

Towed Pinger Locator 25 Specifications

FEATURES

The Phoenix Towed Pinger Locator 25 (TPL-25) System provides the capability to detect and locate emergency relocation pingers on downed aircraft to a maximum depth of 6,000 msw anywhere in the world. Commercial aircraft pingers are mounted directly on the flight recorder, the recovery of which is critical to an accident investigation.

The system consists of the tow fish, tow cable, winch, hydraulic power unit, generator, and topside control console, although not all of these components are required on every mission. The tow fish carries a passive listening device for detecting pingers that automatically transmit an acoustic pulse. Most pingers transmit every second at 37.5 kHz, although the TPL can detect any pinger transmitting between 3.5 kHz and 50 kHz at any repetition rate.

SPECIFICATIONS

Subsea Unit

Weight in Air: 64 lb / 29 kg
Length: 28 in / 712mm
Width: 36 in / 914mm
Height: 18 in / 457mm
Max Operating Depth:6,000 msw

Topside Link

Any tow cable with 2 conductors (ideally coax)
Max Cable length: 18,000m / 55,000 feet

Ports: Telemetry: Subconn MCBH8M Pinger: Subconn MCBH3M

Topside Unit

Control Unit: Standard 4U, 19" Rack Mount

Transit Case Dim.: 21" (533mm) W x 26" (660mm) D x 10.75"

(273mm)T

Weight: 63.5 lb / 28.8 kg

Power Input: 110VAC-230VAC 50/60Hz

Power Consumption: 45w

Outputs: Unfiltered Hydrophone, Filtered Hydrophone

Speaker, Headphones (x2)

Indicators: Power Supply Status

Data Link

Towfish Telemetry

Current and Voltage Monitoring

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Towfish Telemetry

3 Axis Compass Module (Pitch, Roll, Heading) Internal Temperature Pressure Sensor Input. Data Update every 0.5 seconds

Pressure Transducer

Full Scale Pressure: 10,000 psi

Accuracy: ±0.25% Full Scale

Proof Pressure: 30,000 psi

Hydrophone

Type: Hemispherical pattern passive

Frequency: 1.0 to 50 kHz

Sensitivity: -175 to -180 dB re 1v/upa

Subsea Environmental Filter

Type: Selectable (HF / LF) 16th Order

LF Band: 3kHz to 9 kHz HF Band: 25kHz to 50kHz

None: Option to Bypass for non-standard

frequencies

Self Test / Emergency Pinger

Type: Teledyne Benthos Model #: ELP-362A/PL

Frequency: 37.5 kHz, ± 1 kHz
Operating Depth: 0 to 6,000 msw

Pulse Length: ≥ 9 ms

Repetition Rate: ≥ 0.9 pulses per second

Console Filter Bands

3.5 kHz: Passband 2 kHz to 4.5 kHz
8.5 kHz: Passband 6.5 kHz to 10.5 kHz
27 kHz: Passband 25 kHz to 29 kHz
37.5 kHz: Passband 35.5 kHz to 39.5 kHz
45 kHz: Passband 43 kHz to 47 kHz
None: All frequencies passed

Detection Range (For Dukane Model #N15F210B)

Max. Range: Greater than 3km

