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Identification & Advantages Of The Different Types of Single Phase Motors



Split Phase Motors



	Starting Current	Starting Torque	<u>Start</u> <u>Capacitor</u>	<u>Switch</u>	Best Applications
	High-700 to 1,000% rated	Low-100 to 175% rated load	No	Yes	Small grinders,small fans& blowers
	Note:	For thermal protection it is difficult to find a protector with trip time fast enough to prevent start-winding burnout			
Note: Avoid any applications requiring high cycl-				gh cycle rat	tes or high torques

Capacitor Start / Induction Run Motors

CAPACITOR START /	Start winding Rotary switch or relay Start capacitor	
INDUCTION RUN		

Starting Current	<u>Starting Torque</u>	<u>Start</u> Capacitor	<u>Switch</u>	Best Applications	
450 to 575% rated current	200 to 400% of rated load	Yes	Yes	"Workhorses" of Gen Purpose single phase industrial motors	
Note:	Use them on a wide range of belt-drive applications like small conveyors, large blowers and pumps, as well as many direct-drive or geared applications				
Note:	Higher cycle rates & reliable thermal protection				

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Permanent Split Capacitor Motors



Starting Current	Starting Torque	Capacitor	Switch	Best Applications	
Low <200% rated load current	Low-30 to 150% rated load	No	No	Gate & garage door operators,fans, blowers	
Note: Excellent for applications with hig mechanism so can be reversed easily phase motor because no starting swith				igh cycle rates. Need no starting sily. Considered most reliable single vitch needed.	
Note:	Not for hard to start applications.Breakdown toque typically somewhat lower than with cap start motors.				

Capacitor Start / Capacitor Run Motors



This type combines the best of the capacitor-start/induction-run motor and the permanent split capacitor motor. It has a <u>start-type capacitor</u> in series with the auxiliary winding like the capacitor-start motor for high starting torque. And, like a PSC motor, it <u>also has a run-type capacitor</u> that is in series with the auxiliary winding after the start capacitor is switched out of the circuit. This allows high breakdown or overload torque. Another advantage of the capacitor-start/capacitor-run type motor: It can be designed for lower full-load currents and higher efficiency. Among other things, this means it operates at lower temperature than other single-phase motor types of comparable horsepower. The only disadvantage to a cap-start/cap-run motor is its higher price, mostly the result of more capacitors, plus a Starting Switch.

But it's a real powerhouse, able to handle applications too demanding for any other kind of single-phase motor.

These include woodworking machinery, air compressors, high-pressure water pumps, vacuum pumps and other high torque applications requiring 1 to 10 hp.

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