

High-Efficiency Boilers







Advanced, Cost-Effective Drop-In Replacement Boiler

The world's first stainless steel condensing boiler that can be installed in a Category I Vent.

Building on AERCO's industry leadership and decades of experience, CFR is engineered to enable building owners and facility managers to cost-effectively upgrade their boiler plant and maximize performance while safely reusing existing Category I / Type B venting.

All CFR models are complemented with AERCO's Edge[®] Controller to optimize system efficiency and operation, and easily integrate the CFR boiler with a facility-wide Energy Management or Building Automation System. This makes CFR a perfect retrofit solution in buildings striving for best-in-class system performance and operational excellence.

CFR	Input MBH	Output MBH	Thermal Efficiency, 80F to 180F
1500	1500	1284	85.6%
3000	3000	2628	87.6%





Up to 4:1 turndown ratio



Low NOx emission



Smart controller for optimized system operation



Durable 439 stainless steel fire-tube HX



Easy service access from front and side



Easy boiler sequencing maximizes energy efficiency



Compact footprint to fit through standard doorway





Industry-best warranty for greater peace of mind

Innovative Design for Unmatched Reliability & Efficiency

Innovative Design for Efficiency and Cost Savings

CFR maintains dry flue gas while exceeding efficiency standards with up to 87.6% thermal efficiency to help comply with local energy conservation mandates. The CFR boilers are able to achieve this thermal efficiency while safely reusing existing Category I / Type B venting for a cost-friendly solution in retrofit projects.

Superior Construction for Greater Uptime Reliability

The 439 stainless steel heat exchanger in the CFR boilers make them highly resilient to condensation. The result is greater uptime reliability in all system applications, regardless of design return water temperatures and reset schedules. The fire-tube heat exchanger design is built to withstand thermal shock and to allow various piping configurations, including variable-primary, making it the ideal for a wide range of commercial applications. Secondary and bypass pumps – typically crucial to the operation of traditional boilers – are not required. It makes CFR the perfect drop-in replacement for retrofit projects to save time and money on installation.



Saves Space, Easy to Install and Service

A compact footprint enables facilities to maximize the use of their valuable mechanical room space, and it can be easily maneuvered into retrofit installations with no need to tear down walls, use cranes or other expensive equipment. CFR boilers fit through a standard 36" doorway and can travel via freight elevators. It can be serviced via the front or top as well as the side for zero side clearance installation between two units for additional space savings.

10-Year Limited Warranty

The heat exchanger in the CFR boilers has a **10-year** limited warranty, including against condensate corrosion. It is the first boiler in its class to provide such peace of mind to building owners.

Easy Installation and Greater Application Flexibility

The design, construction and compact size of the CFR boiler provide several installation advantages for almost any retrofit project.

Space-Saving and Ease of Maintenance

The CFR boiler is delivered as a single, fully assembled unit which can be transported via a freight elevator and easily fit through a standard doorway. This can translate into big savings on installation, both in terms of money and time.

CFR can be serviced via the front or top of the boiler, as well as the side. This flexibility allows zero side clearance installation between two units.

Flexible, Cost-Saving Installation

The fire-tube design allows for various piping configurations, including variable-primary. Secondary and bypass pumps are not required for CFR boilers, which can lower installation costs and make it the perfect drop-in replacement in retrofit projects.

Venting Configurations

The CFR boilers provide vertical discharge venting and room/air ducted combustion capabilities. They are approved for Category I / Type B venting materials to allow for a costfriendly installation solution in retrofit projects.

Note: The information contained herein is not intended to replace the full product installation and safety information available or the experience of a trained product installer. Installers are required to thoroughly read all installation instructions and product safety information before beginning the installation of this product.

Vent Configurations



Vertical vent/room air



Vertical vent/sidewall air



Vertical vent/ vertical air intake



Common vertical vent/room air



Common vertical vent/ individual sidewall air



Common vertical vent/ individual vertical air

Consult an AERCO representative for additional venting configuration inquiries.

Smart Control for Optimized Boiler Operation

CFR comes standard with the Edge Controller to optimize the efficiency and operation of the boiler system by combining temperature and operating controls, combustion safeguards and fault enunciator functions – all at your fingertips.

Features and Benefits

- Effortless boiler startup
- Simplified diagnostic troubleshooting
- User-friendly and intuitive control interface
- Performance trending and reset schedules
- On-board Boiler Sequencing Technology (BST) of up to 16 units
- BACnet IP, BACnet MS/TP, Modbus IP and Modbus RTU communication
- System pump lead-lag rotation
- Variable speed primary pump control
- Domestic Hot Water boiler pump control
- Ensures fail-safe boiler operation (if external building controls fail)
- Communication with AERCO's SmartPlate[®] indirect water heaters

Enhanced with Boiler Sequencing Technology

It requires less energy for a group of modulating boilers, each firing at "part load," to heat a building, than for a single boiler operating at "full fire" to carry the entire workload. That is why the CFR boilers come standard with our Boiler Sequencing Technology (BST) which enables the load to be shared between up to 16 boiler units in order to maximize system energy efficiency.



How it Works

BST optimizes system performance to increase uptime reliability, the longevity of the boiler units and, ultimately, further improves the ROI. To meet building demand, the BST employs as many boilers as available, each operating at its most efficient firing rate. Because the BST reacts in real-time, users can take a unit offline for maintenance at any time or bring on back-up boilers for extremely cold conditions without a negative impact on system performance. As individual boilers are added or deleted, the energy delivered is automatically adjusted to prevent fluctuations in the header temperature of the plant.



Accessories and Combination Plant









AERCO Control System (ACS)

than 16 boilers or if you are designing a combination control system. The ACS relay panel provides additional pump and valve control for several combination control configurations.

Motorized Valves

The Belimo F6 HDU Series 2-way butterfly valves are designed to meet the needs of HVAC and commercial application requiring bubble tight shut-off for liquids. Typical applications include boiler isolation, chiller isolation, cooling tower isolation, change-over systems, air handler coil control, bypass and process control applications. Valves specifically designed for easy installation on BST configured boiler plants are available as well.

Condensate Neutralizer Kit

AERCO Condensate Neutralizers are ideal for boilers and furnaces operating on natural gas or propane. The condensate from the heat exchanger is acidic and has the potential to harm the environment and the sewer system. The AERCO Condensate Neutralizer will raise the pH of the condensate to a more neutral level before it is discharged to drain.



AERCO buffer tanks are ASME certified pressure vessels designed for use with high efficiency, low volume systems that incorporate low-mass condensing boilers. They add thermal mass, dampen fast transitions and minimize boiler cycling that occurs during zero or low domestic load conditions. Available in two and four-port (Primary-Secondary) configurations.



Use CFR in a Combination Plant

Add AERCO's SmartPlate[®] EV indirect water heater to the CFR boiler for a smart, powerful combination plant that promotes system-wide energy efficiency in an ultra-compact design without compromising performance.

CFR and SmartPlate EV come with features which enable a direct two-way communication between the units for optimal control and communication as well as enhanced diagnostics and configuration capabilities to help ensure the system operates together at peak performance.*

Specifications and Dimensions

	CFR		
	1500	3000	
Boiler Category	Category I		
Gas Connections (NPT)	2"		
Max. Gas Pressure	14" w.c.		
Min. Gas Pressure	4" w.c.		
Max. Allowed Working Pressure	160 PSIG		
Electrical Req. 120V/1PH/60Hz ¹	16 FLA	N/A	
Electrical Req. 208V/3PH/60Hz ¹	N/A	10 FLA	
Electrical Req. 460V/3PH/60Hz ¹	N/A	5 FLA	
Water Connections	4" - 150# Flg		
Min. Water Flow (GPM)	30	55	
Max. Water Flow (GPM)	175	300	
Water Volume Gallons	45	61	
Water Pressure Drop	0.7 psig @ 150 gpm	1.5 psig @ 200 gpm	
Turndown Ratio	2.5:1 (40%)	4:1 (25%)	
Vent/Air Intake Connections ²	8" Vent/6" Air Intake	8 inch	
Vent Materials	Category I/Type B Venting		
Type of Gas	Natural Gas		
NOx Emissions	<20ppm	<20ppm	
Temperature Control Range	140°F to 190°F		
Ambient Temperature Range	0°F to 130°F		
Standard Listings & Approvals	UL, CSD-	UL, CSD-1, ASME	
Gas Train	FM Compliant		
Sound Rating dbA	70	72	
Weight (dry) Ibs.	1200	1500	
Shipping Weight Ibs.	1300	1600	
Width	28"	28"	
Depth	43.6"	56"	
Height	78"	78"	

1. See CFR Electrical Power Guide TAG-0108 for Service Disconnect Switch amperage requirements.

2. Do not use the appliance vent connection size as minimum vent size. Refer to latest edition of NFPA 54/ ANSI Z223.1 for sizing Category I venting systems.



Note: The information contained in this technical data sheet is subject to change without notice.





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