# SPIROL®

**ALIGNMENT DOWELS/BUSHINGS** 





SPIROL's roll formed hardened Bushings are designed to meet one or more of the following objectives:

- Align mating components,
- © Eliminate drilling of a separate bolt hole,
- Protect bolts from shear loading, and/or
- Maintain joint integrity

Although these hollow, lightweight Bushings are not precision ground and do not require precision holes, thus saving in component and hole preparation costs, they are capable of precision alignment if the design guidelines are followed. Further savings can be achieved by using the inside of the Dowel Bushing for the bolt and thus eliminating the cost of a separate bolt hole. This design concept also protects the bolt from shear loads perpendicular to the bolt and isolates the forces on the bolt to tension loading. Shear forces acting on a bolted joint cause the joint members to slip back and forth, which causes the bolts and nuts to rotate, reducing the pre-load tension. This is particularly the case with short bolts with a reduced clamping distance.



# SPIROL PRODUCT FEATURES AND BENEFITS

### **SPRING ACTION**

The diameter of the Bushing is slightly larger than the hole. The spring action of the Bushing allows it to be installed into a drilled or cored hole and assume the diameter of the hole. It is self-retained once installed.

### STAGGERED SEAM

The staggered seam prevents interlocking, making these Bushings suitable for automatic feeding and eliminating the need to separate them during manual assembly.



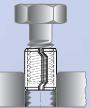


### **LEAD-IN CHAMFERS**

The beveled chamfer around the entire periphery of the Bushing is designed to facilitate ease of insertion and to avoid skiving of the Bushing during installation.



The inside diameter of the Dowel Bushings is designed to provide clearance for a bolt through the Bushing for the purpose of fastening the aligned components together. This isolates the bolt from the shear loading and increases the joint integrity. It also eliminates the cost of a separate hole.

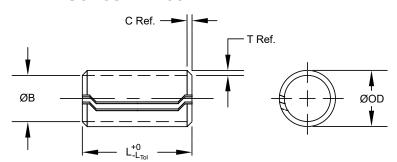






Dowel Bushings are used to locate components in conjunction with bolts which pass through the inside of the Dowel after it has been installed. Separate holes for locating pins are eliminated. The hardened Dowels also absorb shear loads, isolating the bolts from these forces.

### **Series DB100**



### **MATERIAL**

**B** High Carbon Steel

### **FINISH** K Plain, Oiled

### **DIMENSIONAL DATA**

Metric									
Nominal	Min. ØID	ØOD		Wall Thickness Chamfer		mfer	fer Recommended Ø Hole Size		
Bolt Diameter	Installed <sup>1</sup>	Min.	Max.	Т	C Length	ØB Max.	Min.	Max.	Min. Single Shear (kN) <sup>2</sup>
6	6.08	7.92	8.18	0.70	1.40	7.50	7.67	7.80	10.9
8	8.10	10.35	10.61	0.90	1.40	9.85	10.10	10.23	18.7
10	10.10	12.75	13.01	1.10	1.40	12.20	12.50	12.63	28.4
12	12.10	15.50	15.76	1.45	1.80	14.85	15.25	15.38	45.4
16	16.10	20.25	20.51	1.80	1.80	19.50	20.00	20.13	74.6

	Inch										
Nominal Bolt		Min. ØID	ØOD		Wall Thickness CI		mfer	Recommended Ø Hole Size		Min. Single	
Dian		Installed <sup>1</sup>	Min.	Max.	Т	C Length ØB Ma		Min.	Max.	Shear (lbs.) <sup>2</sup>	
.250	1/4	.252	.325	.335	.028	.050	.308	.315	.320	2,500	
.312	5/16	.315	.401	.411	.035	.050	.381	.391	.396	4,000	
.375	3/8	.378	.479	.489	.042	.050	.457	.469	.474	5,750	
.500	1/2	.506	.640	.650	.057	.060	.615	.630	.635	10,500	

Metric									
Nominal	Length								
Bolt Diameter	12	15	20	25	30	35			
6									
8			LENGTH T	OLERANCE					
10			+ 0.0mm	- 1.0mm					
12									
16									

Inch									
Nomin	al Bolt		Len	gth					
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.250 1/4									
.312 5/16			LENGTH TO	DLERANCE					
.375	3/8		+.000"						
.500	1/2								

- <sup>1</sup> When installed in recommended hole.
- Single shear minimum, tested in accordance with ISO 8749 and ASME B18.8.2 Appendix B. Testing can only be performed on Dowels greater than two diameters in length.
- On special order plated parts, all dimensions apply prior to plating.
- · Special lengths and sizes available upon request.



To Order: BUSH, Nominal Dowel Size x Length, Material, Finish, Series

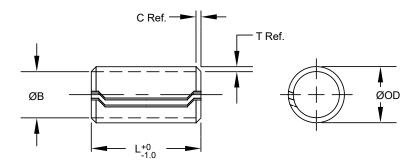
Example: BUSH 10 x 25 BK DB100





Spring Dowels are used to accurately locate components with respect to each other. They are formed around arbors to assure roundness. It is recommended that one half the hole tolerance be used for the fixed location of the Dowel and one half for the hole in the mating part.

### **Series SD200**



### **MATERIAL B** High Carbon Steel

### **FINISH** K Plain, Oiled

### **DIMENSIONAL DATA**

Metric									
Nominal	ØOD		Wall Thickness	Cha	Chamfer		Recommended Ø Hole Size		
Dowel Diameter	Min.	Max.	Т	C Length	ØB Max.	Min.	Max.	Shear (kN) <sup>1</sup>	
6	6.25	6.50	0.55	1.00	5.85	6.00	6.13	6.6	
8	8.25	8.50	0.70	1.40	7.80	8.00	8.13	11.5	
10	10.25	10.50	0.90	1.40	9.75	10.00	10.13	18.5	
12	12.25	12.50	1.10	1.40	11.70	12.00	12.13	27.1	

Metric								
Nominal			Length					
Dowel Diameter	12	15	20	25	30			
6								
8								
10								
12								

- Single shear minimum, tested in accordance with ISO 8749. Testing can only be performed on Dowels greater than two diameters in length.
- On special order plated parts, all dimensions apply prior to plating.
- · Special lengths and sizes available upon request.
- · Inch sizes available upon request.

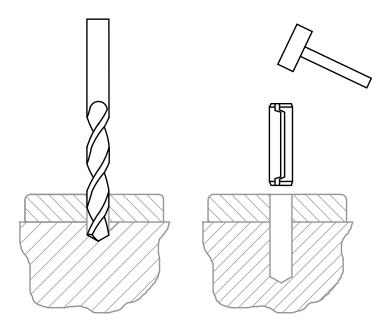
To Order: BUSH, Nominal Dowel Size x Length, Material, Finish, Series

Example: BUSH 8 x 20 BK SD200

# SPIROL DESIGN GUIDELINES

### **Dowelling for Permanent Positioning**

If components are located or positioned by methods other than the Dowelling itself, and the issue is to allow for disassembly and then re-assembly with the components in exactly the same location – then it is recommended that the components be drilled together and the Dowel installed in the assembled condition. During disassembly, the Dowel may be removed and reinstalled during re-assembly. This method eliminates the need for hole tolerancing and hole centreline concerns. It provides for very accurate permanent locating.



### **Dowelling to Fix Relative Location Of Components**

The more common application is to use the Dowels to fix the relative location of two or more components. In this situation, the Dowels are partially installed in one component, the initial installation, and then holes in the mating component are pushed over the exposed end of the partially installed Dowel. The following factors need to be considered for precision location:

- Mole dimension tolerance
- Relative depth of initial installation
- Total length of the Dowel
- True position of hole centrelines

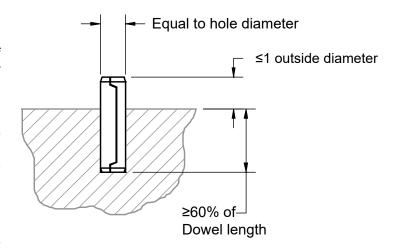
These factors are interrelated and need to be considered together. The following general guidelines are helpful in determining the best design in a specific situation.

- Precise holes with reduced hole tolerances increase the cost but also increase location accuracy and simplify the design considerations.
- Wider hole tolerances require longer Dowels to assure a tight, non-clearance fit in both components.
- Mole tolerance should be minus in the initial installation hole and plus in the mating component hole.
- The maximum hole tolerance should not exceed one half (1/2) of the recommended tolerance range to allow for hole tolerancing of both holes within the tolerance range.
- Fixing the Dowel location in a through hole can be achieved through length of engagement and hole tolerancing, or both. Generally, an engagement of 60% of the total length in the smaller hole is recommended for the fixed location.
- If more than one Dowel is used, holes in the upper recommended tolerance range allow for a wider tolerance in centreline location.



### **Precise Holes**

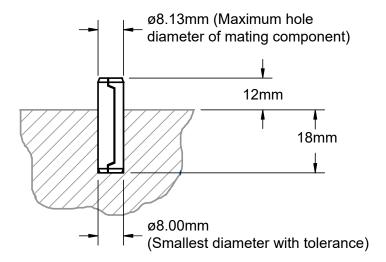
If the holes are precise and the same in both components, such as honed or reamed holes with a tolerance of .0008" or 0.002mm, then the length of the Bushing need only receive minor consideration for purposes of precise relative location. We recommend using the minimum specified hole in these situations. The Bushing will assume the diameter of the initial installation hole and the unsized diameter of the normally exposed end would compensate for the tolerance difference between the holes if any. If no interference whatsoever is acceptable when assembling the mating component over the exposed Bushing, then it is recommended to keep the exposed Dowel length to a minimum, or if practical, to push the Dowel through the initial component to size the exposed end. In any event it is recommended to install at least two thirds of the total Dowel length into the initial hole so as to permanently fix the Dowel position.



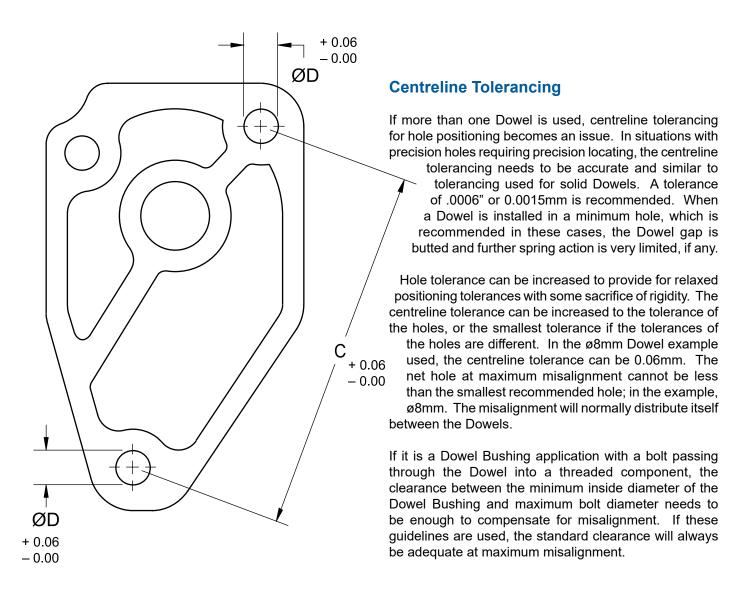
### **Maximum Tolerance Holes**

The maximum allowable tolerance is one-half the total recommended tolerance. This is still within the normal production hole tolerance for drilled or cored holes. The smaller hole, that is the hole with the minus tolerance, should be the hole into which the Dowel is initially installed. The larger hole, that is the hole in the mating component, should have a plus tolerance. To illustrate: The total recommended hole tolerance for an ø8mm Dowel is ø8.00 to ø8.13mm. Take the approximate midpoint and split the tolerance. The smaller hole would be ø8.00 to ø8.06mm, the larger ø8.06 to ø8.13mm. The smaller hole used for the initial installation will size the Dowel but the protruding unsized length of the Dowel remains larger, with the diameter increasing as the distance from the hole increases. It normally requires a protruding length equal to 1-1/2 times the Dowel diameter for a Dowel installed in a minimum hole to have a protruding diameter greater than the maximum hole. For an ø8mm Dowel in a ø8mm hole, that would require a protrusion of 12mm to have a Dowel diameter at the protruding end greater than ø8.13mm. The smaller hole in the initial installation helps in fixing the location of the Dowel but it is still recommended that the greater length of engagement be in the smaller initial hole. Therefore, in the example used here to illustrate the maximum hole tolerance situation, the Dowel would be BUSH 8 x 30 BK SD 200.

Total hole tolerance = Ø8.00 to Ø8.13mm Hole for fixed Dowel location = Ø8.00 to Ø8.06mm Mating component hole = Ø8.06 to Ø8.13mm



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### **Blind Holes and Stepped Holes**

Blind and stepped holes can be used for Dowel location and stepped holes are generally used for Dowel Bushings used in conjunction with bolts. Since blind and stepped holes only fix the Dowel location in one direction, it is still recommended that the Dowel be fixed into location by using the smaller hole and greater length of engagement.

### Joint Integrity

Loss of joint integrity due to rotational loosening is triggered by vibration. Loads perpendicular to the axis of the bolt, particularly cyclic loading cause slip at the bolt head or the nut which translates into rotational loosening. Dowels, particularly Dowel Bushings, reduce or even eliminate rotational loosening. In this instance, the use of the smallest hole possible within the tolerance range is recommended to reduce Dowel flexibility after insertion. The shear strength also needs review. In static loading or a long cycle time between loads, maximum load should not exceed of 75% of the minimum shear strength. When the loads are in the form of severe vibration, 50% is recommended.

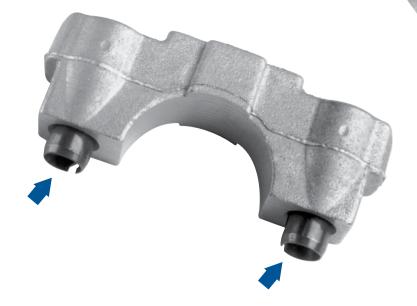


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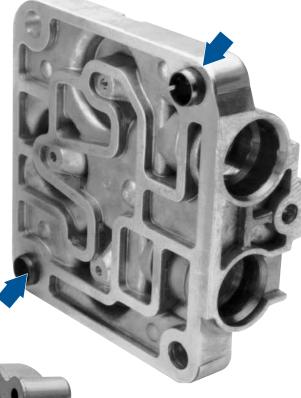


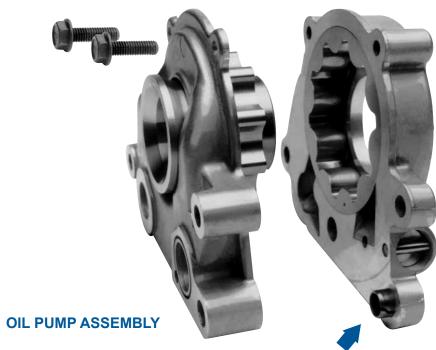


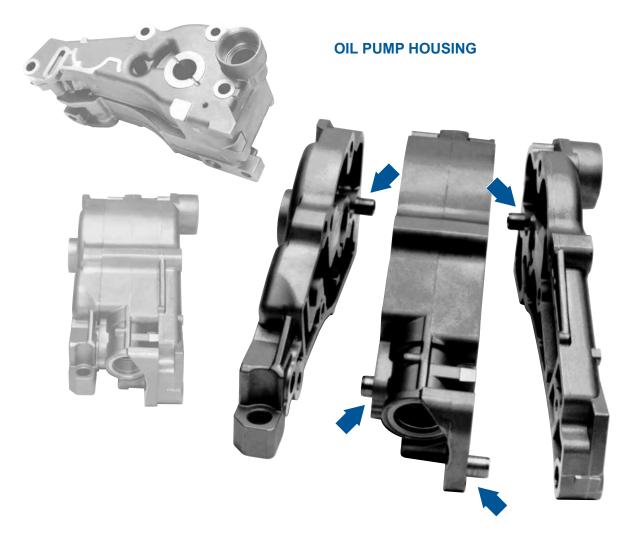
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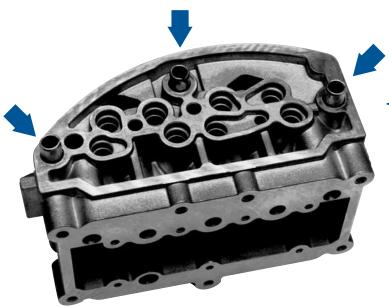


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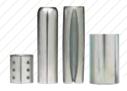
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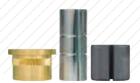
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