**SERIES 3530 – WORKHORSE®**
**Horizontal Front Loading**
**High Vacuum Furnace**

**Description**

The Workhorse® is Centorr Vacuum Industries production-oriented offering for a variety of heat treatment, brazing, hardening, and sintering operations. The basic design comprises of three standard hot zone sizes in four different temperature ranges (1000°C, 1315°C, 1650°C, and 2000°C), with a long list of optional equipment that makes this one of the most versatile custom-designed furnaces available today. The furnace chamber is mounted on legs for a compact and highly efficient design and is a “front-loading” orientation which offers better ergonomics and temperature uniformity compared with vertical top/bottom loaders or round hot zones.

Unlike laboratory or smaller research furnaces, the Workhorse® contains features only found on high-end heat treat furnaces, such as a stainless steel interior vacuum chamber with manual door clamps; heavy duty Molybdenum or Tungsten rod heating elements; and all-metal Tungsten, Molybdenum, or SS radiation shield hot zone for fast heating and cooling, and excellent process cleanliness. You won't find any refractory ceramic insulation or graphite felt/board in this hot zone.

Standard Furnace instrumentation includes a programmable controller with PLC for process control. Name brand vacuum sensors and gauges are available on all systems as well as analog/digital chart recorders. CVI’s "one-button start" control system initiates a complete cycle including pumping, heating, and cooling modes. A full complement of program interlocks and safeties ensures safe and efficient furnace operation and reduces the chance of operator vacuum pumping errors, with our unique "keylock" override design.

The Workhorse® furnace line is available with high-vacuum or low vacuum pumping systems and can include Diffusion pumps, Turbomolecular pumps, or Cryogenic pumping systems, with or without cold traps and refrigerated baffles. A variety of processing environments are available including high/low vacuum and partial and/or positive pressures of Ar, He, and N₂ gases, or H₂ process gas with our G-10503A gas system.

**Key Features**

- Cold Wall Vacuum furnace design with stainless steel inner jacket and outer jackets with baffled water cooling.
- No epoxy coated surfaces on chamber interiors results in higher vacuum integrity.
- High and low vacuum pumping systems including diffusion, cryogenic, and turbomolecular.
- Water cooled power cables for efficient power capacity instead of low cost welding cables.
- Integrated water cooling piping with color-coded hoses.
- Ammeters and Voltmeters on control cabinet for each leg of the power supply for operator feedback.
- Heavy duty rod elements used instead of thin strip or foil elements which can be easily damaged. Hot zones use a 30° rule to ensure proper radiation on all sides.

- Operation to 2600°C with two- or four-sided heating elements in partial pressures from $10^{-3}$ torr up to 1-3 psig positive pressures of Argon, Nitrogen, Helium, and Hydrogen.

- PLC with Industrial Programmable Controller or PC system using Specview® or Intellution™ iFIX HMI software customized by CVI for vacuum furnaces, with extensive data acquisition; and remote operation capabilities.

- G-10504A Partial Pressure control system (1-1000 microns) available for suppression of low vapor pressure braze compounds, and our G-10503A positive pressure Hydrogen gas system built to NFPA 86 standards.

- Graphic control panel shows location of vacuum pumps and system status using indicator lamps, and provides for manual operation of the furnace.

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<th>STD MODEL*</th>
<th>USABLE SIZE (cu. ft /liters)</th>
<th>EFFECT HOT ZONE WxHxD (in / mm)</th>
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<td>I - 3024</td>
<td>1 (28)</td>
<td>12 x 12 x 12 (300 x 300 x 300)</td>
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<td>II - 3040</td>
<td>2 (57)</td>
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<td>3 (85)</td>
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<td>4060</td>
<td>4.5 (127)</td>
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* Custom sizes available upon request

**FURNACE APPROVALS**
Centorr/Vacuum Industries furnaces are designed to our own internal quality standards developed over our 60+ year history, and are built to the following industry standards:
ASTM  NFPA 86  NEC (NFPA70)

**ALLOYS PROCESSED**

- Stainless Steels
- Tool Steels
- Ferrous and Non-Ferrous
- High Speed Steels
- Alloys
- Ti, Nickel, and Superalloys