

# TYPES OF LOAD

## 1. Linear Loads:

- Load impedance is always constant regardless of the applied voltage
- The load current increases proportionately as the voltage increases and decreases as the voltage decreases
- Examples of linear loads are motor, incandescent lighting, heating loads etc.

## 2. Motor load:

- Induction motors are most commonly used loads. During the starting of an induction motor, a very large current is demanded from the power source, which is known as the starting current. For selecting suitable alternators, the following guidelines can be referred for Motor loads :

Method of Starting	Starting current
Direct on line (DOL)	6~7 times full load current of motor
Star / Delta	2 ~ 2.5 times full load current of motor
Rotor resistance	1.5 ~ 2 times full load current of motor
Auto transformer starting	
40% Tapping	1.2 times full load current of motor
60% Tapping	4 times full load current of motor
80% Tapping	4.5 times full load current of motor

## 3. Non Linear Loads :

- Load current is not proportional to the instantaneous voltage. Often load current is not continuous
- Essentially electronic loads such as computers, UPS, Variable speed motor drives etc.
- UPS & Telecom load controlled by a 12 pulse Thyristor bridge plus a filter (Load should not exceed 90% of alternator rating)

- UPS & Telecom load controlled by a 6 pulse Thyristor bridge plus a filter (Load should not exceed 60% of alternator rating)
- UPS & Telecom load controlled by a 3 pulse Thyristor bridge plus a filter (Load should not exceed 35% of alternator rating)
- Variable speed 6 pulse Thyristor bridge controlled drive (load should not exceed 50% of alternator rating)

#### **4. Special Loads :**

- **Lift application** : In this application since the starting motor is very frequent (S4 duty). The starting current of the lift motor should be less than 75% of the rated current of the alternator when there is no base load. In other words Kva rating of the alternator is to be taken as 3 times that of HP rating of the lift motor.
- **Reciprocating compressor application** : Maximum of 66% load current can be of reciprocating compressor motor (Slip ring type with rotor resistance starter) **or**

Maximum of 33% load current can be of Reciprocating compressor motor (Squirrel cage induction Motor)

## **APPLIANCES & POWER REQUIREMENT**

<b><u>ITEM</u></b>	<b><u>STARTING POWER</u></b>	<b><u>ACTUAL POWER</u></b>
Bulb (60 w)	-	60 VA
Tubelight	80 VA	50 VA
Ceiling fan	-	60 VA
Air conditioner (1.5T)	5000 VA	1800 VA
Refridgerator (165L)	1000 VA	280 VA
1 HP Motor	2000 VA	750 VA
Computer	-	250 VA
Laser printer	-	200 VA
Fax	-	45 VA
Xerox	-	1500 VA
29" TV	-	100 VA
Mixie	-	450 VA
EPABX	-	40 VA
Music system	-	60 VA
Iron Box	-	750 VA
Water Heater	-	1500 VA

**Note : The wattages mentioned above are approximate indicators. The wattages may vary from brand and size.**

## **SAMPLE LOAD CALCULATION - 1**

A1) Three phase motors

SN	Description	Qty	Rating in Kva	Starting Kva rating (6 time cont. Kva)
1	Center Lathe	1	2.75	16.5
2	Vertical Drilling M/c.	1	1.875	11.25
3	Vertical Milling M/c.	1	0.938	5.65
4	Vertical Milling M/c.	1	3.75	22.5
5	Compressor	1	3.75	22.50
	<b>Total</b>		<b>13.06</b>	<b>22.50</b>

A2) Single phase motors

SN	Description	Qty	Rating in Kva	Starting Kva rating (6 time cont. Kva)	Total KVA
1	Hand Grinder 1.5 Kw each	1	1.875	11.25	1.875
2	Hand Drilling 1.5 Kw each	2	1.875	11.25	3.75
3	Fans 60 Watt each	6	0.075	1.6	0.45
	<b>Total</b>	-	-	<b>11.25</b>	<b>6.08</b>

A3) Other Loads : Single phase

SN	Description	Qty	Total Kva
1	Tubelights (40 watts)	10	0.4
	<b>Total</b>	-	<b>0.4</b>

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Total single phase load (B)} &= A2 + A3 \\ &= 6.08 + 0.4 = 6.48 \text{ Kva} \end{aligned}$$

Since the total single phase load is distributed equally on all three phases, the load on each phase is =  $6.48 / 3 = 2.16$  Kva

$$\text{Corresponding 3 phase load } \odot = 1.732 * 2.16 = 3.74 \text{ Kva}$$

$$\text{Total continuous Kva Load (L)} = A1 + C = 13.06 + 3.74 = 16.80 \text{ Kva}$$

Assuming that the largest motor is started last,  
base load on DG is

$$= 16.8 - 3.75 = 13.05 \text{ Kva}$$

KVA load required while starting last m/c =  $13.05 + 22.5 \text{ Kva} = 35.55 \text{ Kva}$

**Final recommendation is 15 KVA (13.05 + 20% reserve)**

Alternator is capable of taking 2.5 times the rated Kva (ie) in this case 37.5 Kva. Hence load required for starting the last machine 35.55 KVA is available.

## SAMPLE LOAD CALCULATION - 2

The following loads are used in Anna Nagar BPCL's company owned company operated outlet.

A) Three phase load (compressor) 3.7 KW = 4.625 KVA.

B) Single phase load

- Split A/C : 3 KW = 3.75 kva.
- Water pump : 0.75 KW = 0.93 kva.
- Diesel & petrol pump motor : 3 x 0.56 KW = 1.68 KW = 2.10 kva.
- Tube lights : (50 x 60 w)/1000 = 3 KW = 3.75 kva.
- Halogen lamps : 10 x 1KW = 10 KW = 10.00 kva.
- Computer : 0.50 kva.

**Total Single phase load** = 21.00 KVA

Single phase load is distributed equally on all three phases.

So  $21/3 = 7$  KVA.

Corresponding 3 phase load =  $1.732 \times$  single phase load  
=  $1.732 \times 7$  KVA = 12 KVA

Total KVA required = A+B = 4.625 + 12 = 16.75 KVA

Reserve for future (20%) = 3.4 KVA

Total KVA recommended = 20 KVA

## **SAMPLE LOAD CALCULATION - 3**

**The following loads are used in IBP Co.'s dealer outlet at Koyambedu.**

A) Three phase load (comprerssor) = 3.7 kw = 4.625 kva.

B) Single phase load:

- Diesel & Petrol pump motor = 6 x 0.7 KVA = 4.20 kva
- Water pump = 1 x 0.93 KVA = 0.93 kva
- Mercury vapour lamp = 3 x 500 w = 3.50 kva
- Halogen lamp = 8 x 500 w = 4.00 kva
- Water cooler = 1 x 600 w = 0.60 kva
- Tube lights = 100 x 60 w = 5.40 kva

**Total single phase load** = 18.63 KVA

Load per phase =  $18.63 / 3 = 6.21$  KVA

**Corresponding three phase load = 1.732 x single phase load**

$$= 1.732 \times 6.21 = 10.75 \text{ KVA}$$

Total KVA required A+B =  $4.625 + 10.75 = 15.375$  KVA

Reserve for future 20 % = 3.2 KVA

Total KVA recommended = 20 KVA