Allison Transmissions

Automatic Models
MT 643
up to 250 nhp
(186 kW)

SPECIFICATIONS

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General rating+

Net input power (max).............................250 hp (186 kW)
Input speed range................................2000 - 4000 rpm
Net input torque (max)........................640 lb ft (868 N•m)
Vehicle weight (GVW or GCW)............Up to 73,280 lbs (33,239 kg)

Mounting

Direct....................SAE 2 flywheel housing with flex plate drive

Torque converter

Type..............................Single-stage, 3-element, multiphase
Stall torque ratio...........TC 350-3.04; TC 360-2.86; TC 370-2.40;
                          TC 378-2.27; TC 380-1.82
Lockup Clutch, automatic............Effective in 3rd & 4th

Gearing
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Type..........................Constant mesh, spur type planetary

Range | Ratios*:
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First | 3.58:1
Second | 2.09:1
Third | 1.39:1
Fourth | 1.00:1
Reverse | 5.67:1

* Gear ratio does not include torque converter ratio.

Power takeoff provision

Converter driven (SAE 6-bolt)
Location............................Right side (viewed from rear)
Drive gear ratio................. All ranges--1.00 x turbine speed
Drive gear rating..................300 lb ft (407 N•m)

Oil system

Oil type....................................... Dexron• III, C 4
Capacity (excluding external circuit).....18 U.S. qts (17 liters)
(w/std. oil pan)
Filter............Full flow, replaceable element, remote mounted
Cooler............................................Remote mounted
(Filter and Cooler not furnished on transmission assembly but is supplied by vehicle manufacturer.)

Size

Length..........................................30.4 in (773 mm)
Width...........................................19.3 in (489 mm)
Height (with 5.1" pan).........................22.4 in (568 mm)
Weight (dry)....................................510 lbs (231 kg)
Weight (dry) w/output retarder...............638 lbs (289 kg)

+NOTE: Vocational ratings may vary by vocation.

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Design Features & Benefits (go to top)

- Designed for use with large bore gasoline and mid-range diesel engines up to 250 nhp (186 kW). Four forward ranges and one reverse. This transmission model is best suited for school bus, P&D, emergency vehicles and motorhomes.
- Clutches are multidisc design, oil-cooled, hydraulically-operated, and self-compensating for normal wear. Spur-type planetary gears are designed for strength, quietness, and long life.
- Automatic lockup clutch, throttle-modulated for maximized fuel economy and enhanced engine braking. Automatic upshifting and downshifting within each drive range. Built-in inhibitors prevent downshifts or shifts into reverse unless vehicle speed is within an acceptable range.
- The Allison three-element torque converter provides smooth, shock-free operation. A choice of converters permits matching the MT 643 to a wide variety of engines.
- Converter-driven power take-off drive on right side of transmission (as viewed from rear) is standard. Design is SAE 6-bolt. Provisions for neutral start switch, reverse signal switch, SAE regular-duty thread-type speedometer drive, and parking brake.
- 5.1 inch oil pan is standard. Optional 4.3 and 7.1 inch pans are available when ground clearance or heavy duty operation dictates their use.

Typical Applications (go to top)

- Shorthaul Tractor
- P&D Truck
- Fire Truck
- Utility Truck
- Stake Truck
- Dump Truck
- Flat Bed Truck
- Motorhome
- Beverage Truck
- School Bus
- Refrigerated Van
- Refuse Truck
- Tanker Truck
- Wrecker
- Other applications are available.

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