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The minimum fan efficiency requirements are determined from the following table:

Table 1

First tier minimum energy efficiency requirements for fans from 1 January 2013

Fan types	Measurement category (A-D)	Efficiency category (static or total)	Power range P in kW	Target energy efficiency	Efficiency grade (N)
Axial fan	A, C	static	$0,125 \leq P \leq 10$	$\eta_{\text{target}} = 2,74 \cdot \ln(P) - 6,33 + N$	36
			$10 < P \leq 500$	$\eta_{\text{target}} = 0,78 \cdot \ln(P) - 1,88 + N$	
	B, D	total	$0,125 \leq P \leq 10$	$\eta_{\text{target}} = 2,74 \cdot \ln(P) - 6,33 + N$	50
			$10 < P \leq 500$	$\eta_{\text{target}} = 0,78 \cdot \ln(P) - 1,88 + N$	
Centrifugal forward curved fan and centrifugal radial bladed fan	A, C	static	$0,125 \leq P \leq 10$	$\eta_{\text{target}} = 2,74 \cdot \ln(P) - 6,33 + N$	37
			$10 < P \leq 500$	$\eta_{\text{target}} = 0,78 \cdot \ln(P) - 1,88 + N$	
	B, D	total	$0,125 \leq P \leq 10$	$\eta_{\text{target}} = 2,74 \cdot \ln(P) - 6,33 + N$	42
			$10 < P \leq 500$	$\eta_{\text{target}} = 0,78 \cdot \ln(P) - 1,88 + N$	
Centrifugal backward curved fan without housing	A, C	static	$0,125 \leq P \leq 10$	$\eta_{\text{target}} = 4,56 \cdot \ln(P) - 10,5 + N$	58
			$10 < P \leq 500$	$\eta_{\text{target}} = 1,1 \cdot \ln(P) - 2,6 + N$	
Centrifugal backward curved fan with housing	A, C	static	$0,125 \leq P \leq 10$	$\eta_{\text{target}} = 4,56 \cdot \ln(P) - 10,5 + N$	58
			$10 < P \leq 500$	$\eta_{\text{target}} = 1,1 \cdot \ln(P) - 2,6 + N$	
	B, D	total	$0,125 \leq P \leq 10$	$\eta_{\text{target}} = 4,56 \cdot \ln(P) - 10,5 + N$	61
			$10 < P \leq 500$	$\eta_{\text{target}} = 1,1 \cdot \ln(P) - 2,6 + N$	
Mixed flow fan	A, C	static	$0,125 \leq P \leq 10$	$\eta_{\text{target}} = 4,56 \cdot \ln(P) - 10,5 + N$	47
			$10 < P \leq 500$	$\eta_{\text{target}} = 1,1 \cdot \ln(P) - 2,6 + N$	
	B, D	total	$0,125 \leq P \leq 10$	$\eta_{\text{target}} = 4,56 \cdot \ln(P) - 10,5 + N$	58
			$10 < P \leq 500$	$\eta_{\text{target}} = 1,1 \cdot \ln(P) - 2,6 + N$	
Cross flow fan	B, D	total	$0,125 \leq P \leq 10$	$\eta_{\text{target}} = 1,14 \cdot \ln(P) - 2,6 + N$	13
			$10 < P \leq 500$	$\eta_{\text{target}} = N$	

For dual use fans designed for both ventilation under normal conditions and emergency use, at short-time duty, with regard to fire safety requirements as set out in Directive 89/106/EC, the values of the applicable efficiency grades set out in Annex I Section 2 will be reduced by 10 % for 2013 and by 5 % for 2015.





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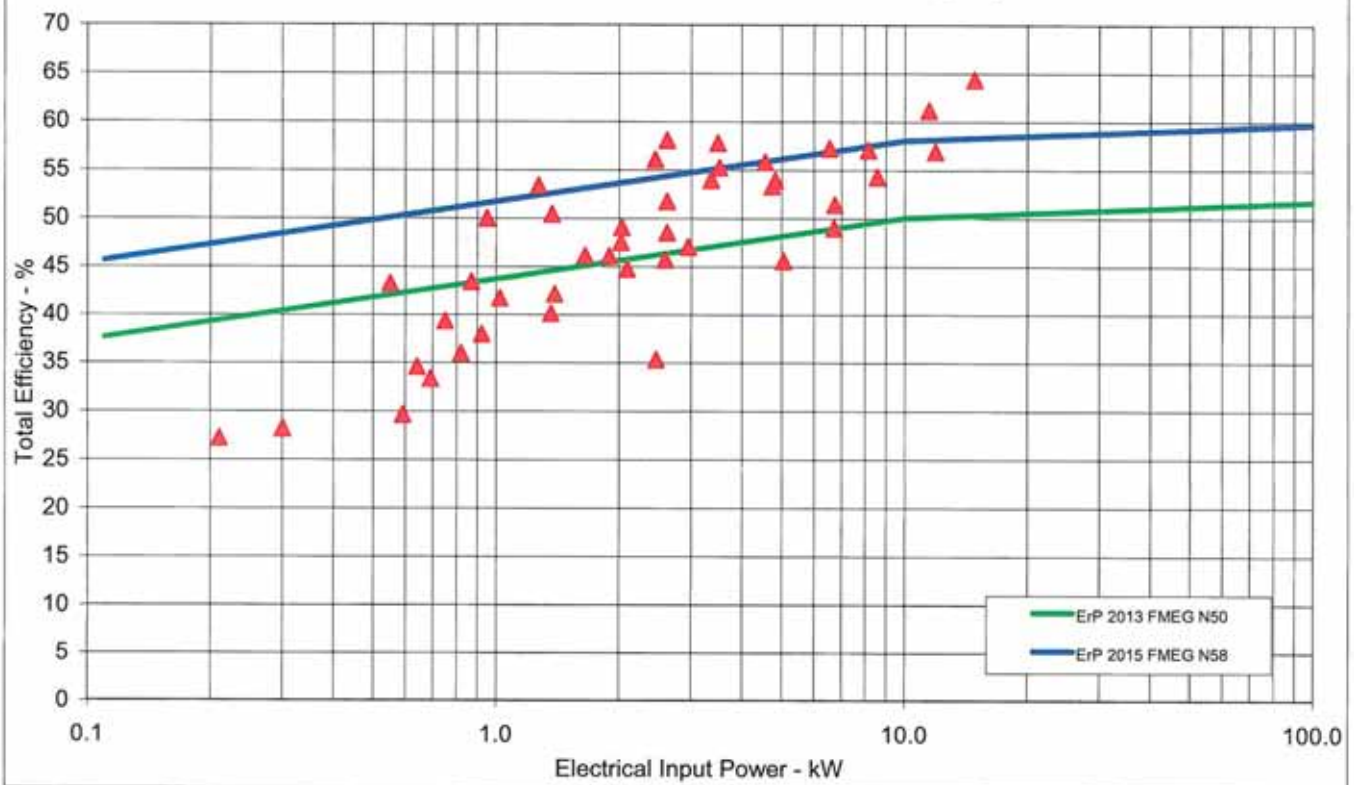
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The ISO 12759 standard provides an efficiency banding classification system for fans which provides the legislators and regulatory bodies the means to review and increase the minimum fan efficiency levels in line with advances in available technology. The Fan Motor Efficiency Grade (FMEG) is represented by a graph with compound slope initially from 125W to 10kW then changing slope from 10kW to 500kW to cater for the inherent higher efficiencies achievable with larger fans. Plotting the peak efficiency points for a standard range of axial flow fans with IE 1 motors available on the market in 2010, the legislative implications for 2013 and 2015 become very obvious per Figure 4.

Approximately 70% of the fans included in Figure 4 were acceptable in 2010 but will have to be withdrawn from the market by 2015.

### Figure 4: Axial fan - Measurement Category B,D



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