WARMAN®
Centrifugal Slurry Pumps

MC Mill Circuit Duty
Warman MC mill circuit duty slurry pumps are designed for the most aggressive duties and provide excellent wear life and reliability.

Hydraulic experience and latest material technology make Warman MC the best choice for mill circuit applications

Warman MC pumps are specifically designed for the most severe slurry applications such as ball and SAG mill cyclone feed plus water-flush crushing in mineral processing plants. They easily manage large size particles in dense abrasive slurries and are well suited for use as slurry transfer pumps on arduous applications such as gravel dredging or coarse coal cyclone feed.

MC pump hydraulics are based on more than 25 years of fundamental and applied research and backed up by wear performance field trials. Unique design and wear evaluation software ensures high efficiency and optimum life.

Warman MC designs incorporate the latest in hard alloy and elastomer technology, extending wear life in highly abrasive and corrosive slurries.

The MC range is engineered to enable different material combinations

MCR pump – elastomer liners inside ductile iron outer casing with metal impeller and metal or elastomer throatbush and frame plate liner insert

MCU pump – all metal unlined hard white iron casing with metal impeller, throatbush and frame plate liner insert

MCM pump – hard white iron metal liners inside ductile iron outer casing with metal impeller, throatbush and frame plate liner insert

- Large diameter, low speed, high efficiency impellers
- Latest wear resistant materials
- Interchangeable elastomer or metal liners, or unlined metal
- Simple “full face” side liner adjustment
- Self centering stuffing box design
- Fast “one-piece” wet-end changeout on larger sizes
- Available reverse rotations offer plant design flexibility

Left: Chile’s large copper plants continue to improve their installations. A 550 MCR pump has replaced a North American manufacturer

Middle: 450 MCR installed at a gold plant in North America

Right: Copper gold installation in Australia using the 550 MCR pump
Engineered for severe duties, the Warman MC pump draws on years of proven mill circuit application experience

South American copper mines pioneered the use of rubber in large mill pumps and the majority of these plants now use Warman MCR elastomer pumps for mill discharge (cyclone feed) duties. In trial after trial, Warman elastomers have outperformed all competitors’ cast metal pumps.

The advantages are many as Warman MCR elastomer liners:

- handle coarse particles and last longer
- handle ball scats with ease
- are lighter in weight and safer for maintenance
- are less expensive than heavy metal parts

So whatever the preference – for a rubber or metal pump – the Warman MC pump will ensure the best wear life and operational safety.

Lined or unlined mill pump options ensure the optimum cost solution for your application

The outer casing of the lined MCM all metal pump ensures slurry containment and allows a safe shutdown in the event of a cracked liner. This provides a low risk alternative to plants concerned with casing breakage due to mill ball overflow.

The unlined MCU metal range perfectly fits duties such as dense media circuit applications in the coal washing industry. Very thick metal casings, an impeller design for larger particle passing, and the “full face” adjustment feature ensure extended life with coarse coal slurries.

With the range of designs available, the MCU can be used in even the largest of the new high capacity coal washing plant installations. The MCU design also lends itself for use in gravel pumping type applications. Longer wear life and lower operating costs are ensured.
Warman MC pump’s unique design allows interchangeability of materials to optimize wear life

Only one pump manufacturer allows operators the flexibility of all-metal or all-rubber lined or a combination of both

The MC is the only pump for mill circuit applications that has interchangeable materials from a wide range of hard alloy and compression molded elastomers. This enables optimum materials selection for each specific application ensuring the wear characteristics for each component are balanced.

Warman MC mill circuit duty slurry pump has a number of unique features

Reduced recirculation is achieved by the deep expelling vanes on the front of the hard alloy impellers. Expelling vane tip turbulence is minimized by the patented extended shroud feature that traps tip vortices and prevents localized scouring on the throatbush face.

Internal liners can be fully worn before replacement as the split outer casing provides structural integrity and high operating pressure capability and safety.

Split cover and frame plates allow easy access for replacement of the impeller and throatbush.

Two-piece cover plate on 400 MCR/MCM and larger for easy access to impeller, stuffing box, or complete inspection.

“Full face” adjustment extends wear life

In addition to deep expelling vanes on the impeller, adjustable throatbush and frame plate liner insert are necessary to maximize part life. As slurry moves through the throatbush-impeller gap from the high pressure at the impeller periphery to the low pressure of the impeller eye, local high velocities can cause wear at the face or around the impeller eye.

The Warman MC’s “full face” adjustment feature extends wear life by minimizing the impeller-throatbush gap across the whole face of the throatbush. This provides gradual pressure reduction and minimal recirculation so any possible wear is distributed evenly, unlike sacrificial wear rings used by some manufacturers at the impeller eye that may focus wear and cause premature failure.

The “full face” double adjustment for throatbush and frame plate liner insert is easy to perform, even during operation, ensuring long liner life and optimum efficiency. Once clamping screws are released, adjusting screws can be rotated sequentially to move the liner closer to the impeller face.
“One-piece” wet end changeout ensures minimum mill downtime

Larger MC pump wet ends can be changed out and replaced as “one-piece”. By adjusting the throatbush and frame plate liner inserts tight against the impeller, mounting bolts can be removed, the impeller can be unscrewed from the shaft and the outer casing, liners and impeller pulled off as “one-piece”. Impeller and liner inspection can then be completed at a more convenient time in the workshop.

**Stuffing Box Centering**

Adjustable stuffing box allows for centering of the stuffing box and lantern restrictor to the shaft sleeve. This may be adjusted after piping loads have been applied to the pump to compensate for associated casing displacement.

*Left: Orange centering tool pins align stuffing box to the sleeve

**MC features save time and money**

Easily adjustable throatbush allows maintenance of the impeller seal face clearance without the need to adjust bearing assembly or drive.

Easily adjustable frame plate liner insert allows maintenance of the drive side clearance and shaft sealing performance to protect the stuffing box.

Large, open internal passages reduce velocities thus reducing wear.

A large diameter shaft with the shortest possible overhang and heavy duty roller bearings housed in a removable bearing cartridge extends bearing life.

Large diameter, low speed, high efficiency impeller manufactured from a range of abrasion resistant alloys provides increased wear life.

Patented shrouds that extend past the periphery of the impeller and expelling vanes provide improved flow and reduced wear at the expelling vane tips.

Patented casing profile with more material in areas of high particle impingement gives increased wear life.

Impeller release collar facilitates impeller removal.

Reversible casing (400MCR and larger) allows the discharge orientation to be either “right vertical” position (standard) or “left vertical” position, giving greater flexibility to the plant layout designer. The only additional parts required to effect the changeover are the clockwise rotation impeller and shaft.

*Left: Rubber throatbush and frame plate liner insert shown in upper section; metal throatbush and frame plate liner insert shown in lower section

*Above: A new innovative quick change procedure has been developed for faster removal of the larger MC range pump wet ends. A 650 MCR wet end being removed in Santiago, Chile*
Warman MC mill circuit duty slurry pump is available in a range of sizes.

Product information software developed by Weir Minerals Pump Technology Center

Weir Minerals product information software is available on CD from the local sales office or for download at weirminerals.com.

Warman MC Pump Quick Selection Chart

Quick selection chart approximates clear water performance and to be used for preliminary selection only.

Three photos above: Sequence showing the fit up of a 400 MCR wet end

Above: 350 MCU for a large Russian iron ore dressing plant

Left: 400 MCR pump undergoing performance testing at Weir Minerals North America test laboratory in Madison, Wisconsin

Below: 400 MCR pump after assembly at Weir Minerals North America. Pump destined for installation at a copper plant in Arizona

Far right: A 350 MCR which replaced a competitor’s pump in Mexico

Right: A 550 MCR pump about to be installed at a copper plant in Chile
### Warman MC Pump Dimensions (millimeters)

#### Fixed bearing assembly

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Consult outline dimension drawings for size and location of mounting holes. Dimensions are for reference only.
Note: Casing dimensions are symmetrical around vertical centerline should the "left vertical" pump orientation be used.
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VULCO® Wear Resistant Linings
CAVEX® Hydrocyclones
FLOWAY® PUMPS Vertical Turbine Pumps
ISOGATE® Slurry Valves
MULTIFLO® Mine Dewatering Pumps
HAZLETON® Specialty Slurry Pumps
LEWIS PUMPS™ Vertical Chemical Pumps
BEGEMANN PUMPS™ Centrifugal Process Pumps

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