

The TMS-3 is the top-of-the-line model in the TMS Series of full range enclosures. It incorporates the patented Turbosound features in a tri-amped enclosure designed specifically for the most demanding professional sound reinforcement applications.

The heart of this system is the TurboMid<sup>TM</sup> device. This uses a unique design, covered worldwide by Principle Patents, which allows it to be used over four octaves (250Hz to 4,000Hz) – a system designer's dream.

Due to the geometry of the inner workings of the device, the overall directivity response is much higher than a "normal" horn of the same frontal area. This is a very powerful characteristic, as it allows for highly non-interactive arraying in multiple unit systems (see Figs. 1-4).

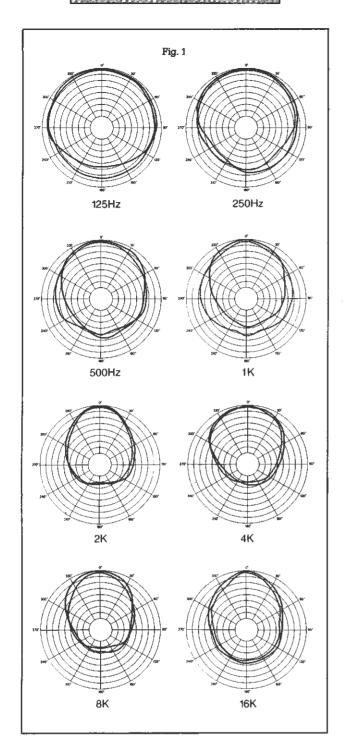
In all TMS Series enclosures, the TurboMid device is combined with a TurboBass<sup>TM</sup> device, also covered by Principle Patents. The design uses high-velocity partial horn-loading techniques, giving greatly enhanced cone control and providing remarkable levels of bass projection from such a compact enclosure (see Fig. 5).

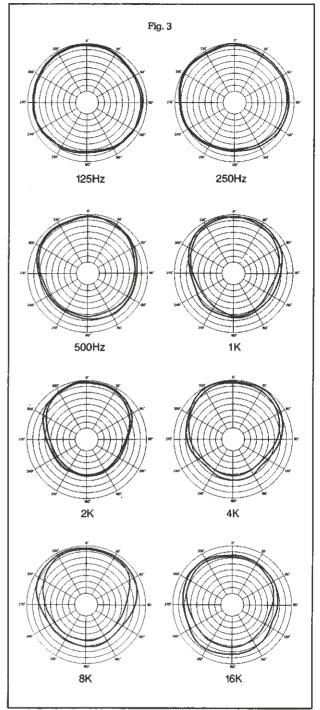
All TMS Series enclosures are easy to fly; thus, an installed TMS-3 system will be unobtrusive and will obstruct sightlines less than conventional multi-way or larger full-range enclosures.

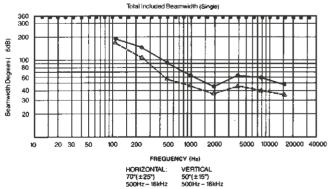
These unique developments in audio design have enabled Turbosound engineers to construct a system which produces very low distortion (see Fig. 7) and a naturally correct acoustic output without the need for less reliable, artificial compensating electronics. The result is a natural, transparent sound quality from an unusually compact enclosure, that is easier to work with than competitive designs.

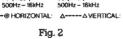
For further general information, please refer to the TMS-3 Sales Data Sheet and TMS Series catalogue.











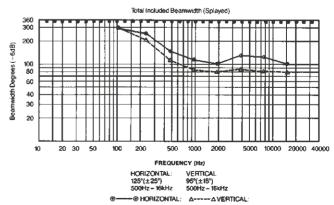
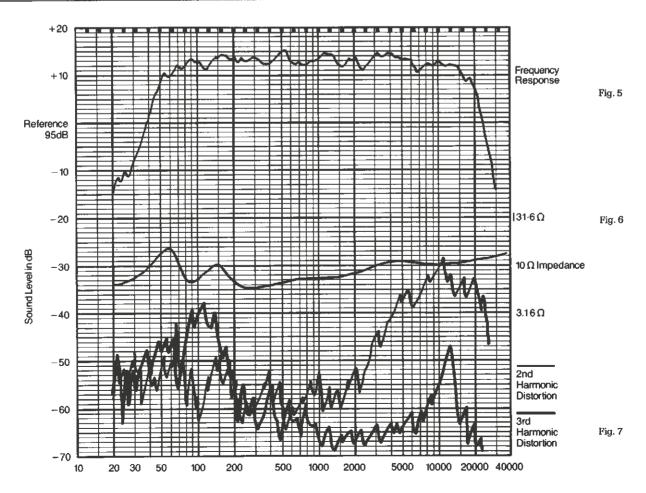


Fig. 4

Dimensions	33 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> "H × 40 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>8</sub> "W × 22 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub> "D (84.4cm × 101.9cm × 57.8cm)	Connectors	1 Cannon AP-6-13 (female panel), 1 Cannon AP-6-12 (male cable) on 6' six conductor 14 gauge speaker cable
Weight	295 lbs. (134 kg.)		
Components: Bass	2 15" LF drivers on 2 TurboBass <sup>TM</sup> devices; 500 watts RMS, 1,000 watts Program; 4 ohms 2 10" MF drivers on 2 TurboMid <sup>TM</sup>	Flying	1 Turbo Fly Plate per side, with 2 angling points on back Optional TMS-3 flying bar complete with straps and all necessary hardware
Mid	devices; 200 watts RMS, 400 watts Program; 8 ohms	Hardware 6 recessed handles Hinged door on back to access	
High	1 2" HF driver on a proprietary flare; 75 watts RMS, 150 watts Program; 16 ohms		connectors, mid and high drivers, and protection circuitry Optional heavy duty cover
Frequency response <sup>1</sup>	55 – 17,000 Hz ±3dB; 45 – 20,000 Hz +3/6dB	Transport	Removable 33" × 22" wheel dolly, fitted with 4 heavy duty 4" swivel castors
Phase response	Coherent over stated bandwidth	Please note No tools required for any part of TMS-3 operation.	
Dispersion <sup>2</sup>	$70^{\circ}\text{H} \times 50^{\circ}\text{V}$ at $-6\text{dB}$ down points		
Power handling	775 watts RMS; 1,550 watts Program	All measurements are actual figures taken from real-time testing using stated inputs, free from any filtering or weighting, rather than treated inputs and/or calculated figures used by many manufacturers. Therefore, actual performance of the TMS-3 may substantially exceed that of loudspeaker systems with higher published ratings.  Notes  Notes  Measured on-axis, half-space conditions, using swept sine wave input Average over stated bandwidth  Mean average of three bands, each measured 1 watt/1 meter. half-space conditions, using swept sine wave input Continuous measurement: Unweighted pink noise input Peak measurement: Music program input Both measured at 1 meter, using stated amplifier power	
Sensitivity <sup>3</sup>	108dB 1 watt/1 meter (Average); 111dB 1 watt/1 meter (Peak)		
Maximum SPL <sup>4</sup>	130dB (Continuous); 141dB (Peak)		
Crossover	Tri-amped; recommended points 250Hz, 3,700Hz; 24dB/octave slope		
Construction	15mm Finnish birch ply, rabbeted, sealed with marine glue, and finished in Trimite semi-matt TurboBlue <sup>5</sup> paint		
Protective grille	1"30 PPI fully reticulated foam		



## FREQUENCY RESPONSE

The frequency response shown in Figure 5 was obtained by feeding a swept sine wave through the system in a large anechoic chamber. The position of the microphone was vertically on-axis, horizontally in-line with the MF/HF section, and at a distance of one meter.

#### IMPEDANCE

A common method constant current drive circuit was used to measure the impedance response, shown in Fig. 6.

## 2ND AND 3RD HARMONIC DISTORTION

Distortion measurements shown in Fig. 7 were obtained using a Bruel and Kjaer harmonic distortion analysis system.

## POLAR RESPONSE

The directional characteristics of the TMS-3 were measured by running a set of horizontal and vertical polar responses, in a large anechoic chamber, at each octave centre frequency. The test signal was octave pseudorandom pink noise (1.0Hz repitition rate) entered at the indicated frequencies. The measurement microphone was placed 6.1 meters (20ft) from the enclosure, while rotation was about the MF/HF section. The polar plots shown in Figs. 1 & 3 display the results of these tests. The centre frequency and beamwidth angle are noted on each plot. Horizontal beamwidth is represented by a solid line (-), and the vertical beamwidth by a dotted line (---).

## **BEAMWIDTH**

A plot of the TMS-3's total included beamwidth angle is shown in Fig. 2 for each octave centre frequency. The horizontal beamwidth is maintained at  $70^{\circ}$  ( $\pm$  25°) over the range 500Hz to 16,000Hz. Vertical beamwidth is maintained at  $50^{\circ}$  ( $\pm$  15°) over the same range.

Fig. 4 shows a plot of the total included beamwidth angle for two cabinets, splayed at an angle of 30° horizontally and 25° vertically, for each octave centre frequency. The horizontal beamwidth, measured at these splay angles, is maintained at 125° ( $\pm$ 25°) over the range 500Hz to 16,000Hz. Vertical beamwidth is maintained at 95° ( $\pm$ 15°) over the same range.

# ARCHITECTURAL AND ENGINEERING SPECIFICATIONS

The loudspeaker system shall be of the tri-amped, three-way type, consisting of two 15" low frequency loudspeakers loaded with two patented TurboBass  $^{\text{TM}}$  devices, two 10" mid frequency drivers loaded with two patented TurboMid $^{\text{TM}}$  device, and one 2" high frequency unit.

Performance specifications of a typical production unit shall meet or exceed the following: Frequency response, measured with swept sine wave input, shall be flat within  $\pm$  3dB from 55 – 17,000 Hz. Dispersion, at –6dB points, shall average  $70^{\circ}\text{H} \times 50^{\circ}\text{V}$ . rated Impedances shall be: Bass 4 ohms, Mid 8 ohms, High 16 ohms. Power handling shall be 775 watts 1,550 watts Program. Sensitivity, measured with 1 watt input at 1 meter distance on-axis, mean averaged over the stated bandwidth, shall be 108dB. Maximum SPL (Peak), measured with music program input at stated amplifier power, shall be 14dB.

Dimensions:  $33\frac{1}{4}$ "H  $\times$   $40\frac{1}{8}$ "W  $\times$   $22\frac{3}{4}$ "D. Weight: 295 lbs. Total enclosure volume shall not exceed  $17\frac{1}{2}$  cu.ft.

The loudspeaker system shall be the Turbosound TMS-3.

No other loudspeaker system shall be acceptable unless submitted data from an independent test laboratory verify that the above combined performance/size specifications are met.



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