Technical Data Sheet

VLS 15



Features

- Certified to EN54 24
- 7 × 3.5" (89 mm) woofers
- 8 x 1" (25 mm) metal dome tweeters
 FAST (Focussed Asymmetrical Shaping Technology) delivers improved intelligibility in typical listening plane and greater flexibility in mounting location
- Asymmetrical vertical dispersion:
 +6 degrees / -22 degrees (-8 degree bias)
- Highly consistent coverage pattern
- Peak output 120 dB
- Sleek architecturally-sensitive profile
- Easy to install, mounting brackets included
- Easily accessible transformer tapping switch
- IP65 rated for water and dust ingress protection
- Available in black or white
- \bullet Integrated low insertion loss transformer for 100 V / 70 V operation

Applications

- Houses of Worship
- Transportation hubs
- Retail spaces and concourses
- Conference rooms
- Lecture theatres
- Auditoria
- Gymnasiums
- Convention centers
- Museums
- Stadium concourses
- Multipurpose venues
- Challenging acoustic spaces
- Architecturally sensitive spaces

Product description

VLS 15 is a passive column array loudspeaker with a complement of $7 \times 3.5"$ (89 mm) LF transducers mounted in vertical array with an assembly of densely spaced 8 × 1" (25 mm) HF transducers mounted co-axially over a section of the LF (in an intuitively engineered, super-imposed chassis).

VLS Series is the first range of products to incorporate FAST™ (Focussed Asymmetrical Shaping Technology), delivering unique acoustic performance benefits including asymmetrical vertical dispersion, gently shaping the coverage towards the lower quadrant of the vertical axis.

VLS 15 packages this performance in a slender and narrow profile, aesthetically refined, powdercoated aluminium chassis with curved stainless steel grille; ensuring a sleek and ultra-discrete appearance. Like the other 2 models in the range, VLS 15 can be ordered in either black or white as standard, with custom RAL colours available.

The device is fully compliant with EN54 - 24 and IP65 rated for dust and water ingress, salt spray and UV resistant and subject to rigourous high/low operational temperature and humidity testing – making VLS 15 suitable for both indoor and outdoor use. Mounting is made easy via supplied flying and mounting brackets.

Specification and design is aided by the use of Ease Focus v2.0 software, a generic, intuitive and easy to use three-dimensional acoustic simulation software. The software and relevant tutorials are free to download from the Tannoy website.

VLS 15 features an integrated low insertion loss line transformer, configurable to various tappings via rotary switch, for use in high voltage distributed audio systems (100 V / 70 V).

Physical data

Driver complement: Dimensions HxWxD: Weight: Enclosure: Finish:

Protective Grille:

816.5 [32.15"] 7 x 3.5" (89 mm) woofers, 8 x 1" (25 mm) metal dome tweeters 816.5 x 121 x 146 mm (32.1 x 4.8 x 5.7") 10.5 kg (23.1 lbs) Aluminium extrusion Paint Ral 9003 (white) & Ral 9004 (black) Painted stainless steel









1 m on-axis frequency response





Impedance vs frequency



Impedance

Horizontal off-axis frequency response



Frequency (Hz)

Off -axis response

Upper vertical off-axis frequency response



Frequency (Hz)

Off-axis response

Lower vertical off-axis frequency response



Off-axis response



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Performance	
Frequency response (-3 dB) ⁽¹⁾	150 Hz - 30 kHz
Frequency range (-10 dB) ⁽¹⁾	110 Hz - 35 kHz
System sensitivity (1 m, Lo Z) (2)	91 dB
Sensitivity as per EN54 (4 M, through transformer)	77 dB
Horizontal dispersion (-6 dB)	130 degrees horizontal
Vertical dispersion (-6 dB)	+ 6 degrees / - 22 degrees (-8 degree bias)
Driver complement	7 x 3.5" (89 mm) woofers
	8 x 1" metal dome tweeters
Crossover	Passive network utilising Focussed Asymmetrical Shaping Technology (FAST)
	Crossover point 2.5 kHz
Directivity factor (Q)	9.1 averaged 1 kHz to 10 kHz
Directivity Index (DI)	9.6 averaged 1 kHz to 10 kHz
Power Handling ⁽³⁾	
Average	200 W
Programme	400 W
Peak	800 W
Recommended Amplifier Power	600 W @ 8 ohms
Nominal Impedance (Lo Z)	12 ohms
Maximum SPL as per EN54 (4 M, through transformer)	98 dB
Rated maximum SPL (1 m, Lo Z) ⁽²⁾	
Average	114 dB
Peak	120 dB
Transformer Taps (via front rotary switch)	
70 V	150 W (33 Ω) / 75 W (66 Ω) / 37.5 W (133 Ω) / 19 W (265 Ω) /
	9.5 W (530 Ω) / 5 W (1050 Ω) OFF & low impedance operation
100 V	150 W (66 Ω) / 75 W (133 Ω) / 37.5 W (265 Ω) / 19 W (530 Ω) /
	9.5 W (1050 Ω) OFF & low impedance operation

Coverage angles (4)				
	Horizontal plane	Vertical plane		
500 Hz	226°	80°		
1 kHz	191°	41°		
2 kHz	131°	37°		
4 kHz	119°	98°		

10% full power (15.5 V)		Harmonics		
		2nd	3rd	
	250 Hz	1.60%	0.91%	
	1 kHz	0.14%	0.15%	
	10 kHz	0.63%	0.26%	
1% full power (4.9 V)				
	250 Hz	0.57%	0.43%	
	1 kHz	0.06%	0.06%	
	10 kHz	0.21%	0.14%	

Physical	
Enclosure	Aluminium extrusion
Finish	Paint RAL 9003 (white) & RAL 9004 (black)
	Custom RAL colours available (additional cost and lead-time)
Connectors	Barrier strip
Fittings	Flying bracket, wall mount bracket, input panel cover plate and gland
Dimensions (H x W x D)	816.5 x 121 x 146 mm (32.1 x 4.8 x 5.7")
Net Weight (ea)	10.5 kg (23.1 lbs)
Packed Quantity	1





This product is environmentally protected to IP65 rated standard.

Notes:

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- 1. Average over stated bandwidth. Measured in an IEC baffle in an Anechoic Chamber
 - Unweighted pink noise input, measured at 1 metre on axis
- Long term power handling capacity as defined in EIA - 426B test
- 4. The reference point for the reference axis (acoustic centre) is 536 mm up from the bottom of the column. The axis of maximum radiation in the vertical plane is - 8 ° below horizontal.

A full range of measurements, performance data, CLF and Ease™ Data for VLS 15 can be downloaded from www.tannoypro.com.

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