



DCS16-4-4-A

Ruland DCS16-4-4-A, 1/4" x 1/4" Single Disc Coupling, Aluminum, Clamp Style, 1.000" OD, 1.031" Length



Description

Ruland DCS16-4-4-A is a clamp single disc coupling with 0.2500" x 0.2500" bores, 1.000" OD, and 1.031" length. It is zero-backlash and has a balanced design for reduced vibration at high speeds. The single disc design is comprised of two anodized aluminum hubs and two sets of thin stainless steel disc springs which can accommodate angular misalignment and axial motion, however does not allow for any parallel misalignment. DCS16-4-4-A is lightweight and has low inertia making it well suited for applications with speeds up to 10,000 RPM. Hardware is metric and tests beyond DIN 912 12.9 standards for maximum torque capabilities. Ruland manufactures DCS16-4-4-A to be torsionally rigid and an excellent fit for precise positioning stepper servo applications commonly found in semiconductor, solar, printing, machine tool, and test and measurement systems. It is machined from solid bar stock that is sourced exclusively from North American mills and RoHS3 and REACH compliant. DCS16-4-4-A is manufactured in our Marlborough, MA factory under strict controls using proprietary processes.

Product Specifications

Bore (B1)	0.2500 in	Small Bore (B2)	0.2500 in
B1 Max Shaft Penetration	0.499 in	B2 Max Shaft Penetration	0.499 in
Outer Diameter (OD)	1.000 in	Bore Tolerance	+0.001 in / -0.000 in
Length (L)	1.031 in	Hub Width (LH)	0.467 in
Recommended Shaft Tolerance	+0.0000 in / -0.0005 in	Forged Clamp Screw	M3
Screw Material	Alloy Steel	Hex Wrench Size	2.5 mm
Screw Finish	Black Oxide	Seating Torque	2.1 Nm
Number of Screws	2 ea	Dynamic Torque Reversing	12.5 lb-in
Angular Misalignment	1.0°	Dynamic Torque Non-Reversing	25 lb-in
Parallel Misalignment	0.00 in	Static Torque	50 lb-in
Axial Motion	0.006 in	Torsional Stiffness	94 lb-in/Deg
Moment of Inertia	0.0089 lb-in ²	Maximum Speed	10,000 RPM
Full Bearing Support Required?	Yes	Zero-Backlash?	Yes
Balanced Design	Yes	Torque Wrench	TW:BT-1R-1/4-18.3
Recommended Hex Key	Metric Hex Keys	Material Specification	Hubs: 2024-T351 Aluminum Bar, Disc Springs: Type 302 Stainless Steel
Temperature	-40°F to 200°F (-40°C to 93°C)	Finish Specification	Sulfuric Anodized MIL-A-8625 Type II, Class 2 and ASTM B580 Type B Black Anodize
Manufacturer	Ruland Manufacturing	Country of Origin	USA
Weight (lbs)	0.066300	UPC	634529082171
Tariff Code	8483.60.8000	UNSPC	31163008
Note 1	Stainless steel hubs are available upon request.		
Note 2	Torque ratings are at maximum misalignment.		
Note 3	Performance ratings are for guidance only. The user must determine suitability for a particular application.		
Note 4	Torque ratings for the couplings are based on the physical limitations/failure point of the disc springs. Under normal/typical conditions the hubs are capable of holding up to the rated torque of the disc springs. In some cases, especially when the smallest standard bores are used or where shafts are undersized, slippage on the shaft is possible below the rated torque of the disc springs. Keyways are available to provide additional torque capacity in the shaft/hub connection when required. Please consult technical support for more assistance.		

Installation Instructions

1. Align the bores of the DCS16-4-4-A single disc coupling on the shafts that are to be joined and determine if the misalignment parameters are within the limits of the coupling. (*Angular Misalignment: 1.0°, Parallel Misalignment: 0.00 in, Axial Motion: 0.006 in*)
2. Fully tighten the M3 screw on the first hub to the recommended seating torque of 2.1 Nm using a 2.5 mm hex torque wrench.
3. Before tightening the screw on the second hub, rotate the coupling by hand to allow it to reach its free length.
4. Tighten the screw on the second hub to the recommended seating torque. Make sure the coupling remains axially relaxed and the misalignment angle remains centered along the length of the coupling.
5. The shafts may extend into the relieved portion of the bore as long as it does not exceed the shaft penetration length of 0.499 in.