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**Rolling bearings — Linear motion  
rolling bearings —**

**Part 2:  
Static load ratings**

*Roulements — Roulements à mouvement linéaire —  
Partie 2: Charges statiques de base*





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## Foreword

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This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 14728-2:2004), of which it constitutes a minor revision with the following changes:

- improvement of [Figures 2, 4, 8 and 9](#);
- correction of formula for  $k_{0i}$  in [Formula \(1\)](#);
- alignment with the latest drafting rules.

A list of all parts in the ISO 14728 series can be found on the ISO website.

## Introduction

It is often impractical to establish the suitability of a linear motion rolling bearing selected for a specific application by testing. The following procedures have proved to be an appropriate and convenient substitute for testing:

- life calculation with dynamic load (ISO 14728-1);
- static load safety factor calculation with static load (ISO 14728-2).

Permanent deformation appears in rolling elements and raceways of rolling bearings under static loads of moderate magnitude and increases gradually with increasing load.

It is often impractical to establish whether the deformation appearing in a bearing in a specific application is permissible by testing the bearing in that application. Other methods are therefore required to establish the suitability of the bearing selected.

Experience shows that a total permanent deformation of 0,000 1 of the rolling element diameter, at the centre of the most heavily loaded rolling element/raceway contact, can be tolerated in most bearing applications without the subsequent bearing operation being impaired. The basic static load rating is, therefore, given a magnitude such that approximately that degree of deformation occurs when the static equivalent load is equal to the load rating.

Tests in different countries indicate that a load of the magnitude in question may be considered to correspond to a calculated contact stress of

- 5 300 MPa for recirculating linear ball bearings, sleeve type,
- 4 200 MPa to 4 600 MPa for recirculating linear ball bearings, linear guideway type (see [3.9](#) and [Table 1](#)),
- 4 200 MPa to 4 600 MPa for non-recirculating linear ball bearings (see [3.9](#) and [Table 1](#)), and
- 4 000 MPa for linear roller bearings,

at the centre of the most heavily loaded rolling element/raceway contact. The formulae and factors for the calculation of the basic static load ratings are based on these contact stresses.

The permissible static equivalent load may be smaller than, equal to or greater than the basic static load rating, depending on the requirements for smoothness of operation and friction, as well as on actual contact surface geometry. Bearing users without previous experience of these conditions should consult the bearing manufacturers.



# Rolling bearings — Linear motion rolling bearings —

## Part 2: Static load ratings

### 1 Scope

This document specifies methods of calculating the basic static load rating, static equivalent load and static safety factor for linear motion rolling bearings manufactured from contemporary, commonly used, high quality, hardened bearing steel in accordance with good manufacturing practice and basically of conventional design with regard to the shape of the rolling contact surfaces.

This document is not applicable to designs where the rolling elements operate directly on the slide surface of the machine equipment, unless that surface is equivalent in all respects to the raceway of the linear motion rolling bearing component it replaces.

### 2 Normative references

There are no normative references in this document.

### 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 76 and ISO 5593, and the following apply.

ISO and IEC maintain terminological databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>
- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <http://www.iso.org/obp>

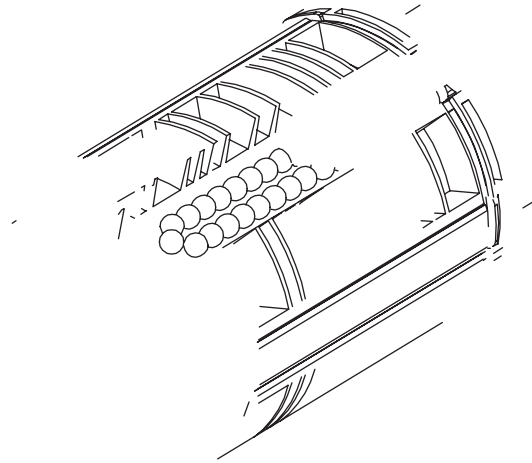
#### 3.1

##### **recirculating linear ball bearing, sleeve type, with or without raceway grooves**

basically cylindrical sleeve provided with a number of closed loops of recirculating balls designed to achieve linear rolling motion along a hardened cylindrical shaft

Note 1 to entry: See [Figure 1](#).

Note 2 to entry: The raceways in the sleeve can be designed cylindrical as well as steel inserts with raceway grooves parallel to the axis.



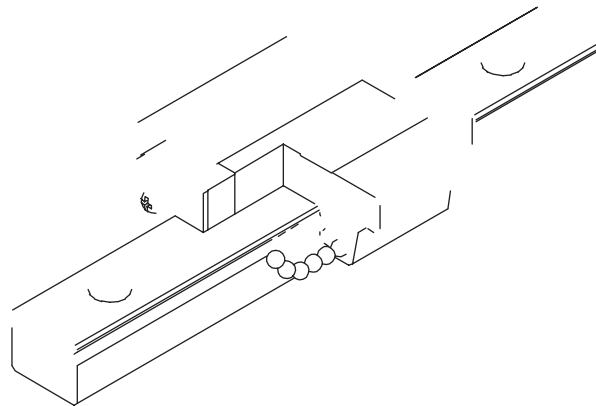
**Figure 1 — Recirculating linear ball bearing, sleeve type**

**3.2**

**recirculating linear ball (or roller) bearing, linear guideway, carriage type**

linear ball (or roller) bearing provided with a number of symmetrically arranged, closed loops of recirculating balls (or rollers) designed to achieve linear rolling motion along a hardened guideway furnished with adequate raceways

Note 1 to entry: See [Figure 2](#).



**Figure 2 — Recirculating linear ball (or roller) bearing, linear guideway, carriage type**

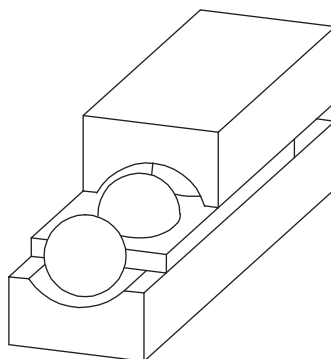


**3.3****non-recirculating linear ball bearing, linear guideway, deep groove type**

linear bearing with balls as rolling elements, each ball having two points of contact

Note 1 to entry: See [Figure 3](#).

Note 2 to entry: The cross-sectional radii of the raceway grooves in the two guideways are equal and may lie between  $0,52 D_w$  and infinity.



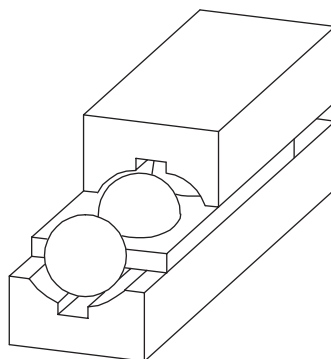
**Figure 3 — Non-recirculating linear ball bearing, linear guideway, deep groove type**

**3.4****non-recirculating linear ball bearing, linear guideway, four-point-contact type**

linear bearing with balls as rolling elements, each ball having four points of contact

Note 1 to entry: See [Figure 4](#).

Note 2 to entry: The cross-sectional radii of the raceway grooves for the four points of contact in the two guideways are equal and may lie between  $0,52 D_w$  and infinity.



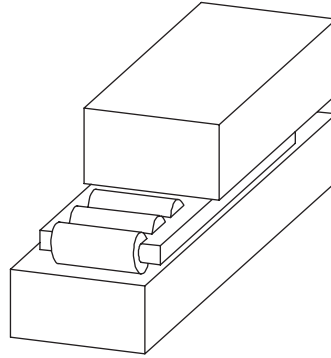
**Figure 4 — Non-recirculating linear ball bearing, linear guideway, four-point-contact type**

**3.5**

**non-recirculating linear roller bearing, linear guideway, flat type**

linear bearing with needle rollers or cylindrical rollers as rolling elements

Note 1 to entry: See [Figure 5](#).



**Figure 5 — Non-recirculating linear roller bearing, linear guideway, flat type**

**3.6**

**non-recirculating linear roller bearing, linear guideway, V-angle type**

linear bearing with guideways designed as parts of a V with a 90° angle

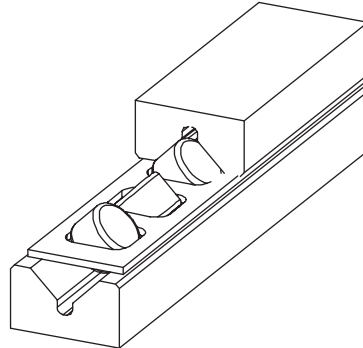
Note 1 to entry: See [Figure 6](#).

Note 2 to entry: Needle rollers or cylindrical rollers are used as rolling elements.

**Figure 6 — Non-recirculating linear roller bearing, linear guideway, V-angle type**

**3.7****non-recirculating linear roller bearing, linear guideway, crossed roller type**  
linear bearing with cylindrical rollers arranged in a crossed roller construction

Note 1 to entry: See [Figure 7](#).



**Figure 7 — Non-recirculating linear roller bearing, linear guideway, crossed roller type**

**3.8****static safety factor**

ratio between the basic static load rating and the static equivalent load giving the margin of safety against inadmissible permanent deformation on rolling elements and raceways

**3.9****basic static load rating of a linear motion rolling bearing**

static load which corresponds to a calculated contact stress  $\sigma_{\max}$  at the centre of the most heavily loaded rolling element or raceway contact

Note 1 to entry: For this contact stress, a total permanent deformation of rolling element and raceway occurs which is approximately 0,000 1 of the rolling element diameter.

- For a recirculating linear ball bearing, sleeve type:  $\sigma_{\max} = 5\,300$  MPa;
- For a recirculating linear ball bearing, linear guideway type: see [Table 1](#);
- For a non-recirculating linear ball bearing: see [Table 1](#);
- For a linear roller bearing:  $\sigma_{\max} = 4\,000$  MPa.

**Table 1 — Contact stress,  $\sigma_{\max}$**

$r_g$ (mm)	$\leq 0,52 D_w$	$0,53 D_w$	$0,54 D_w$	$0,55 D_w$	$0,56 D_w$	$0,57 D_w$	$0,58 D_w$	$0,59 D_w$	$\geq 0,6 D_w$
$\sigma_{\max}$ (MPa)	4 200	4 250	4 300	4 350	4 400	4 450	4 500	4 550	4 600

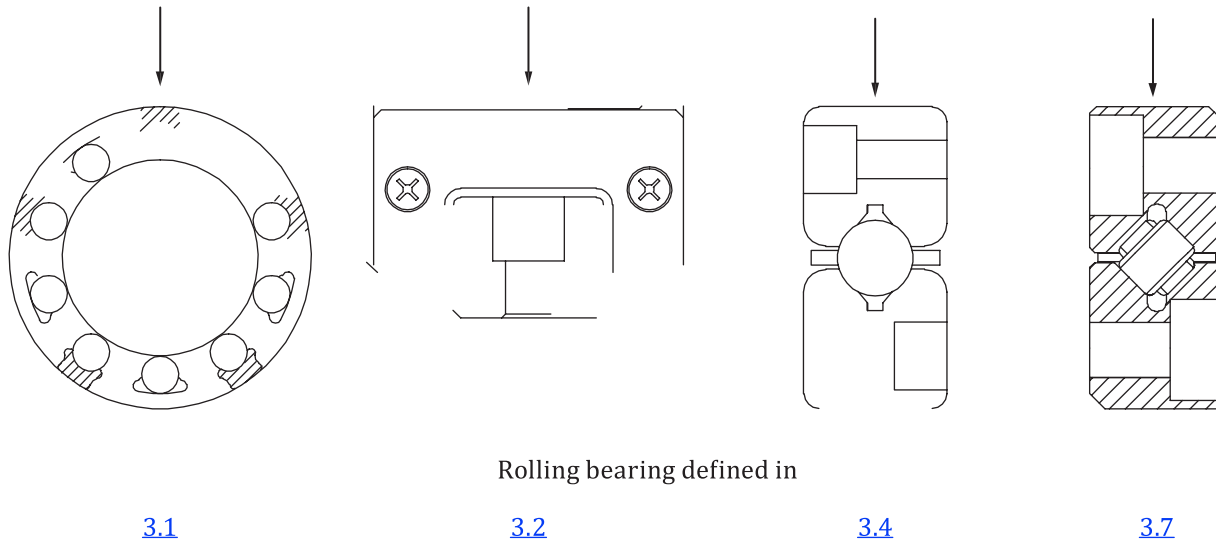
**3.10****static equivalent load**

static load that causes the same contact stress at the centre of the most heavily loaded rolling element or raceway contact as the stress that occurs under the actual load conditions

**3.11**  
**direction of load**

direction of load applied for load rating calculation

Note 1 to entry: For calculation of basic static load ratings, the direction of the load is defined for all linear motion bearings as shown by the arrows in [Figure 8](#).



**Figure 8 — Direction of load**

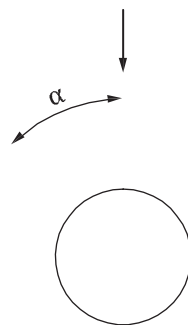
**3.12**  
**pitch diameter**

<of recirculating linear ball bearing, sleeve type> diameter of the circle containing the centres of the balls in contact with the raceways, in a cross-sectional plane perpendicular to the bearing axis

**3.13**  
**nominal contact angle**

angle between the direction of load on the linear bearing and the nominal line of action of the resultant of the forces transmitted by a bearing raceway member to a rolling element

Note 1 to entry: See [Figure 9](#).



**Figure 9 — Nominal contact angle**

## 4 Symbols

For the purposes of this document, the symbols given in ISO 76, ISO 15241 and [Table 2](#) apply.

**Table 2 — Symbols, terms and units**

Symbol	Term	Unit
$C_0$	Basic static load rating	N
$D_{pw}$	Pitch diameter of ball rows	mm
$D_w$	Ball diameter	mm
$D_{we}$	Roller diameter applicable in the calculation of load ratings	mm
$F$	Load on bearing	N
$f_0$	Factor which depends on the geometry of the bearing components and on the applicable stress level	1
$i$	Number of rows of balls or rollers applicable in the calculation of load ratings NOTE In the case of recirculating linear bearings, sleeve type, it is the total number of rows of balls.	1
$i_t$	Number of load-carrying rows of balls in loaded zone $-90^\circ < \varphi_j < +90^\circ$ of recirculating linear ball bearings, sleeve type, with or without raceway grooves, applicable in the calculation of load ratings	1
$k_{0F}$	Static load factor	1
$k_{0i}$	Load factor that depends on number of rows of balls in a recirculating ball bearing, sleeve type	1
$L_{we}$	Roller length applicable in the calculation of load ratings	mm
$P_0$	Static equivalent load	N
$r_g$	Cross-sectional radius of the raceway groove on guideway	mm
$S_0$	Static load safety factor	1
$Z$	Number of balls or rollers in one row	1
$Z_t$	Number of load-carrying balls or rollers in one row applicable in the calculation of load ratings	1
$\alpha$	Nominal contact angle	°
$\varphi_j$	Angle between the direction of load and the ball row $j$	°
$\sigma_{max}$	Contact stress at the centre of the most heavily loaded rolling element or raceway contact	MPa

## 5 Basic static load ratings

### 5.1 Linear ball bearings

#### 5.1.1 Recirculating linear ball bearings, sleeve type, with or without raceway grooves

The basic static load rating for these bearings is given in [Formula \(1\)](#):

$$C_0 = f_0 \times k_{0i} \times Z_t \times D_w^2 \quad (1)$$

where

$$k_{0i} = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^{j=i_t} (\cos \varphi_j)^{2,5}}{\max \left\{ (\cos \varphi_j)^{1,5} \right\}}$$

In the number of load-carrying rows of balls in the loaded area,  $i_t$ , those rows which are arranged in an angular area of  $-90^\circ < \varphi_j < +90^\circ$  to the direction of normal load (see [Figure 8](#)) are to be taken into account.

The values of  $k_{0i}$  of recirculating linear ball bearing, sleeve type, with equally spaced ball rows, are given in [Table 3](#) and the values of  $f_0$  in [Table 4](#).

**Table 3 — Values of  $k_{0i}$**

$i$	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
$k_{0i}$	1,000	1,000	1,106	1,354	1,614	1,841	2,052	2,284

**Table 4 — Values of  $f_0$**

$D_w/D_{pw}$	$f_0$	$D_w/D_{pw}$	$f_0$	$D_w/D_{pw}$	$f_0$
0,005	14,801	0,105	13,297	0,205	11,770
0,010	14,726	0,110	13,221	0,210	11,693
0,015	14,651	0,115	13,146	0,215	11,616
0,020	14,577	0,120	13,070	0,220	11,539
0,025	14,502	0,125	12,994	0,225	11,462
0,030	14,427	0,130	12,918	0,230	11,384
0,035	14,352	0,135	12,842	0,235	11,307
0,040	14,277	0,140	12,765	0,240	11,230
0,045	14,202	0,145	12,689	0,245	11,152
0,050	14,127	0,150	12,613	0,250	11,075
0,055	14,052	0,155	12,537	0,255	10,997
0,060	13,977	0,160	12,460	0,260	10,920
0,065	13,902	0,165	12,384	0,265	10,842
0,070	13,826	0,170	12,307	0,270	10,765
0,075	13,751	0,175	12,231	0,275	10,687
0,080	13,675	0,180	12,154	0,280	10,609
0,085	13,600	0,185	12,077	0,285	10,531
0,090	13,524	0,190	12,000	0,290	10,454
0,095	13,449	0,195	11,924	0,295	10,376
0,100	13,373	0,200	11,847	0,300	10,298

**5.1.2 Recirculating linear ball bearings, linear guideway, carriage type**

The basic static load rating for this bearing is given in [Formula \(2\)](#):

$$C_0 = f_0 \times i \times Z_t \times D_w^2 \times \cos \alpha \tag{2}$$

The values of  $f_0$  are given in [Table 5](#) and are dependent on the cross-sectional radius of the raceway groove on the guideway and on the ball diameter.

**Table 5 — Values of  $f_0$** 

$r_g$	$f_0$
0,52 $D_w$	94,64
0,53 $D_w$	76,33
0,54 $D_w$	66,07
0,55 $D_w$	59,48
0,56 $D_w$	54,89
0,57 $D_w$	51,55
0,58 $D_w$	49,03
0,59 $D_w$	47,08
0,60 $D_w$	45,57

The load-carrying ability of a bearing is not necessarily increased by the use of smaller raceway groove radii, but it is reduced by the use of larger raceway groove radii than those indicated in [Table 5](#).

### 5.1.3 Non-recirculating linear ball bearings, linear guideway, deep groove and four-point-contact types

The basic static load rating for these bearings is given in [Formula \(3\)](#):

$$C_0 = f_0 \times i \times Z_t \times D_w^2 \times \cos \alpha \quad (3)$$

The values of  $i$  and  $Z_t$  are given in [Table 6](#).

**Table 6 — Values of  $i$  and  $Z_t$** 

Bearing	$i$	$Z_t$
Deep groove type	1	$Z$
Four-point-contact type	2	$Z$

The values of  $f_0$  are given in [Table 7](#).

**Table 7 — Values of  $f_0$** 

$r_g$	$f_0$
0,52 $D_w$	94,64
0,53 $D_w$	76,33
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0,56 $D_w$	54,89
0,57 $D_w$	51,55
0,58 $D_w$	49,03
0,59 $D_w$	47,08
0,60 $D_w$	45,57
$\infty$	9,72

## 5.2 Linear roller bearings

### 5.2.1 Recirculating linear roller bearings, linear guideway, carriage type

The basic static load rating for this bearing is given in [Formula \(4\)](#):

$$C_0 = f_0 \times i \times Z_t \times L_{we} \times D_{we} \times \cos \alpha \quad (4)$$

where

$$f_0 = 221$$

### 5.2.2 Non-recirculating linear roller bearings, linear guideway, flat, V-angle and crossed roller types

The basic static load rating for these bearings is given in [Formula \(5\)](#):

$$C_0 = f_0 \times i \times Z_t \times L_{we} \times D_{we} \times \cos \alpha \quad (5)$$

where

$$f_0 = 221$$

The values for  $i$  and  $Z_t$  are given in [Table 8](#).

**Table 8 — Values of  $i$  and  $Z_t$**

Bearing type	$i$	$Z_t$
Flat type	1	$Z$
V-angle type	2	$Z$
Crossed roller type	2	$Z/2$

## 6 Static equivalent load

The static equivalent load for a linear motion rolling bearing is given in [Formula \(6\)](#):

$$P_0 = k_{0F} \times F \quad (6)$$

The static load factor  $k_{0F}$  is taken to be 1 ( $k_{0F} = 1$ ) when the direction of the bearing load,  $F$ , is normal (as shown in [Figure 8](#)) and the bearing clearance is in the normal range. When these conditions are not satisfied, the bearing manufacturer should be consulted for the applicable  $k_{0F}$  factor value.

## 7 Static load safety factor

The static load safety factor for a linear motion rolling bearing is given in [Formula \(7\)](#):

$$S_0 = \frac{C_0}{P_0} \quad (7)$$

The static load safety factor  $S_0$  should be larger than 2 for conventional operating conditions. For a particular operating condition, the bearing manufacturer should be consulted for the applicable  $S_0$  factor value.



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