

# Will the wind turbine drum rotate

# What is the difference between upwind and downwind turbines?

Upwind turbines--like the one shown here--face into the wind while downwind turbines face away. Most utility-scale land-based wind turbines are upwind turbines. The wind vane measures wind direction and communicates with the yaw drive to orient the turbine properly with respect to the wind.

#### How do wind turbines work?

Wind turbines work on a simple principle: instead of using electricity to make wind--like a fan--wind turbines use wind to make electricity. Wind turns the propeller-like blades of a turbine around a rotor, which spins a generator, which creates electricity. To see how a wind turbine works, click on the image for a demonstration.

## What is a rotor blade in a wind turbine?

The rotor blades are the three (usually three) long thin blades that attach to the hub of the nacelle. These blades are designed to capture the kinetic energy in the wind as it passes, and convert it into rotational energy. The largest wind turbines being manufactured in the world (as of 2021) are 15MW turbines.

#### How do windmills rotate?

The design of windmills is such that they rotate to face the windand have sails or blades that will absorb the impulse of the wind into rotation. They will always do that, and will turn in the designed clockwise or anticlockwise direction, so there is no way the air flow will force them to rotate against the design, imo.

#### What is wind turbine design?

Wind turbine design is the process of defining the form and configuration of a wind turbine to extract energy from the wind. An installation consists of the systems needed to capture the wind's energy, point the turbine into the wind, convert mechanical rotation into electrical power, and other systems to start, stop, and control the turbine.

## What happens if a wind turbine passes a rotor?

Well,the kinetic energy of the air after passing the turbine would be zero,meaning also that its velocity would be zero - this is clearly not possible,because the air would start "accumulating" behind the rotor and would start blocking the incoming wind! The air behind the rotor must keep moving! So,what happens to the "downstream" wind?

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