

# FREEZE DRY

# **MODEL SPECIFICATION SHEET:**

FD600

- Stainless steel
- 600kg capacity
- 58m² shelf area



# **Cuddon FD600 Specification:**

| Chamber - Over all dimensions   | 4.71m long (7.86m with both doors opened) x 1.9m wide (2.31m with door open) x 2.27m high (AISI 304 S/S) |
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| Vapour Condenser Capacity   | 600 kg in a 24hr period  |
| Number of shelves   | 16 heat plates (2 Modules) (15 useable)  |
| Usable Shelf Area (m²)  | 58 m <sup>2</sup>  |
| Ice Capacity (kg)   | 600 kg   |
| Shelf Dimensions (Depth is 1866mm)  | 1020mm   |
| Shelf Spacing (mm)  | 35mm   |
| Shelf Temperature   | -20°C to +70°C   |
| Low temperature model: shelf freezing to -35°C and vapour condenser temperature -55°C |  |
| Shelf Cooling Rate (+40°C to −20°C) (Min)   | ≤ 60   |
| Shelf Heating Rate (°C / Min) (approx.)   | 1  |
| Product Trays<br>Tray Dimensions  | S/S 2B finish - 90 per set (2 sets supplied)<br>1020mm (w) x 620mm (d) - 3 trays per shelf               |
| Energy consumption ( based on 600kg of ice over 24hr period)                          | 2 kWh / kg of wet product<br>2.2 kWh / kg of wet product if air cool condenser is used                   |
| Heating / Cooling medium  | Glycol   |
| Power Requirement   | 95kW, 50 or 60 Hz, 3 -phase  |
| Weight  | 8900kg   |



# A LITTLE BACKGROUND

# Experience and Expertise

Cuddon Freeze Dry has been developing and manufacturing freeze drying equipment since 1963. With over 40 years experience and more than 100 installations worldwide, our products are highly respected. Cuddon freeze dryers are MAF approved and used in the following industries:

- Dairy
- Nutraceutical
- Research
- · Disaster Recovery



# Quality and Service

All Cuddon Freeze Dry manufacturing is completed under ISO9001 accreditation. This ensures consistency, reliability and quality workmanship. Cuddon Ltd has been IS09001 certified since 1993. Our dedicated staff pride themselves on providing world-class after sales service via the Internet, telephone or in person where required.







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# FD600 Specification Summary...

## **Turn-Key Service**

 Unless otherwise specified, Cuddon Freeze Dry sales include CIF freight to your nearest international seaport, installation/commissioning/staff-training by Cuddon engineers, and a full 12 -month warranty.

### **Capacity and Cycle Time**

 Cuddon Freeze Dry's quality acceptance test is to sublimate and condense the vapour condenser capacity of ice within 24 hours. For the FD600, this equates to 600kg of ice.

#### **Construction Material**

 Chamber, doors, hinges, shelf modules, trays and vapour condenser constructed from AISI 304 stainless steel.

#### Chamber

- Shelf modules (x2) and vapour condenser are contained inside chamber. FD600 has a door at both ends, allowing wet and dry room application.
- Two viewing ports, each 180mm in diameter, are provided in the doors, allowing observation of both the vapour condenser and product trays during the drying cycle.
- Chamber is fitted with stainless steel pneumatically operated valves that isolate the vacuum line connection, drain, water defrost and vacuum release.

## **Modular Shelf Heating Plates**

- Plates fabricated from T304 stainless steel with 2B finish. FD600 contains 2 x shelf modules, each with 16 heat plates (shelves).
- Each shelf module is removable from the chamber for maintenance or cleaning, and is done by rolling onto a trolley which is provided.

#### **Trays**

• Two sets of T304 stainless steel trays are provided as standard.

### **Heating System**

- Variable controlled electric boiler, connected in series with the heat plates.
- Heating fluid is glycol based and is circulated by a centrifugal pump, allowing heated or cooled fluid to be circulated through the plates on demand of the electronic load controller. A cooling heat exchanger is provided in the circuit for reducing the temperature of the plates.

### Vacuum System

 Roots blower and backing pump are connected to the chamber by 304 Stainless Steel lines and pneumatic isolating valve. Pump exhaust is vented to the exterior of the building housing the freeze dryer.

#### Refrigeration

 Refrigeration condensing unit is purpose-built with capacity control to allow economical use of the low-temperature R507 refrigerant. Includes water cooled condenser.

## Vapour Condenser

- T304 stainless steel tube in parallel circuits to form a direct expansion refrigerated coil.
- Defrosting ice after a product cycle is by water. Hot water defrost optional using heat recovery from the refrigeration system.

#### **Low Temperature Option**

 A lower temperature option can be quoted if required, giving -55°C vapour condenser temperature, and -35°C/+70°C shelf freezing/heating.

#### **Control System**

- OMRON PLC interfaced with OMRON touchscreen control panel. Screen includes graphic overview of freeze drying system. Automated system will ramp/reduce energy to govern sublimation pressure to pre-set parameters.
- 15 x 12-step recipe programming capacity, 250 batch storage, software for data retrieval and analysis. In-built modem allows remote access for monitoring and service.

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