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Adjustable Speed Drive Instructions

1. INTRODUCTION

This manual provides essential information for the safe and efficient installation, operation, and maintenance of your Baldor DC Motor Drive Nema 4X BC154. Please read this manual thoroughly before attempting to install or operate the drive. Retain this manual for future reference.

Important Safety Information

- Always disconnect power before performing any installation, maintenance, or troubleshooting procedures.
- Only qualified personnel should install, operate, and service this equipment.
- Ensure proper grounding to prevent electrical shock.
- Do not operate the drive with damaged wiring or components.
- Observe all local and national electrical codes.

2. PRODUCT OVERVIEW

The Baldor DC Motor Drive Nema 4X BC154 is an adjustable speed drive designed for controlling DC motors. Its Nema 4X rating indicates suitability for indoor or outdoor use, providing protection against dust, dirt, splashing water, and hose-directed water.



Figure 1: Baldor DC Motor Drive Nema 4X BC154. This image shows the front panel of the drive, featuring the Baldor logo, indicator lights for ON, STOP, and CL (Current Limit), a large rotary dial for speed adjustment (0-100), a three-position switch for FWD (Forward), BRK (Brake), and REV (Reverse), and push buttons for START and STOP. The model number BC154 is visible at the bottom.

Components and Controls

- **ON Indicator:** Illuminates when the drive is powered and operational.
- **STOP Indicator:** Illuminates when the drive is in a stopped state.
- **CL (Current Limit) Indicator:** Illuminates when the motor current reaches its set limit.
- **Speed Adjustment Dial:** A rotary knob marked 0-100 for precise motor speed control.
- **FWD/BRK/REV Switch:** A three-position selector switch to control motor direction (Forward, Reverse) or engage braking.
- **START Button:** Initiates motor operation.
- **STOP Button:** Halts motor operation.

3. SETUP AND INSTALLATION

Mounting

Mount the drive securely to a flat, stable surface using appropriate fasteners. Ensure adequate ventilation around the unit to prevent overheating. Avoid mounting in direct sunlight or near heat sources.

Electrical Connections

All wiring must comply with local and national electrical codes. Refer to the wiring diagram provided with the drive for specific connection points. Ensure proper sizing of input power wires, motor wires, and control wiring.

1. **Input Power:** Connect the AC input power to the designated terminals. Verify voltage and frequency match the drive's specifications.
2. **Motor Connections:** Connect the DC motor armature and field windings to the appropriate output terminals of the drive. Observe polarity.
3. **Grounding:** Connect the drive's ground terminal to a reliable earth ground.
4. **Control Wiring (Optional):** If external control signals (e.g., remote speed potentiometer, external start/stop) are used, connect them to the designated control terminals.

4. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

Powering On/Off

- **To Power On:** Ensure all connections are secure and the speed dial is set to a low position. Apply input power to the drive. The ON indicator should illuminate.
- **To Power Off:** Press the STOP button. Disconnect the main input power supply.

Speed Adjustment

The motor speed is controlled by the large rotary dial on the front panel. Rotate the dial clockwise to increase speed and counter-clockwise to decrease speed. The markings 0-100 provide a relative indication of speed.

Direction Control

Use the FWD/BRK/REV selector switch to set the motor's direction of rotation:

- **FWD (Forward):** Select this position for forward rotation.
- **REV (Reverse):** Select this position for reverse rotation.
- **BRK (Brake):** Select this position to engage dynamic braking, rapidly stopping the motor.

Starting and Stopping the Motor

- **To Start:** Set the desired direction using the FWD/BRK/REV switch, then press the START button. The motor will accelerate to the speed set by the dial.
- **To Stop:** Press the STOP button. The motor will decelerate and stop.

5. MAINTENANCE

Regular maintenance ensures optimal performance and extends the lifespan of your Baldor DC Motor Drive.

- **Cleaning:** Periodically clean the exterior of the drive with a soft, dry cloth. Do not use solvents or abrasive cleaners. Ensure ventilation openings are free from dust and debris.

- **Connections:** Annually inspect all electrical connections for tightness and signs of corrosion. Retighten as necessary.
- **Environmental Check:** Ensure the operating environment remains within the specified temperature and humidity ranges.
- **Component Inspection:** Visually inspect for any signs of damage, discoloration, or unusual wear on components.

6. TROUBLESHOOTING

This section provides solutions to common issues. For problems not listed here, contact Baldor technical support.

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Drive does not power on	No input power; Blown fuse/breaker	Check power supply; Inspect and replace fuse/reset breaker.
Motor does not start	STOP button engaged; Incorrect wiring; Speed dial at zero	Ensure STOP button is released; Verify motor wiring; Adjust speed dial above zero.
Motor runs erratically	Loose connections; Motor brush issues; Drive fault	Check all wiring connections; Inspect motor brushes; Consult a qualified technician.
CL indicator illuminates frequently	Motor overload; Incorrect current limit setting	Reduce motor load; Verify current limit setting is appropriate for the motor.

7. SPECIFICATIONS

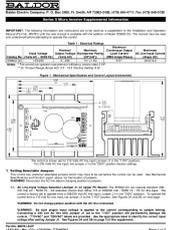
The following specifications are for the Baldor DC Motor Drive Nema 4X BC154:

Feature	Detail
Brand	Baldor
Model Number	BC154
Enclosure Rating	Nema 4X
Material	Copper (internal components)
Item Weight	5 Pounds
Package Dimensions	10 x 6 x 5 inches
Date First Available	May 6, 2016

8. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

For information regarding product warranty, technical support, or service, please refer to the official Baldor documentation included with your purchase or visit the Baldor website. Always provide your model number (BC154) when contacting support.

Related Documents - BC154

	<p>Baldor AC & DC Motor Installation and Maintenance Instructions</p> <p>Comprehensive guide for the installation and maintenance of Baldor AC & DC motors, covering handling, safety, enclosure types, mounting, wiring, lubrication, and maintenance intervals.</p>
	<p>Baldor EM3311T-8 Motor Product Information and Specifications</p> <p>Comprehensive product information for the Baldor EM3311T-8 electric motor, featuring 7.5 HP, 1770 RPM, 3-phase, 60 Hz operation. Includes detailed specifications, part lists, performance data, and dimensional information.</p>
	<p>Baldor BC354 PWM DC Motor Speed Control Installation and Operating Manual</p> <p>Installation and operating manual for the Baldor BC354 PWM DC Motor Speed Control, covering safety warnings, introduction, simplified operating instructions, wiring, selectable jumpers, mounting, operation, AC line fusing, trimpot adjustments, diagnostic LEDs, optional accessories, and limited warranty.</p>
	<p>Baldor BC215 Signal Isolator Accessory for BC204 Regenerative Drive Installation and Operating Manual</p> <p>Installation and operating manual for the Baldor BC215 Signal Isolator, an accessory for the BC204 Regenerative Drive. Covers safety warnings, installation, connections, calibration, and limited warranty.</p>
	<p>Baldor Series 5 Micro Inverter ID5602-CO Supplemental Information</p> <p>Supplemental information for the Baldor Series 5 Micro Inverter, Model ID5602-CO. This document provides essential details on electrical ratings, mechanical specifications, jumper settings for input voltage and motor frequency, AC line fusing recommendations, and trimpot adjustments, serving as a supplement to the main installation and operation manual.</p>



DC Tachometer
Expansion Board
Catalog No. EXB006A01

Installation and Operating Manual

[Baldor DC Tachometer Expansion Board Installation and Operating Manual](#)

This manual provides detailed instructions for the installation and operation of the Baldor DC Tachometer Expansion Board (Catalog No. EXB006A01). It covers general information, board compatibility, installation procedures for various Baldor controls, hardware setup, jumper settings, and software configuration for speed feedback and process control modes.