

AMTRAK LONG DISTANCE

ALC-42 Charger Diesel-Electric Locomotive

Connecting throughout the U.S., Siemens Mobility's new environmentally friendly Charger diesel-electric locomotives help usher in the next generation of clean, reliable and efficient long-distance rail travel. With a base fleet of 75 Chargers, these locomotives began service on long-distance routes across the U.S. in 2022.

The Siemens Charger diesel-electric locomotive is designed to fully comply with all U.S. federal standards and regulations, and in addition is Buy America and FRA compliant. The monocoque carbody structure on this locomotive is reinforced to fulfill the specified 800,000 lbs buff strength while offering full-width anti-climber-engagement and push-back couplers that are part of the locomotive's integrated crash energy management (CEM) system, providing enhanced safety to its occupants.

The wide-body, single-cab design, is suited for both push/pull and multiple unit operations. The Charger diesel-electric locomotive is equipped with a proven

propulsion system with a fuel-efficient Cummins 16-cylinder diesel engine providing up to 4,200 hp. The engine feeds an alternator and the IGBT traction converters provide single axle control. The locomotive is equipped with the latest after-treatment technology and meets the stringent EPA Tier 4 emissions standards.

This latest version of the Siemens Mobility locomotive technology used in the Charger offers significant advantages to the customer, such as increased performance and efficiency, high recuperative braking power, enhanced operability with a high level of component redundancy,

Performance and Capacity

Maximum speed	125 mph	
Rated power	4,200 hp @1,800 rpm	
Operating range	600 to 1,800 rpm	
Head end power	1,000 kW	
Tractive effort (max.)	65,000 lbs / 290 kN	
Fuel tank volume	2,200 gal	
DEF tank volume	260 gal	

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including Head End Power, and a modular maintenance design for optimum service availability.

The machine room layout is based on the service-proven Siemens Mobility SC-42 Charger locomotive, providing the benefit of a clean and spacious design, successfully proven under various operating conditions in applications worldwide.

To further enhance reliability and improve maintenance, piping is routed under the center and side aisle walkways within the locomotive machine room for easy access and protection from external elements.

The Charger locomotives are equipped with a microprocessor controlled pneumatic brake system. The dynamic braking allows the energy of the traction motors to feed the Auxiliary & HEP System in order to minimize fuel consumption.

Traction and locomotive control are performed by the proven SIBAS® 32 control system. The core of the control system is the multi-function vehicle bus, interfacing with locomotive subsystem control computers, all the I/O stations as well as the manmachine interfaces, such as controls and displays on the engineer's console. This locomotive has multiple Positive Train Control systems to meet the customer's operational requirements.

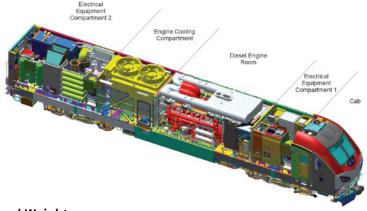




The locomotive truck is designed based on previous experience with Amtrak's ACS-64 locomotive. The center pin and traction pivot design offers a low connection to the carbody, and the truck frame is an integral welded structure.

The locomotive propulsion unit consists of a pinion hollow shaft drive with traction motors that are fully suspended, and gearboxes partially suspended for improved stability and ride quality. The primary and secondary suspension springs utilize the flexicoil system, a well-proven design used on hundreds of Siemens Mobility trucks worldwide. A triangular tie rod assures stable wheelset guidance.

Use of pivot elements and lateral mounting of secondary suspension springs significantly reduces the rotation stiffness of the truck, resulting in considerable reduction of wheel and rail wear.



Vehicle Dimensions and Weight

Weight	280,000 lbs	127006 kg
Length	71.5 ft	21793 mm
Width (including handrails)	10 ft	3048 mm
Height	14.7 ft	4480 mm
Distance between truck centers	40.8 ft	12440 mm
Wheel diameter (new/worn)	44 in. / down to 41 in.	1117 mm / down to 1041 mm
Wheel arrangement	Bo'Bo'	
Minimum curve radius	250 ft	76 m





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