# **Compressor Application Guideline**

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This useful Compressor Application Guide is a simple point system using vehicle configuration and vocation options to help calculate the Bendix compressor that's right for your vehicle. Review items 1-12, fill in the applicable points on each line, then refer to the application grid on page 2 for the proper Bendix compressor selections that can meet your vehicle's intended use. When completing the worksheet, if a particular entry is not valid for your application, enter zero on that line. Page 3 of this guide provides several examples of how to use this helpful calculator.



| Vehicle Configuration  |                       | Points       |
|--|-----------------------|--------------|
| 1. Vehicle is equipped with bulk off-loading or central tire infla | ation                 | (See Note 1) |
| 2. For every axle (tractor & trailer – including lifts):           | Add 1.0 point/axle >  |              |
| 3. For each non-steerable lift axle (additional points):           | Add 1.0 point/axle >  |              |
| 4. For each steerable lift axle (additional points):               | Add 0.5 points/axle > |              |
| 5. Tractor and/or trailer is equipped with air suspension          | Add 0.5 points >      |              |

| 6.  | Vehicle is used as a c                         | city transit bus                                 |   | (See Note 1) |
|-----|--|--|---|--------------|
| 7.  | Vehicle is used for pic                        | ckup & delivery                                  | a) Non-fuel hauler:<br>Add 0.5 points ▶ |              |
|     |  | ÷ -;   | b) Fuel hauler:<br>Add 1.0 point ▶      |              |
| 8.  | Vehicle is used for rea                        | sidential refuse                                 |   |              |
|     |  | <ul> <li>Vehicle with a work brake</li> </ul>    | Add 4.5 points >                        |              |
|     |  | <ul> <li>Vehicle without a work brake</li> </ul> | Add 7.5 points >                        |              |
| 9.  | Vehicle is used for ru                         | iral or commercial refuse                        | Add 3.5 points >                        |              |
| 10. | Vehicle is used as a                           | yard or terminal jockey                          | Add 7.5 points >                        |              |
| 11. | Vehicle is a dump true logging or construction | ck, a concrete mixer, or is used in<br>on        | Add 2.0 points >                        |              |
| 12. | Vehicle is a fire truck                        | – "Fast Fill" system (See Note 2)                | Add 6.0 points >                        |              |
| 13. | Vehicle is used for lir                        | ne haul  | Add 0.0 points >                        | 0            |

#### Vocation Options (Select the description that best fits)

 Total Score

 (Add lines 1 – 13 and use that sum on page 2 of this guide)

**Note 1:** Vehicles equipped with either bulk off-loading, central tire inflation, or used in city transit bus applications should use a Bendix<sup>®</sup> BA-922<sup>®</sup> compressor... no further calculations are required.

**Note 2:** To reduce the complexity of the "Fast Fill" system, Bendix recommends that a Bendix BA-922 compressor be used on all fire truck and aircraft rescue applications.



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|                  |  |          | Increasing              | Performan   | ce  |   |
|------------------|--|----------|-------------------------|---|---|---|
|                  |  | Point    |                         | Bendix <sup>®</sup> Co  | mpressors   |   |
| Comp             | ressor Application   | Total    | Tu-Flo <sup>®</sup> 550 | Tu-Flo <sup>®</sup> 750   | BA-921®   | BA-922®   |
|                  | School Bus / RV / Air over Hydraulic                             | any      | <b>~</b>                |   | <b>~</b>  |   |
|                  | City Transit Bus / Highway Travel<br>Coach / Express Route Coach | any      |                         |   |   | <b>~</b>  |
|                  | School Bus Rural Route<br>(no Auto Brake)                        | any      | ~                       |   | ~   |   |
|                  | School Bus City Route<br>(no Auto Brake)                         | any      |                         | ~   | ~   |   |
|                  |  | 2.5 - 6  | <b>~</b>                |   | <ul> <li>Image: A set of the set of the</li></ul> |   |
|                  | Pick-up & Delivery   | 6.5 - 9  |                         | <b>~</b>  | <ul> <li>Image: A start of the start of</li></ul> |   |
|                  |  | 9.5 - 13 |                         |   |   | <b>~</b>  |
|                  |  | 3 - 6    | <ul> <li></li> </ul>    |   | <b>~</b>  |   |
|                  | Line Haul  | 6.5 - 9  |                         | <b>~</b>  | <b>~</b>  |   |
| 61. <u>67788</u> |  | 9.5 - 13 |                         |   |   | <ul> <li></li> </ul>  |
|                  | Rural or Commercial Refuse                                       | 6.5 - 9  |                         | <ul> <li></li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>Image: A set of the set of the</li></ul> |   |
|                  | Rural or Commercial Refuse / Yard or Terminal Jockey             | 9.5 - 13 |                         |   |   | ~   |
|                  | Residential Refuse (with Work Brake)                             | 6.5 - 9  |                         | <b>v</b>  | <b>~</b>  |   |
|                  | Residential Refuse (no Work Brake)                               | 9.5 - 13 |                         |   |   | <b>~</b>  |
|                  | Concrete Mixer / Dump Truck /                                    | 4 - 6    | ~                       |   | >   |   |
|                  | Off-Highway / Construction / Logger                              | 6.5 - 9  |                         | <ul> <li>Image: A start of the start of</li></ul> | <b>~</b>  |   |
|                  |  | 9.5 - 13 |                         |   |   | <b>~</b>  |
|                  | Fire Trucke  | 6.5 - 9  |                         | ✓   | <b>~</b>  |   |
| <u>"⊙"""</u> ⊙   |  | 9.5 - 13 |                         |   |   | <ul> <li>Image: A start of the start of</li></ul> |
|                  | Bulk Off-loader  | any      |                         |   |   | ~   |
|                  | Central Tire Inflation   | any      |                         |   |   | <b>~</b>  |

This compressor application matrix offers directional information when sizing a Bendix compressor for the applicable vehicle vocation. Testing should still be performed on the specific application to verify that the compressor remains within the 25% maximum allowable duty cycle. This application matrix assumes that all compressor installations use an air induction system that is naturally aspirated. The "Compressor Installation & Application Review" form explains the methods used to measure the vehicle's duty cycle.

| Compressor<br>Selections                    |     |   |   |   |   |     |   |   | Poi | nt To | otals | ;  |    |    |    |    |             |
|---|-----|---|---|---|---|-----|---|---|-----|-------|-------|----|----|----|----|----|-------------|
| Bendix <sup>®</sup> Tu-Flo <sup>®</sup> 550 |     |   |   |   |   |     |   |   |     |       |       |    |    |    |    |    |             |
| Bendix <sup>®</sup> Tu-Flo <sup>®</sup> 750 |     |   |   |   |   |     |   |   |     |       |       |    |    |    |    |    |             |
| Bendix <sup>®</sup> BA-921 <sup>®</sup>     |     |   |   |   |   |     |   |   |     |       |       |    |    |    |    |    |             |
| Bendix <sup>®</sup> BA-922 <sup>®</sup>     |     |   |   |   |   |     |   |   |     |       |       |    |    |    |    |    |             |
| Points                                      | 2.5 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 6.5 | 7 | 8 | 9   | 9.5   | 10    | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 or above |

Certification to all applicable vehicle regulations is the sole responsibility of the vehicle manufacturer.

The application chart is for reference only. If your truck/tractor does not fall into these guidelines, please contact the Bendix Compressor Engineering or Technical Services team at 1-800-AIR-BRAKE (1-800-247-2725).

| Example #1: Typical Line Haul Application   |  |  |
|---|--|--|
| Vehicle Configuration   |  | Points   |
| 1. Not Applicable   |  |  |
| 2. Total number of all axles  | =  | 3.0  |
| 3. Total number of non-steerable lift axles   | =  | 0.0  |
| 4. Total number of steerable lift axles   | =  | 0.0  |
| 5. Tractor is equipped with air suspension  | =  | 0.5  |
| Vocation Options  |  |  |
| 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 (Not Applicable)   | =  | 0.0  |
| Total [ 3.0 + 0.5 = 3.5 points ]  | =  | 3.5  |
| Selection choices include: Bendix <sup>®</sup> Tu-Flo <sup>®</sup> 550 or B<br>air compressors  | endix  | <sup>®</sup> BA-921 <sup>®</sup>   |
| Example #2: Line Haul Pulling Single Axle Double  | e  |  |
| Vehicle Configuration   |  | Points   |
| 1. Not Applicable   |  |  |
| 2. Total number of all axles  | =  | 5.0  |
| 3. Total number of non-steerable lift axles   | =  | 0.0  |
| 4. Total number of steerable lift axles   | =  | 0.0  |
| 5. Tractor is equipped with air suspension  | =  | 0.5  |
| Vocation Options  |  |  |
| 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 (Not Applicable)   | =  | 0.0  |
| Total [ 5.0 + 0.5 = 5.5 points ]  | =  | 5.5  |
| Selection choices include: BendixTu-Flo 550 or Bend   | lix BA   | A-921  |
| air compressors   |  |  |
| Example #3: Bulk Gravel Hauler  |  |  |
|   |  |  |
| Vehicle Configuration   |  | Points   |
| Vehicle Configuration           1. Not Applicable   |  | Points   |
| Vehicle Configuration       1. Not Applicable       2. Total number of all axles  | =  | <b>Points</b><br>6.0   |
| Vehicle Configuration         1. Not Applicable         2. Total number of all axles         3. Total number of non-steerable lift axles  | =  | Points 6.0 2.0   |
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A typical single axle, line haul vehicle:

- Air suspension
- Three (3) axles total



A 4x2 line haul vehicle pulling:

- (2) single axle trailers
- (1) single axle dolly
- Tractor air suspension
- Five (5) axles total



A bulk gravel hauling vehicle:

- Two (2) non-steerable lift axles
- Truck equipped with air suspension
- Six (6) axles total



A fuel delivery vehicle:

- Air suspension
- One (1) non-steerable lift axle
- Five (5) axles total

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