

# 18LW1251

Extended LF Ferrite Transducer

## KeyFeatures

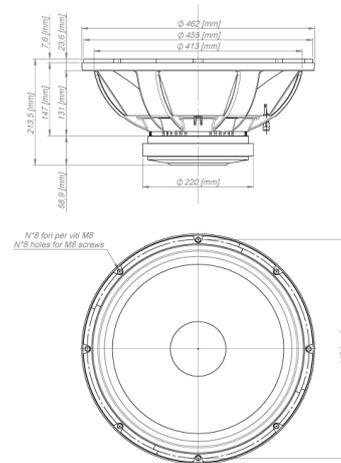
- 98 dB SPL 1W / 1m average sensitivity
- 100 mm (4 in) Interleaved Sandwich Voice coil (ISV)
- 1000 W AES power handling
- Double Silicon Spider (DSS) for improved excursion control and linearity
- Weather protected cone and plates for outdoor usage
- Improved heat dissipation via unique basket design and backplate vents
- Suitable for high SPL subwoofer design

## Description

The 18LW1251 is the updated version of the 18LW1250, an 18 inch (460 mm) high performance extended low frequency transducer. It has been designed for use as a low bass or sub-woofer component, in either a reflex, bandpass or horn loaded configuration, in high power loudspeaker systems. The 18LW1251 design has evolved from extensive research carried out at our own R&D and Engineering facilities. It provides clean, undistorted low frequency reproduction at very high levels and is able to withstand high power without damage. The transducer design features include a large displacement suspension system which in conjunction with a high quality cone and the Eighteen Sound Double Silicon Spider (DSS), assure a very linear piston action and provide full control across the entire working range. This is further improved by a inside outside copper voice coil, based on our Interleaved Sandwich Voice coil (ISV) technology. This provides high levels of thermal stability and durability. The ISV technology is based on a high strength fibreglas former with half the coil wound on the outside and half on the inside, bonded together using unique high temperature resin adhesives. The result is a balanced linear motor exerting a very high force factor. Excellent heat dissipation is derived from a basket design which incorporates air channels between the basket and the magnetic top plate. In addition, eight air vents in the back plate, aligned with the voice coil, force the air into the lower part of the gap. Maximum flux density in the gap is assured by the special top and back plate design, resulting in a high BL factor. Due to the increasing use of audio systems at outdoor events, the ability to perform in adverse weather conditions or in areas of high humidity is a key feature of the 18LW1251. This has been achieved using exclusive cone treatment and magnetic plate processes which increase resistance to corrosion and render the cone water repellent.

## Models

Model	Code	Info
18LW1251 8 Ohm	0221881250	
18LW1251 Recone Kit 8 Ohm	0271881250	



## General Specifications

Nominal Diameter	460 mm (18 in)
Rated Impedance	8 Ohm
AES Power	1000 W
Program Power	1400 W
Peak Power	7000 W
Sensitivity	98 dB
Frequency Range	35 - 3500 Hz
Power Compression @-10dB	0,7 dB
Power Compression @-3dB	1,6 dB
Power Compression @Full Power	2,6 dB
Max Recomm. Frequency	500 Hz
Recomm. Enclosure Volume	120 - 350 Lt. (4,24 - 12,36 cuft)
Minimum Impedance	6,4 Ohm at 25°C
Max Peak To Peak Excursion	36 mm (1,42 in)
Voice Coil Diameter	100 mm (4 in)
Voice Coil winding material	copper
Suspension	M-roll. Polycotton
Cone	Curvilinear, Paper

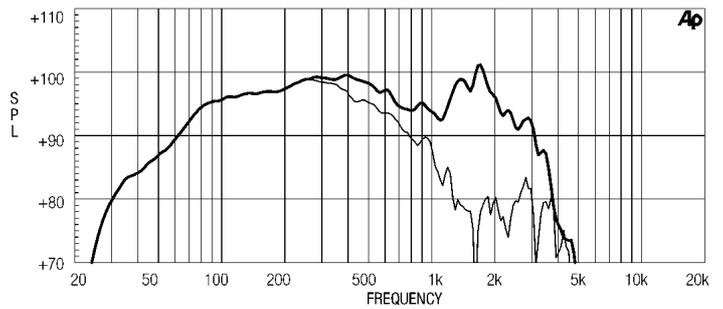
## Thiele Small Parameters

Fs	35 Hz
Re	5 Ohm
Sd	0,1134 sq.mt. (175,7 sq.in.)
Qms	8
Qes	0,28
Qts	0,27
Vas	268 lt. (9,47 cuft)
Mms	142 gr. (0,31 lb)
BL	23,6 Tm
Linear Mathematical Xmax	± 9 mm (±0,35 in)
Le (1kHz)	2,73 mH
Ref. Efficiency 1W@1m (half space)	98 dB

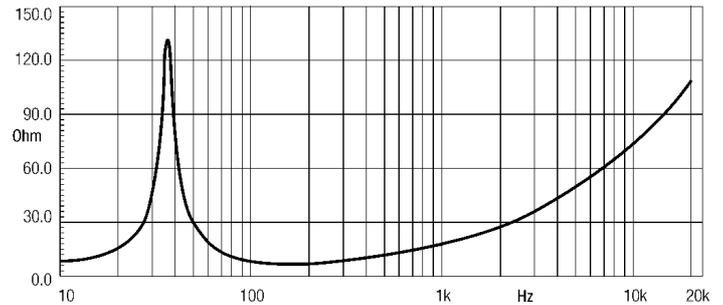
## Mounting information

Overall diameter	462 mm (18,18 in)
N. of mounting holes and bolt	8
Mounting holes diameter	8,5 mm (0,33 in)
Bolt circle diameter	438-440 mm (17,24-17,32 in)
Front mount baffle cutout ø	416 mm (16,38 in)
Rear mount baffle cutout ø	412 mm (16,22 in)
Total depth	207,9 mm (8,18 in)
Flange and gasket thickness	19 mm (0,75 in)
Net weight	13 kg (28,7 lb)
Shipping weight	14,7 kg (32,45 lb)
Packaging Dimensions	482 x 482 x 257 mm (19 x 19 x 10,1 in)

## FREQUENCY RESPONSE CURVE



**FREQUENCY RESPONSE CURVE MADE ON 180 LIT. ENCLOSURE TUNED 35HZ IN FREE FIELD (4PI) ENVIRONMENT. ENCLOSURE CLOSES THE REAR OF THE DRIVER. THE THIN LINE REPRESENTS 45 DEG. OFF AXIS FREQUENCY RESPONSE**



**FREE AIR IMPEDANCE MAGNITUDE CURVE**

## Notes

- 1) AES power is determined according to AES2-1984 (r2003) standard.
- 2) Program power rating is measured in 180 lit enclosure tuned 35Hz using a 40 - 400Hz band limited pink noise test signal with 50% duty cycle, applied for 2 hours.
- 3) The peak power rating represents the maximum permitted instantaneous peak power level over a maximum period of 10ms which will be withstood by the loudspeaker without damage.
- 4) Sensitivity represents the averaged value of acoustic output as measured on the forward central axis of cone, at distance 1m from the baffle panel, when connected to 2,83V sine wave test signal swept between 100Hz and 500Hz with the test specimen mounted in the same enclosure as given for (1) above.
- 5) Frequency range is given as the band of frequencies delineated by the lower and upper limits where the output level drops by 10 dB below the rated sensitivity in half space environment.
- 6) Power compression represents the loss of sensitivity for the specified power, measured from 50-500 Hz, after a 5 min pink noise preconditioning test at the specified power.
- 7) Linear Math. Xmax is calculated as  $(Hvc-Hg)/2 + Hg/4$  where Hvc is the coil depth and Hg is the gap depth.