

# Motor Efficiency Calculations

Technical Reference Manual - IEC 60034-30-1 Standards

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## 1. Basic Motor Efficiency Calculation

$$\text{Motor Efficiency } (\eta) = (P_{\text{out}} / P_{\text{in}}) \times 100\%$$

Where:

- $P_{\text{out}}$  = Mechanical Output Power (kW)
- $P_{\text{in}}$  = Electrical Input Power (kW)
- $\eta$  = Efficiency (%)

### Example Calculation - 75kW IE4 Motor:

#### Given Data:

- Motor Rating: 75 kW
- Measured Input Power: 79.2 kW
- Shaft Output Power: 74.6 kW
- Load Factor: 100%

#### Calculation:

$$\begin{aligned}\eta &= (74.6 / 79.2) \times 100\% \\ \eta &= 0.942 \times 100\% \\ \eta &= 94.2\%\end{aligned}$$

IE4 Requirement for 75kW, 4-pole:  $\geq 94.1\%$

Result: PASS (94.2% > 94.1%)

**Note:** Measurements must be taken at rated voltage, frequency, and temperature conditions as specified in IEC 60034-2-1.

**Actual Load Factor** = (P\_measured / P Rated) × 100%

**Efficiency at Partial Load:**

$\eta_{\text{partial}} = \eta_{\text{rated}} \times K_{\text{load}}$

Where K\_load varies by motor type and load percentage

Load Factor (%)	IE2 Correction	IE3 Correction	IE4 Correction
25%	0.85	0.87	0.89
50%	0.92	0.94	0.95
75%	0.97	0.98	0.99
100%	1.00	1.00	1.00

**Example - Partial Load Efficiency:**

- Motor: 30kW IE3, rated efficiency 92.8%
- Operating at 75% load
- Correction factor: 0.98
- Actual efficiency = 92.8% × 0.98 = 90.9%

### 3. Annual Energy Consumption

$$\text{Annual Energy} = P_{\text{rated}} \times \text{LF} \times \text{OH} \times (1/\eta) \times \text{CF}$$

Where:

- $P_{\text{rated}}$  = Rated Power (kW)
- LF = Load Factor (decimal)
- OH = Operating Hours per year
- $\eta$  = Motor Efficiency (decimal)
- CF = Capacity Factor (typically 0.85-0.95)

#### Detailed Annual Energy Calculation:

##### Motor Specifications:

- Rated Power: 75 kW
- Load Factor: 85% (0.85)
- Operating Hours: 6,500 hours/year
- Efficiency: 94.2% (0.942)
- Capacity Factor: 0.90

##### Step-by-step Calculation:

1. Effective Power =  $75 \times 0.85 = 63.75$  kW
2. Power Input =  $63.75 \div 0.942 = 67.67$  kW
3. Adjusted Power =  $67.67 \times 0.90 = 60.90$  kW
4. Annual Energy =  $60.90 \times 6,500 = 395,850$  kWh/year

**Total Annual Energy Consumption: 395,850 kWh/year**

#### 4. Power Factor Calculations

$$\text{Power Factor (PF)} = P / (\sqrt{3} \times V \times I)$$

$$\text{Reactive Power (Q)} = P \times \tan(\arccos(\text{PF}))$$

$$\text{Apparent Power (S)} = P / \text{PF}$$

##### Power Factor Analysis:

- Active Power (P): 67.67 kW
- Voltage (V): 400V (line-to-line)
- Current (I): 98.5 A
- Power Factor =  $67,670 \div (\sqrt{3} \times 400 \times 98.5)$
- Power Factor =  $67,670 \div 68,285 = 0.991$
- Reactive Power =  $67.67 \times \tan(\arccos(0.991)) = 9.12 \text{ kVAR}$

5. IE Classification Standards

Motor Power (kW)	Minimum Efficiency Requirements (%)			
	IE1	IE2	IE3	IE4
0.75	75.2	79.6	82.5	85.7
1.1	78.1	81.4	84.1	87.2
1.5	79.8	82.8	85.3	88.1
2.2	81.5	84.3	86.7	89.2
3.0	82.7	85.2	87.7	90.1
4.0	83.7	86.0	88.4	90.8
5.5	84.7	87.0	89.2	91.6
7.5	85.6	87.8	90.0	92.3
11.0	86.8	89.0	91.0	93.0
15.0	87.7	89.8	91.8	93.6
18.5	88.2	90.3	92.3	94.0
22.0	88.7	90.7	92.7	94.3
30.0	89.4	91.4	93.3	94.8
37.0	89.9	91.9	93.7	95.2
45.0	90.3	92.3	94.1	95.5
55.0	90.7	92.7	94.4	95.8
75.0	91.3	93.3	94.8	96.2
90.0	91.6	93.6	95.1	96.4
110.0	92.0	94.0	95.4	96.7
132.0	92.3	94.3	95.7	96.9
160.0	92.6	94.6	96.0	97.1
200.0	92.9	94.9	96.2	97.4

**Important:** Values shown are for 4-pole, 50Hz motors at rated conditions. Different pole configurations and frequencies have different requirements as per IEC 60034-30-1.

$$\eta_{\text{corrected}} = \eta_{\text{measured}} \times K_{\text{temp}}$$

$$K_{\text{temp}} = 1 + \alpha \times (T_{\text{ref}} - T_{\text{measured}})$$

Where:

- $\alpha$  = Temperature coefficient (typically 0.005/°C)
- $T_{\text{ref}}$  = Reference temperature (25°C)
- $T_{\text{measured}}$  = Actual measurement temperature

### Temperature Correction Example:

- Measured efficiency: 93.8% at 35°C
- Reference temperature: 25°C
- Temperature coefficient: 0.005/°C
- $K_{\text{temp}} = 1 + 0.005 \times (25 - 35) = 1 - 0.05 = 0.95$
- Corrected efficiency = 93.8%  $\times$  0.95 = 89.1%