

Keyless Locking Devices Provide Solution for Steel Mill Gearbox Applications

Climax Keyless Locking Devices provide steel mills a cost-effective and maintenance-friendly alternative to traditional mounting methods for gearbox applications.



Gearboxes that drive mills in the steel industry are typically coupled to motors using large gear couplings. The traditional mounting method for these couplings is a heavy interference fit which require expensive close tolerance machining, a heated hub for installation and removal, and use of a press or puller. As a result, heated hubs can lead to seal damage and premature bearing failure. When bearing maintenance is required, removal and reinstallation of these couplings is labor intensive and expensive.

Using a Climax shrink disc to mount gear couplings provides a superior alternative to a traditional press fit method. Keyless locking devices achieve the same fit with much simpler and less expensive machining. Climax KLDs provide high torque, bending, and axial thrust capacities, eliminate axial movement during installation, and eliminate notch factors associated with keyways. In addition, Shrink Discs are less expensive and time consuming than sweat or press fit connections. Installation and removal of KLDs require the use of simple hand tools allowing for easy field serviceability.

Climax has an extensive line of keyless locking devices available from stock and has the ability to engineer custom designs.

For Rotating Applications:

- Keys, keyways, and set screws are prone to shaft damage and fretting corrosion
- Shrink or press fits that are difficult to install and remove
- Requires only the use of simple hand tools for installation and removal
- Transmit high torque, thrust, and bending loads



RBC has been producing bearings in the USA since 1919. In addition to unique custom bearings, RBC offers a full line of standard industrial and aerospace bearings, including:



Tapered Roller Thrust Bearings

Case-hardened tapered roller thrust bearings for oilfield top drives and swivels. Available in full complement, maximum capacity versions.



Thin Section Ball Bearings

Standard cross sections to one inch. Bore sizes to 40 inches. Stainless steel and other materials are available. Seals are available on all sizes and standard cross sections. Super duplex configurations.



Cam Followers

Standard stud, heavy stud, yoke type, caged roller followers. Patented **RBC Roller**® cylindrical roller cam followers, **HexLube**® universal cam followers, airframe track rollers.



Cylindrical Roller Bearings

Cylindrical roller bearings designed for mud pump pinion and eccentric positions. Fully interchangeable to industry standards.



Needle Roller Bearings

Pitchlign® caged heavy duty needle roller bearings ideal for cross head bearings applications. These double row bearings are available in single row and **Tandem Roller**® versions.



Commercial Rod Ends

Commercial and industrial, precision, Mil-Spec series, self-lubricating, and aircraft. Sold under the **Heim**®, **Unibal**®, and **Spherco**® names. Available in inch and metric sizes.



Spherical Plain Bearings

Radial, angular contact, extended inner ring, high misalignment. **QuadLube**®, **ImpactTuff**®, **SpreadLock**® Seal, **CrossLube**®, **DuraLube**™, and self-lubricating bearings. Available in inch and metric sizes.



Tapered Roller Bearings

Single, double, & multi row versions available for main bearing positions in mud pumps, gear boxes, etc. Bearings are constructed of case hardened steel washers and rollers with bore size of 11" or greater.



TP Series Bearings

RBC's TP Series cylindrical roller thrust bearings ideal for crane hooks, oil well swivels, winch systems, and gear boxes. Fully interchangeable with industry standard offering.



Keyless Locking Devices

Mechanical bushings used to connect power transmission components onto rotating shafts. Without the use of keyways, KLDs eliminate the problems associated with backlash including fretting, corroding, and wallowing.



Lubron® Bearings

Lubron® self-lubricating bearings designed and custom manufactured in most any size, material and bearing configuration. Applications include hydro power and water control, nuclear power generation, infrastructure, architecture, offshore marine, industrial, machinery and heavy equipment.



Shaft Collars

Used to position or locate a component on a shaft. Made from mild steel, type 303 or 316 stainless steel, aluminum, or acetal. Available in inch and metric sizes.



Self-Lubricating Bearings

Radial, thrust, rod ends, spherical bearings, high temperature, high loads. Available in inch and metric sizes. **Fiberglide**® self-lubricating bearings.



Specials

RBC manufactures many specialty bearings for the aerospace, oil and energy, semiconductor equipment, packaging, transportation, and other industries.



Ball Bearings

Precision ground, semiground, unground. High loads, long life, smooth operation. **Nice**® branded products are offered in caged and full complement configurations.



Rigid Couplings

Shaft couplings serve as components to time, join, or align shafts at lower speeds and torque, especially when zero backlash is desired. Made from mild steel with a black oxide finish, type 303 stainless steel, or aluminum. Available in inch and metric sizes.



PIC Design

Complete line of precision gears, precision hardware, timing belts, pulleys, and linear motion systems. Industries served include industrial, aerospace, defense, medical, robotics and automation, material handling, and assembly. Custom design support for unique applications.