Troubleshooting Guide

FAULT FINDING & RECOGNITION

Kind of Fault	Symptom	Cause	Remedy
Fail to	Motionless	Power-off	Consult power company
start without	And soundless	Switch-off	Switch-on
load		No fuse	Install fuse
		Broken wires	Check wires and repair
		Broken lead	Check leads and repair
		Faulty winding	Check winding and
			repair
	Fuse blowing –	Short circuit	Check circuit
	(Circuit Breaker	Incorrect wiring	Check wiring
	trips off, slow	Poor contact in circuit	Check and repair
	start with	switches	
	electromagnetic	Broken wiring	Check and repair
	noise	Poor contact of starting	Check and repair
		switch	
		Incorrect connection of	Check and repair
		starting switch	
Overload after	Fuse blowing –	Insufficient capacity of	Replace fuse or breaker
start	Fail to restart due	fuse or breaker	
	to circuit breaker	Overload	Lighten load
	tripping	High load at low voltage	Check circuit capacity
			and reduce load

Kind of Fault	Symptom	Cause	Remedy
Overload after start	Overheating	Overload or	Lighten Load
	of Motor	Intermittent	
		Overload	
		Under-voltage	Check circuit capacity
			and power source
		Over-voltage	Check power source
		Ventilation duct	Remove the foreign
		clogged	matter in the duct
		Ambient	Lower ambient
		temperature	temperature
		exceeds 45°C	
		Friction between	Repair
		rotor and stator	
		Fuse blowing	Install the specified fuse
		(Single phase	
		rotating)	
		Poor contact of	Check and repair
		circuit switches	
		Poor contact of	Check and repair
		starting switch	
		Unbalanced three	Check circuit or consult
		phase voltage	power company
	Speed falls sharply	Voltage drop	Check circuit and power
			source
		Sudden overload	Check machine
		Single phase	Check circuit and repair
		rotating	
	Switch overheat	Insufficient capacity	Replace switch
		of switch	
		High load	Lighten load

Teco Installation and Maintenance Manual
TEFC Squirrel Cage Induction Motors

Kind of Fault	Symptom	Cause	Remedy
Overload after start	Bearing Overheat	Misalignment	Re-align
		between motor and	
		load	
		Not enough grease	Fully purge
			bearings with
			grease
		High bearing noise	Replace damaged
			bearing
Noise	Electro-magnetic	Occurrence from	Check noise not
	noise induced by	first operation	normal
	electricity	Sudden sharp noise	Short circuit of
		and smoking	windings. Repair.
	Bearing noise	Not enough grease	Fully purge
			bearings with
			grease
		Deterioration of	Clean bearing and
		grease	re-grease
		Excessive noise	Replace the
			damaged bearing
	Mechanical noise	Loose belt sheaf	Adjust key and lock
	caused by		the screw
	machinery	Loose coupling	Adjust the position
			of couplings and
			tighten
		Loose screw	Tighten screw
		Fan rubbing	Adjust fan position

Kind of Fault	Symptom	Cause	Remedy
Noise	Mechanical noise	Rubbing as a result	Clean motor interior
	caused by	of ingress of foreign	and ventilation ducts
	machinery	matter	
		Wind noise	Noise induced by air
			flowing through
			ventilation ducts
		Induced by	Repair machine
		conveyance machine	
Vibration	Electro-magnetic	Short circuit of	Repair
	vibration	windings	
		Open circuit of rotor	Repair
	Vibration	Unbalanced rotor	Repair
		Unbalanced fan	Repair
	Mechanical vibration	Broken fan blade	Replace fan
		Un-symmetrical	Align central points
		centres between	
		belt sheaf	
		Central points of	Adjust the central
		couplings do not lie	points of couplings
		on the same level	on the same level
		Improper mounting	Lock the mounting
		installation	screw
		Motor mounting bed	Reinforce mounting
		is not strong	bed

Remarks:

- i. Circuit switches: This includes knife switch, electromagnetic switch, fuse and other connection switches etc.
- ii. Starting switches: This includes Delta-Star starter, compensate starter, reactance starter, resistor starter, starting controllers etc.