Horizontal, Multi-Stage, Ring-Section Type, Process Pump
Engineering Excellence

Ruhrpumpen is a global pump manufacturer for standard and highly-engineered pumping solutions for a wide range of processes across the oil & gas, power, industrial, chemical and water markets.

Working Towards Innovation

Through the implementation of cutting-edge technology and world-class engineering tools, we deliver highly efficient and reliable pump systems. Ruhrpumpen’s in-house engineering capabilities include: Finite Element Analysis, lateral and torsional, rotodynamic, CFD and many others. Additionally, our vertically integrated manufacturing facilities utilize new and innovative technologies such as 3D printing, laser geometry verification and the latest CAD/CAM tools to deliver pumps that meet our customers’ stringent technical requirements.

The Most Efficient and Reliable Pump Systems Worldwide

Ruhrpumpen offers a broad range of pump products that meet and exceed the requirements of the most demanding quality specifications and industry standards such as HI, ANSI, API and ISO.

Products include:

- Single stage overhung pumps
- Vertical in-line pumps
- Single and multi-stage between bearing pumps
- Multi-stage vertical pumps
- Reciprocating plunger pumps
- Sealless magnetic drive pumps
- Fire protection systems
- Pitot tube pumps
- Hydraulic decoking systems

Exceeding Customer Expectations

No other pump company has the capability to adapt so quickly to customer needs, ensuring faster response times and better customer care. Our global sales teams are technical experts who will ensure the ideal pumps are selected to solve your toughest challenges.

GP Pump Line

Ruhrpumpen’s BB4, Ring Section Pump

The GP pump is a horizontal, between bearings, multi-stage, radially split, ring section type centrifugal pump. It is engineered to be the most reliable and efficient pumping solution for the most demanding high-pressure and high-temperature applications across many industries.

Its robust, yet compact, design, together with high efficiency hydraulics, provides superior performance and exceptional reliability combined with ease of maintenance and minimal operating costs.

The GP line is available in non-API builds for the requirements of power plants and general industry specifications, and as API 610 11th edition (BB4 type) compliant for oil and gas applications. It is designed to meet group II, category 2 G and 3 (for use in zone 1 and 2) of the ATEX 94/9/C directive.
Performance Range

Selection Chart GP n= 2960 RPM

Selection Chart GP n= 3560 RPM
GP Pump for Heavy-Duty Applications

1. Balancing disk compensates 100% of the axial, hydraulic forces meaning no thrust bearing is required. Provides optimized efficiency.

2. Rigid, 360° bearing support ensures low vibration.

3. Clamped bearing cover without screws provides better access to the seals.

4. Bearing housing with vertical fins provides optimal cooling, no end cover.

5. Single row, cylindrical roller, radial bearings with splash oil lubrication and constant level oiler.

6. Optional radial sleeve bearings.

7. Water cooled bearing housing.

8. Stacked rotor design with staggered keyways allows interchangeable impellers and sleeves.

9. Stationary casing wear rings and interstage bushings are standard.

10. Impellers, enclosed, investment casting obtain best efficiency and repeatability of hydraulic data.

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**DESCRIPTION**

- Horizontal, between bearings, centrifugal pump
- Multi-stage, radially split, single case
- Centerline mounted
- Ring section type pump
- Counter-clockwise rotation only

**BENEFITS**

- Thrust balancing by balance disk or balance drum available.
- A and B series stage hydraulics available to match different head/flow requirements with maximum efficiency.
- Low NPSH (type IS) first stage impeller designs.
- Alternate series hydraulic (type IM) optimized for interstage take-off.
- Optimized inter stage hydraulics (type IM) for inter stage takeoff.
- Cold start possible for most applications (no warm-up needed).
- Multiple bearing configuration options.
- API 610 compliant design (BB4 type) and heavy-duty industrial configurations available.
- Standard materials of construction per API 610 (other materials on request).
- Centerline mounted casing provides optimum performance in high temperature services.
- “Blind” stages for future upgrades available.
- Single and double mechanical seals available.

**BROAD APPLICATION RANGE**

High-pressure and high-temperature applications across industries:

- Petrochemical
- Refineries
- Boiler feed water service
- Descaling
- Water injection
- Desalination
- Reverse osmosis
BALANCING DEVICE AND BEARING SELECTION

The Resultant of all Axial Thrust Forces from the Inline Arranged Impellers is

Balancing Disk:

The balancing disk design (illustrated in the pump section in previous page) is able to compensate 100% of the axial thrust along the complete operating range, by means of a throttling gap and close axial clearance between the rotor-mounted disk and the stationary part of the pump which is self-regulating as the rotor makes small adjustment in its position depending on the axial thrust of the impellers.

As a result, this design does not require a thrust bearing and can be offered with a simple anti-friction or sleeve radial bearing, even at very high powers, hence offering considerable cost and technical benefits compared with tilting pad thrust bearing.

Disk Lift-off Device:

The lift-off device is an optional feature which ensures that the balancing disk is open during the rest, start-up and run-down of the pump by means of a preloaded spring and an angular contact ball bearing. This feature provides highest levels of reliability for applications where frequent starts/stops are expected.
Compensated by a Balancing Disk or a Balancing Drum.

Balancing Drum:

The balance drum compensates up to 90% of axial forces by means of a close radial clearance. This design is particularly suitable for applications where the pumped fluid contains solids and where full API 610 compliance is required.

Anti-friction thrust bearing arrangement is available for lower powers, as well as hydrodynamic (tilting pad) thrust bearings for higher powers. Where tilting pad bearings are required Ruhrpumpen has many years of experience to allow us to specify and design a complete package including lubrication system suitable for the application.

1. Water cooled bearing housing.
2. Paired back to back, single row, angular contact ball bearings with splash oil lubrication and constant level oiler.
4. Double acting tilting pad thrust bearing absorbs the residual axial thrust.
5. Axial split bearing housing for forced feed lubrication.
6. Shaft mounted main oil pump for forced feed lubrication.

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Optional Features for API Pumps and Higher Powers Pumps

Ruhrpumpen offers multiple screw mechanical tensioners as a replacement for conventional nuts for tie rods on larger pumps and applications where cold starting is expected.

MULTIPLE SCREW MECHANICAL TENSIONERS IN SAME

• Multiple screw mechanical tensioners provide pure tensile load, no torsional stress is introduced to the tie-rods. Absence of axial stresses allows higher capability of the rods.
• Ensures uniform tightening on all tie rods.
• Tie rod elongation can be measured as the gap between the nut body and the washer, giving additional verification of the tightening torque used.
• Allows bolt tightening by use of simple hand tools (no need for heavy hydraulic tool) meaning that re-assembly is faster and simpler in the field and no special tools needed.

INTERSTAGE TAKE-OFF

• 1 or 2 interstage take-off nozzles can be provided to supply flow of process fluid at less than full discharge pressure.
• Nozzle is welded to the appropriate stage casing
• Special ‘IM’ hydraulics utilized for the stages carrying full suction flow. These are designed for higher flows than standard hydraulics, to ensure all stages running close as possible to best efficiency point, thus optimizing the total pump efficiency.

SHAFT DESIGN

Stepped shaft with individually secured impellers for applications with higher differential pressures.

Stepped shaft for applications with higher differential pressures and individually secured impellers available where API 610 compliance is required.
Reverse Engineering Aftermarket Parts (REAP)

Our Reverse Engineering of Aftermarket Parts (REAP) is a specialized team within Ruhrpumpen’s Aftermarket services that can replicate broken or worn pump parts for any pump model from any manufacturer. This way, we develop the spare parts of discontinued pump models so our clients don’t have to invest in a brand new pump just because spare parts are no longer available.

Synergetic Retrofit

Through our Synergetic Retrofit service, we adapt existing pump installations to new operating conditions, enhancing operating capacities and improving reliability of the pumping system.

Benefits:

- Maximized throughput
- Optimized total cost of ownership
- Reduced energy consumption
- Extended run-time
- Short downtime as compared to acquiring a new pump
Boiler Feed Water Pump

At the heart of the power generation process, the Boiler Feed Water Pump (BFP) plays an essential role, feeding high pressure and high temperature water to a steam generator, such as a Boiler or HRSG (Heat Recovery Steam Generator).

Ruhrpumpen has recognized the demand for the highest levels of up-time in designing our GP pump which is ideally suited to this demanding (high temperature, high pressure) service – particularly in combined cycle plants where severe cycling and thermal transients can occur. Its compact design, high efficiency, investment cast hydraulics and optimized clearances provide superior performance and exceptional reliability combined with easy maintenance and minimal operating costs.

Combined Cycle Schematic
Condensate Pumps

Condensate pumps are required to handle low pressure water leaving the condenser, hence this service often requires a vertical canned pump suitable for use on low or zero NPSH applications.

- Models VLT, VTP and VCT are vertical multi stage canned pumps suited for condensates
- Low NPSH3 first stage impeller designed to match series stage flow rates. This first stage impeller is designed to provide shockless fluid entry with optimized eye/vane inlet angles – they are not typical “large eye impellers” operating away from their best efficiency point
- Option for double suction first stage for higher flow rates
- Keyed impellers
- Mechanical seal

Cooling Water Pumps

Cooling Water Pumps circulate large volumes of water from cooling towers or other sources, such as a lake or river, to the condenser. Typically require high flows, but low head.

- The VCT vertical circulating pump line has been designed specifically for water services.
- Suitable for high flows with diameters over 108” (2800 mm).
- Industry-leading high efficiencies.
- +2,500 installations of this pump worldwide by RP.

General Service Pumps

Wide range of vertical and horizontal pumps, including ANSI, ISO and API designs, to fulfill all general service duties.

Fire Fighting Pumps and Systems

Ruhrpumpen is a world leading specialist in the design and manufacture of UL Listed and FM Approved fire protection pump systems with NFPA full compliance.
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