



## ZF 550 A

10° Down angle, direct mount marine transmission.

### Maximum Input\*\*

Duty	kW	hp	RPM
Pleasure	1173	1573	3000
Light	973	1304	3000
Medium	772	1035	3000
Continuous	747	1001	3000

\*\* Must not be exceeded

## Description

- Robust design also withstands continuous duty in workboat applications .
- Fully works tested, reliable and simple to install .
- Design, manufacture and quality control standards comply with ISO 9001 .
- Compatible with all types of engines and propulsion systems, including waterjets and surface- piercing propellers, as applicable .
- Suitable for high performance applications in luxury motoryachts, sport fishers, express cruisers etc .
- Reverse reduction marine transmission with hydraulically actuated multi-disc clutches .

## Features

- Lightweight and robust aluminum alloy casing (sea water resistant) .
- Case hardened and precisely ground gear teeth for long life and smooth running .
- Output shaft thrust bearing designed to take maximum propeller thrust astern and ahead .
- Smooth and reliable hydraulic shifting with control lever for attachment of push-pull cable or other operating system .
- Suitable for twin engine installations (same ratio and torque capacity in ahead or astern mode) .
- Emergency "get home" capability .
- Compact, space saving design; Integral SAE 1 bell housing; 10° down-angle (A-version) .
- "SUPERSHIFT" clutch control .

## Options

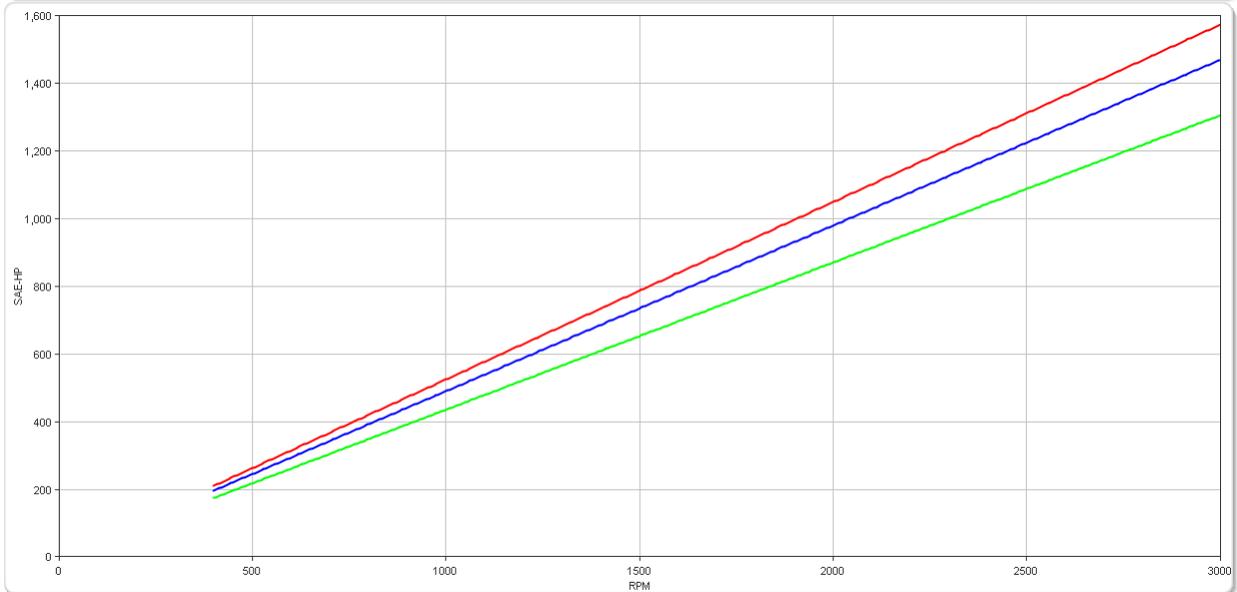
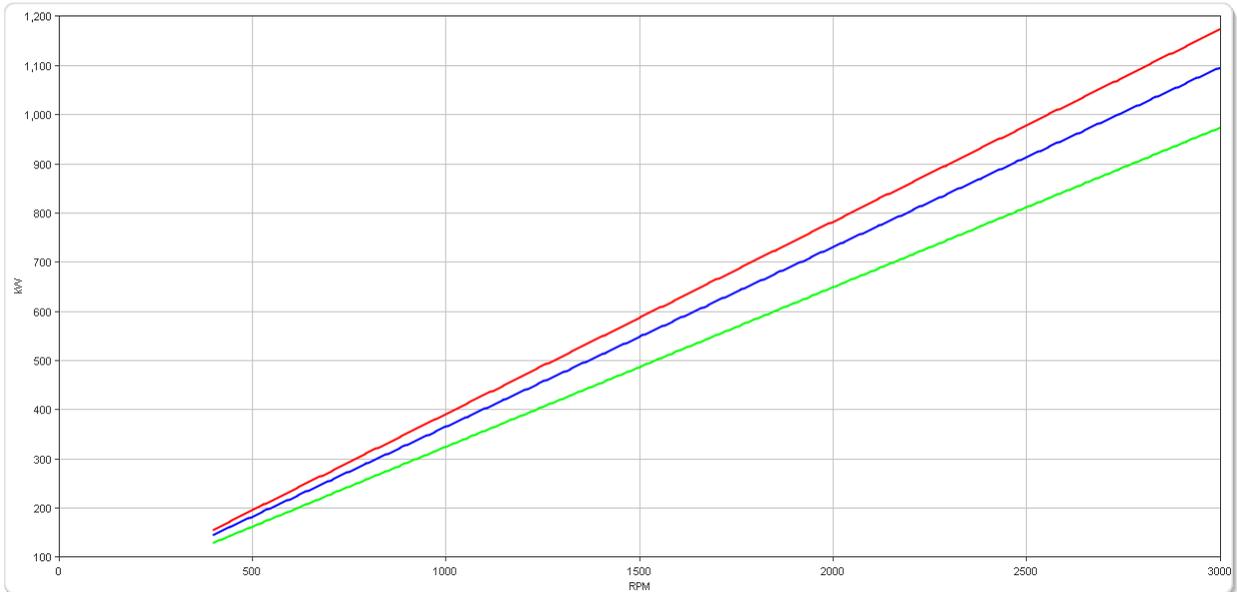
- Engine-matched torsional coupling .
- Propeller shaft flange and coupling bolt sets .
- Classification by all major Classification Societies on request .
- Oil cooler complete with fittings and flexible oil hoses .
- Mounting brackets .
- PTO (live or clutchable) .
- Electric clutch control (12 or 24 VDC) .
- Adapter flange for SAE 0 connection .
- Mechanical or Electrical Trolling Valve for slow-speed drive .
- Supershift (with Autotroll and Easidock) .

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## Ratings

### Pleasure Duty

RATIOS	MAX. TORQUE		POWER/RPM		MAXIMUM RATED POWER						MAX. RPM
	Nm	ftlb	kW	hp	2100 rpm		2300 rpm		2450 rpm		
<span style="color: red;">■</span> 1.525, 1.757*, 1.971	3737	2756	0.3913	0.5248	822	1102	900	1207	959	1286	3000
<span style="color: blue;">■</span> 2.517	3490	2574	0.3654	0.4901	767	1029	841	1127	895	1201	3000
<span style="color: green;">■</span> 2.960	3100	2286	0.3246	0.4353	682	914	747	1001	795	1066	3000

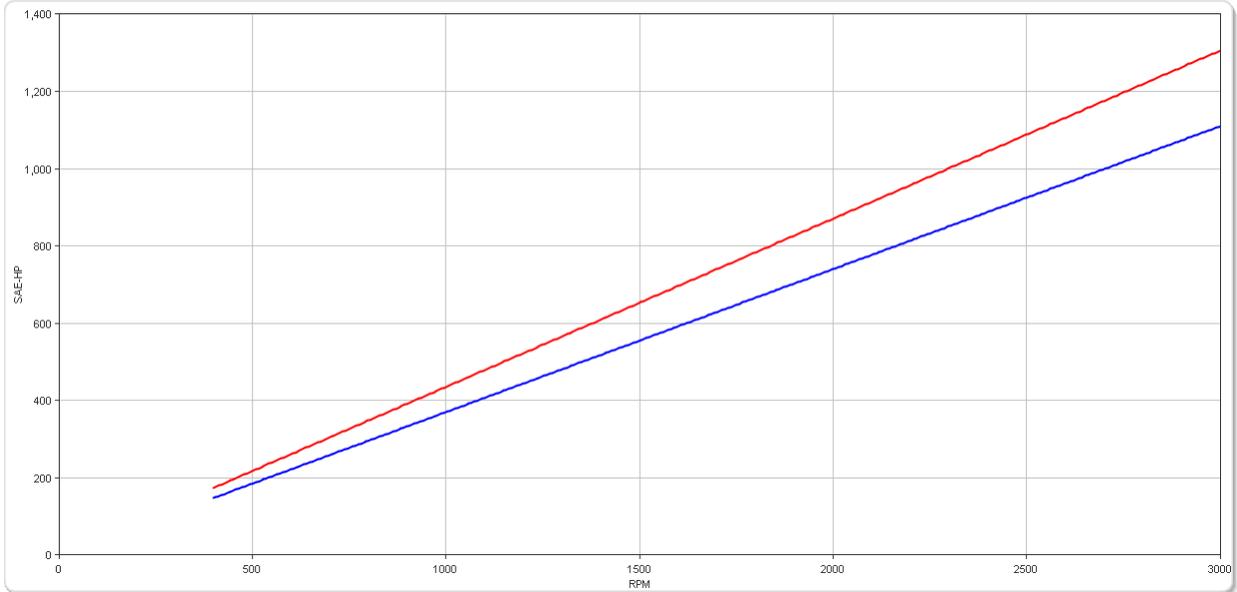
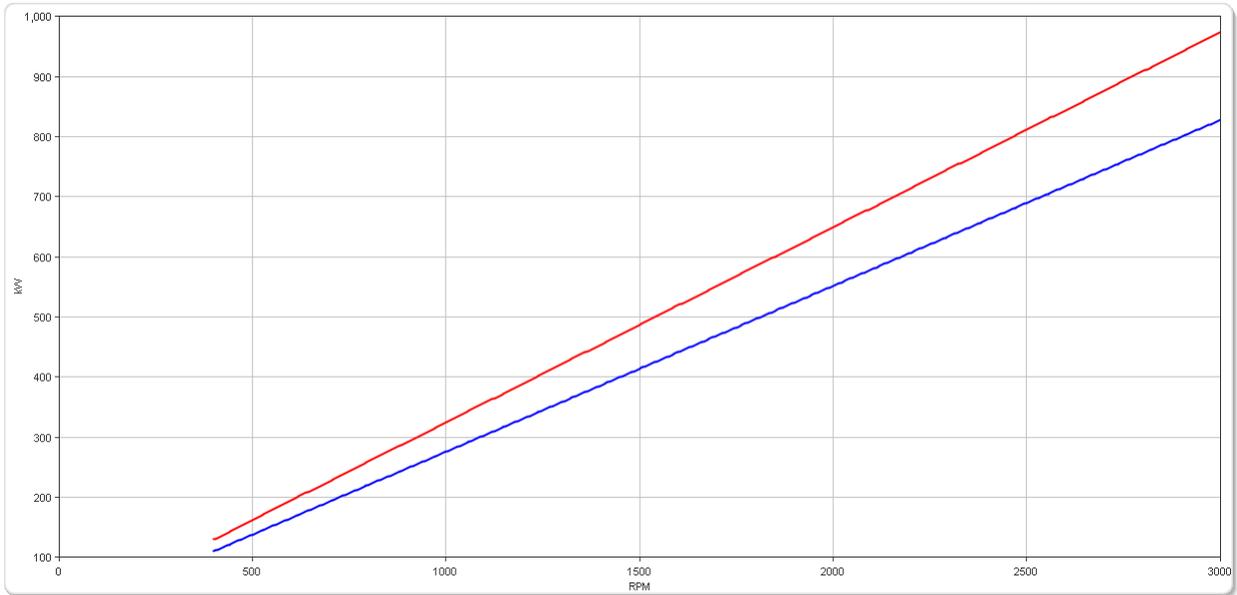


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### Light Duty

RATIOS	MAX. TORQUE		POWER/RPM		MAXIMUM RATED POWER						MAX. RPM
	Nm	ftlb	kW	hp	2100 rpm		2300 rpm		2450 rpm		
1.525, 1.757*, 1.971, 2.517	3100	2286	0.3246	0.4353	682	914	747	1001	795	1066	3000
2.960	2635	1943	0.2759	0.3700	579	777	635	851	676	907	3000

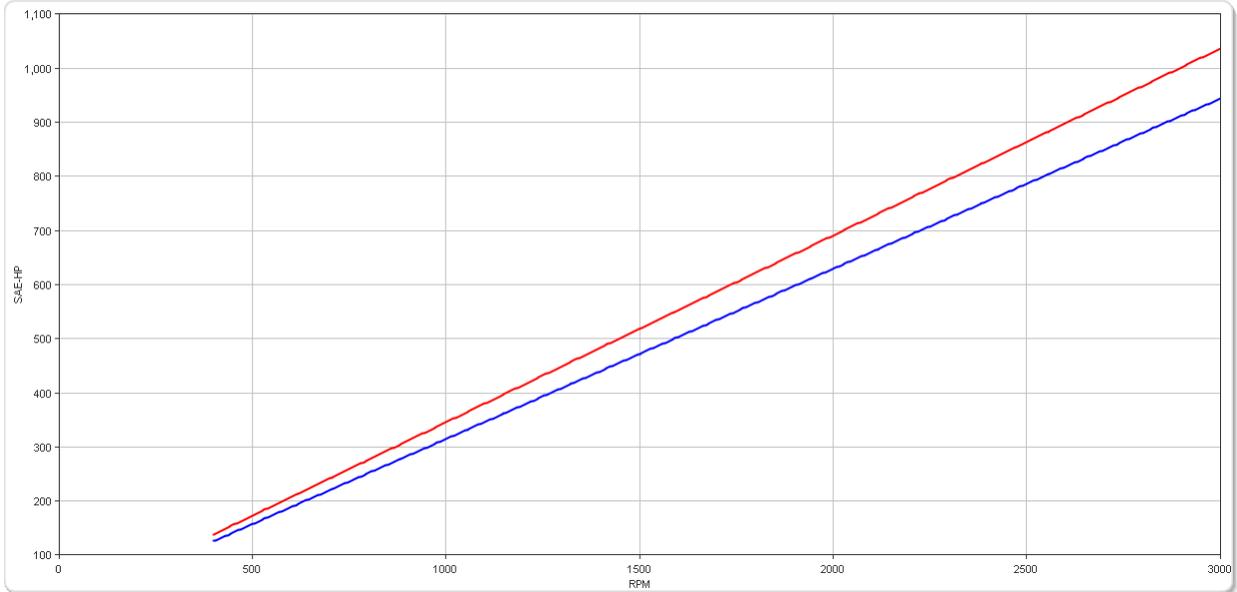
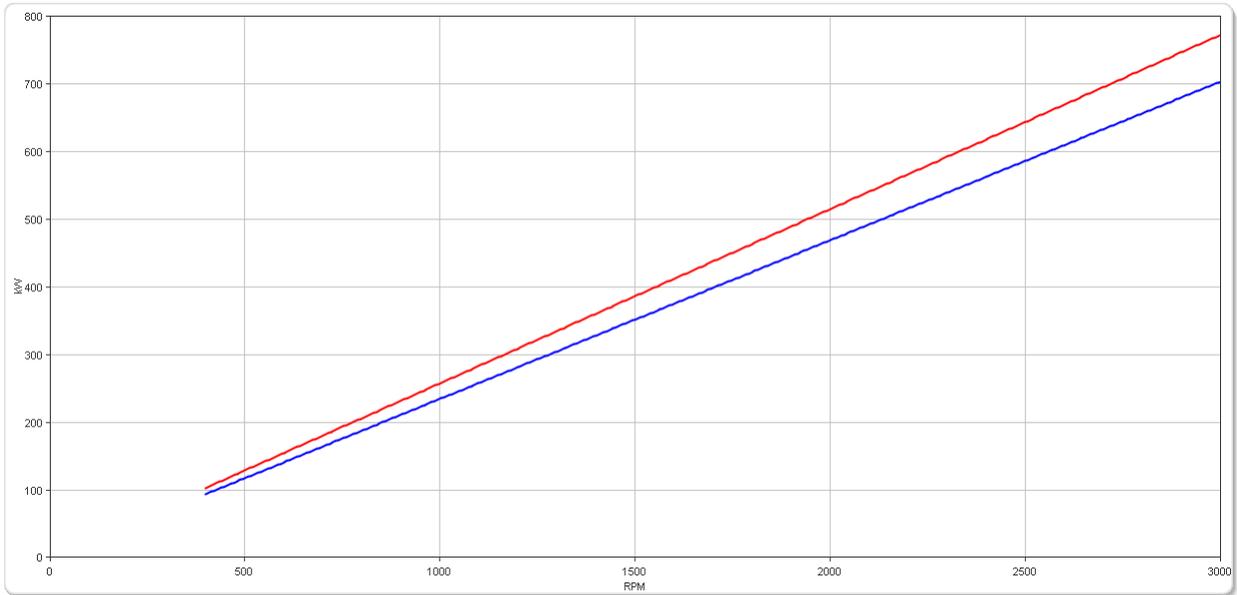


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### Medium Duty

RATIOS	MAX. TORQUE		POWER/RPM		MAXIMUM RATED POWER						MAX. RPM
	Nm	ftlb	kW	hp	1800 rpm		2100 rpm		2250 rpm		
<span style="color: red;">■</span> 1.525, 1.757*, 1.971, 2.517	2460	1814	0.2576	0.3454	464	622	541	725	580	777	3000
<span style="color: blue;">■</span> 2.960	2240	1652	0.2346	0.3145	422	566	493	661	528	708	3000

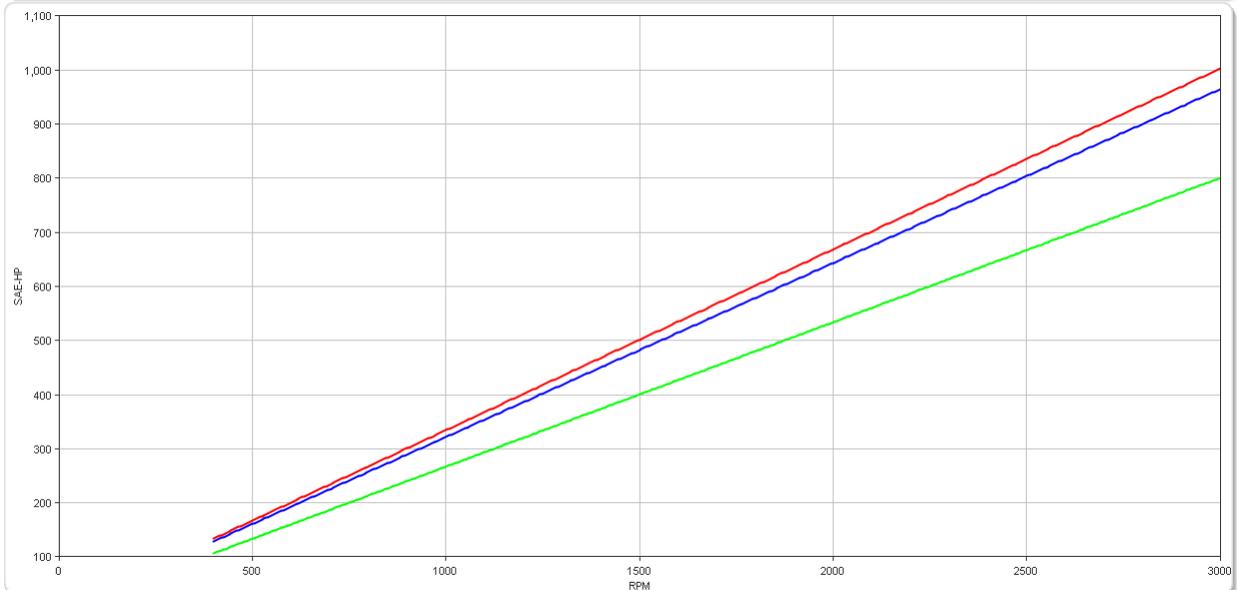
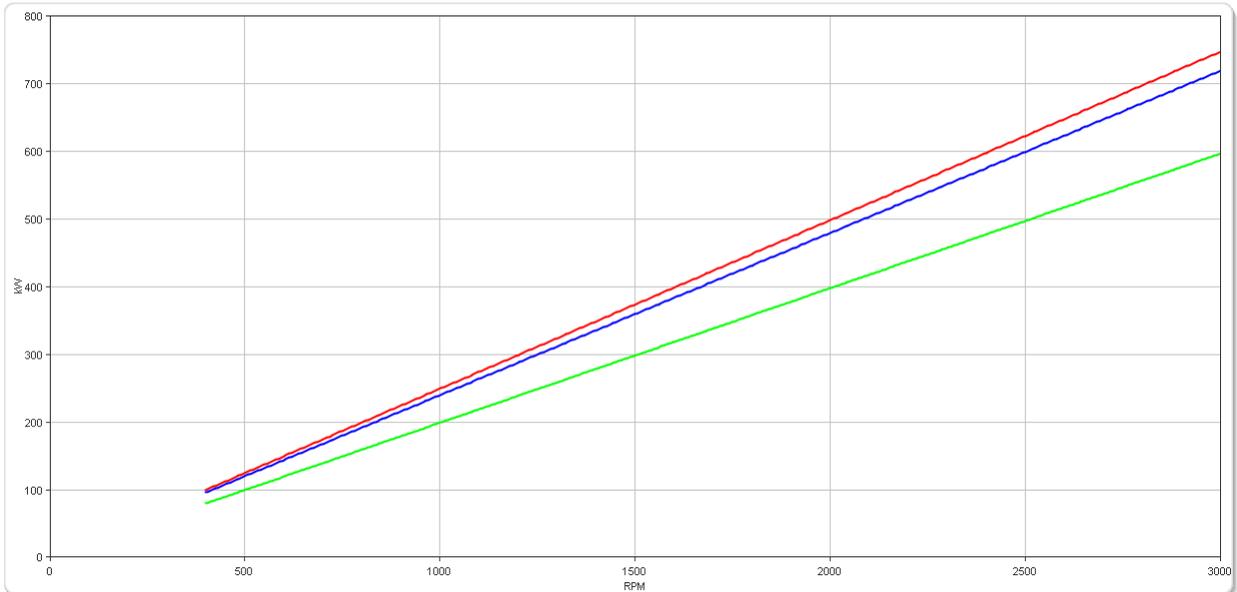


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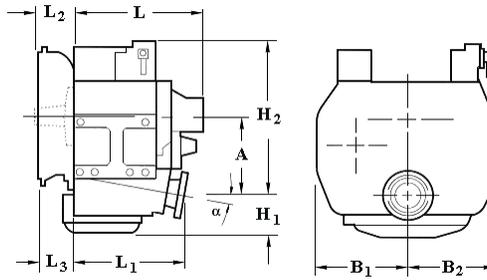
### Continuous Duty

RATIOS	MAX. TORQUE		POWER/RPM		MAXIMUM RATED POWER						MAX. RPM
	Nm	ftlb	kW	hp	1200 rpm		1600 rpm		1800 rpm		
1.525, 1.757*, 1.971	2380	1755	0.2492	0.3342	299	401	399	535	449	602	3000
2.517	2290	1689	0.2398	0.3216	288	386	384	515	432	579	3000
2.960	1900	1401	0.1990	0.2668	239	320	318	427	358	480	3000



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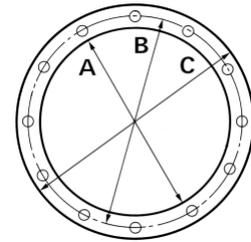
## Dimensions



mm (inches)										
Angle	A	B <sub>1</sub>	B <sub>2</sub>	H <sub>1</sub>	H <sub>2</sub>	L	L <sub>1</sub>	L <sub>2</sub>	L <sub>3</sub>	Bell Hsg.
10.0	269 (10.6)	310 (12.2)	310 (12.2)	156 (6.14)	435 (17.1)	676 (26.6)	524 (20.6)	-	-	1
Weight kg (lb)						Oil Capacity Litre (US qt)				
256 (564)						16.0 (17.0)				

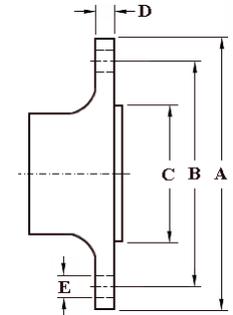
### SAE Bell Housing Dimensions

SAE No.	A		B		C		Bolt Holes		
	mm	in	mm	in	mm	in	No.	Diameter	
								mm	in
0	647.7	25.5	679.45	26.75	711.2	28.0	16	13.49	17/32
1	511.18	20.125	530.23	20.875	552.45	21.75	12	11.91	15/32



### Output Coupling Dimensions

A		B		C		D		Bolt Holes		
mm	in	mm	in	mm	in	mm	in	No.	Diameter (E)	
									mm	in
205	8.07	170	6.69	140	5.51	20.0	0.79	10	18.3	0.72



## Duty Definitions

<b>PLEASURE DUTY DEFINITION</b>	Highly intermittent operation with very large variations in engine speed and power Average engine operating hours: 500 hours/year hours limit: 300 hours/year for mechanical gearboxes Typical hull forms: Planing. Typical applications: Private, non-commercial, non-charter sport/leisure activities.
<b>LIGHT DUTY DEFINITION</b>	Intermittent operation with large variations in engine speed and power Average engine operating hours: 2500 hours/year hours limit: (for hydraulic gearboxes smaller than the ZF 650 series, 2000 hours/year). Typical hull forms: Planing and semi-displacement. Typical applications: Private and charter, sport/leisure activities, naval and police activities.
<b>MEDIUM DUTY DEFINITION</b>	Intermittent operation with some variations in engine speed and power Average engine operating hours: 4000 hours/year. hours limit: 3500 hours/year for gearboxes smaller than ZF 2000 series and workboat ZF W2700 series. Typical hull forms: Semi-displacement and displacement Typical applications: Charter and commercial craft (example: crew boats and fast ferries), and naval and police activities.
<b>CONTINUOUS DUTY DEFINITION</b>	Continuous operation with little or no variations in engine speed and power Average engine operating hours: Unlimited hours limit: Typical hull forms: Displacement. Typical applications: Heavy duty commercial vessels, tugs, fishing boats.

## Duty Ratings

Ratings apply to marine diesel engines at the indicated speeds. At other engine speeds, the respective power capacity (kW) of the transmission can be obtained by multiplying the Power/Speed ratio by the speed.

Approximate conversion factors:

1 kW = 1.36 metric hp

1 kW = 1.34 U.S. hp (SAE)

1 U.S. hp = 1.014 metric hp

1 Nm = 0.74 lb.ft.

Ratings apply to right hand turning engines, i.e. engines having counterclockwise rotating flywheels when viewing the flywheel end of the engine. These ratings allow full power through forward and reverse gear trains, unless otherwise stated.

Contact your nearest ZF Sales and Service office for ratings applicable to gas turbines, gasoline (petrol) engines, as well as left hand turning engines, and marine transmissions for large horsepower capacity engines.

Ratings apply to marine transmissions currently in production or in development and are subject to change without prior notice.

**NOTE:** THE MAXIMUM RATED INPUT POWER MUST NOT BE EXCEEDED (SEE RESPECTIVE RATINGS IN THE TECHNICAL DATA SHEETS)

## Safe Operating Notice

The safe operation of ZF products depends upon adherence to technical data presented in our brochures. Safe operation also depends upon proper installation, operation and routine maintenance and inspection under prevailing conditions and recommendations set forth by ZF. Damage to transmission caused by repeated or continuous emergency manoeuvres or abnormal operation is not covered under warranty. It is the responsibility of users and not ZF to provide and install guards and safety devices, which may be required by recognized safety standards of the respective country (e.g. for U.S.A. the Occupational Safety Act of 1970 and its subsequent provisions).

## Monitoring Notice

The safe operation of ZF products depends upon adherence to ZF monitoring recommendations presented in our operating manuals, etc. It is the responsibility of users and not ZF to provide and install monitoring devices and safety interlock systems as may be deemed prudent by ZF. Consult ZF for details and recommendations.

## Torsional Responsibility and Torsional Couplings

The responsibility for ensuring torsional compatibility rests with the assembler of the drive and driven equipment. ZF can accept no liability for gearbox noise caused by vibrations or for damage to the gearbox, the flexible coupling or to other parts of the drive unit caused by this kind of vibration. Contact ZF for further information and assistance. ZF recommends the use of a torsional limit stop for single engine powered boats, wherein loss of propulsion power can result in loss of control. It is the buyer's responsibility to specify this option, which can result in additional cost and a possible increase in installation length.

ZF can accept no liability for personal injury, loss of life, or damage or loss of property due to the failure of the buyer to specify a torsional limit stop. ZF selects torsional couplings on the basis of nominal input torque ratings and commonly accepted rated engine governed speeds. Consult ZF for details concerning speed limits of standard offering torsional couplings, which can be less than the transmission limit. Special torsional couplings may be required for Survey Society Ice Classification requirements.

