

FLEX ARRAY ENGINEERING INFORMATION

The Flex Array series is a high performance modular loudspeaker system designed for use in a variety of medium scale line array or virtual point source sound reinforcement activities ranging from theatres and live music venues to corporate events and regional tours.

The **TFA-600H** is a compact trapezoidal three-way enclosure combining a patent-pending Dendritic HF device and a patented midrange Polyhorn™ in a single physically aligned waveguide with equal path length, ensuring a phase-coherent wavefront at the horn mouth. This geometry allows the enclosure's dispersion to be easily adapted to the implementation of a line array or a virtual point source application.

Flex Array's 75° horizontal dispersion pattern suits typical venues better than line array systems with fixed 90° or greater dispersion, thereby maximising the direct sound field while reducing reverberant energy.

The TFA-600H contains a 1" high frequency compression driver on a Dendritic horn, a 6.5" high-mid frequency driver on a patented Polyhorn™ device, and two Turbo-loaded 10" low-mid frequency drivers. It is a switchable tri-amp / bi-amp enclosure, and includes a passive crossover network between the MF and HF drive units for bi-amped operation. The passive crossover network can be bypassed for fully tri-amped operation by moving an internal jumper located inside the connector panel, the status of which is visible externally.



Neodymium drive units are used throughout in order to achieve the compact cabinet's exceptionally low 41kg net weight, making it convenient to transport, handle and rig. In addition the drive units are symmetrically arranged within the enclosure, which contributes to the smooth and consistent horizontal and vertical coverage.

The enclosure has both vertical and horizontal flying systems integrated into the cabinet in order to facilitate simple and intuitive rigging with the minimum of external parts. The horizontal, or 'A' mode, system is used to create flown or ground-stacked line array configurations. The 'B' mode vertical rigging system is used for single box and virtual point source applications. This flexibility of use is made possible by the rotatable mid/high section, making it possible to address the majority of sound reinforcement applications with only one type of loudspeaker enclosure.

A flight-cased trucking system allows three boxes to be pre-rigged and transported together.

The 15mm birch plywood cabinet is equipped with eight recessed handles on the sides, rear, top and bottom. A recessed panel at the rear of the cabinet carries two parallel-linked Speakon NL8 connectors for input and loop-through connections.

FEATURES

Line array or virtual point source element

Ultra low distortion

75°h x 16°v dispersion

136dB max output

Integrated flygear

Trapezoidal enclosure

Bi-amp or tri-amp modes

Neodymium drive units

Seamless arrayability

APPLICATIONS

House of Worship

Flown clusters

Ground-stacked touring

Theatre and corporate

Live music venues

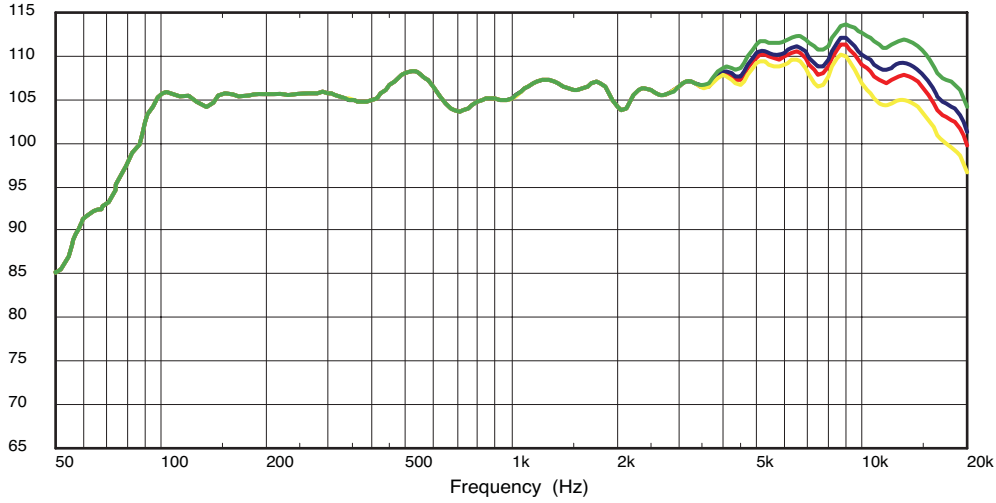
Dance clubs

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| DIMENSIONS (HxWxD) | 710mm x 304mm x 560mm (28" x 12" x 22") |
| NET WEIGHT | 41kg (90.2 lbs) |
| COMPONENTS | 2 x custom 10" (254mm) LMF driver, 1 x custom 6.5" (165mm) HMF driver on a midrange Polyhorn™, 1 x custom HF driver on a high frequency Dendritic device |
| FREQUENCY RESPONSE | 90Hz - 18kHz ±3dB, 80Hz - 20kHz ±10dB |
| DISPERSION | 75°H x 16°V @-6db points |
| POWER HANDLING | LMF: 600 watts r.m.s., 1200 watts program HMF: 120 watts r.m.s., 240 watts program HF: 60 watts r.m.s., 120 watts program |
| SENSITIVITY (1W@1M) | LMF: 96dB; HMF: 108dB; HF: 104dB measured full space |
| CALCULATED MAXIMUM SPL | Single enclosure: 130dB continuous (calculated SPL addition), 136dB peak Multiple enclosures: 2 x Line Array enclosures 136dB continuous, 142dB peak 3 x Line Array enclosures 140dB continuous, 146db peak 4 x Line Array enclosures 142dB continuous, 148dB peak 2 x Point Source enclosures 133dB continuous, 139dB peak 3 x Point Source enclosures 135dB continuous, 141dB peak 4 x Point Source enclosures 136dB continuous, 142dB peak |
| CROSSOVER POINTS | Tri-amp mode: 90Hz, 600Hz, 6kHz Active; Bi-amp mode: 90Hz, 600Hz Active, 6kHz Passive |
| NOMINAL IMPEDANCE | LMF: 8 ohms; HMF: 8 ohms; HF: 8 ohms |
| CONSTRUCTION | 15mm (5/8") birch plywood throughout; rebated, screwed and glued. Finished in black semi-matt textured paint (optional TurboBlue™). Eight recessed carrying handles. |
| GRILLE | Powder coated perforated stainless steel with reticulated foam backing |
| CONNECTORS | (2) Neutrik Speakon NL8 wired: pin1+ and 1- link to NL4; pin 2+: LF positive; pin2-: LF negative; pin 3+: MF positive, pin 3-: MF negative, pin 4+: HF positive, pin 4- HF negative |
| SPARES AND ACCESSORIES | MG-600H Replacement cloth/expanded metal grille LS-1025 10" (254mm) LMF loudspeaker RC-1025 Recone kit LS-6507 6.5" (165mm) HMF loudspeaker CD-117 HF driver RD-117 Replacement diaphragm |

Frequency Response Including DSP Presets 1 through 4

**FREQUENCY
RESPONSE**

(dB) Level, Sound pressure



Preset 1 — single unit extremely nearfield

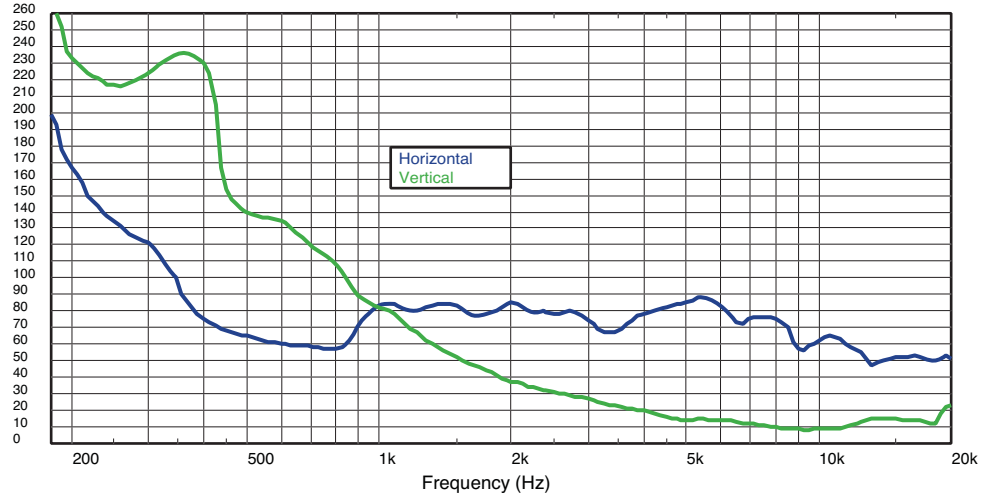
Preset 2 — midfield

Preset 3 — long throw 1

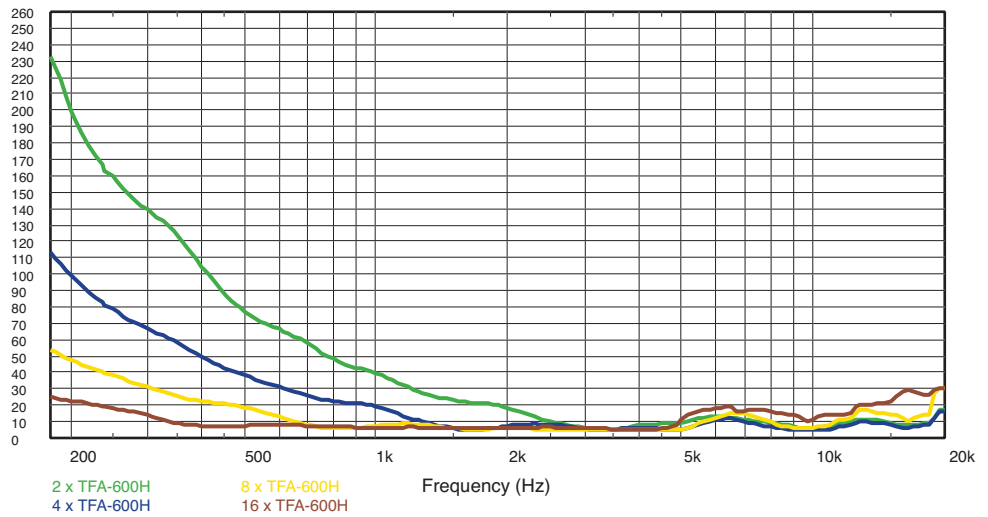
Preset 4 — long throw 2

BEAMWIDTH

A single enclosure
(degrees)

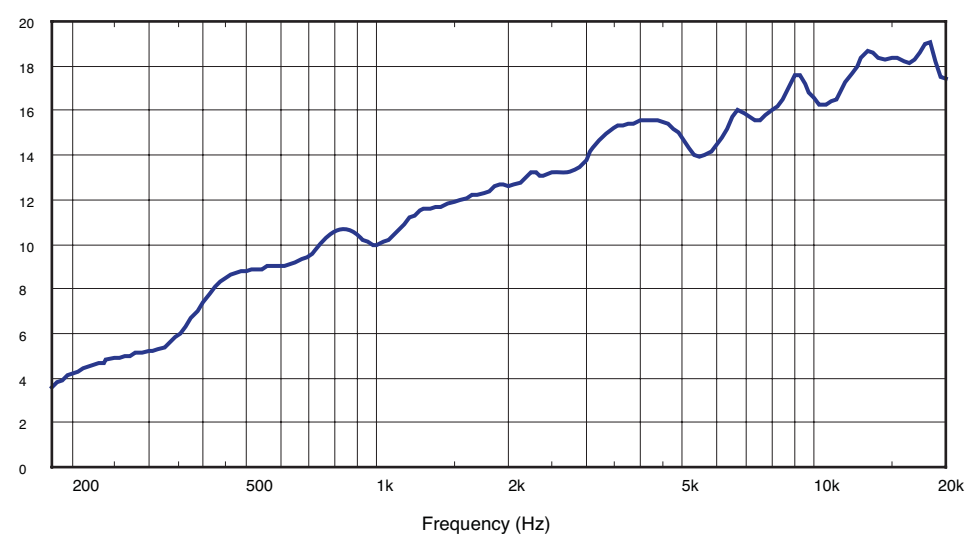


Vertical dispersion of multiple cabinets with zero degree intercabinet angles



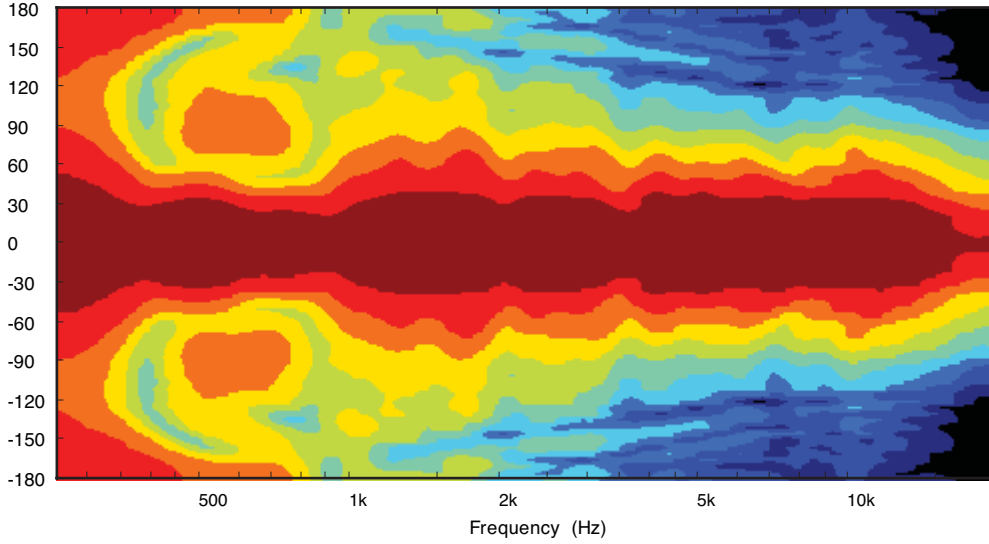
DIRECTIVITY

'A' mode directivity index

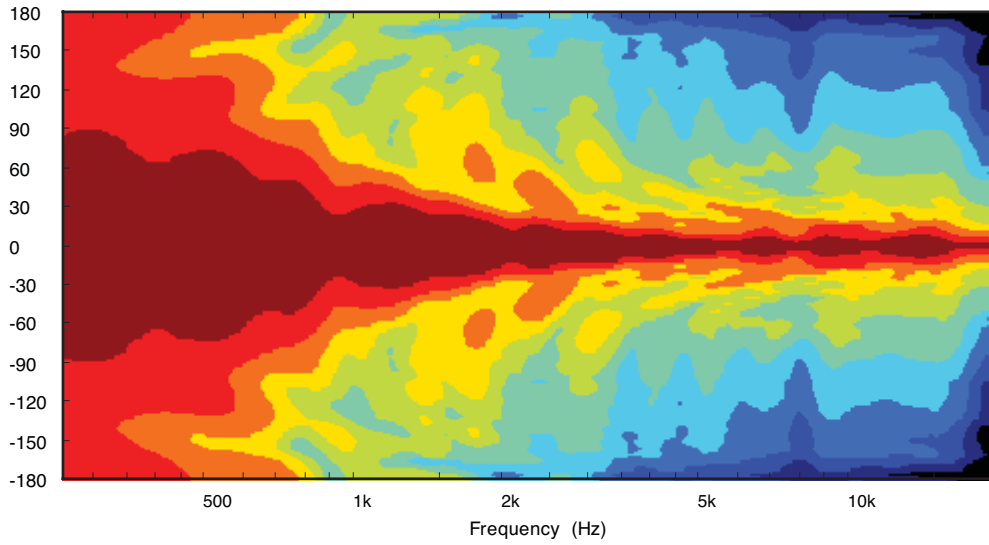


CONTOUR MAPS

Horizontal Contour — 'A' mode
(deg) Axial angle

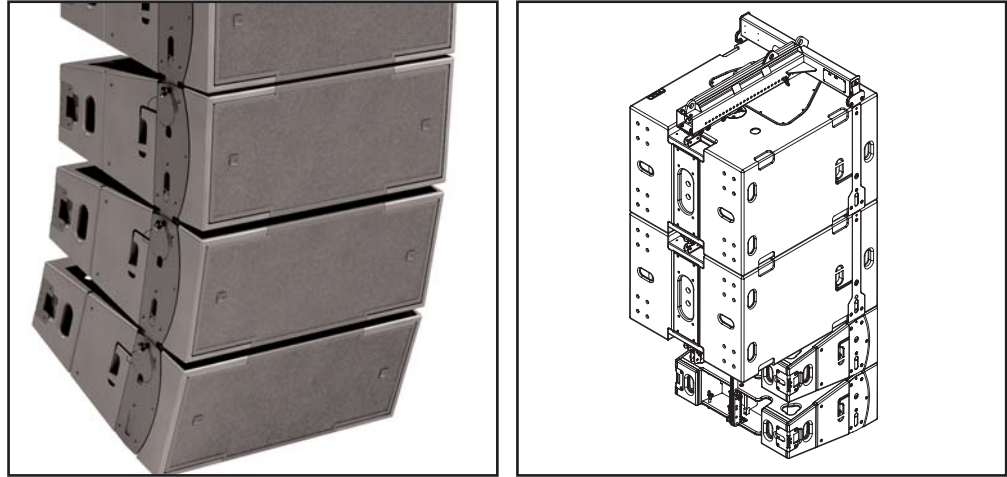


Vertical Contour — 'A' mode
(deg) Axial angle

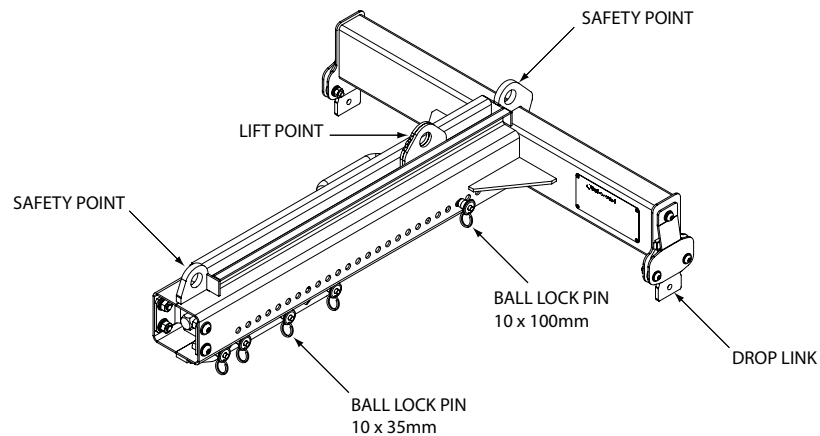


RIGGING HARDWARE

The loudspeaker is equipped with two integral rigging systems designed to allow it to operate in two different modes: horizontal format line array (A mode) or virtual point source (B mode).



For line array applications the loudspeaker enclosures are suspended from the FB-600 flybar. The flybar provides a single pickup point, equipped with front-to-rear screw thread adjustment. This facility allows the inclination of a column of loudspeakers to be easily adjusted, even while under load. A column of 16 loudspeakers is designed to be flown from a single one-tonne motor. The loudspeaker cabinets are coupled using the drop links built into the side-mounted flygear, while the inter-cabinet angles are determined by means of a rear cabinet link, allowing incremental adjustment in 8 steps from 0° to 16°. TFA-600L bass cabinets

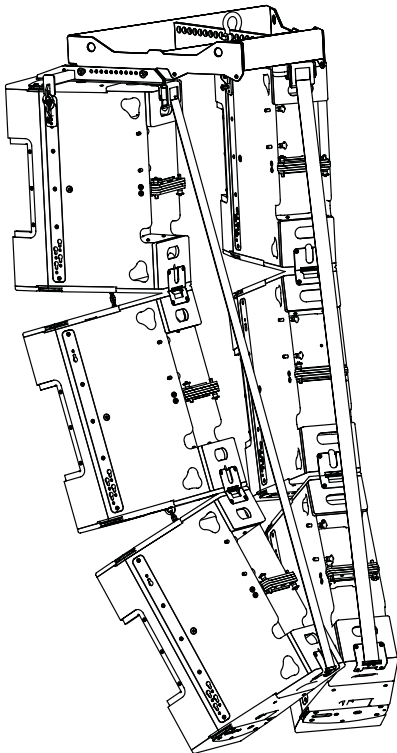


are designed to fly at the top of the column, with a CF-600 conversion frame providing attachment between the bass cabinet and the first mid-high cabinet.

Virtual point source applications are catered for by fully adjustable flying yokes and T-bars. Cabinets can also be truss mounted using the yokes together with scaffold clamps.

Virtual point source clusters are assembled using the integrated 'B' mode flygear. The side-mounted flying strips provide multiple keyhole slots for the locator pin of the ICL-600 inter-cabinet link, giving a total of four possible alternate vertical inter-cabinet angles, to suit the vertical coverage required. TS-890 double-ratchet tilt straps are used to alter the overall cluster inclination. The 6-box cluster shown below is designed to be suspended using a one-tonne motor from a single rigging point.

RIGGING HARDWARE



Single boxes can be simply mounted and angled using a pole mount and flying yoke on top of suitable bass cabinets equipped with a pole mount socket.

**ARCHITECTURAL
& ENGINEER'S
SPECIFICATIONS**

The loudspeaker system shall be of the trapezoidal switchable bi-amped/tri-amped type comprising: one 1" (25mm) high frequency driver loaded with a Dendritic device, one 6.5" (165mm) high-mid frequency driver loaded with a patented PolyHorn™, and two 10" (254mm) Turbo-loaded low-mid frequency drivers. Performance specifications of a typical production unit shall meet or exceed the following: frequency response, measured with a swept sine wave input shall be flat within $\pm 3\text{dB}$ from 90Hz to 18kHz, and within $\pm 10\text{dB}$ from 80Hz to 20kHz. Dispersion shall average 75°H x 16°V. Nominal impedance shall be LMF: 8 ohms, HMF: 8 ohms, HF: 8 ohms. Power handling shall be LMF: 600 watts r.m.s., 1200 watts program; HMF: 120 watts r.m.s., 240 watts program; HF: 60 watts r.m.s., 120 watts program. Sensitivity measured with 1 watt input at 1 metre distance on axis, mean averaged over stated bandwidth shall be LF: 96dB, MF: 108dB, HF: 104dB. Maximum SPL (peak), measured with music program shall be 136dB. Dimensions: 710mm x 304mm x 560mm (28" x 12" x 22"). Weight: 41kg (90.2lbs). The loudspeaker system shall be the Turbosound TFA-600H. No other system shall be acceptable unless the above combined performance specifications are equalled or exceeded. Rigging hardware shall be available comprising a range of load-certified components.

DIMENSIONS

