The Benefits of AIRMAR’s Chirp-ready Transducers

- One broadband transducer covers up to 117 kHz of bandwidth – greater opportunities to detect fish in the water column
- Superior resolution – precise separation between baitfish and gamefish represented on the display with crisp images
- Enhanced bottom definition – resolve targets close to the bottom or near structure/wrecks
- Amazing detail – recognize haloclines and thermoclines
- Improved signal to noise ratio – find fish and track bottom at high boat speeds

Benefits of In-Hull Transducers

In-Hull transducers are installed inside the boat hull. The transducer is suspended in a liquid filled tank and transmits sonar directly through the solid fiberglass hull. And, the wide frequency band of a Chirp transducer allows you to select the best frequency for your hull’s thickness.

Other Advantages:

- No holes to be drilled through the hull
- Installation and service can be performed while the boat is in the water
- No exposure to marine growth; no drag
- Ideal for trailered boats and tough to fit, multi-hulled boats
Why does frequency matter?

Selecting the best frequency for your specific application is very important. The good news is that once you know what frequency will work best for the type of fishing you do, there’s an AIRMAR transducer designed to maximize the performance of your sounder.

AIRMAR Chirp transducers are available in various frequency combinations:

- **Dual Band:**
  - Low/High (LH)
  - Low/Medium (LM)
  - Low/High Wide (LHW)
  - Low Wide/Medium (LWM)

- **Single Band:**
  - Low
  - Medium
  - High
  - High Wide

**Low Frequency = Greater Depth (ex. 42-65 kHz)**

- Sound waves will not present as clear a picture of the bottom on the display, but will sound down in very deep areas where high frequency sound waves cannot reach
- Provides greater depth range, wider beamwidth, and ultimately more coverage under the boat
- Chirp signal processing technology used with AIRMAR broadband, Chirp-ready transducers provides more detail at greater depths and is less susceptible to noise
- Great for operating at high boat speeds

**High Frequency = Greater Detail (ex. 130-210 kHz)**

- More sensitive to small targets and will send back detailed information which will display as crisp, high-resolution images on the echosounder screen
- Best for shallower water and popular with anglers fishing at depths less than 1500 feet

**Medium Frequency = The Best of Both Worlds (ex. 80-130 kHz)**

- Provides the ability to sound deeper than the high frequency, along with better resolution than the low frequency
- Wider beam than the high frequency, achieving more coverage under the boat and greater opportunity to find fish
- Clear images at higher boat speeds

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**Diagram:**

- 1 kW Max depth 3000'
- 2 kW Max depth 6000'
- 2-3 kW Max depth 10000'
In-Hull
1 kW

Features:
• Depth only
• Hull Type: Solid fiberglass stepped, planing or displacement hull types
• Plastic / Urethane transducer housing
• Hull deadrise: Up to 30°
• Engine type: Can be used with single or twin inboard, I/O, OB and jet drive propulsion

M265LH
Low \textbf{&} High Frequency
• Low—42 kHz to 65 kHz
  25° to 16° beamwidth
  Maximum depth 3000 ft
• High—130 kHz to 210 kHz
  10° to 6° beamwidth
  Maximum depth 1000 ft
• 103 kHz of total bandwidth from one transducer

M265LM
Low \textbf{&} Medium Frequency
• Low—42 kHz to 65 kHz
  25° to 16° beamwidth
  Maximum depth 3000 ft
• Medium—85 kHz to 135 kHz
  16° to 11° beamwidth
  Maximum depth 1500 ft
• 73 kHz of total bandwidth from one transducer

Bottom Coverage
Relative to Frequency and Depth

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This chart compares the high and medium ceramic element inside the transducer, showing the difference in bottom coverage under the boat.

Low frequency in each of these transducer models is the same (42-65 kHz). This low frequency can range to 3,000 ft.
In-Hull

2 kW

Features:
- Depth only
- Hull Type: Solid fiberglass stepped, planing or displacement hull types
- Plastic / Urethane transducer housing
- Hull deadrise: Up to 22° short side, up to 12° long side
- Engine type: Can be used with single or twin inboard, I/O, OB and jet drive propulsion

R111LH

Low & High Frequency
- Low—38 kHz to 75 kHz
  19° to 10° port-starboard
  10° to 5° fore-aft beamwidth
  Maximum depth 6000 ft
- High—130 kHz to 210 kHz
  8° to 4° beamwidth
  Maximum depth 1500 ft
- 117 kHz of total bandwidth from one transducer

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Low frequency in each of these transducer models is the same (38-75 kHz). This low frequency can range to 6,000 ft.

R111LM

Low & Medium Frequency
- Low—38 kHz to 75 kHz
  19° to 10° port-starboard
  10° to 5° fore-aft beamwidth
  Maximum depth 6000 ft
- Medium—80 kHz to 130 kHz
  13° to 8° beamwidth
  Maximum depth 3000 ft
- 87 kHz of total bandwidth from one transducer
**In-Hull**

2-3 kW

**Features:**
- Depth only
- Hull Type: Solid fiberglass stepped, planing or displacement hull types
- Plastic / Urethane transducer housing
- Hull deadrise: Up to 22° short side, up to 12° long side
- Engine type: Can be used with single or twin inboard, I/O, OB and jet drive propulsion

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**R599LH**

**Low & High Frequency**
- Low—28 kHz to 60 kHz
  - 23° to 9° port-starboard
  - 11° to 5° fore-aft beamwidth
  - Maximum depth 10000 ft
- High—130 kHz to 210 kHz
  - 8° to 4° beamwidth
  - Maximum depth 1500 ft
- 112 kHz of total bandwidth from one transducer

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**R599LM**

**Low & Medium Frequency**
- Low—28 kHz to 60 kHz
  - 23° to 9° port-starboard
  - 11° to 5° fore-aft beamwidth
  - Maximum depth 10000 ft
- Medium—80 kHz to 130 kHz
  - 13° to 8° beamwidth
  - Maximum depth 3000 ft
- 82 kHz of total bandwidth from one transducer
The Chirp Advantage

Traditional sounders operate at only two discrete frequencies – typically 50 kHz and 200 kHz. This results in limited depth range, resolution, and ultimately what targets can be detected in the water column.

In contrast, AIRMAR’s game-changing Chirp-ready transducers provide over 70+ kHz of bandwidth. Transmitting over a wide frequency band results in a greater opportunity to detect what is in the water column. As a result, all targets detected in the entire bandwidth will be seen on the display—even those fish holding close to the bottom—ultimately improving target detection, detail, and range resolution.

Most Chirp transducers vary their beam width as they sweep through their frequency range (low, medium, and high). At the lowest frequency the beam is the widest and it narrows as the frequency increases.

AIRMAR’s new wide beam Chirp transducers are the exception to this rule and have a fixed beam width of either 25° or 40° across the frequency band. This translates into even more coverage under the boat, revealing more fish in the water column than ever before.

Additional Mounting Options

Choosing your mounting option depends on the design of the hull as well as the material it’s manufactured with, the boats intended use, and the desired level of performance.

Need Help Choosing the Right Transducer?

Download the free, award-winning iNstall app! It’s a great tool that takes the guesswork out of selecting the right transducer for your application. Based on frequency, mounting, housing, and cable options, iNstall will reveal the available option(s) and give you instant access to their specifications. Designed for iPhone, iPad and iPod smart phones and tablets running iOS 6.1 and newer.

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