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The main formula for calculating the total power in a three-phase system, given the voltage (V) and current (I), is as follows: $P = \sqrt{3} * V * I * \cos \phi$ P: This denotes the total power in the system, measured in watts...

It's quite easy to convert kW to amps and amps to kW in a simple 1-phase AC circuit (compared to a 3-phase power calculation). That requires only the basic Ohm's law; you can simply use our kW to amps calculator here for conversion.

In a 3-phase AC circuit (usually a 3-phase motor), converting amps to kW and kW to amps is not all that easy. To simplify the whole thing, we have created 2 three-phase power calculators:

Basically, we just multiply amp by volts. The $\div 1,000$ factor is there to convert from W to kW; we want the resulting power to be in kilowatts. 1 kW = 1,000W.

Note: Later on, we will also see how we can use the 3-phase current formula to design a 3-phase motor amps calculator. That one converts kW to amps in 3-phase circuits, very important in electric motor design.

You can freely use this calculator to convert amps to kW in a 3-phase circuit. You need to input the amps, voltage, and the power factor (it's between 0 and 1, specific for each circuit):

As you can see, the more amps and volts you have, the more powerful 3-phase electric motor you have. Quite similarly, a higher power factor is proportional to higher power output.

You can use this example to see how the 3-phase power calculator works: A 100 amps motor on a 240V 3-phase circuit with a 0.9 power factor produces 37.41 kW of electrical power. Insert these 3 quantities in the calculator, and you should get the same result.

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Using this power formula, we can, for example, do a 3-phase motor kW to amps calculation. Do note that if a 3-phase motor with lower voltage and lower power factor will draw more amps to produce the same power output.

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