

## Press release

### **Compact and scalable: Webasto BlueCool VX-Series brings boats quietly and efficiently to comfortable temperatures**

**The new BlueCool VX-Series uses the climate-friendly refrigerant R32, is available in different performance levels and, thanks to its modular design, can be scaled to the required cooling and heating capacity for small boats through to large yachts.**

**Gilching, July 11, 2024** - Webasto is expanding its air conditioning technology portfolio for the marine sector. The compact BlueCool VX-Series will initially be available in the 36, 48, 60 and 72 kBTU/h performance levels and is based on a new chiller system with variable compressor speed. The individual, modular units can be centrally controlled and flexibly networked so that they also offer sufficient power reserves in combination for higher heating and cooling requirements. The VX-Series achieves an Energy Efficiency Ratio (EER) of up to 5.6, making it extremely efficient.

#### **Wide range of applications: The BlueCool VX-Series in detail**

The Webasto BlueCool VX-Series combines high performance, efficiency and compactness in initially four different output sizes. BlueCool VX 36M, 48M, 60M and 72M deliver a cooling capacity of between 36,000 and 72,000 BTU/h and measure between 533 x 352 x 378 and 683 x 398 x 546 millimeters (length x width x height). The heating capacity of the appliances is even between 44,000 and 78,000 BTU/h in reverse operation. The units intelligently reduce their speed to up to 9 percent of maximum output when the cooling requirement decreases. Alternatively, the output can be limited manually using the ECO modes. In the lower speed range, the chiller system not only achieves peak values in terms of energy efficiency, but also cools and heats extremely quietly.

With the new product range, Webasto integrates all components into a compact housing and reduces the size of the devices by up to 55 percent compared to other chiller models, depending on the variant. The modular concept of the VX product family offers the option of organizing several units flexibly in a network. This means that the new VX series meets the requirements of a whole range from small boats to large yachts. The different models have a new, robust titanium seawater condenser in common, which ensures the corrosion resistance of the appliances. The extended user interface of the MyTouch control element, in combination with the VX system bus, allows the individual appliances to be controlled centrally. This also provides access to the most important performance data on the touch-sensitive screen.

"The new BlueCool VX-Series from Webasto combines several innovations in one product range. The different performance levels and the modular concept make the chiller system a real all-rounder for a variety of different application scenarios and boat sizes. We are particularly proud that we have been able to set new standards in both the size and efficiency of the VX series in order to underpin our sustainability goals," says Jörg Hornung, Vice President Battery & Thermo Management at Webasto. "In addition to technically leading, customized air conditioning solutions, Webasto customers benefit from a strong partner network that is available to them at any time and around the globe."

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### **About Webasto**

As a global innovative systems partner to the mobility industry, Webasto is one of the 100 largest suppliers to the automotive industry worldwide. In development, production and sales, the company focuses on roof systems on the one hand and on the electrification of vehicles on the other. The product range includes openable and fixed roofs, electric high-voltage heaters and batteries as well as thermal management solutions. Webasto's customers include manufacturers of passenger cars, commercial vehicles and boats as well as dealers and end customers. In 2022, the Group generated sales of over 4 billion euros and employed around 16,800 people at more than 50 locations. Founded in 1901, the company is headquartered in Stockdorf near Munich. Further information can be found at [www.webasto.com](http://www.webasto.com)

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