

# SECTION 2

# HPS UNIVERSAL™ BUCK-BOOST TRANSFORMERS

## How to use the Selection Chart

1. From the top row of the “**Selection Chart**” locate the high and low voltage combination that is closest to the one you require.
2. Move down that column to the kVA or Ampere rating equal to or greater than the rating required by the load.
3. From the far left column, obtain the transformer catalog number.
4. For dimensional information refer to the specifications table (Group B) on page 78.
5. The corresponding connection diagram is indicated at the bottom of the Voltage / kVA column. See page 81 for the connection diagrams.

## Single Phase - Group B Selection Chart

Catalog Number	Low Voltage High Voltage	95 120	101 115	106 120	110 125	110 139	115 130	115 146	120 136	120 152	203 230	208 236	220 235	220 249	230 261	240 256	240 272
QC05ESCB	HV Amps	1.56	3.13	3.13	3.13	1.56	3.13	1.56	3.13	1.56	1.56	1.56	3.13	1.56	1.56	3.13	1.56
	KVA	.188	.359	.375	.390	.218	.407	.228	.425	.238	.359	.368	.733	.390	.407	.800	.425
	LV Amps	1.98	3.54	3.54	3.54	1.98	3.54	1.98	3.54	1.98	1.77	1.77	3.33	1.77	1.77	3.33	1.77
QC10ESCB	HV Amps	3.12	6.25	6.25	6.25	3.12	6.25	3.12	6.25	3.12	3.12	3.12	6.25	3.12	3.12	6.25	3.12
	KVA	.376	.718	.751	.779	.435	.815	.455	.850	.475	.719	.737	1.47	.779	.815	1.60	.850
	LV Amps	3.96	7.08	7.08	7.08	3.96	7.08	3.96	7.08	3.96	3.54	3.54	6.67	3.54	3.54	6.67	3.54
QC15ESCB	HV Amps	4.69	9.38	9.38	9.38	4.69	9.38	4.69	9.38	4.69	4.69	4.69	9.38	4.69	4.69	9.38	4.69
	KVA	.564	1.07	1.13	1.17	.653	1.22	.683	1.28	.713	1.08	1.10	2.20	1.17	1.22	2.40	1.28
	LV Amps	5.94	10.6	10.6	10.6	5.94	10.6	5.94	10.6	5.94	5.31	5.31	10.0	5.31	5.31	10.0	5.31
QC20ESCB	HV Amps	6.25	12.5	12.5	12.5	6.25	12.5	6.25	12.5	6.25	6.25	6.25	12.5	6.25	6.25	12.5	6.25
	KVA	.752	1.43	1.50	1.56	0.871	1.63	0.91	1.70	.950	1.44	1.47	2.93	1.56	1.63	3.20	1.70
	LV Amps	7.92	14.2	14.2	14.2	7.92	14.2	7.92	14.2	7.92	7.08	7.08	13.3	7.08	7.08	13.3	7.08
QC25ESCB	HV Amps	7.81	15.6	15.6	15.6	7.81	15.6	7.81	15.6	7.81	7.81	7.81	15.6	7.81	7.81	15.6	7.81
	KVA	0.94	1.80	1.87	1.95	1.09	2.04	1.14	2.12	1.19	1.80	1.84	3.67	1.95	2.04	4.00	2.12
	LV Amps	9.90	17.7	17.7	17.7	9.87	17.7	9.90	17.7	9.90	8.85	8.85	16.7	8.85	8.85	16.7	8.85
QC35ESCB	HV Amps	10.9	21.9	21.9	21.9	10.9	21.9	10.9	21.9	10.9	10.9	10.9	21.9	10.9	10.9	21.9	10.9
	KVA	1.31	2.51	2.63	2.73	1.52	2.85	1.59	2.98	1.66	2.51	2.58	5.13	2.73	2.85	5.60	2.98
	LV Amps	13.9	24.8	24.8	24.8	13.9	24.8	13.9	24.8	13.9	12.4	12.4	23.3	12.4	12.4	23.3	12.4
QC50ESCB	HV Amps	15.6	31.2	31.2	31.2	15.6	31.2	15.6	31.2	15.6	15.6	15.6	31.2	15.6	15.6	31.2	15.6
	KVA	1.88	3.59	3.75	3.90	2.18	4.07	2.28	4.25	2.37	3.59	3.68	7.33	3.90	4.07	8.00	4.25
	LV Amps	19.8	35.4	35.4	35.4	19.8	35.4	19.8	35.4	19.8	17.7	17.7	33.3	17.7	17.7	33.3	17.7
QC75ESCB	HV Amps	23.4	46.8	46.8	46.9	23.4	46.9	23.4	46.9	23.4	23.4	23.4	46.9	23.4	23.4	46.9	23.4
	KVA	2.82	5.39	5.63	5.84	3.27	6.10	3.41	6.37	3.56	5.39	5.53	11.0	5.84	6.11	12.0	6.37
	LV Amps	29.7	53.1	53.1	53.1	29.7	53.1	29.7	53.1	29.7	26.6	26.6	50.0	26.6	26.6	50.0	26.6
Q1C0ESCB	HV Amps	31.2	62.5	62.5	62.5	31.2	62.5	31.2	62.5	31.2	31.2	31.2	62.5	31.2	31.2	62.5	31.2
	KVA	3.76	7.18	7.50	7.79	4.35	8.15	4.55	8.50	4.75	7.19	7.37	14.7	7.79	8.15	16.0	8.50
	LV Amps	39.6	70.8	70.8	70.8	39.6	70.8	39.6	70.8	39.6	35.4	35.4	66.7	35.4	35.4	66.7	35.4
Q1C5ESCF	HV Amps	46.9	93.7	93.7	93.7	46.9	93.7	46.9	93.7	46.9	46.9	46.8	93.7	46.9	46.9	93.7	46.9
	KVA	5.64	10.8	11.2	11.7	6.53	12.2	6.83	12.7	7.12	10.8	11.0	22.0	11.7	12.2	24.0	12.7
	LV Amps	59.4	106	106	106	59.4	106	59.4	106	59.4	53.1	53.1	100	53.1	53.1	100	53.1
Q002ESCF	HV Amps	62.5	125	125	125	62.5	125	62.5	125	62.5	62.5	62.5	125	62.5	62.5	125	62.5
	KVA	7.50	14.4	15.0	15.6	8.71	16.3	9.10	17.0	9.50	14.4	14.7	29.3	15.6	16.3	32.0	17.0
	LV Amps	79.1	142	142	142	79.2	142	79.2	142	79.2	70.8	70.8	133	70.8	70.8	133	70.8
Q003ESCF	HV Amps	93.7	187	187	187	93.7	187	93.7	187	93.7	93.7	93.7	187	93.7	93.7	187	93.7
	KVA	11.3	21.5	22.5	23.4	13.0	24.4	13.6	25.5	14.2	21.6	22.1	44.0	23.4	24.4	48.0	25.5
	LV Amps	119	212	212	212	119	212	119	212	119	106	106	200	106	106	200	106
Q005ESCF	HV Amps	156	312	312	312	156	312	156	312	156	156	156	312	156	156	313	156
	KVA	18.8	35.9	37.5	39.0	21.8	40.7	22.8	42.5	23.8	35.9	36.8	73.3	39.0	40.7	80.0	42.5
	LV Amps	198	354	354	354	198	354	198	354	198	177	177	333	177	177	333	177
CONNECTION DIAGRAM		2	1	1	1	2	1	2	1	2	4	4	3	4	4	3	4



## Why Use Buck-Boost Transformers?

The advantages of using a buck-boost transformer over an equivalent standard isolation transformer are as follows:

### Advantages

- 1) Used in a variety of applications
- 2) Inexpensive
- 3) Smaller and lighter
- 4) More efficient
- 5) 5-10 times increase in kVA

### Disadvantages

- 1) No circuit isolation
- 2) Cannot create a neutral
- 3) KVA and voltages do not match what's on the nameplate kVA and voltages.



## Buck-Boost Application

Buck-boost transformers offer an economical solution to the adjustment of line voltages that are slightly above or below normal. When a buck-boost transformer is connected as an autotransformer, only a portion of the load kVA is actually transformed. The majority of the load kVA is passed directly through to the source. For this reason a buck-boost transformer may be used to supply a much larger load kVA than is indicated on the nameplate.

Buck-boost transformers can be used to adjust **stable** voltages only.

### BUCK-BOOST STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS

	50 to 1000 VA	1500 to 5000 VA
<b>UL Listed</b>	File: E50394	File: E50394
<b>CSA Certified</b>	File: LR3902	File: LR3902
<b>Frequency</b>	50/60 Hz	50/60 Hz
<b>Insulation System</b>	130°C (80°C rise)	180°C (115°C rise)
<b>Standard Design</b>	Single Phase, welded core construction made with high quality, high permeability silicon steel laminations. Computer designed coils, accurately wound from high quality magnetic wire.	Single Phase, welded core construction made with high quality, high permeability silicon steel laminations. Computer designed coils, accurately wound from high quality copper magnetic wire.
<b>Encapsulation</b>	All units from 50VA to 5kVA are encapsulated with electrical grade silica sand and resin compounds.	All units from 50VA to 5kVA are encapsulated with electrical grade silica sand and resin compounds.
<b>Enclosure Type</b>	Heavy Duty Encapsulated NEMA Type 3R (optional NEMA 4, 4X and 12 available)	Heavy Duty Encapsulated NEMA Type 3R (optional NEMA 4, 4X and 12 available)
<b>Enclosure Finish</b>	ANSI 61 Grey, UL50	ANSI 61 Grey, UL50
<b>Termination</b>	Front accessible separate high and low voltage lead wires or copper tabs.	Front accessible separate high and low voltage lead wires or copper tabs.
<b>Conduit Knock-Outs</b>	Side and rear standard on all units.	Side and rear standard on all units.
<b>Mounting</b>	Standard Wall Mounting.	Standard Wall Mounting.

## Voltage Is the Key

Buck-boost transformers represent an economical way to both raise supply voltage caused by line drop or equipment demand on the distribution system, or lower voltage caused by increased system voltages due to supply line adjustments. Some loads including lighting and resistive loads require a stable supply to maintain performance. The detrimental effects of incorrect supply line voltage can cause equipment failure. Buck-boost transformers can correct line voltage within 5 to 25% of nominal.

## Steps for Selecting Buck-Boost Transformers

The following information is required before selecting a buck-boost transformer:

- (1) Line Voltage - The voltage that you want to buck (decrease) or boost (increase). This can be determined by measuring the supply line voltage with a voltmeter.
- (2) Load Voltage - The voltage at which your equipment is designed to operate. This is listed on the nameplate of the load equipment.
- (3) Load kVA or Load Amps - You do not need to know both - one or the other is sufficient. This information usually can be found on the nameplate of the equipment that you want to operate. It is the sum of all the equipment that represents the load.
- (4) Frequency - The supply line frequency must be the same as the equipment to be operated - either 50 or 60 Hertz.
- (5) Phase - The supply line should be the same as the load - either single or three phase.

### Four Steps to Select the Correct Buck-Boost Transformer

1. From the top row of each "Selection Chart", select a 'high voltage' and 'low voltage' combination that is the closest to matching the high voltage and low voltage correction that is required for your application.
2. Move down that column to the kVA or current rating equal to, or greater than, the rating required by the total load. It is not likely that the exact value of the load will be found, so go to the next higher rating.
3. From the far left column, select the corresponding catalog number of the exact buck-boost transformer required. Refer to specification tables for dimensional information.
4. Connect the transformer in accordance with the connection diagram referenced at the bottom of the same column where you selected your high voltage and low voltage combination. Connection diagrams are on pages 81 and 82 in this catalog section. They are also packaged with each transformer.

