G5/6/7 Floating Shaft Series Disc Couplings

Installation Instructions



MARNING: Cancer and Reproductive Harm - www.P65Warnings.ca.gov

- 1. Clean and inspect hub bore(s) and shaft ends. Remove any nicks or burrs. For tapered shafts, check contact with machinists' bluing. For straight shafts, measure shaft and bore diameters to confirm proper fit.
- 2. Fit key(s) to hub and shaft if applicable. Installed keys must fit snugly on the sides and have a small clearance over the top.
- 3. Arrange an axial stop bar or collar to stop the hub at the desired position.
- Heat hub uniformly to required temperature to allow installation on shaft. Use of open flame is not recommended to avoid localized overheating and damage to hubs. If a torch must be used, use a large rosebud tip



and be careful to maintain even heat distribution. See graph on page 4.

CAUTION: Do not exceed 550° F. to avoid damage to hub.

- 5. Quickly slide the expanded hub into position against the prearranged axial stop, and allow to cool.
- 6. Move the equipment into place, axially set shafts to their desired thrust positions and/or motor rotors to magnetic center.
- 7. The distance 'D' between shaft ends and/or flange faces, see Fig 1, should match the target dimension within +/-25% of the coupling's axial capacity as given in Table 1. Generally speaking the axial error at installation should not be visible to the naked eye see Fig. 2. Reference the coupling drawing for configurations not similar to Fig 1.
- 8. Bring the spacer into position. Throughout the installation process, keep the spacer supported until both disc packs are in place and all bolts and nuts are at least snug fit. Letting the unsupported end of the spacer sag may overstrain and damage the disc pack.
- Install disc packs, bolts, and nuts at each end of the coupling. See Fig 1 for proper bolt and washer orientation. Coat all bolt threads and nut faces with anti-seize thread compound and tighten all to a light snug fit only. Read the following sections before tightening bolts.

Coupling Size Designation		'A' Dia.	'G' Gap	Coupling Axial Capacity	Installation Misalignment	
New	Old	(Inches)	(Inches)	(Inches)	Limit (Inches T.I.R.)	
311	BP38U	5.88	.40	± 0.028	.005	
321	BH41U	6.38	.55	± 0.029	.006	
332	BH47U	7.20	.61	± 0.030	.007	
340	40	8.38	0.57	± .06	0.007	
346	BH54U	8.20	.62	± 0.050	.008	
380		9.42	0.89	± .08	0.014	
412	120	11.00	0.75	± .08	0.009	
419	190	12.50	0.98	± .10	0.008	
424	240 / 300	15.00	0.98	± .10	0.013	
435	430(1)	16.00		± .10	0.013	
444		16.38	1.09	± .11	0.012	
456	560 / 640	18.00	1.32	± .12	0.016	
483		19.44	1.39	± .13	0.014	
	900(1)	18.00		± .10	0.016	
511	1100 / 1200	22.00	1.56	± .14	0.019	
	1600(1)	22.00		± .14	0.005	
520	2000	24.88	1.89	± .18	0.018	
525	GC2500	26.75	1.95	±0.200	.022	
530	GC3000	28.00	2.14	±0.200	.024	
540	N/A	33.50	2.58	±0.240	.024	

- 10. To improve the coupling installation and performance, it is recommended, If possible at this stage, to rotate the assembly a few times while repeatedly rapping the spacer flange OD with a soft dead blow hammer to relieve any binding in the disc packs.
- The average gap dimension 'G' as shown in Fig 1, at each disc pack, should be within the value given in Table 1 +/-12.5% of the coupling's axial capacity.
- 12. Regardless of how misalignment is measured, either by a dial indicator, laser, or any other method, it should be measured from flange face to opposing flange face across a single disc pack.
- 13. Rotate the assembly through 360° to determine the max face Total Indicator Runnout (T.I.R.). The readings should not exceed the Installation Misalignment Limits given in Table 1 which are recommended setup limits that are less than the max coupling alignment ratings.
- 14. Repeat the process on the other end of the coupling.

A Word About Bolt Tightening

Proper bolt tightening is crucial to obtain the pre-loads needed for proper coupling performance.

- a) Lubricate threads and nut faces with anti-seize thread compound before assembly.
- b) In general, rotating the nut while holding the bolt is preferred but in some cases the reverse may be necessary.
- c) If space constraints limit the use of a standard socket on a torque wrench, a "crow's foot" extension can be used (a box end type is preferred and remember to adjust the torque setting as appropriate).

- d) Methods of obtaining proper bolt preload, listed in order of accuracy:
 - Measure actual bolt stretch (when clearance permits using a micrometer, Table 2 lists the target stretch in inches).
 - Use Supernuts (see page 4).
 - Torque wrench (see Table 2 for required wrench sizes).
 - Turn of the Nut
- 15. Tighten all bolts and nuts to ~15% of the required torque value given in Table 2.
- 16. If possible, repeat step 10.
- 17. Tighten all bolts and nuts to 100% of the required torque value given in Table 2.

Maintenance

 A common problem experienced with disc coupling installations is the presence of what is called "oil canning". This is a condition where the discs of the pack, for whatever reason, have slipped, buckled, or become distorted from their "neutral" position and are captured in that state by the bolt clamp load. The condition causes the coupling hubs to push or pull on the connected equipment and/or it may cause the spacer to toggle axially in one direction or another but not rest in a position equi-distant from the two hubs. To correct this, the first thing to try is to loosen the bolts of the disc pack and retighten per the preceding process starting at step 13. If that doesn't work, then there may be axial alignment issues. Repeat the setup process starting at step 6.

Coupling Size		Disc Bolt Thread Size	Socket Wrench Size (Inches)	Bolt Stretch (Inches)	Disc Bolt & Nut Tightening Torque (Ft-Lb)
New	Old				. ,
311	BP38U	5/16-24	1/2	0.002	22
321	BH41U	7/16-20	5/8	0.003	55
332	BH47U	9/16-18	13/16	0.007	120
340	40	1/2-20	7/8	0.003	75
346	BH54U	9/16-18	13/16		120
380	80	3/4-16	1 1/8	0.007	288
412	120	3/4-16	1 1/4	0.006	250
419	190	1	1 5/8	0.006	450
424	240 / 300	1-14			
435	430(1)	1 1/8-12	1 3/4	0.008	650
444		1 1/8-12	1 13/16	0.008	650
456	560 / 640	1 1/4-12	2	0.009	830
483		1 3/8-12	2 3/16	0.010	1000
	900(1)	1 1/2-12	2 1/2	0.012	1400
511	1100 / 1200	1 1/2-12	2 3/8	0.012	1400
	1600(2)	1 3/4-12	1 3/4	0.017	See Table 3
520	2000(2)	1 7/8-12	3	0.017	See Table 3
525	GC2500	2-12	3 1/4	0.018	See Table 3
530	GC3000	2 1/8-12	3 3/8	0.019	See Table 3
540	N/A	2 1/4-12	3 3/4		See Table 3

Table 2 - Disc Bolt Tightening Data

Nut torque values are with commercially available anti-seize.

2. Periodic inspection of the coupling, including bolt and nut connection torques, is recommended. An inspection frequency cannot be recommended here as it will depend upon the individual circumstances of each application and must be determined by the end user based on observation and consideration of the operating conditions. Notes:

- (1) Non-unitized designs.
- (2) Torque is for each Jack-bolt of the Superbolt Torquenut.

Fig 3: Dial Indicator Mounting for Face Readings



Table 3: Superbolt Torquenut Tightening

Superbolt Torquenuts are an available option which greatly eases the task of obtaining proper preload in large fasteners. They must be installed with the included hardened washer, and the jackbolts MUST be properly lubricated on their threads and tips using their special grease. Values shown apply when using standard Superbolt[®] "JL-G" grease.

D' D'	"CY" Series Superbolt Torquenut Jackbolts				
Disc Bolt Thread Size	Thread Size	Wrench Size (Inches)	Tightening Torque (ft-lb)		
1 3/4-12	7/16	3/8	77		
1 7/8-12	1/2	7/16	108		
2-12	1/2	7/16	124		
2 1/8-12	5/16	9/16	141		
2 1/4-12	5/16	9/16	196		

SUPERBOLT is a registered trademark of Superbolt Inc., Carnegie, PA USA

Hub Shrink Fit Temperatures

DATA SUPPLIED IS FOR REFERENCE ONLY! Installer must ensure that proper procedures and values are used.

Graph assumes steel hub material and 70° F. ambient temperature, and includes a 10% safety margin. For example, for 6" bore and .008" interference, heating the hub from 70° to 300° will expand the hub by .0088".

Verify hub bores as specified on the assembly drawing to avoid overstressing the hub.



HUB BORE DIA., INCHES



www.tbwoods.com

2000 Clovis Barker Road San Marcos, TX 78666 512-353-4000