

FP 6000Q

Overview: Channel Modes and Network

The power amplifier shall provide four discrete channels of amplification. Rear-panel switches shall enable bridging of adjacent channels to allow reconfiguration as a 2- or 3-channel amplifier, with increased power output available through the bridged channels. The amplifier shall employ a proprietary tracking Class D output circuit topology. The amplifier shall be equipped with sensing and communication circuits to allow comprehensive remote control and monito-ring functions via a separate network bridge. The proprietary control and monitoring network shall use Cat-5 cable for interconnection, and shall allow control and monitoring directly from the network bridge's front-panel or, via the bridge, from an external PC running proprietary software.

Power Output and Performance

Maximum total output of all four channels shall be 6000 watts. In discrete four-channel mode, each amplifier channel shall deliver maximum continuous output power as follows: 320 watts into 16 ohms, 625 watts into 8 ohms; 1250 watts into 4 ohms; or 1500 watts into 2 ohms. Maximum output voltage per channel shall be 101 Vrms; maximum output current per channel shall be 27 Arms. In bridged mode, each bridged channel shall deliver maximum continuous output power as follows: 1250 watts into 16 ohms; 2500 watts into 8 ohms; or 3000 watts into 4 ohms.

Default amplifier gain shall be 35 dB, with rear-panel adjustment from 23 to 44 dB in 3 dB increments, selectable for each channel. For bridged channels, the amplifier shall automatically compensate -6 dB gain internally to maintain operation of all channels at selected gain.

The amplifier shall exhibit the following performance parameters with gain set at 35 dB and VPL (Voltage Peak Limiter) at 101 V: Frequency response shall be 6.8 Hz to 34 kHz, \pm 0/-3 dB at 1 watt into an 8 ohm load; channel separation shall be greater than 70 dB; and signal-to-noise ratio shall be greater than 112 dBA. THD at 1 watt, 20 Hz – 20 kHz, shall be less than 0.1%; THD at 1 kHz shall be no more than 0.05% at 1 dB below clipping.

A VPL shall limit peak output as determined by rear-panel switches. In discrete four channel mode, peak voltage shall be selectable in eights steps across a range of 101 V to 38 V. In bridged mode, peak voltage shall be selectable in eight steps from 202 V to 76 V. The voltage limiter mode shall be selectable for either Hard or Soft limiting characteristics.

Connectors, Controls, and Indicators

The following connectors and controls shall be on the REAR-PANEL of the amplifier. The four input connectors shall be electronically balanced XLR-F. The four output connectors shall be either binding post or Neutrik Speakon. A group of seven DIP-switches shall determine the following: amplifier gain (23 dB to 44 dB in 3 dB increments); option active; fan masked; and bridged mode selection for channel pairs. A group of sixteen DIP-switches shall determine VPL values for each channel (selectable in eight steps), and Hard or Soft limiting characteristic. Two Ethercon-housed RJ45 connectors shall be provided for input and output of the control/monitoring network signals. An LED adjacent to the RJ45 connectors shall indicate active or inactive status of the network.

The following indicators and controls shall be on the FRONT-PANEL of the amplifier. Four level control potentiometers shall be detented and provide attenuation from 0 dB to infinity in 21 steps. Individual switches shall be provided for power on/off and remote power on/off enabling. Front-panel LED indicators shall be provided to show status of power on/off (green), network connection (blue), and PAL (Power Average Limiter) (red). Additional LED indicators shall be provided to show the status of the following for each channel: signal present and high-impedance warning (green/red), signal present from -20 dB to -4 dB (4x green), VPL clipping (red), CPL (Current Peak Limiter) active (orange), VHF (Very High Frequency) warning (yellow), high temperature warning (yellow flashing), and high temperature fault with output muted (yellow constant), and Mute (red).

Power Supply, Protection, and Cooling

The power supply shall be a regulated switch mode type. The amplifier shall operate from AC line sources of either 230 V nominal or 115 V nominal, with operating ranges of 130 – 265 V and 65 – 135 V at line frequencies of 50 Hz or 60 Hz. Minimum power-up voltages are 171 V (230 V nominal) and 85 V (115 V nominal). A soft start circuit shall limit current inrush at power-up to 5 A. The amplifier shall be equipped with a PAL circuit to prevent excessive current draw. The amplifier shall be cooled by two temperature-controlled, variable-speed fans, with air flow from front-to-back. An adaptive fan on/off function shall be dependent on presence of an output signal.

Physical

The amplifier shall be 483 mm (19 in.) wide, 88 mm (3.5 in / 2 U) high, and 396 mm (15.6 in.) deep. The weight shall be 12 kg (26.4 lbs). The cabinet shall be black painted steel with a black painted steel and aluminum front-panel.

The amplifier shall be approved for use as specified by CE, ANSI/UL, ETL and the FCC. The amplifier shall be the Lab.gruppen FP 6000Ω .

