the preferred method of control for preheat and reheat applications. This option is only available with SCR, Vernier SCR, or Step controller systems.

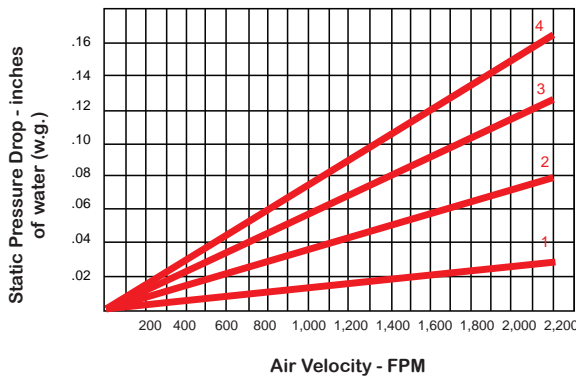
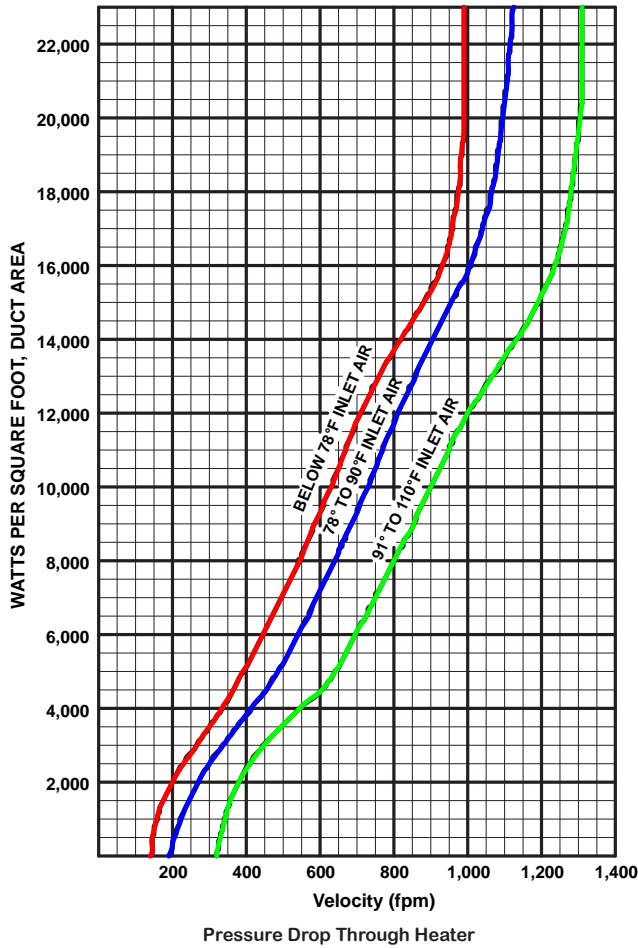


**Heater Selection** – This diagram shows typical information that you will need when selecting a duct heater.





## Minimum Air Velocities



1, 2, 3 and 4 - the number of rows of heater coils.  
When the number of rows of heater coils is unknown, assume 4.

### General

- A. The minimum airflow through a duct heater is directly related to the inlet air temperature. Consideration must be given to both airflow across the heater and the inlet temperature.
- B. To calculate the watts per sq. ft. (square foot) of duct area, divide the total watts required by the duct size (Watt density = watts/duct area (ft<sup>2</sup>)).

Example: Duct size equal 2 ft. x 3 ft., total watts equal 20,000 watts per sq. ft.

$$\frac{20,000}{6} = 3333$$

- C. If airflow in the duct is expressed in FPM, then a direct cross reference can be made by comparing the temperature of the air (as it enters the duct heater) to the kW rating on the table at the rated air velocity.
  1. Draw a line horizontally from the watts per sq. ft required to the inlet air temperature being used.
  2. From this point of intersection on the inlet temperature line, draw a line down vertically to establish the air velocity.
  3. In cases where the velocity is less than that determined from the chart, then the velocity must be increased, the kW required must be reduced, or both must be done.
- D. In cases where the airflow is expressed in CFM, convert to FPM by dividing the CFM by the duct area.

$$\frac{\text{CFM}}{\text{Duct Area(ft}^2\text{)}} = \text{FPM}$$

### Power Source

Voltage  
Phase

### Control Type

Staged  
Stepped  
Proportional

### Accessories

# Formula for Calculating Line Currents

## Single Phase

$$\text{AMPS} = \frac{\text{WATTS}}{\text{LINE VOLTAGE}}$$

## Three Phase

$$\text{AMPS} = \frac{\text{WATTS}}{\text{LINE VOLTAGE} \times 1.73}$$

Line Voltage	Factor	Line Voltage x 1.73
208	x 1.73 =	359.8
220	x 1.73 =	380.6
230	x 1.73 =	397.9
240	x 1.73 =	415.2
440	x 1.73 =	761.2
460	x 1.73 =	795.8
480	x 1.73 =	830.4
550	x 1.73 =	951.5
600	x 1.73 =	1038.0

TO CONVERT "kW" TO WATTS  
MULTIPLY "kW" BY 1,000

## Capacity Calculator

(Standard Air Conditions)

$$\text{kW} = \frac{\text{CFM} \times 1.08 \times \Delta T}{3414}$$

$\Delta T$  = Temperature rise



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