

# High-Load Ball Screws

German-Engineered Precision Components Providing Maximum Load Capacity and Longer Life in a Compact Envelope



# Thomson High-Load Ball Screws – Making the Difference for Motion Control Solutions with Higher Load Capacity

Thomson high-load ball screws move more than twice the load of a standard ball screw, while providing significantly longer and more reliable life with high stiffness and minimum maintenance.

Any new application requires careful analysis of product performance, life and cost. Especially those that take on larger loads. Given that Thomson highload ball screw technology exceeds more than twice the load capacity of a standard ball screw, it is wise to consider these screws for your next high-load application.

## **Reliable Performance**

Thomson has manufactured ball screws and nuts for more than 50 years in Europe. Our background in flightcritical aerospace and defense applications uniquely positions us to provide the highest levels of quality across all of our ball screw products.

# **Features & Highlights**

- Increased capacity for high-load applications at high speeds and long lifetimes.
- More economic solution vs. roller screws.
- Lead accuracy of up to 12 µm/300 mm.
- Compact, simple design allows for downsizing, less weight.
- Optimized ball nut design for maximizing load capacity.
- Available with up to 15 m screw length and with single or double nuts.
- Multiple preloading options available.
- Smooth, quiet motion.

## **Standard and Custom Offerings**

Thomson provides a standard range of high-load ball screws from 40 - 160 mm diameter with a maximum of 1,440 kN dynamic load capacity.

The materials used to manufacture ball screws are critical to their performance. Thomson has decades of experience working with a wide range of standard and non-standard materials. Our experts can recommend the materials or coatings best suited for your application.

Customized ball screw assemblies according to specific application demands are also available upon request.

# **Consistent Quality and Delivery**

A combination of advanced engineering and proprietary manufacturing processes consistently exceed performance, precision and life versus comparable ball screws.



# Made for the Most Demanding Industrial Applications

Regardless of the technical challenge, Thomson can help you find the solution to best match the optimal requirements for load, speed, stiffness, accuracy and life.



### **Large Fabrication Machines**

- Examples include mills, water jets, plasma cutters and automatic welders.
- Ball-screw-driven horizontal and vertical axes must move heavy loads accurately and safely, while providing long and reliable life with minimum maintenance.

## Injection Molding, Pressing and Metal Fabrication Machines

- Ball screws are necessary to handle high-loads in a short stroke.
- Precision ball screws are required to control system accuracy and product tolerances.

# **More Applications**

- Metal pressing and forming (e.g. rivet presses, servo presses, tube bending, metal sheet bending, test rigs, straightening machines)
- Machine tools
- Lifting devices
- Large valves
- High-load actuators, electromechanical conversion

# How Do Thomson High-load Ball Screws Compare to Other Screw Technologies?

| Screw Technology Comparison |                           |                           |                     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
|                             | Standard Ball Screw       | High-load Ball Screw      | Roller Screw        |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Size Compactness            | $\star\star$              | $\star \star \star \star$ | $\star \star \star$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Price                       | $\star \star \star \star$ | $\star \star \star$       | $\star$             |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

# **Higher Load Capacity, Longer Lifetime**

The life of the assembly is a direct function of the load capacity. Thomson has developed a high-load ball screw by implementing a unique design that provides longer lifetimes when compared to traditional ball screws. Using a high-load ball screw in a low-load application extends the life of the product four to eight times.

A longer lifetime makes Thomson high-load ball screws an attractive option for engineers looking to replace a roller screw or hydraulic system in their applications.

### **Cost Savings, Smaller Footprint**

High-load ball screws offer a space-saving design at an economical price.

A standard configuration ball screw is capable of providing a high-load solution but would require a larger screw diameter, which adds to cost and footprint needed.

A roller screw is also capable of moving high-loads, but has a nut that is close to 50% larger at 150% the price of a comparable high-load ball screw. Roller screws also require extensive upfront precision machining and a more complex assembly, which contributes to an overall higher cost and larger footprint for final installation.

Thomson high-load ball screws improve performance in a smaller package, extend product life and save money. Their unique design increases the ball screw load capacity, resulting in an ideal fit for any application with a need for high thrust.



Thomson high-load ball nuts offer a faultless, gentle recirculation of the balls and precise positioning.

# **Standard Options**

Standard sizes up to 160 mm in diameter with a maximum dynamic load of up to 1,440 kN are available. Thomson also customizes to your specific application needs. Contact our Customer Service at sales.europe@thomsonlinear.com with your request.

| Diameter<br>(d <sub>o</sub> ) [mm] | Lead<br>(P,) [mm] | D <sub>w</sub><br>[mm] | D <sub>1</sub><br>[mm] | i<br>[aaab] | L<br>[mm] | C <sub>am</sub><br>[kN] | C <sub>0am</sub><br>[kN] | D <sub>4</sub><br>[mm] | D₅<br>[mm] | D <sub>6</sub><br>[mm] | D <sub>B</sub><br>[mm] | L <sub>1</sub><br>[mm] | L <sub>3</sub><br>[mm] | L <sub>7</sub><br>[mm] | L <sub>8</sub><br>[mm] | L <sub>10</sub><br>[mm] |
|------------------------------------|-------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-------------|-----------|-------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
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| 40                                 | 12                | 7.938                  | 75                     | 8           | 165.0     | 220                     | 434                      | 93                     | 11         | 110                    | M8x1                   | 25                     | 7                      | 16                     | 85                     | 10                      |
| 50                                 | 20                | 9.525                  | 90                     | 5.8         | 152.0     | 259.4                   | 603.4                    | 108                    | 11         | 125                    | M8x1                   | 25                     | 7                      | 20                     | 95                     | 10                      |
| 50                                 | 25                | 9.525                  | 90                     | 5.8         | 177.5     | 258                     | 600.9                    | 108                    | 11         | 125                    | M8x1                   | 25                     | 7                      | 20                     | 95                     | 10                      |
| 50                                 | 100               | 9.525                  | 90                     | 2.4         | 111       | 100.8                   | 231.8                    | 108                    | 11         | 125                    | M8x1                   | 25                     | 7                      | 16                     | 95                     | 10                      |
| 63                                 | 20                | 12.700                 | 105                    | 8           | 249.0     | 478.6                   | 1108.7                   | 125                    | 13.5       | 145                    | M8x1                   | 25                     | 9                      | 25                     | 110                    | 10                      |
| 63                                 | 25                | 12.700                 | 120                    | 5.8         | 185.5     | 419.8                   | 1002.2                   | 145                    | 13.5       | 165                    | M8x1                   | 30                     | 9                      | 25                     | 130                    | 10                      |
| 80                                 | 20                | 14.288                 | 135                    | 9           | 280.5     | 690.2                   | 1860.8                   | 155                    | 13.5       | 175                    | M8x1                   | 30                     | 9                      | 30                     | 140                    | 10                      |
| 80                                 | 25                | 14.288                 | 135                    | 7           | 273.0     | 554.8                   | 1445                     | 155                    | 13.5       | 175                    | M8x1                   | 30                     | 9                      | 30                     | 140                    | 10                      |
| 100                                | 20                | 14.288                 | 160                    | 8           | 252.0     | 709.3                   | 2276.5                   | 186                    | 17.5       | 212                    | M8x1                   | 40                     | 10                     | 30                     | 165                    | 10                      |
| 100                                | 25                | 19.050                 | 160                    | 8           | 310.0     | 968.4                   | 1843.8                   | 189                    | 17.5       | 212                    | M8x1                   | 40                     | 10                     | 30                     | 165                    | 10                      |
| 125                                | 20                | 14.288                 | 200                    | 11          | 338.0     | 1040.1                  | 3997.8                   | 233                    | 22         | 265                    | M8x1                   | 40                     | 10                     | 40                     | 205                    | 10                      |
| 125                                | 25                | 19.050                 | 200                    | 9           | 349.0     | 1238                    | 2753.2                   | 233                    | 22         | 265                    | M8x1                   | 40                     | 10                     | 40                     | 205                    | 10                      |
| 125                                | 30                | 19.050                 | 200                    | 7           | 330.5     | 996.3                   | 2139.6                   | 233                    | 22         | 265                    | M8x1                   | 40                     | 10                     | 40                     | 205                    | 10                      |
| 160                                | 20                | 14.288                 | 260                    | 12          | 357.0     | 1279.9                  | 5870.3                   | 300                    | 22         | 340                    | M8x1                   | 40                     | 10                     | 45                     | 265                    | 10                      |
| 160                                | 25                | 19.050                 | 260                    | 9           | 354.0     | 1440.8                  | 3772.8                   | 300                    | 22         | 340                    | M8x1                   | 40                     | 10                     | 45                     | 265                    | 10                      |
| 160                                | 30                | 19.050                 | 260                    | 8           | 370.5     | 1301.2                  | 3351.9                   | 300                    | 22         | 340                    | M8x1                   | 40                     | 10                     | 45                     | 265                    | 10                      |

Standard Range of High-load Ball Screw Sizes





d<sub>0</sub> < 40

Drilling pattern 1



Drilling pattern 2

| Ord  | erir | ng K | ley | Exan | nple |   |    |   |    |   |   |     |   |      |   |    |     |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |
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| This ordering law is an example. Contact Thomson Customer Service teams for analific hell arow configurations, cales awang@thomsonlinear com |      |      |     |      |      |   |    |   |    |   |   |     |   |      |   |    |     |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |   |    |

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