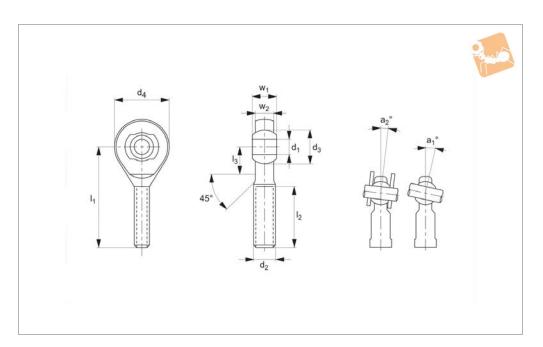


Heavy-Duty Rod Ends - Male with integral spherical plain bearing







R3550

Material

Housing - forged steel, tempered, rolled thread, surface galvanized.

Joint ball - ball bearing steel, hardened and ground.

Race - nylon/teflon/glass compound.

Technical Notes

Maintenance free, sizes according to DIN ISO 12240-4, series K, for tolerances see technical pages.

Tips

Standard thread is right hand thread.

Important Notes

*Denotes fine pitch thread.

Order No.	Thread hand	d_1	I_1	d_2	d ₃	l ₂	d ₄	a ₁	Weight g
R3550.R005	Right	5	33	M5	11.11	20	18	13.0	14
R3550.R006	Right	6	36	M6	12.70	22	20	13.0	20
R3550.R008	Right	8	42	M8	15.87	25	24	14.5	38
R3550.R010	Right	10	48	M10	19.05	29	28	13.5	60
R3550.R012	Right	12	54	M12	22.22	33	32	13.0	92
R3550.R014	Right	14	60	M14	25.40	36	36	16.0	127
R3550.R016	Right	16	66	M16	28.57	40	42	15.5	202
R3550.R018	Right	18	72	M18x1,5*	31.75	44	46	15.0	250
R3550.R020	Right	20	78	M20x1,5*	34.92	47	50	14.5	327
R3550.R022	Right	22	84	M22x1,5*	38.10	51	54	15.5	440
R3550.R025	Right	25	94	M24x2*	42.85	57	60	15.0	630
R3550.R030	Right	30	110	M30x2*	50.75	66	70	17.0	1015
R3550.L005	Left	5	33	M5	11.11	20	18	13.0	14
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	2						load C		load C ₀
Order No.	a ₂	l ₃		w_1	W_2		N ax.		kN nax.
R3550.R005	7.5	9		8	6.00	3	.9	Ę	5.6
R3550.R006	6.5	12		9	6.75	4	.6	7	7.8
R3550.R008	7.5	15		12	9.00	7	.0	1	4.3
R3550.R010	8.0	15		14	10.50	10	0.4	2	2.6

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	a ₂				Dyn. load C	Static load C ₀
Order No.	6	l ₃	w_1	W_2	kN	kN
					max.	max.
R3550.R012	8.0	19	16	12.00	12.4	32.8
R3550.R014	9.5	20	19	13.50	15.4	41.3
R3550.R016	8.5	22	21	15.00	22.4	56.6
R3550.R018	9.5	25	23	16.50	26.3	69.7
R3550.R020	9.0	28	25	18.00	30.8	82.2
R3550.R022	10.0	26	28	20.00	38.2	95.6
R3550.R025	10.0	30	31	22.00	45.3	118.6
R3550.R030	10.5	35	37	25.00	55.0	145.6
R3550.L005	7.5	9	8	6.00	3.9	5.6
R3550.L006	6.5	12	9	6.75	4.6	7.8
R3550.L008	7.5	15	12	9.00	7.0	14.3
R3550.L010	8.0	15	14	10.50	10.4	22.6
R3550.L012	8.0	19	16	12.00	12.4	32.8
R3550.L014	9.5	20	19	13.50	15.4	41.3
R3550.L016	8.5	22	21	15.00	22.4	56.6
R3550.L018	9.5	25	23	16.50	26.325	69.700
R3550.L020	9.0	28	25	18.00	30.805	82.200
R3550.L022	10.0	26	28	20.00	38.2	95.6
R3550.L025	10.0	30	31	22.00	45.3	118.6
R3550,L030	10.5	35	37	25.00	55.0	145.6



Rod Ends

overview



Parts overview



Heavy Duty Rod Ends: integral spherical plain bearings - series K and series E

Male and female rod ends, maintenance free. These are our most popular range of heavy duty rod ends. Bore diameters 5mm up to 30mm.



Spherical Plain Bearings: steel and stainless steel

65974 is our lowest cost, most popular option spherical bearing. Stainless steel version 65976 requires maintenance. 65974 is maintenance free. Bore diameters 5mm up to 30mm.











Heavy Duty Rod Ends: integral ball bearings series K and series E

Male and female rod ends. Different bore sizes in relation to the thread size. All require maintenance. Bore diameters 6mm up to 30mm.

Stainless Steel Heavy Duty Rod Ends: integral spherical plain bearings Male and female rod ends maintenance free.



Low Cost Rod Ends: with spherical plain bearing

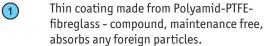
These are our most popular male and female rod ends. Maintenance free. Female-bore diameters 5mm up to 12mm. Male-bore diameters 5mm up to 16mm.





All of our rod ends incorporate either a plain spherical bearing, ball bearing, or roller bearing. Below is an overview of each type.

Plain spherical bearings



- Ball made of bearing steel, hardened, ground, polished and hard chromium plated, ensures reliable corrosion protection.
- 3 No clearance radial clearance 0-10μm.
- 4 All rod end housings made of forged steel, tempered, extremely high load resistances.



Ball and roller bearings

- (1) Radial clearance: 10-30μm, low friction.
- Inner ring made of bearing steel, hardened ball grooves polished.
- 3 Shields on both sides protect against rough dirt penetration.
- 4 All rod ends housings are made of forged steel, case hardened bearing race.
- Low maintenance due to long-term greasing, especially suitable for high speed large swiveling angles or rotating movements.



Rod ends and water

Stainless steel versions

Most of our rod ends are available in stainless steel as standard.

High grade AISI 316 stainless steel available on request.





Rod End Bearings

technical information



In many cases heavy-duty rod ends with integral spherical plain bearings are most often used. They are above all used for small swivelling or tilting movements at low speeds. They stand out for their high load capacity and can also be used for shock-like loads. The rod end ball slides on a plastic bearing shell consisting of a glass fibre-filled nylon/teflon compound. This design assures a maintenance-free rod end. Heavy-duty plain bearing rod ends have slight initial movement friction and virtually no clearance. The plastic material used has another advantage in that it can absorb many foreign particles so that no damage can occur. The balls of heavy-duty rod ends with integral spherical plain bearings are hard chrome plated. This reliable corrosion protection ensures that the function of the rod end will not be affected by a corroded ball surface under humid operating conditions.

Rod ends with integral maintenance-free spherical plain bearings

This design is especially suitable for high speeds, large swivelling angles or rotating movements with relatively low or medium loads. Prominent technical features are the low bearing friction, long-time greasing as well as the sealing against some dirt pentration (by means of shields on both sides). Under normal operating conditions the rod ends are maintenance-free. Greasing nipples are provided for lubrication in case of rough operations and maximum loads. To avoid incompatibility with the production lubrication, we recommend lubrication with a calcium-complex-soap-grease. A special heat treatment procedure gives the rod end housing a raceway hardness adapted to the antifriction bearing, ensuring at the same time high stability with changing loads.

Rod ends with integral ball bearings

This design, based on the structure of a self-aligning roller bearing is preferably used for high speed, large tilting angles or rotating movements under high loads. Compared to rod ends with ball bearings, rod ends with self-aligning roller bearings essentially have higher basic load ratings. This design is equipped with a cage to minimise the rolling friction and heat build-up. These rod ends, with long-time lubrication are under normal operating conditions maintenance-free. Greasing nipples are provided for lubrication in case of rough operations and maximum loads. To avoid incompatibility with the production lubrication, we recommend lubricating with a calcium-complex-soap-grease. Shields on both sides limit dirt particles from penetrating into the bearing. The rod ends with roller bearings are subjected to a special heat treatment to obtain a raceway hardness adapted to the antifriction bearings, ensuring at the same time a high stability with changing loads.

Rod ends with integral roller bearings

Rod end bearings load capacity explained

The static load capacity C_0 is the radially acting static load which does not cause any permanent deformation of the components when the spherical bearing or rod end is stationary, (i.e. the load condition without pivoting, swivelling or tilting movements). It is also a precondition here that the operating temperature must be at normal room temperature and the surrounding components must possess sufficient stability.

Static load capacity C₀ (plain bearings)

The values specified in the tables are determined by static tension tests on a representative number of series components at 20°C normal room temperature. The static load capacity may vary with lower or higher temperature depending on the material. In the case of all rod ends with plain bearings, the static load rating refers to the maximum permissible static load of the rod end housing in a tensile direction up to which no permanent deformation occurs at the weakest housing cross-section. The value in the product tables has a safety factor of 1.2 times the tensile strength of the rod ends housing material.

> Static load capacity C₀ (roller and ball bearings)

For our rod ends with roller and ball bearings, the static load rating is the load at which the bearing can operate at room temperature without its performance being impaired as a result of deformations, fracture, or damage to the sliding contact surfaces (max 1/10,000th of the ball diameter).

> Dynamic load capacity C (plain bearings)

Dynamic load ratings serve as values for calculation of the service life of dynamically-loaded spherical bearings and rod ends. The values themselves do not provide any information about the effective dynamic load capacity of the spherical bearing or rod end. To obtain this information, it is necessary to take into account the additional influencing factors such as load type, swivel or tilt angle, speed characteristic, max. permitted bearing clearance, max. permitted bearing friction, lubrication conditions and temperature, etc.

Dynamic load capacities depend on the definition used to calculate them. Comparison of values is not always possible owing to the different definitions used by various manufacturers, and because the load capacities are often determined under completely different test conditions.

> Dynamic load capacity C (roller and ball bearings)

For our rod ends with roller and ball bearings, the dynamic load capacity is the load at which 90% of a large quantity of identical rod ends reach 1 million revolutions before they fail (due to fatigue of the rolling surfaces.)

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