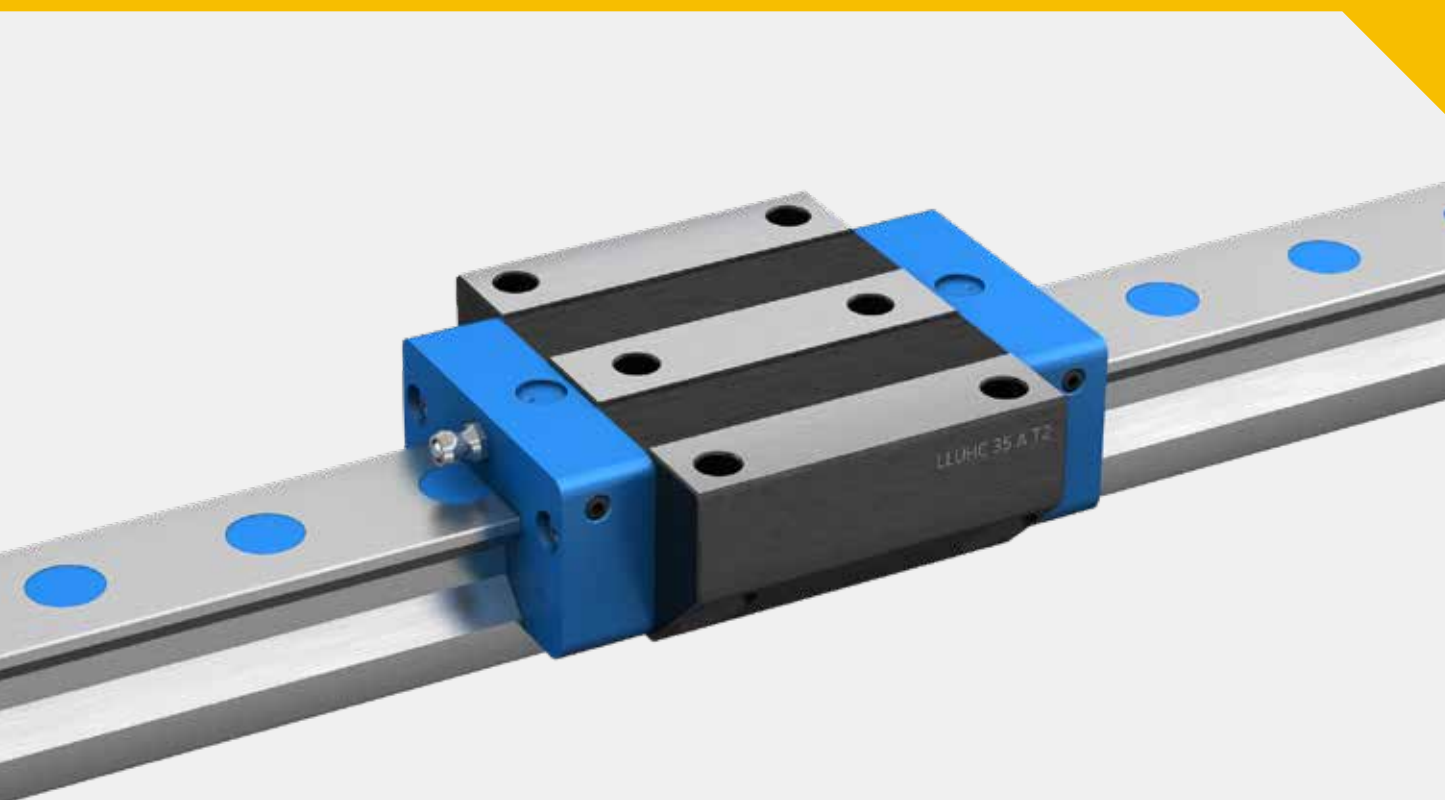


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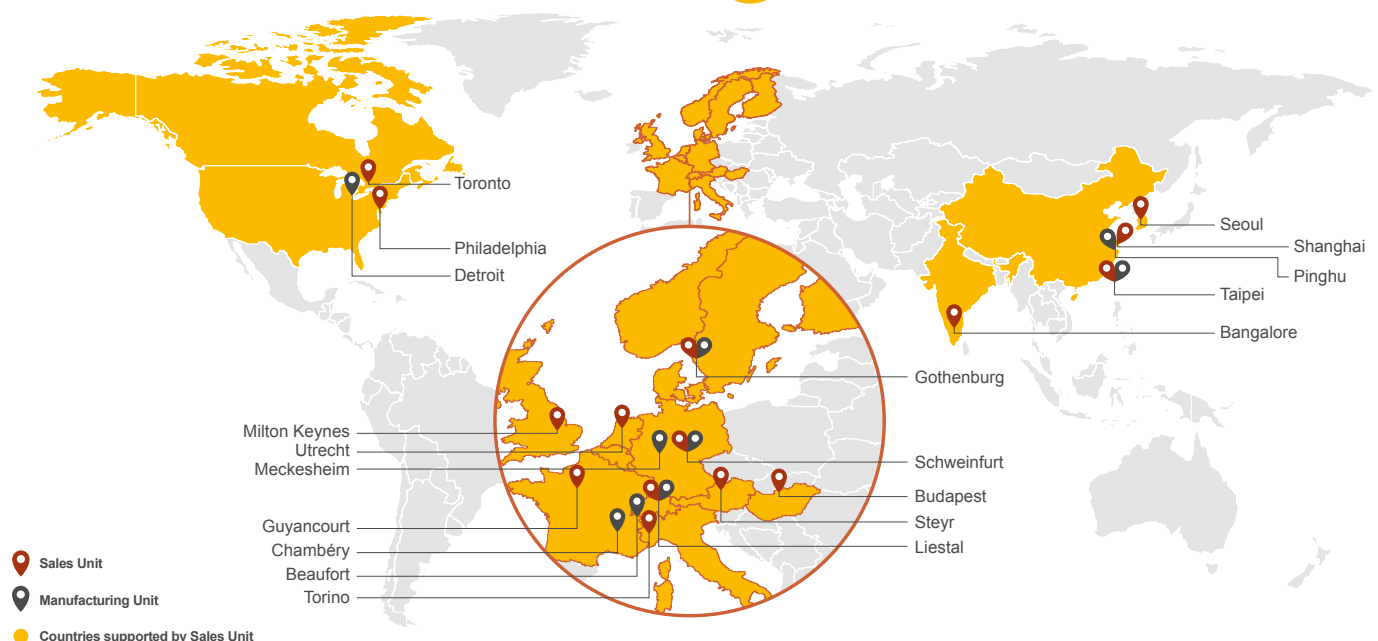
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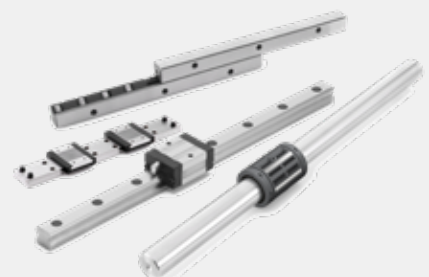
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# Introduction

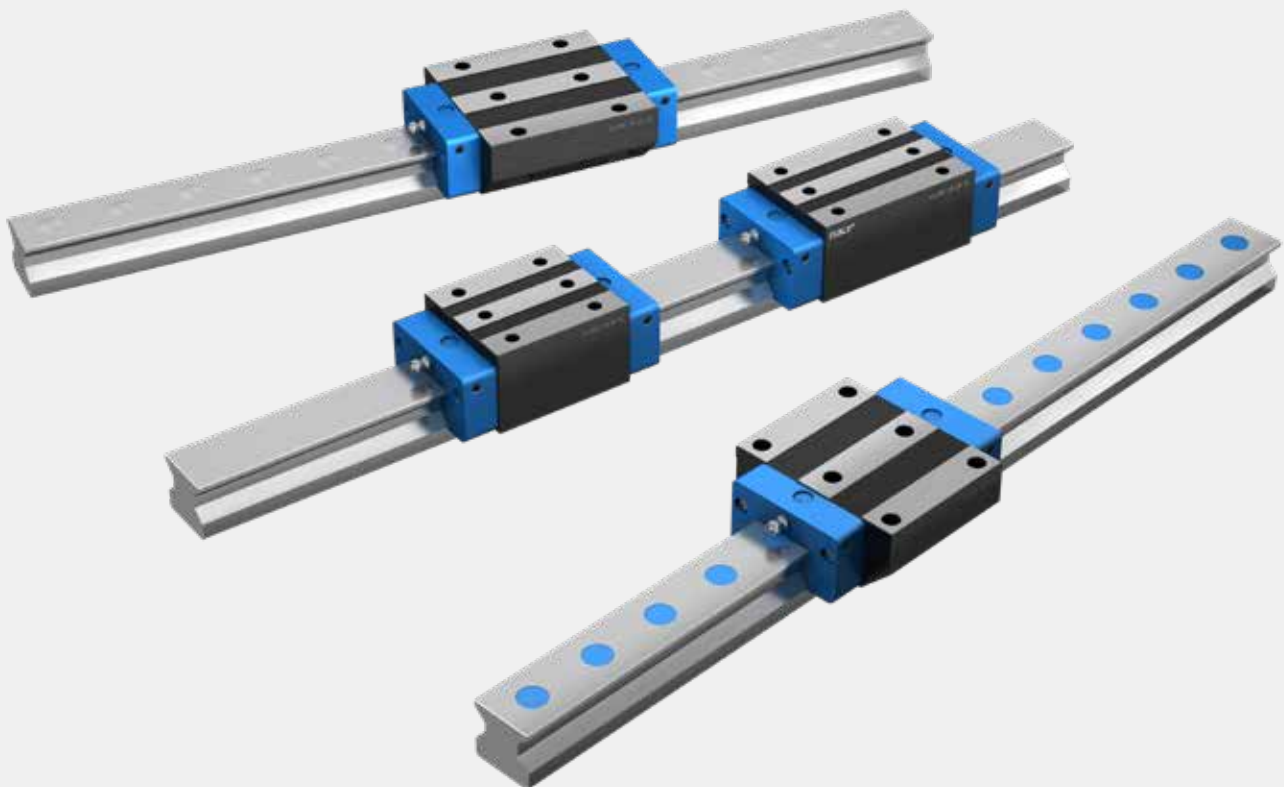
# 1.1 Product description

The productivity and economic success of a given application depends, to a large extent, on the quality of the selected linear components. Often these components are a significant factor in market acceptance and thus help to obtain a competitive edge for the manufacturer. To do this, the linear components have to be as adaptable as possible to precisely meet the application's requirements, ideally with standard components.

The Ewellix roller profile rail guide series LLU satisfies these market demands: available in a wide range of sizes, carriages and accessories as well as in various preload and precision classes, LLU roller profile rail guides facilitate adaptation to individual application demands. In combination with their ability to operate at virtually unlimited stroke, this opens up almost any design option.

Ewellix offers LLU roller profile rail guides in an O-arrangement with a rectangular setup of the raceways and roller sets in a 45° orientation towards the guiding base. This design promotes equal load sharing in all four main load directions to provide greater design flexibility. The range of possible applications reaches from machines for turning, milling and grinding in machine tools, presses and other heavy machinery equipment with demand for very precise and high load carrying guides. In these types of applications, the design of the LLU reveals its full capabilities in reliable and smooth operation under a variety of operating conditions.

In addition, Ewellix offers both LLT profile rail guide and LLM miniature profile rail guide series as well as a series of ready assembled profile rail guide slides, e.g. LTS. Contact your Ewellix representative for additional information.



## 1.2 Design

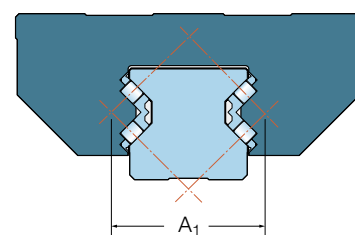
Just as with rotary bearings, the raceways of profile rail guides can be arranged in an X- or O-arrangement. The technical characteristics of these two arrangements are essentially the same. Therefore, there are no basic differences in behavior in the vast majority of load situations, except when they are subjected to moment loads around the X-axis.

The LLU roller profile rail guides from Ewellix feature an O-arrangement, based on the contact angle of the rolling elements (→ **fig. 1**). The advantage of this arrangement is that especially in one-axis systems, the moment-related rigidity is higher than comparable systems with an X-arrangement. Due to the design-related bigger lever arm, the O-arrangement provides better rigidity and thus higher accuracy.

The line contact between cylindrical rollers and raceways offers superior load carrying capacities to comply with the highest demands in particular applications.

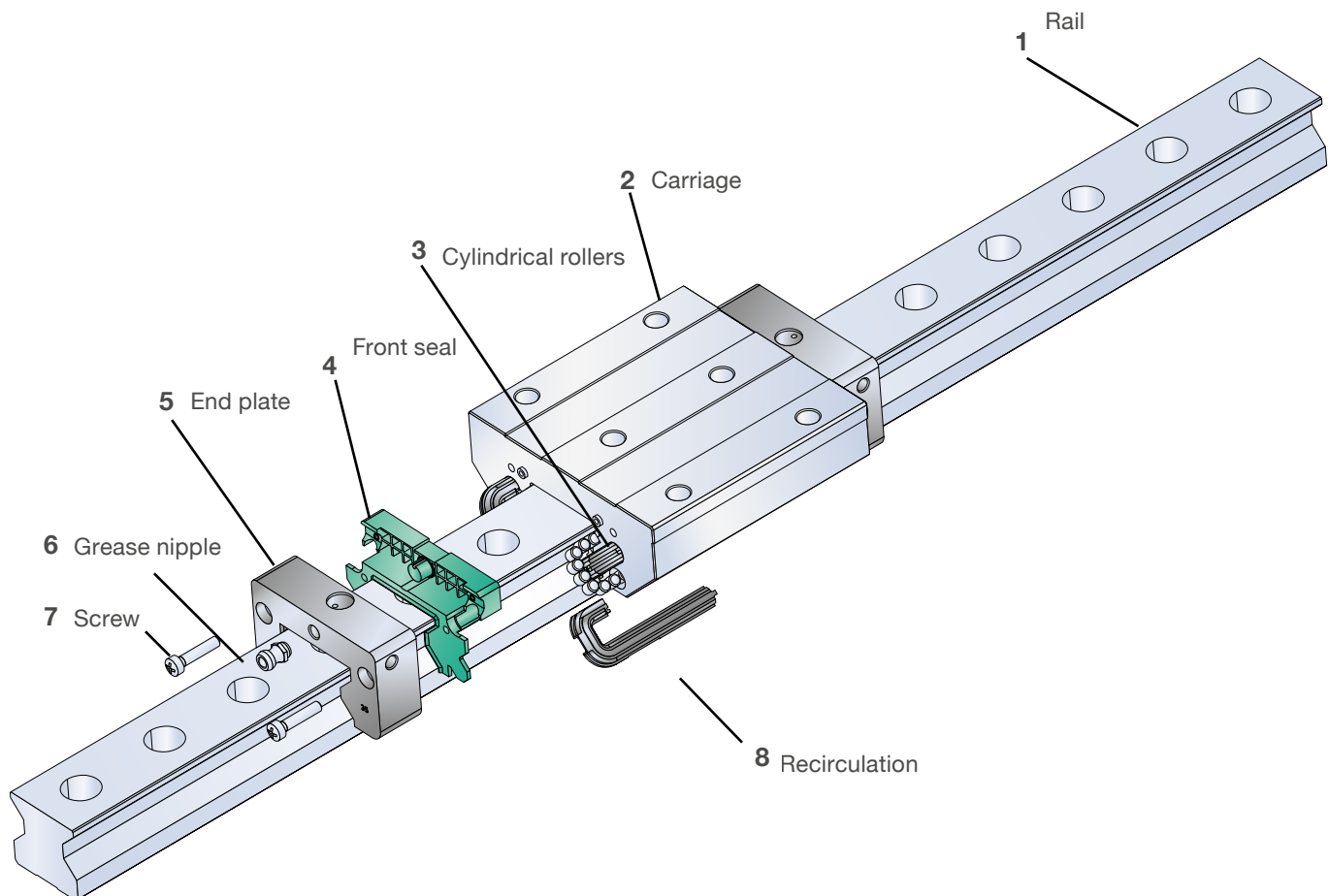
**Fig. 1**

**Schematic illustration of the roller arrangements**



O-arrangement

## 1.2.1 Components and material specifications



### Material specifications

1. Steel, inductive hardened
2. Steel, hardened raceways, outer surface phosphated
3. Bearing steel
4. Elastomer
5. GF reinforced polymer
6. Steel, coated
7. Stainless steel
8. Polymer

## 1.2.2 Standard carriage components

### Seals

The ingress of dirt, swarf and liquids, as well as lubricant leakage can significantly reduce the service life of a profile rail guide system. Ewellix roller profile rail guide LLU carriages are therefore supplied with a front and side seal as standard, which can significantly extend service life.

#### Front seal

Front seals are especially important since they offer protection for the carriage in the direction of movement. They are designed as double-lip seals in order to provide improved wiping properties (→ fig. 2).

#### Side seal

Side seals made of elastomer effectively prevent contaminants from working their way into the system from below (→ fig. 3).

Fig. 2

#### Front seal

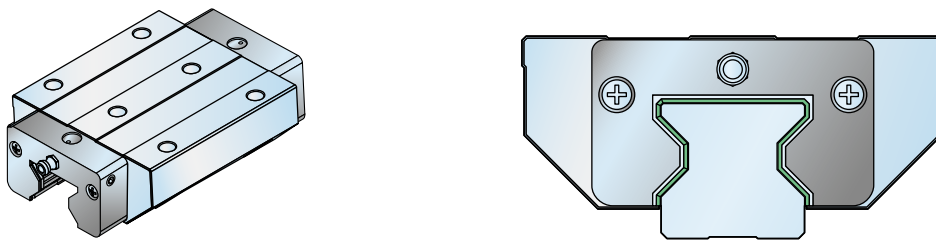
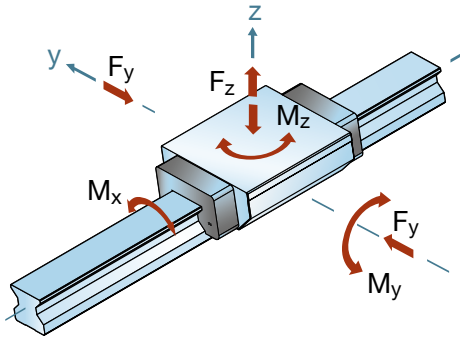


Fig. 3

#### Side seal

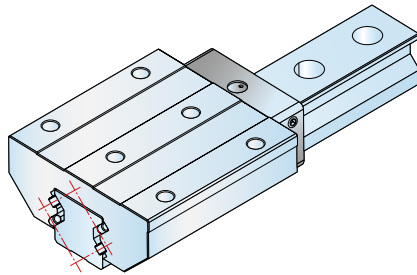


# 1.3 Features and benefits



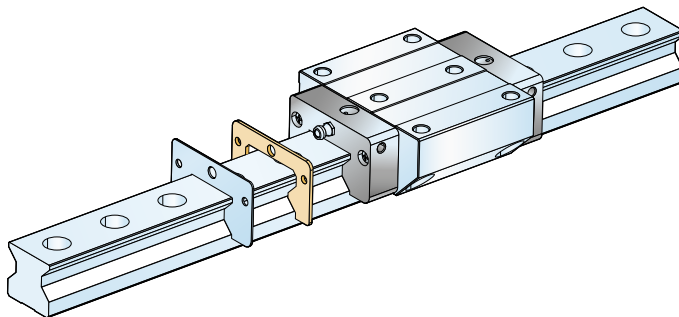
## Rigidity, strength and accuracy for improved production processes

The LLU roller profile rail guide has four rows of cylindrical rollers in O-arrangement with the four raceways in 45° orientation towards the guiding base. This arrangement optimizes the load sharing in all four main load directions and is in accordance with ISO 14728. This feature provides a high degree of design flexibility. The ability to accommodate high loads and moment loads makes these rail guides ideal even for very demanding applications.



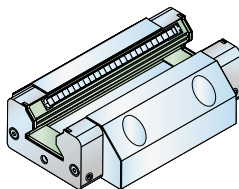
## Smooth running performance

Optimized recirculations, raceways and the O-arrangement of the cylindrical rollers enable reliable, stick-slip-free operation for the whole life of the rail guide.



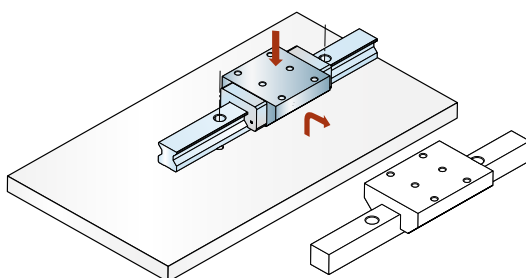
## Modular concept for customized solutions

Applications have different load, precision and environmental requirements. As a result, Ewellix roller profile rail guides LLU use modular components so that cost-effective solutions can be built based on the needs of the application. Various precision and preload classes are available to meet the different needs. Furthermore, a wide range of accessories support its adaptation to specific environmental conditions.



## Longer service life and reduced maintenance

Ewellix roller profile rail guide LLU carriages and rails are protected with anti-corrosion preservation for transport, storage and mounting. Both end plates of the carriage feature four (3+1) lube ports at different positions for manual lubrication or connection to automatic lubrication systems. One straight grease nipple is provided as standard with each carriage. The carriages are fully sealed with double lip seals on both ends and longitudinal seals along the rail. The seals have been proven to be highly effective against the ingress of contaminants and have low friction.





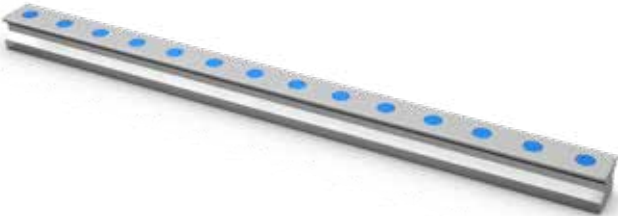
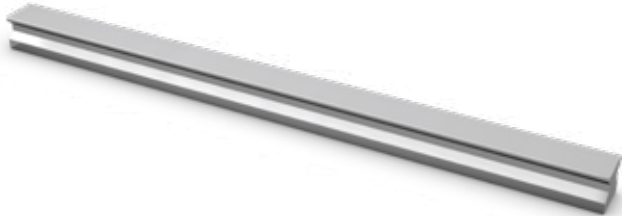

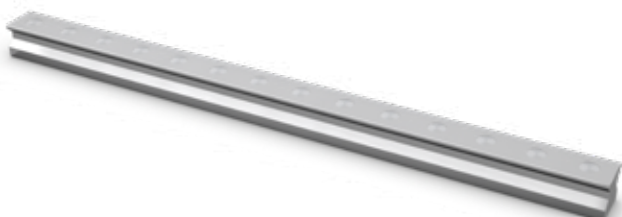


## Interchangeability and global availability

The main dimensions of all Ewellix profile rail guides are in accordance with ISO 12090-1. This enables dimensional interchangeability with all ISO-compliant brands. Ewellix's global sales and distribution network results in availability of replacement parts and serviceability for all systems worldwide.

# 1.4 Product range

## 1.4.1 Product overview

<b>LLUHC ... A</b> <b>Flanged carriage</b> <b>Standard length, standard height</b>	<b>LLUHC ... LA</b> <b>Flanged carriage</b> <b>Extended length, standard height</b>	<b>LLUHU ... R</b> <b>Slim-line carriage</b> <b>Standard length, extended height</b>	<b>LLUHC ... LR</b> <b>Slim-line carriage</b> <b>Extended length, extended height</b>
			
Further information on <a href="#">page 36</a>	Further information on <a href="#">page 37</a>	Further information on <a href="#">page 38</a>	Further information on <a href="#">page 39</a>
<b>LLUHR</b> <b>Profile rail with standard hole caps</b>	<b>LLUHR ... D4</b> <b>Profile rail with blind holes</b>		
			
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<b>LLUHR ... D6</b> <b>Profile rail with brass hole plugs</b>	<b>LLUHR ... D8</b> <b>Profile rail with steel hole plugs</b>		
			
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## 1.4.2 Preferred range

Carriage and rail types mentioned on this page belong to the preferred range meaning they are usually available from stock for prompt delivery.

### Carriages

Size	Precision class	Preload class	Carriage type	Designations
25	P1	T2	A	LLUHC 25 A T2 P1
			LA	LLUHC 25 LA T2 P1
			R	LLUHC 25 R T2 P1
	P3	T2	A	LLUHC 25 A T2 P3
			LA	LLUHC 25 LA T2 P3
			R	LLUHC 25 R T2 P3
35	P1	T2	A	LLUHC 35 A T2 P1
			LA	LLUHC 35 LA T2 P1
			R	LLUHC 35 R T2-P1
	P3	T2	A	LLUHC 35 A T2 P3
			LA	LLUHC 35 LA T2 P3
			R	LLUHC 35 R T2 P3
45	P1	T2	A	LLUHC 45 A T2 P1
			LA	LLUHC 45 LA T2 P1
			R	LLUHC 45 R T2 P1
	P3	T2	A	LLUHC 45 A T2 P3
			LA	LLUHC 45 LA T2 P3
			R	LLUHC 45 R T2 P3

### Rails

Size	Precision class	Rail length	Special	Designations
25	P1	4000		LLUHR 25 4000 P1
	P3	4000		LLUHR 25 4000 P3
	P1	4000	D4	LLUHR 25 4000 P1 D4
	P3	4000	D4	LLUHR 25 4000 P3 D4
35	P1	4000		LLUHR 35 4000 P1
	P3	4000		LLUHR 35 4000 P3
	P1	4000	D4	LLUHR 35 4000 P1 D4
	P3	4000	D4	LLUHR 35 4000 P3 D4
45	P1	4000		LLUHR 45 4000 P1
	P3	4000		LLUHR 45 4000 P3
	P1	4000	D4	LLUHR 45 4000 P1 D4
	P3	4000	D4	LLUHR 45 4000 P3 D4

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## Selection guide

## 2.1 Technical data

### 2.1.1 Load rating

#### Definition of the basic dynamic load rating C

The basic dynamic load rating C is the radial load, constant in magnitude and direction, which a linear rolling bearing can theoretically accommodate for a basic rating life represented by a travelled distance of 100 km (according to ISO 14728 Part 1).

**NOTE:** As per ISO 14728 Part 1, it is also permissible to reference a distance of 50 km travelled. In this case, a conversion factor of 1,23 for linear guides with roller recirculation should be applied in order to enable proper comparison of the two load rating values (→ **formula 1**).

$$1) C_{100} = \frac{C_{50}}{1,23}$$

#### Definition of the basic static load rating C<sub>0</sub>

The basic static load rating C<sub>0</sub> is the static load in the direction of loading, which corresponds to a calculated stress at the center of the most heavily loaded contact point between the rolling element and each of the raceways of carriage and rail.

**NOTE:** This stress produces a permanent total deformation of the rolling element and the raceway, which corresponds to about 0,0001 times the rolling element diameter (according to ISO 14728 Part 2).

#### Verification and validation

The load ratings stated in this catalogue have been calculated for all product types based on the standards cited. The calculation model prescribed in the standards has been complemented and verified by Ewellix through internal simulations.

Ewellix carries out standardized durability examinations at regular intervals by means of selected reference sizes. These tests provide statistical evidence and documentation that the theoretically ascertained load ratings are valid under standardized practical test conditions.

In many cases, this Ewellix internal validation process saves the customer intensive field tests and offers high reliability for LLU roller profile rail guide designs.

Only in cases where the operating conditions are not known, as well as in cases where these conditions are more demanding than usual, are customers advised to conduct further field tests.

In practice, it is common to integrate results and experiences of existing and proven designs in new designs and apply them to new applications. When using LLU roller profile rail guides, it also makes sense for customers to build on previous application experience in the continuous development of their applications.

## 2.1.2 Preload classes

### Preload and rigidity

To adjust a profile rail guide to the specific requirements of a given application, it is advisable to choose an appropriate preload. Preload can enhance the performance of an entire linear guiding system and increase the rigidity of the carriage under load. Preload is determined by oversizing between cylindrical rollers and raceways on carriage and rail track. This is ensured by state-of-the-art, high-precision grinding processes carefully matched with rolling elements.

Ewellix roller profile rail guides LLU are available in two different preload classes, as shown in **table 1**.

## 2.1.3 Accuracy

### Precision classes

Ewellix offers its LLU roller profile rail guides in four precision classes. These precision classes define the tolerance range of a roller profile rail system in terms of height, width and parallelism (→ **table 2**). This choice determines the running accuracy of the system within the application.

### Width and height tolerances

The tolerance of width N determines the maximum deviation of the distance from the carriage to the rail in lateral direction. Both side faces of the rail and the ground part of the carriage's side face can be used as reference sides.

The tolerance of height H is measured between the mounting surface of the carriage and the ground bottom face of the rail. The tolerance values for H and N are arithmetic mean values and refer to the center of the carriage. They are marked on the carriages and also on the marking labels on the product boxes.

**NOTE:** The reference side face of the carriage is the ground part opposite of the side with the product designation.

Table 2

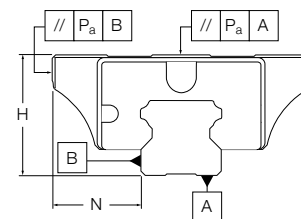
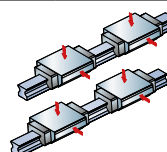


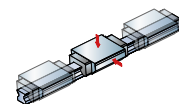
Table 1  
Determining preload values according to preload class

Preload class	Preload force $F_{Pr}$
T2	$F_{Pr} = 8\% \text{ of } C$ For precise profile rail guide systems with high rigidity and medium to higher bearing loads.
T3	$F_{Pr} = 13\% \text{ of } C$ For precise profile rail guide systems with maximum rigidity, high bearing loads and vibrations. Also recommended for single-rail systems. Additional common moment loads are absorbed without any significant elastic deformation.

Precision class <sup>1)</sup>	Tolerances of H	N	Difference in dimension H and N on one rail	
			$\Delta H$ max	$\Delta H$ max
	$\mu m$		$\mu m$	
P3	$\pm 30$	$\pm 20$	15	15
P1	$\pm 20$	$\pm 20$	7	7
P01	$\pm 10$	$\pm 7$	5	5
P001	$\pm 5$	$\pm 5$	3	3



For any combination of carriages and rails



For different carriages on the same rail position

1) Measured at the centre of the carriage.

Parallelism

The values in **diagram 1** show the parallelism  $P_a$  for the width and the height as explained in **table 2**. They are depending on the rail length and the precision class. The rail has to be bolted with its ground bottom face to a flat and accurate surface.

**NOTE:** Precision class P001 can only be ordered as a complete system.

2.1.4 Rigidity

The rigidity of LLU roller profile rail guides, in addition to their load rating, is one of the most important criteria in product selection. Rigidity can be defined as the deflection characteristics of a guiding system under external load. The rigidity of a system depends on the magnitude and direction of the external load, the type of guiding system (size, carriage type, preload) and the mechanical properties of the interface support structure. Usually, this load is indicated, including magnitude and direction, on the point of load application of the mounted guiding system.

Rigidity values, which only take elastic deformation of the rolling elements into consideration, can deviate considerably under realistic conditions due to the elasticity of the support structure, the screw connections and the joints between components. Therefore, the overall rigidity at the bearing point is, as a rule, lower than that of the used guiding system.

The different sizes and types of LLU roller profile rail guides feature significant differences in their deflection behavior. **Diagram 2** represents an example of only the deflection values for a single reference size.

Diagram 1

Parallelism  $P_a$

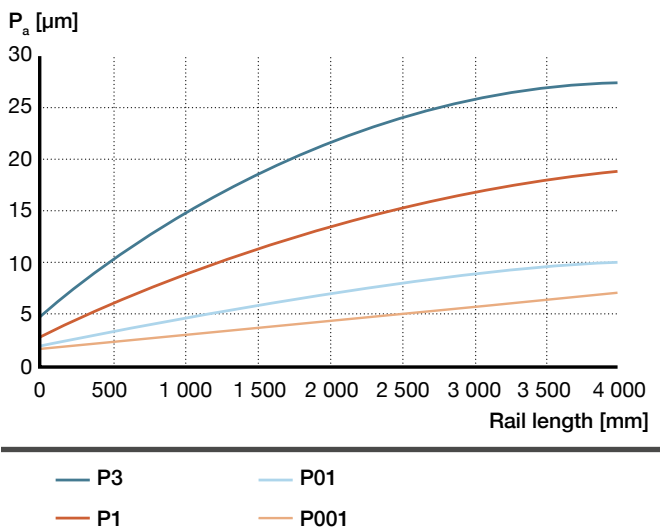
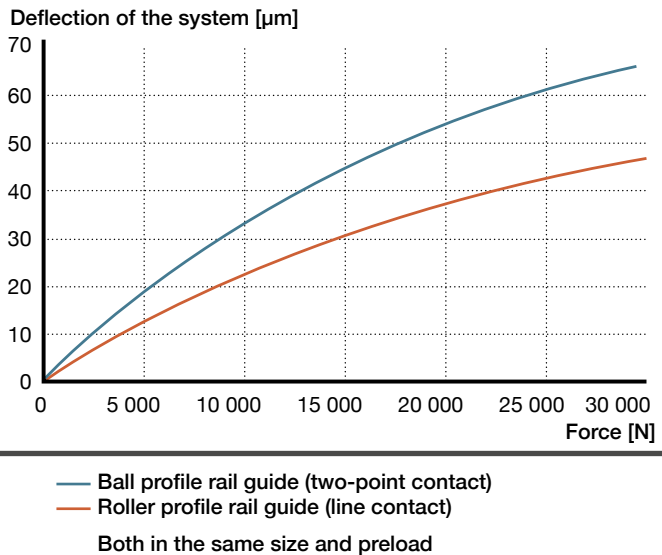


Diagram 2

Rigidity comparison between roller and ball guides



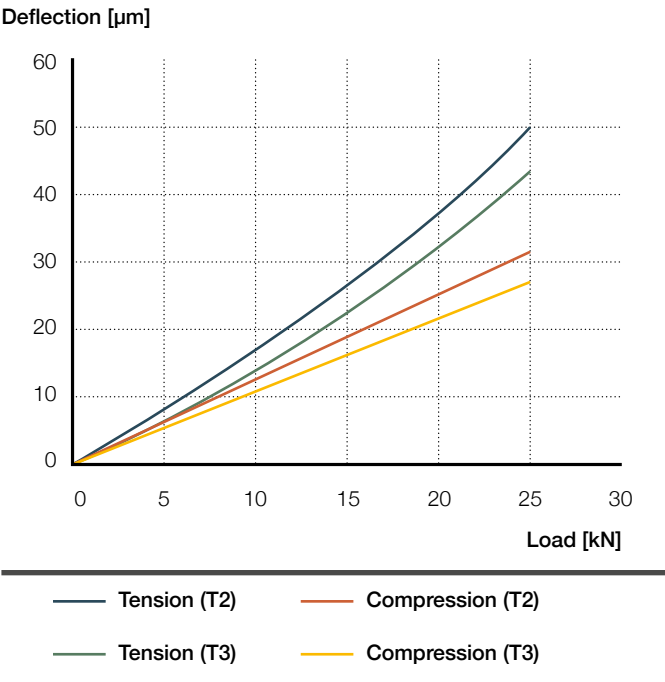
## 2.1.5 Stiffness curves

The rigidity is one of the most important criteria in product selection of LLU roller profile rail guides.

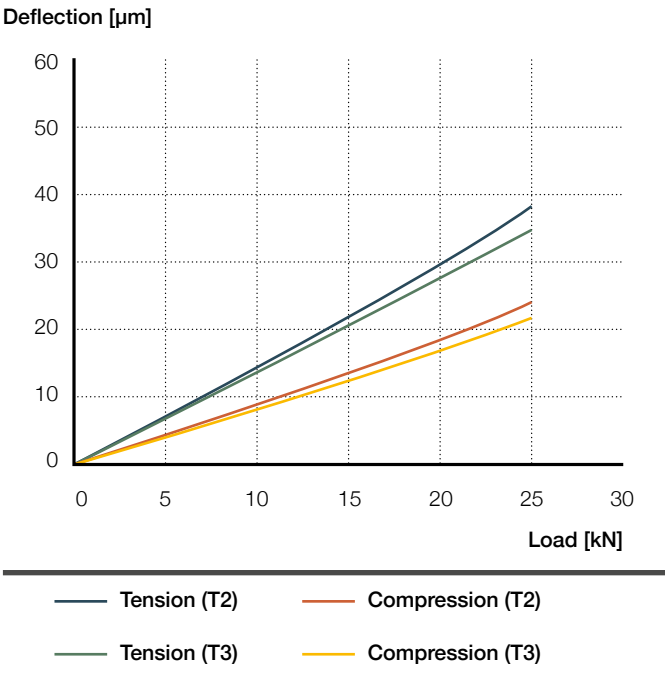
Rigidity is defined as the deformation characteristics of a guidance system under external load. The rigidity of a system depends on the magnitude and direction of the external load, the type of guidance system (size, carriage type, preload) and the mechanical properties of adjacent support structure.

Following diagrams provide the behavior for each LLU carriage type in vertical tension and compression direction depending on their preload classes T2 and T3. Derived from the real application, the known external load with its orientation is to be put on horizontal axis "Load (kN)". Thus the amount of deflection can be easily read from the vertical coordinate "Deflection ( $\mu\text{m}$ )". The determined value indicates the deformation of the center of associated top datum plane on the carriage. This methodology assumes carefully mounted and adjusted linear guidance systems in appropriately machined surrounding mechanical structures with all attachment screw positions provided by carriage and rail in use. Due to its nature, deflection is a complex phenomenon which might differ from case to case. Therefore values from diagram below can only give an indication of amount of deflection. In reality they can deviate to a certain extent from the information provided herewith.

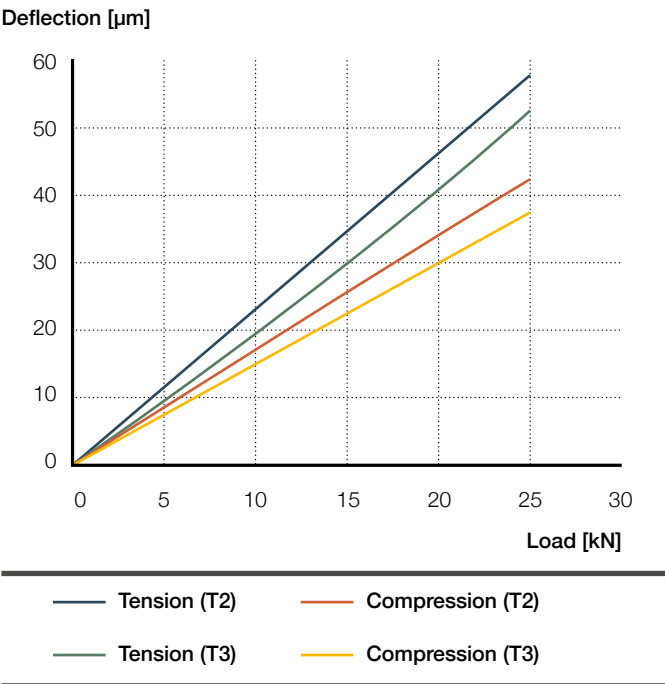
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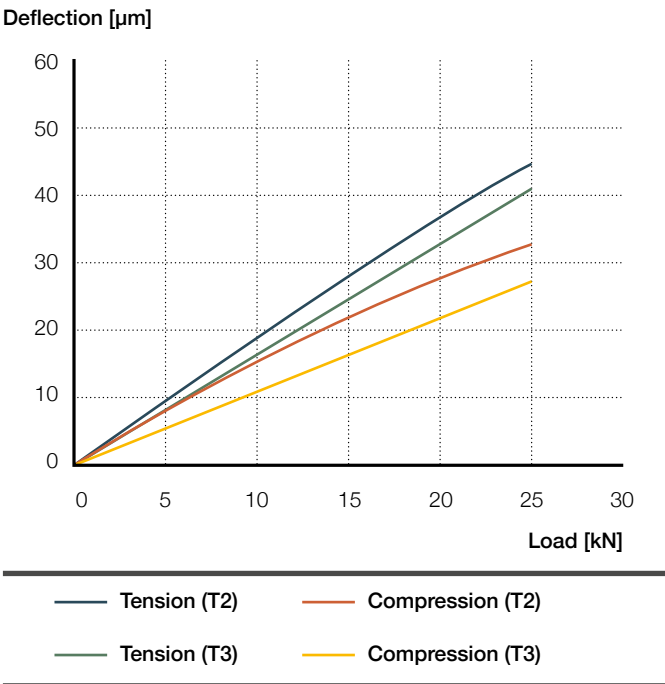
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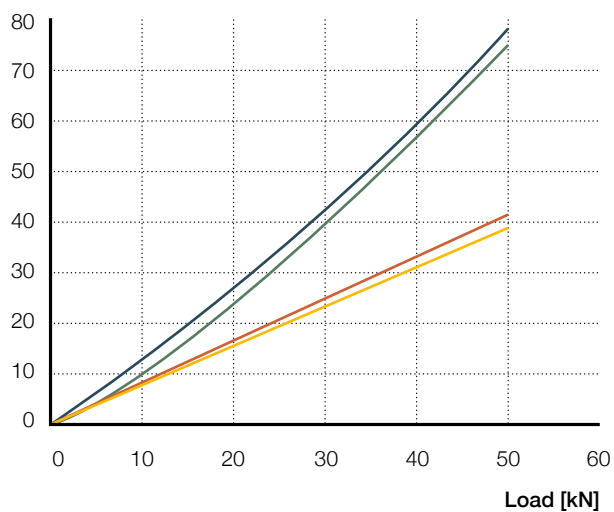


LLUHC 25 LR T2 and T3



### LLUHC 35 A T2 and T3

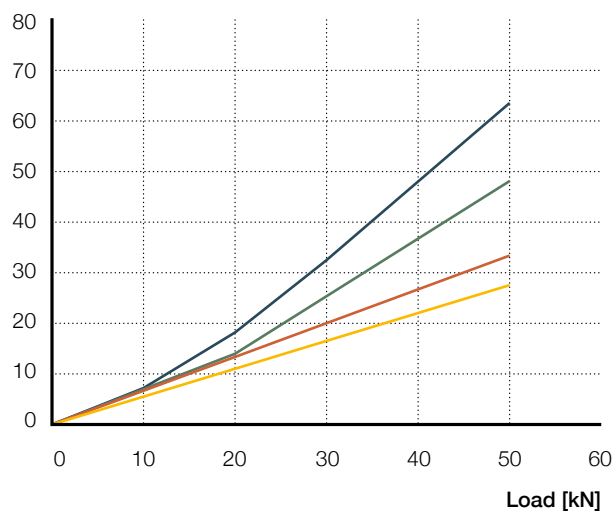
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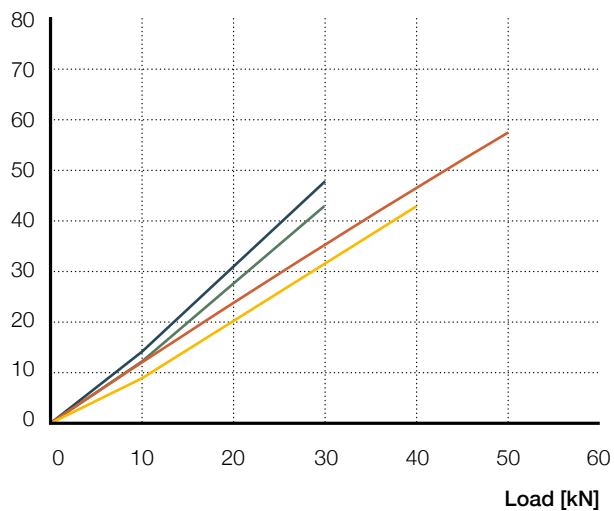
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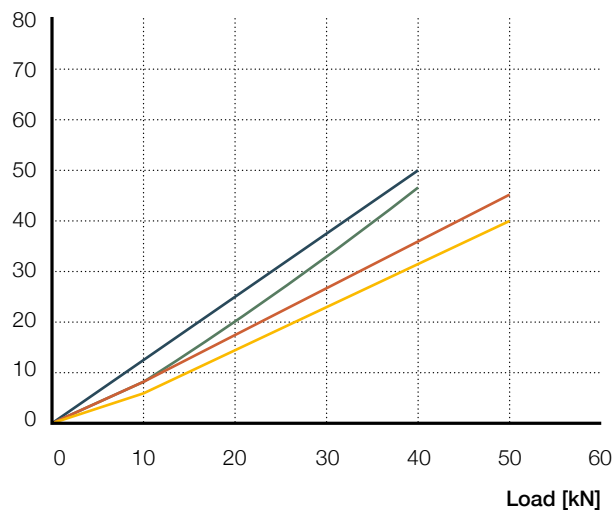
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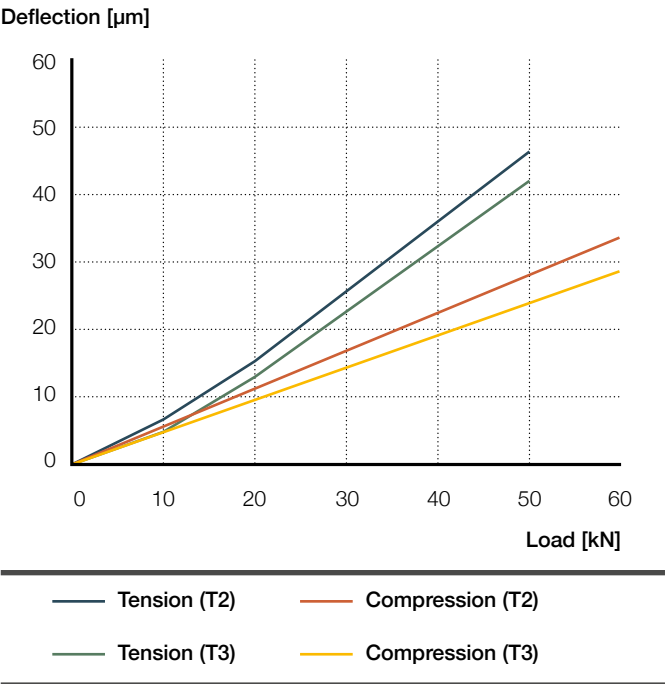
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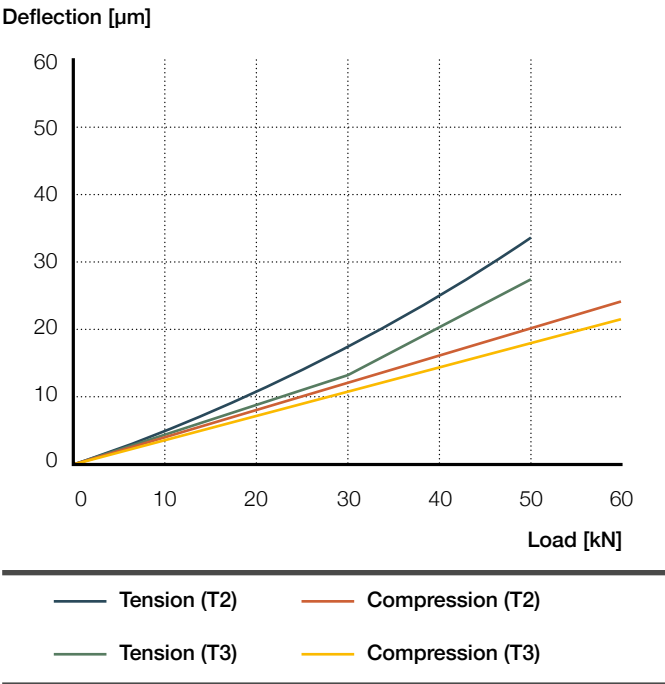
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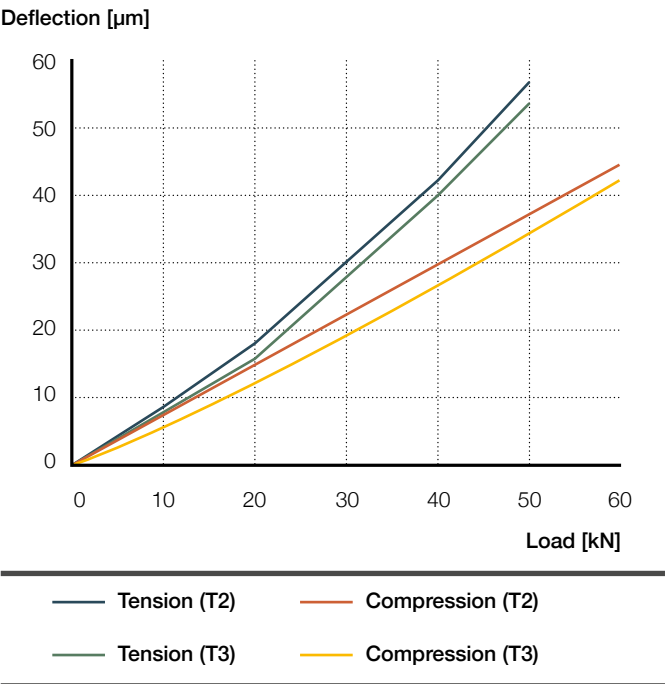
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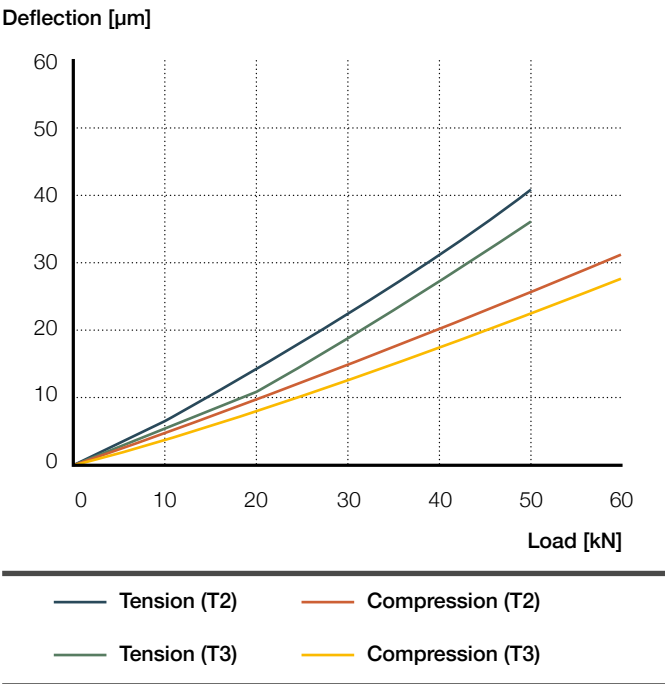
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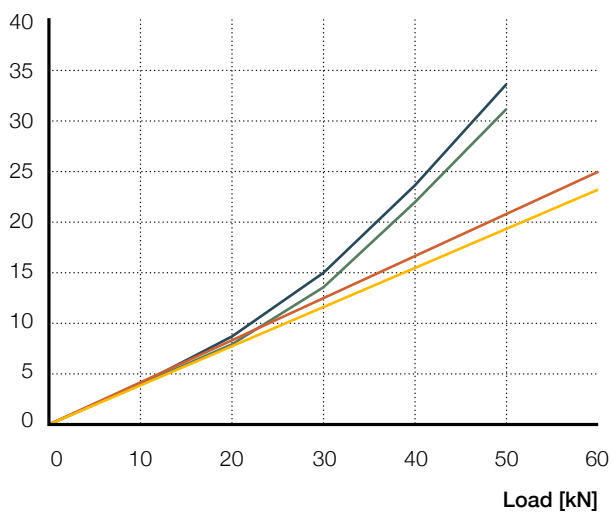


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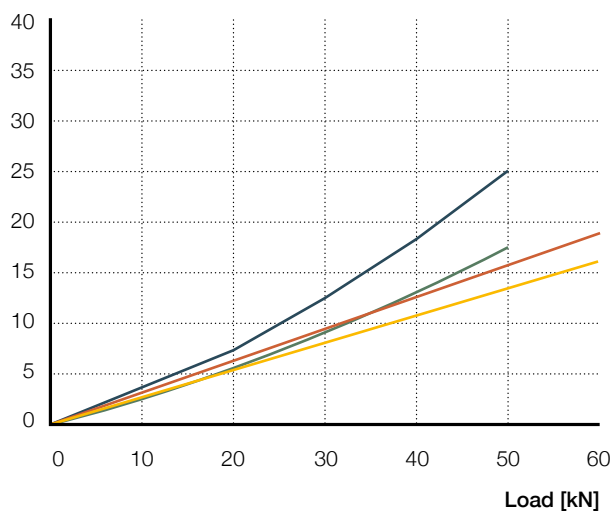
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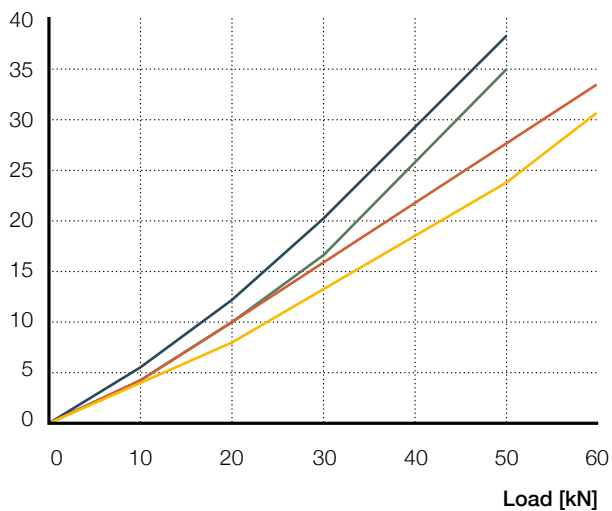
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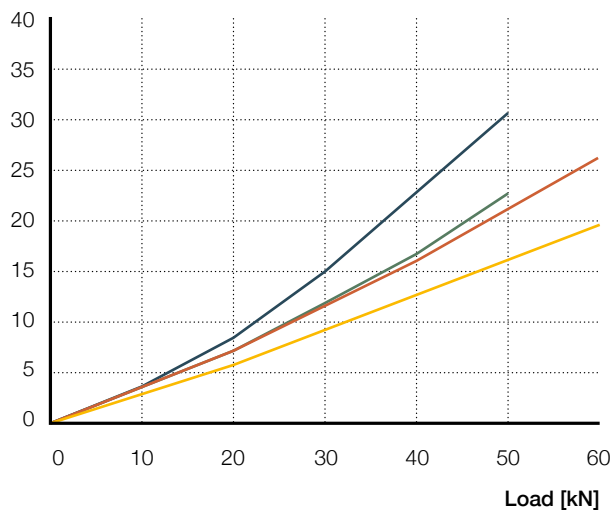
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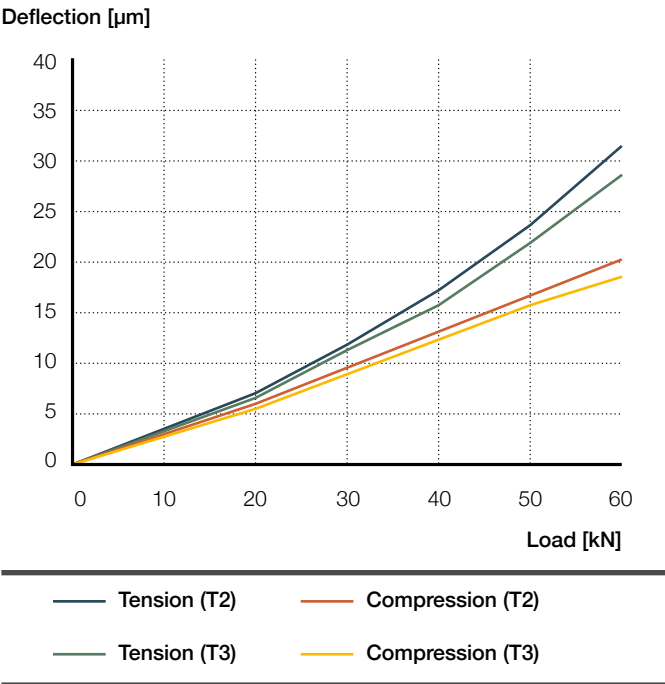
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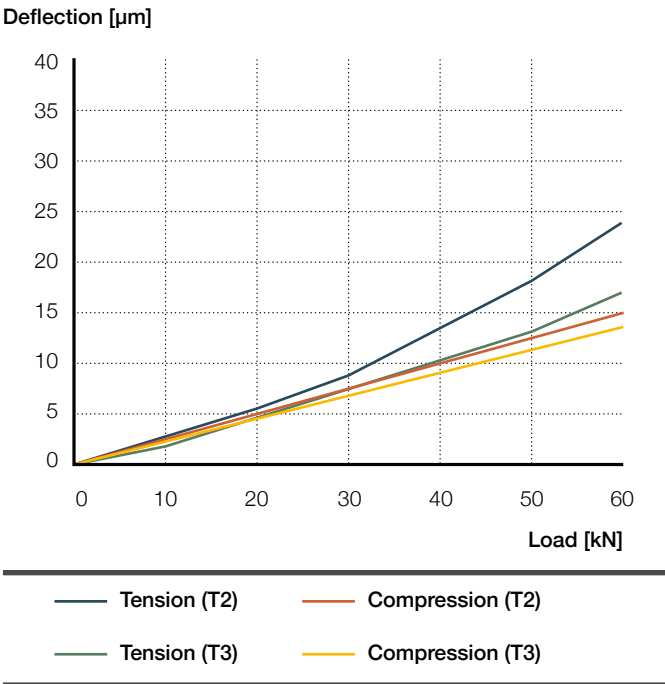


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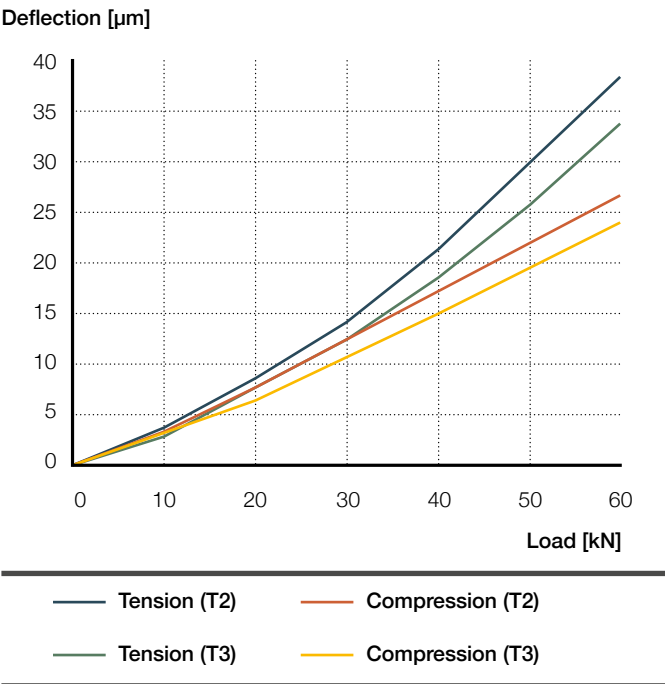
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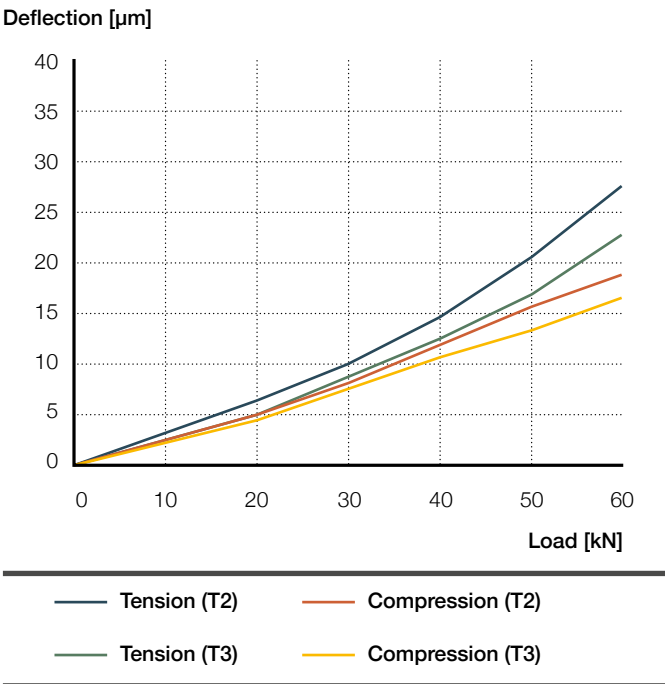
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## 2.1.6 Permissible operating conditions

The function of LLU roller profile rail guides can be realized only if there are no deviations from the specified operating conditions. The formulae and life values stated in the chapter calculation bases (→ **page 24**) are valid only if the operating conditions described in the following are adhered to.

### Dynamic values

LLU roller profile rail guides can reach a maximum speed of  $v_{\max} = 3 \text{ m/s}$ .

The maximum acceleration is  $a_{\max} = 50 \text{ m/s}^2$ .

### Required minimum load

To prevent the rolling elements from sliding in the load zone during operation, a linear guide must be under a minimum load at all times. Because the LLU carriage is always preloaded, this minimum load is provided by its design principle. Thus it does not specifically have to be considered for the application by the user.

### Permissible maximum load

When selecting a LLU roller profile rail guide, the dynamic and static load ratings are key factors in this process.

For example, the equivalent dynamic mean load  $P_m$  during operation must not exceed 50% of the dynamic load rating. To calculate the dynamic bearing load, see **page 27**.

Exceeding the dynamic load ratings in operation results in a deviation of the usual load distribution and can significantly reduce bearing service life. A statistical evaluation according to the Weibull distribution (continuous probability distribution) is not reliable in these cases. As stated in ISO 14728 Part 2, the maximum load should not exceed 50% of the static load rating C0.

### Standstill

When external forces create vibrations in a stationary LLU roller profile rail guide, surface damage due to micro-movements between the cylindrical rollers and raceways may occur. This can increase noise levels during dynamic operation and reduce system service life. To avoid this type of damage, the guides should be isolated from external vibration and mechanically unloaded for transport purposes.

### Permissible operating temperatures

The permissible temperature range for LLU roller profile rail guides is:

**Continuous operation: -10 to +80 °C**

This temperature range is determined by the synthetic materials used for the end plates, recirculations and seals.

The time limit for the permissible maximum temperature is dependent on the actual operating conditions. Low speed ( $< 0,2 \text{ m/s}$ ), slightly loaded ( $P < 15\% C$ ) or stationary applications can be exposed to an ambient temperature of  $< 100 \text{ °C}$  for up to one hour. Design measures, such as heat shielding can extend this period.

Be sure to check prior to use that the temperature limits of the lubricant can withstand elevated temperatures.

## 2.1.7 Friction

In addition to the external operating load, the friction in a guiding system is determined by a number of other factors: the preload class, the speed of travel, the viscosity of the lubricant, etc. should be taken into consideration.

The displacement resistance is determined by the proportions of rolling and sliding friction generated by the rolling elements in the contact zone. Also, the recirculation geometry as well as the lubricant has an influence.

The effect of the lubricant depends on its characteristics, quantity and condition.

A running-in phase provides a better distribution of the lubricant in the carriage, and therefore reduces friction.

The operating temperature of the guiding system also influences friction. Higher temperatures reduce the viscosity of the lubricant.

Another factor is the sliding friction of the front and longitudinal seals in contact with the profile rail guide. The friction generated by the seals will, however, decrease after the running-in phase. Moreover, the mounting accuracy of the rails relative to each other plays an important part, just like the flatness of both the mounting and the base plate.

The coefficient of friction for lubricated roller profile rail guides is typically between  $\mu = 0,004$  and  $0,006$ . Lower values should be selected for higher loads, and higher values for lower loads. The friction values of the seals must be added to these values and can be made available upon request.

## 2.1.8 Joint rail tracks

If the requested rail length exceeds the available delivery length of LLU rails, specially paired and joint rails can be supplied as ready-to-mount sets consisting of two or more rails (per rail track). In this case, the rails are marked on the bottom side (→ **fig. 2**) in order to avoid mix-up during mounting (→ **fig. 1**). For specific positions of the joint(s), please add a drawing.

If replacement is required, the complete set should be exchanged to provide full functionality.

For the proper designation, refer to **Ordering key rails** (→ **page 64**).

**Figure 3** shows a tool that simplifies the mounting procedure of joint rails. It consists of a c-clamp and two ground shafts.

Fig. 1

Top side of joint rail

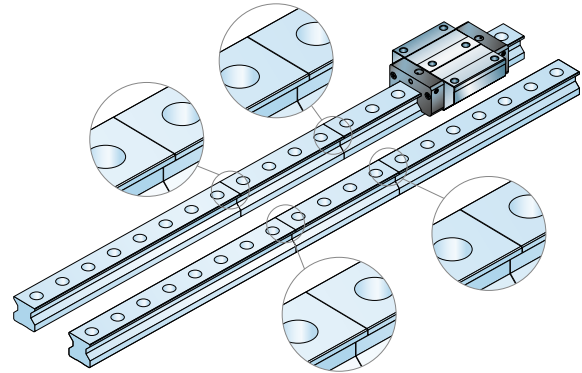


Fig. 2

Bottom side of joint rail

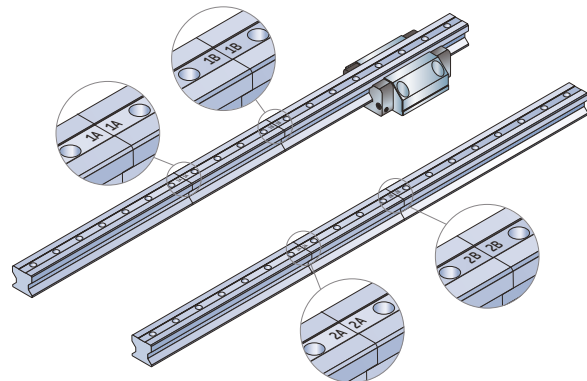
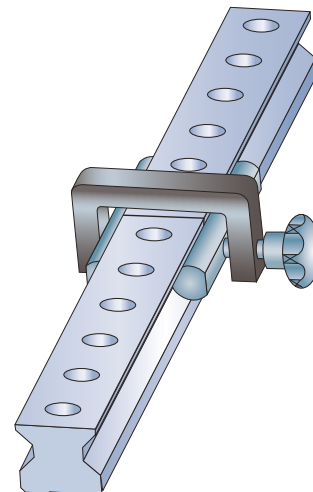


Fig. 3



## 2.2 Calculation of bearing loads

### 2.2.1 Calculation bases

The calculation methods described in this chapter must take into account all actual loads and forces acting on the individual carriages.

#### Static safety factor

The static safety factor is expressed as the relationship between the static load rating and the maximum static bearing load including preload (→ **page 26**). The load conditions (→ **page 29**) acting on the guiding system during operation must also be taken into account. The static safety factor indicates the level of safety against permanent plastic deformation of the rolling elements and raceways and is calculated according to **formula 2**.

$$2) \quad S_0 = \frac{C_0}{P_0} = \frac{C_0}{f_d F_{\text{res max}}}$$

where

$C_0$	= static load rating [N]
$f_d$	= factor for load conditions
$F_{\text{res max}}$	= maximum resulting load [N]
$P_0$	= maximum static load [N]
$s_0$	= static safety factor

Based on practical experience, guideline values have been specified for the static safety factor, which depend on the operating mode and other external factors. See **table 3**.

If, for example, the guiding system is exposed to vibrations from the machining process, higher safety factors should be applied. Moreover, the load transfer paths between a profile rail guide and its support structure should be taken into account. In particular, the bolted connections must be examined for sufficient safety. See also the chapter **Mounting and maintenance** (→ **page 50**).

For overhead installations of LLU roller profile rail guides, higher safety factors should be applied. In any case, all provided attachment holes in carriage and rail are to be used in the application to make sure that loads applied on the linear guide will safely be taken and transferred.

**NOTE:** The maximum resulting load  $F_{\text{res max}}$  should be calculated based on the combined static bearing load  $F_{\text{comb stat}}$  determined according to the chapter **Combined static bearing load**, on **page 26**.

**NOTE:** The general technical rules and standards in the respective industrial sector must also be observed.

#### Basic rating life $L_{10}$

Under controlled laboratory conditions, seemingly identical bearings operating under identical conditions have different individual endurance lives. A clearer definition of the term “bearing life” is therefore essential to calculate bearing size as outlined in **Basic rating life at constant speed..**

**IMPORTANT:** All information presented by Ewellix with regard to load ratings is based on the life that 90% of a sufficiently large group of apparently identical bearings can be expected to attain or exceed.

## Basic rating life at constant speed

If the speed is constant, the basic rating life,  $L_{10s}$  or  $L_{10h}$ , can be calculated using formulae 3 and 5:

$$3) \quad L_{10} = \left( \frac{C}{P} \right)^{\frac{10}{3}} 100$$

$$4) \quad P = \frac{f_d}{f_i^{\frac{10}{3}} \sqrt{f_s}} F_{res}$$

$$5) \quad L_{10h} = \frac{5 \times 10^7}{S n 60} \left( \frac{C}{P} \right)^{\frac{10}{3}}$$

where

- C = dynamic load rating [N]
- $f_d$  = factor for load conditions
- $f_i$  = factor for number of carriages per rail
- $F_{res}$  = resulting load [N]
- $L_{10h}$  = basic rating life [h]
- $L_{10s}$  = basic rating life [km]
- n = stroke frequency [double strokes/min]
- P = equivalent dynamic load [N]
- $f_s$  = factor for stroke length
- S = single stroke length [mm]

## Applying a preload

Depending on the combined bearing load and preload class, the resulting load has to be calculated according to the following methodology to get the impact on the life of LLU roller profile rail guides.

### Load case 1

$$F_{comb} \leq 2,8 F_{Pr} \quad (F_{Pr} \rightarrow \text{table 1, page 14})$$

$$6) \quad F_{res} = \left( \frac{F_{comb}}{2,8 F_{Pr}} + 1 \right)^{1,5} F_{Pr}$$

### Load case 2

$$F_{comb} > 2,8 F_{Pr} \quad (F_{Pr} \rightarrow \text{table 1, page 14})$$

$$7) \quad F_{res} = F_{comb}$$

where

- $F_{comb}$  = combined, static or dynamic bearing load [N]
- $F_{Pr}$  = preload force [N]
- $F_{res}$  = resulting load [N]

Table 3

## Static safety factor depending on operating conditions

Operating conditions	$s_0$
Normal conditions	min. 2
Smooth, vibration-free operation	>2–4
Medium vibrations or impact loads	3–5
High vibrations or impact loads	>5
Overhead installations	The general technical rules and standards in the respective industrial sector must be observed. And if the application poses a risk of serious injury, the user must take appropriate design and safety measures that will prevent the carriage from becoming detached from the rail (e.g. due to loss of rolling elements or failure of screw connections).

## 2.2.2 Constant mean load

### Equivalent dynamic mean load

The rating life calculation formulae are based on the assumption that the load and the speed are constant. In reality the external loads, positions and speeds are changing in most cases and the workflow has to be separated into load phases with constant or approximately constant conditions along their individual strokes (**diagram 3**). All single load phases are summarized to the equivalent dynamic mean load  $P_m$  depending on their individual stroke length **formulae 8 and 9**).

$$(8) \quad P_m = \sqrt[10]{\frac{\sum_{j=1}^V |P_j|^{\frac{10}{3}} |S_j|}{S_{tot}}}$$

$$(9) \quad S_{tot} = S_1 + S_2 + \dots + S_n$$

where

$P_m$  = equivalent dynamic mean load [N]

$P$  = equivalent dynamic load [N]

$j$  = counter for load phases

$V$  = amount of load phases

$S_j$  = individual stroke length [mm]

$S_{tot}$  = total stroke length [mm]

### Maximum resulting load

The maximum value of  $F_{res}$  is required for calculating the static safety factor  $s$ . To this end, all loads must be calculated for the individual stroke lengths. With these figures, the maximum resulting load  $F_{res \max}$  can be calculated and then inserted in the equation for  $s_0$ .

$$(10) \quad F_{res \max} = \max_{j=1}^V |F_{res,j}|$$

where

$F_{res \max}$  = maximum resulting load [N]

$F_{res,j}$  = resulting load for load phase [N]

$j$  = counter for load phase

$V$  = amount of load phases

### Combined bearing loads

The following chapter describes the method to calculate the combined bearing load with possible combinations of forces and moments. All load components must be constant in magnitude to enable their calculation as one load phase.

If one of the load proportions varies significantly in magnitude over the length of the stroke, a separate load phase must be calculated according to the same method.

**NOTE:** For the following four calculations, a load, acting on the carriage at any angle, must be broken down into the proportions  $F_y$  and  $F_z$ . These proportions are then inserted into the respective formula.

### Combined static bearing load

For static vertical and horizontal loads, the combined static bearing load  $F_{comb,stat}$  can be calculated using **formula 11** (→ **fig. 4**).

**Formula 11** applies to a system with two rails and four carriages (no torque loads can occur).

$$(11) \quad F_{comb,stat} = |F_y| + |F_z|$$

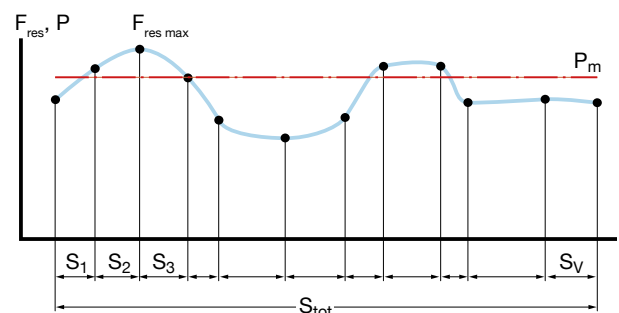
where

$F_{comb,stat}$  = combined static bearing load [N]

$F_y, F_z$  = external bearing loads in y- and z-direction [N]

Diagram 3

#### Variable load acting on a carriage





For combined static bearing loads – both vertical and horizontal – in combination with static moments, the combined static bearing load  $F_{\text{comb,stat}}$  can be calculated using **formula 12** (→ **fig. 4**).

$$(12) \quad F_{\text{comb,stat}} = |F_y| + |F_z| + C_0 \left( \left| \frac{M_x}{M_{x0}} \right| + \left| \frac{M_y}{M_{y0}} \right| + \left| \frac{M_z}{M_{z0}} \right| \right)$$

where

$C_0$  = static load rating [N]

$F_{\text{comb,stat}}$  = combined static bearing load [N]

$F_y, F_z$  = external bearing loads in y- and z-direction [N]

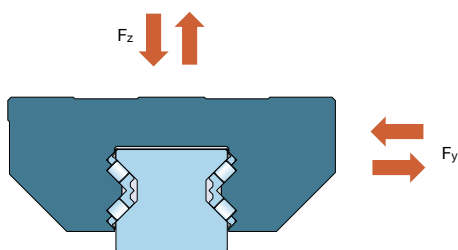
$M_x, M_y, M_z$  = bearing moment loads at respective coordinates [Nm]

$M_{x0}, M_{y0}, M_{z0}$  = permissible static moment loads [Nm]

**Formula 12** can be used for the following systems:

- One rail with one carriage (all types of moment loads can occur)
- Two rails with one carriage each ( $M_x$  cannot occur)
- One rail with two carriages ( $M_y, M_z$  cannot occur)

**NOTE:** The maximum value of  $F_{\text{comb,stat}}$  is required for calculating the static safety factor  $s_0$ . To this end, all loads must be calculated for the individual stroke lengths. With these figures, the maximum resulting load  $F_{\text{res max}}$  can be calculated and then inserted in the equation for  $s_0$ .



**Fig. 4**

## Combined dynamic bearing load

For loads – both vertical and horizontal (→ **fig. 5**) – the combined dynamic bearing load  $F_{\text{comb,dyn}}$  is calculated by means of **formula 13**.

**Formula 13** applies to a system with two rails and four carriages.

$$(13) \quad F_{\text{comb,dyn}} = |F_y| + |F_z|$$

where

$F_{\text{comb,dyn}}$  = combined dynamic bearing load [N]

$F_y, F_z$  = bearing loads in y- and z-direction [N]

**NOTE:** The design of the profile rail guide permits this simplified calculation. If different load stages exist for  $F_y$  and  $F_z$ , then  $F_y$  and  $F_z$  must be considered individually in **formula 8**.

When combined dynamic bearing loads and dynamic moments are present, the combined dynamic bearing load  $F_{\text{comb,dyn}}$  can be calculated using **formula 14** (→ **fig. 5**).

$$(14) \quad F_{\text{comb,dyn}} = |F_y| + |F_z| + C \left( \left| \frac{M_x}{M_{xC}} \right| + \left| \frac{M_y}{M_{yC}} \right| + \left| \frac{M_z}{M_{zC}} \right| \right)$$

where

$C$  = dynamic load rating [N]

$F_{\text{comb,dyn}}$  = combined dynamic bearing load [N]

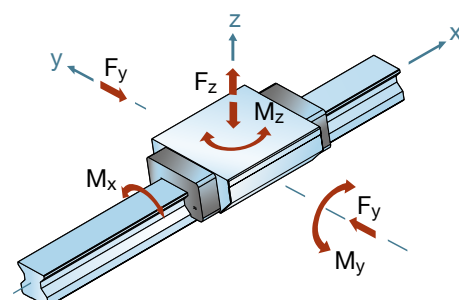
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$M_x, M_y, M_z$  = bearing moment loads at respective coordinates [Nm]

$M_{xC}, M_{yC}, M_{zC}$  = permissible dynamic moment loads [Nm]

**Formula 14** can be used for the following systems:

- One rail with one carriage (all types of moment loads can occur)
- Two rails with one carriage each ( $M_x$  cannot occur)
- One rail with two carriages ( $M_y, M_z$  cannot occur)



**Fig. 5**

## 2.2.3 Factors of influence

### Requisite reliability

Factor  $c_1$  is used for lifetime calculations where a reliability higher than 90% is needed. The corresponding values can be found in (→ **table 4**).

### Operating conditions

The lubrication effectiveness is strongly dependent on the degree of separation between the rolling elements and raceway surfaces in the contact zones. A specific minimum viscosity is required for the formation of an effectively separating lubricating film at operating temperature, taking into account the kinematic conditions. Assuming a normal level of cleanliness of the profile rail guide as well as effective sealing, factor  $c_2$  depends on the viscosity ratio  $\kappa$  exclusively.  $\kappa$  designates the ratio between the actual kinematic viscosity and the requisite minimum viscosity (→ **formula 15**).

$$(15) \quad \kappa = \frac{v}{v_1}$$

where

$\kappa$  = viscosity ratio

$v$  = actual kinematic viscosity [mm<sup>2</sup>/s]

$v_1$  = requisite minimum viscosity [mm<sup>2</sup>/s]

The requisite minimum viscosity  $v_1$  for LLT guides depends on the mean speed (→ **diagram 4**).

The value for  $v_1$  can be related to the actual viscosity  $v$  according to formula 15 in order to obtain  $\kappa$ . Now  $c_2$  can be taken from (→ **diagram 5**). If the viscosity ratio  $\kappa$  is less than 1, a lubricant with EP additives is recommended. If lubricant with EP additives are used, the higher value for  $c_2$  can be used for calculation.

Table 4

Factor $c_1$ for reliability		
Reliability %	$L_{ns}$	$c_1$
90	$L_{10s}$	1
95	$L_{5s}$	0,62
96	$L_{4s}$	0,53
97	$L_{3s}$	0,44
98	$L_{2s}$	0,33
99	$L_{1s}$	0,21

Diagram 4

Determining the requisite minimum viscosity  $v_1$

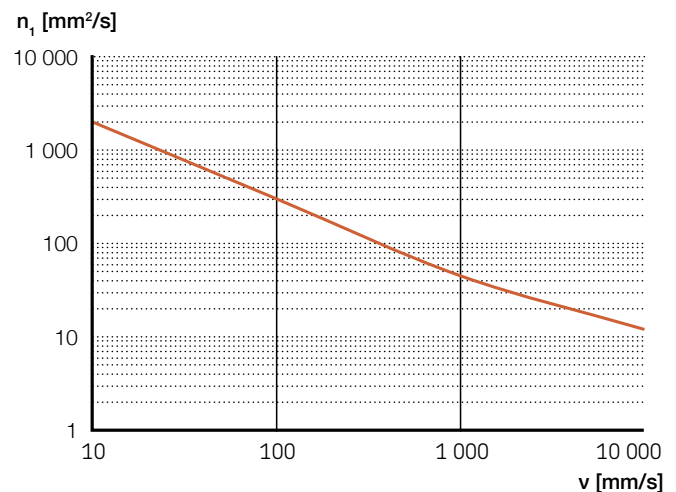
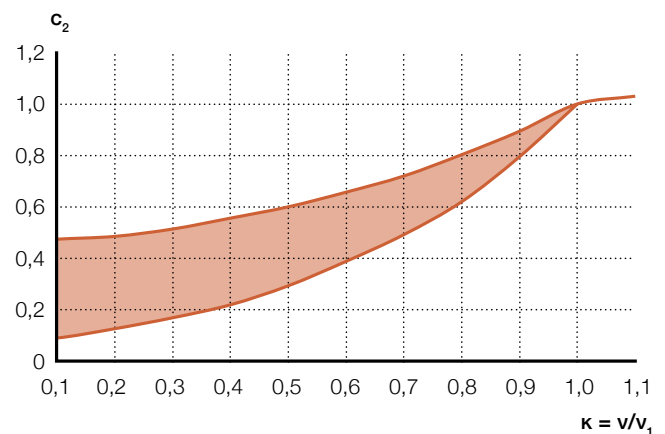


Diagram 5

Determining factor  $c_2$  for operating conditions



# 2.2.4 Load conditions

The load acting on an LLU roller profile rail guide is resulting from acceleration, impact loads and vibration. It is extremely difficult to quantify these additional dynamic forces. To approximate the impact these indeterminate loads will have on the life of the system, the load must be multiplied by factor  $f_d$ . Depending on the mean speed and strength of the impact load, values listed in **table 5** can be selected for  $f_d$ .

## Number of carriages per rail

Most profile rail guide configurations feature two or more carriages mounted on one rail. The load distribution on these various carriages is strongly influenced by the mounting precision, the manufacturing quality of the adjacent components, and particularly, the distance between the carriages. Factor  $f_i$  takes these influences on carriage loading into account based on the number of carriages per rail and their distance relative to each other (→ **table 6** and **fig. 6**).

## Impact of stroke length

Strokes that are shorter than the metal body of the carriage (dimension  $L_2$ ) have a negative influence on the achievable life of a guiding system. If the stroke is longer than the carriage metal body length, the factor is  $f_s = 1$ . Sequenced load phases with identical moving direction deliver a sub stroke length ( $S_s$ ) according to **formula 16** to determine  $f_s$ . Based on the ratio of the sub stroke lengths ( $S_s$ ) to the metal body of the carriage  $L_2$ , the factor  $f_s$  is determined according to **table 7**.

$$(16) S_s = \sum_{j=A}^B S_j$$

where

- $S_s$  = sub stroke length [mm]
- $S_j$  = individual stroke length [mm]
- $j$  = counter for load phases
- $A$  = starting point of movement in one direction
- $B$  = next reversal point

Table 5

Factor $f_d$ for load conditions		
Load conditions	$f_d$ from	up to
Smooth operation, no or light impact loads Speed $\leq 2$ m/s	1,0	1,5
High impact loads Speed $> 2$ m/s	1,5	3,0

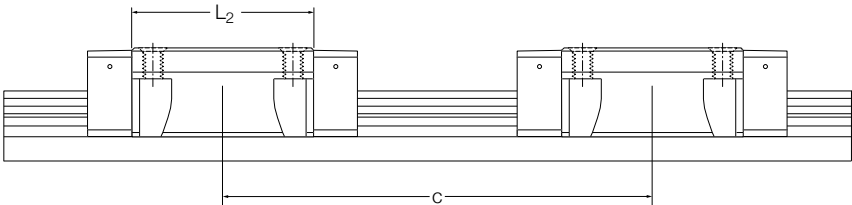
Table 6

Factor $f_i$ for number of carriages per rail		
Number of carriages	If $c \geq 1,5 \cdot L_2$ $f_i$	If $c < 1,5 \cdot L_2$ $f_i$
1	1	1
2	1	0,81
3	1	0,72

Table 7

Factor $f_s$ depending on the ratio $S_s/L_2$	
$S_s/L_2$	$f_s$
1,0	1,0
0,9	0,91
0,8	0,82
0,7	0,73
0,6	0,63
0,5	0,54
0,4	0,44
0,3	0,34
0,2	0,23

Fig. 6



## 2.2.5 Modified basic rating life

If the load situation is known and the factors have been determined, then the modified basic rating life can be calculated with **formula 17**

$$(17) \quad L_{ns} = 100 \, c_1 \, c_2 \, f_s \left( \frac{f_i C}{f_d F_{res}} \right)^{\frac{10}{3}}$$

In the presence of varying forces as described in the section **2.2.1 Calculation bases** (→ page 24), **formula 17** is extended to account for the impacts of operating conditions and loads per phase. This is described in **formula 18**:

$$(18) \quad L_{ns} = 100 \, c_1 \, c_2 \frac{(f_i C)^{\frac{10}{3}} S_{tot}}{\sum_{j=1}^V \left( \left| \frac{f_{d,j} F_{res,j}}{\sqrt{\frac{10}{3}} f_{s,j}} \right|^{\frac{10}{3}} S_j \right)}$$

where

- C = dynamic load rating [N]
- $c_1$  = factor for reliability
- $c_2$  = factor for operating conditions
- $f_d$  = factor for load conditions
- $f_{d,j}$  = factor for load conditions for load phase j
- $f_i$  = factor for number of carriages per rail
- $F_{res}$  = resulting load [N]
- $F_{res,j}$  = resulting load for load phase j [N]
- $f_s$  = factor for stroke length
- $f_{s,j}$  = factor for stroke length for load phase j
- j = counter for load phases
- $L_{ns}$  = modified basic rating life [km]
- $S_i$  = individual stroke length [mm]
- $S_{tot}$  = total stroke length [mm]
- V = amount of load phases

## 2.2.6 Linear guide calculation tools

### Ewellix calculation program

Details pertaining to all the relevant load situations and the specification of the general design conditions are crucial for precisely calculating the life expectancy and static load safety of an LLU profile rail guide system in a specific application. Ultimately, this information determines the size and carriage type of the LLU profile rail guide. This design process can be quite extensive for complex applications.

Therefore, Ewellix offers the “Linear guide select” calculation program which is available at [www.ewellix.com](http://www.ewellix.com). This calculation program supports the user and is extremely effective in the design of LLU profile rail guide systems.

The following information must be available prior to starting a calculation:

- number of load cases
- moved masses as well as operating loads including coordinates
- travel proportions of operating loads
- reaction forces accommodated by the drive system (in the direction of travel)
- selection of preload applied to the guide
- layout (number of rails and carriages)
- geometry of linear axis (distance between rails relative to each other and carriages relative to each other)

**NOTE:** If the user is free to select the application coordinate system, Ewellix recommends using the coordinate system in the program. This facilitates the analysis of all operating loads and the resulting reaction forces in the carriages and prevents transformation errors.

## Representation of results

When the calculation routine is complete, the user will receive the following data in a clearly structured form:

- all input data
- load values per carriage in the y- and z-direction and external loads for all conceivable load cases
- calculation of equivalent dynamic load per carriage
- basic rating life of carriages
- static load safety of carriages

Depending on the expected life or static load safety, various carriage sizes can be selected for printout.

#### SKF Linear Guide Calculator

Thanks to SKF Linear Guide Calculator, this is an application to calculate the lifetime and the load on precision rail guides, with rail guides and linear rail bearings. The workflow of the calculation program works as follows:

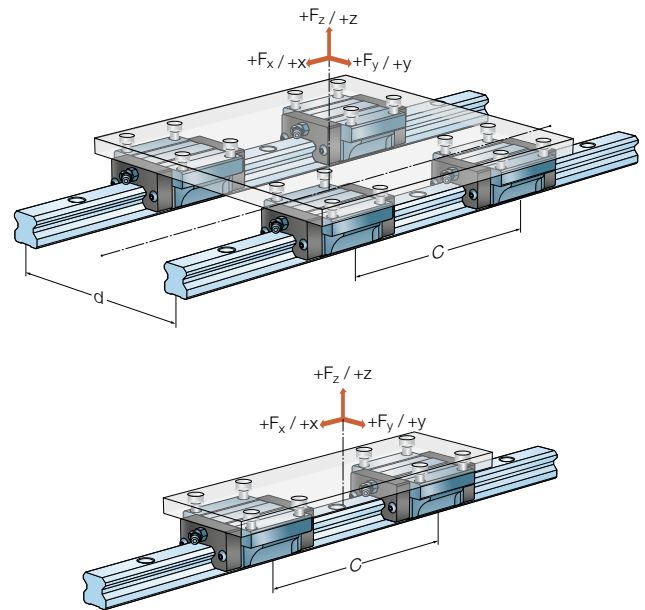
- General information
- Definition of planes
- Load input
- Input data - dimensions
- Technical result for all guiding types
- Result screen

All the input data is saved and stored later on for further investigations. A detailed report with application input data and results can be printed.

#### Disclaimer

The content of this calculation tool is a compilation of information published by SKF. Every care has been taken to ensure the accuracy of the compilation, but its use may be accepted for any time or damage without direct, indirect or consequential arising out of the use of information contained herein.

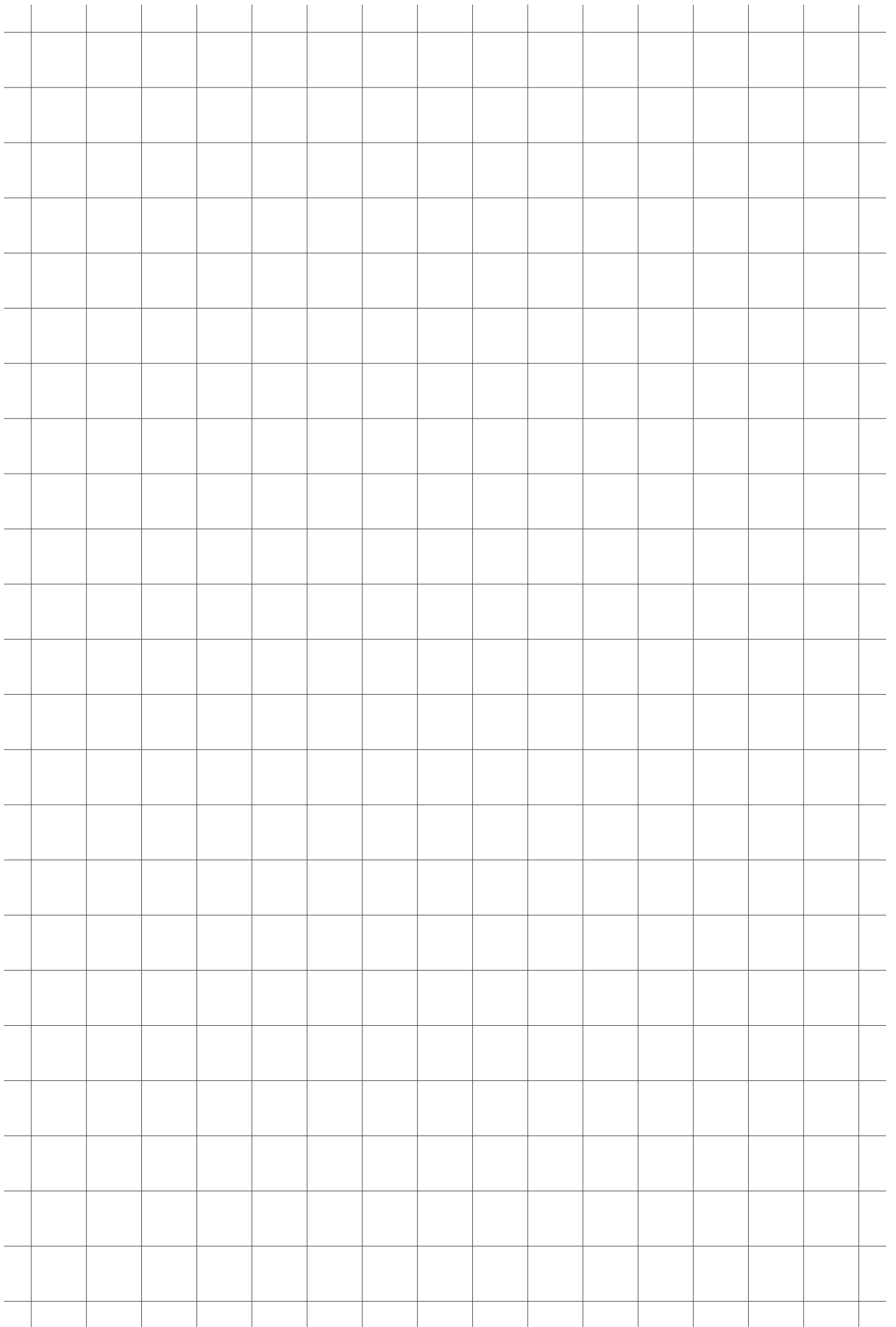
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## 2.2.7 Legend

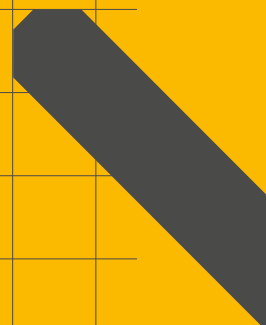
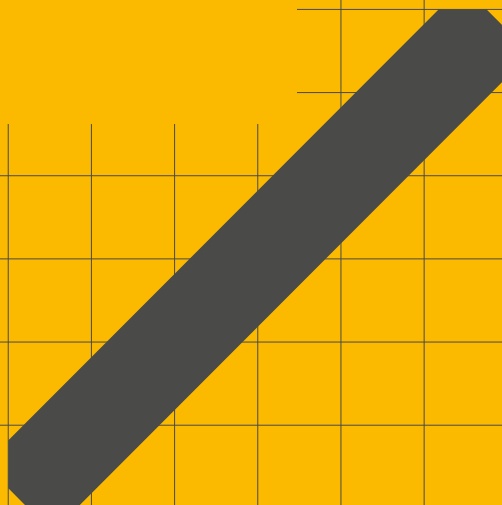
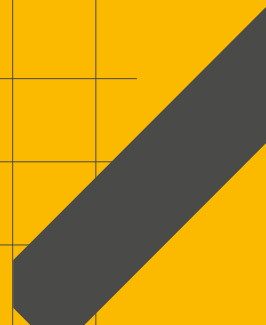
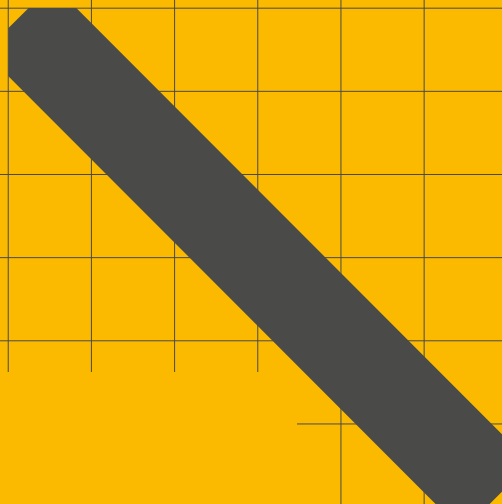
### Legend

A	starting point of movement in one direction	
B	next reversal point	
C	dynamic load rating	[N]
$C_0$	static load rating	[N]
$c_1$	factor for reliability	
$c_2$	factor for operating conditions	
$f_d$	factor for load conditions	
$f_{d,j}$	factor for load conditions for load phase j	
$f_i$	factor for number of carriages per rail	
$f_s$	factor for stroke length	
$f_{s,j}$	factor for stroke length for load phase j	
$f_{d,j}$	factor for load conditions for load phase j	
$f_i$	factor for number of carriages per rail	
$f_s$	factor for stroke length	
$f_{s,j}$	factor for stroke length for load phase j	
$F_y, F_z$	bearing loads in y- and z-direction	[N]
$F_{comb,stat}$	combined static bearing load	[N]
$F_{comb,dyn}$	combined dynamic bearing load	[N]
$F_{comb}$	combined static or dynamic bearing load	[N]
$F_{Pr}$	preload force	[N]
$F_{res}$	resulting load	[N]
$F_{res,j}$	resulting load for load phase j	[N]
$F_{res max}$	maximum resulting load	[N]
j	counter for load phases	[N]
K	viscosity ratio	
$L_{10h}$	basic rating life	[h]
$L_{10s}$	basic rating life	[km]
$L_{ns}$	modified basic rating life	[km]
$M_x, M_y, M_z$	bearing moment loads at respective coordinates	[Nm]
$M_{xC}, M_{yC}, M_{zC}$	permissible dynamic moment loads	[Nm]
$M_{xC0}, M_{yC0}, M_{zC0}$	permissible static moment loads	[Nm]
n	stroke frequency	[double strokes/min]
v	actual kinematic viscosity	[mm <sup>2</sup> /s]
$v_1$	requisite minimum viscosity	[mm <sup>2</sup> /s]
P	equivalent dynamic load	[N]
$P_m$	equivalent dynamic mean load	[N]
$P_0$	maximum static load	[N]
$s_0$	static safety factor	
$S_j$	individual stroke length	[mm]
$S_s$	sub stroke length	[mm]
$S_{tot}$	total stroke length	[mm]
$t_1, t_2 \dots t_n$	time proportions for v1, v2 ... vn	[%]
$v_1, v_2 \dots v_n$	speed	[m/min]
$v_m$	mean speed	[m/min]
V	amount of load phases	



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Product range

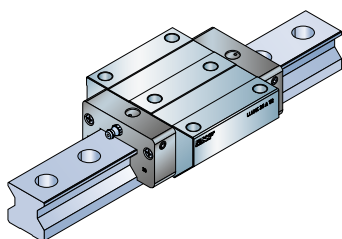




# 3.1 Carriage data

## LLUHC ... A

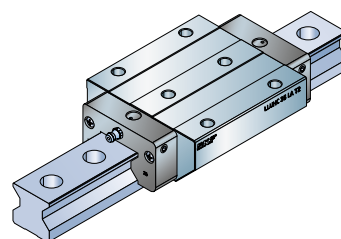
Flanged carriage, standard length, standard height



Size <sup>1)</sup>	Load ratings	
	C	C <sub>0</sub>
–	N	
25	27 000	57 600
35	53 300	99 000
45	95 000	184 000
55	132 600	256 000
65	212 000	414 000

## LLUHC ... LA

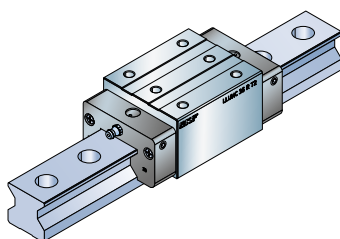
Flanged carriage, extended length, standard height



Size <sup>1)</sup>	Load ratings	
	C	C <sub>0</sub>
–	N	
25	36 500	76 800
35	72 600	136 000
45	119 500	242 200
55	176 000	351 000
65	276 000	579 000

## LLUHC ... R

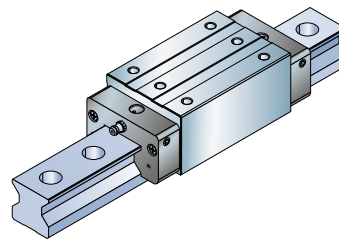
Slim-line carriage, standard length, extended height



Size <sup>1)</sup>	Load ratings	
	C	C <sub>0</sub>
–	N	
25	27 000	57 600
35	53 300	99 000
45	95 000	184 000
55	132 600	256 000
65	212 000	414 000

## LLUHC ... LR

Slim-line carriage, extended length, extended height



Size <sup>1)</sup>	Load ratings	
	C	C <sub>0</sub>
–	N	
25	36 500	76 800
35	72 600	136 000
45	119 500	242 200
55	176 000	351 000
65	276 000	579 000

### Flanged carriage

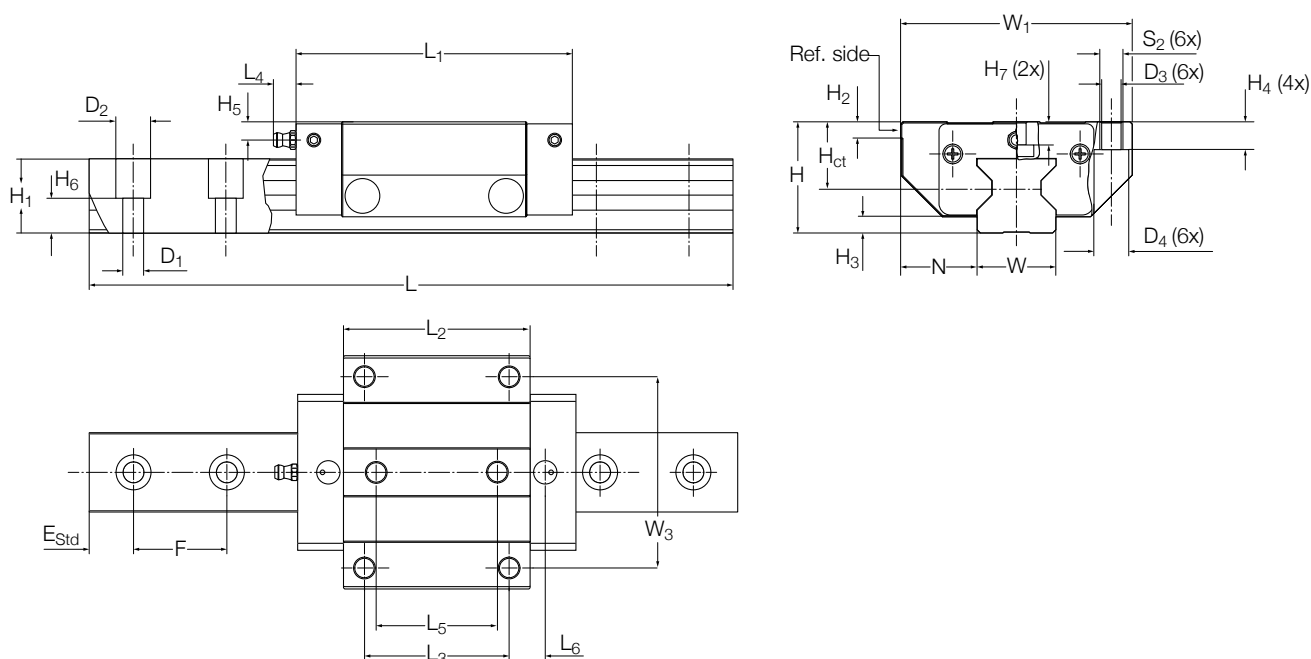
Standard length, standard height

For designation, refer to

**Ordering key carriages (↳ page 63).**



## Dimensional drawing



<sup>1)</sup> For size 65,  $L_a$  in the table is valid only with top lubrication adaptor mounted, which is not shown on the drawing.

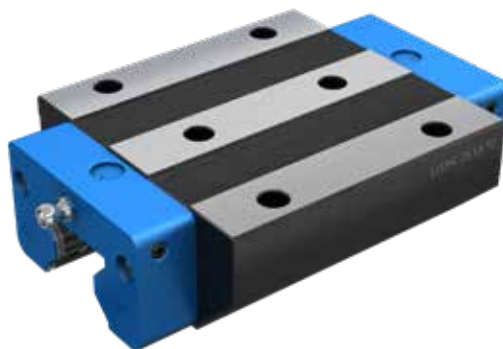
## 3.1.2 Carriage LLUHC ... LA

Flanged carriage

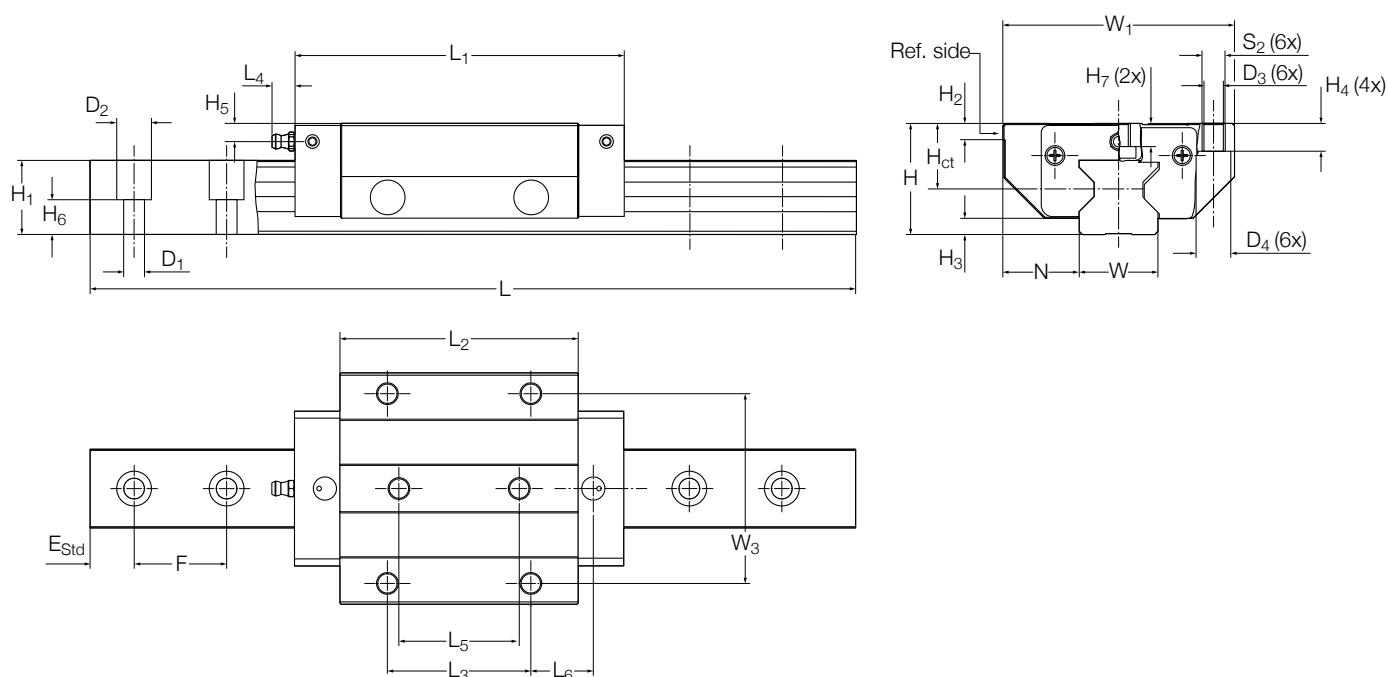
Extended length, standard height

For designation, refer to

Ordering key carriages (→ page 63).



### Dimensional drawing



Size	Assembly dimensions						Carriage dimensions													
	W <sub>1</sub>	N	H	H <sub>2</sub>	H <sub>3</sub>	H <sub>ct</sub>	L <sub>1</sub>	L <sub>2</sub>	L <sub>3</sub>	L <sub>4</sub>	L <sub>5</sub>	L <sub>6</sub> <sup>1)</sup>	W <sub>3</sub>	H <sub>4</sub>	H <sub>5</sub>	H <sub>7</sub>	D <sub>3</sub>	D <sub>4</sub>	S <sub>2</sub>	
–	mm																			
25	70	23,5	36	7,5	6,5	21	109,7	81,5	45	9,8	40	23,75	57	9	5,5	6,5	6,8	11	M8	
35	100	33	48	8	7	28.5	142,3	103	62	9,8	52	27	82	12	7,9	10	8,5	15	M10	
45	120	37,5	60	10	10	35.5	179,8	133,8	80	9,8	60	33,9	100	15	8	12	10,5	18	M12	
55	140	43,5	70	12	13	40.5	215	162	95	9,8	70	42,5	116	18	9,5	13,5	12,5	20	M14	
65	170	53,5	90	15,5	12	58	272,3	210,3	110	9,8	82	57,1	142	22	15	19,5	14,5	23	M16	

Size	Rail dimensions							Weight		Load ratings		Moments			
	W mm	H <sub>1</sub>	H <sub>6</sub>	F	D <sub>1</sub>	D <sub>2</sub>	E <sub>Std</sub>	carriage kg	rail kg/m	dynamic C	static C <sub>0</sub>	dynamic M <sub>xc</sub> Nm	static M <sub>xc0</sub>	dynamic M <sub>yc</sub> = M <sub>zc</sub>	static M <sub>yc0</sub> = M <sub>zc0</sub>
–															
25	23	24,35	12,85	30	7	11	12,5	0,9	3,4	36,5	76,8	583	1 150	491	970
35	34	32	15	40	9	15	17,5	2,2	6,5	72,6	136,0	1 595	3 014	1 187	2 243
45	45	39,85	20,85	52,5	14	20	23,75	4,3	10,7	119,5	242,2	3 293	6 672	2 444	4 951
55	53	47,8	25,8	60	16	24	27,5	7,0	15,2	176,0	351,0	5 977	11 915	4 470	8 910
65	63	55	29	75	18	26	35	13,5	22,5	276,0	579,0	10 530	22 100	8 980	11 840

<sup>1)</sup> For size 65, L<sub>6</sub> in the table is valid only with top lubrication adaptor mounted, which is not shown on the drawing.

## 3.1.3 Carriage LLUHC ... R

Slim-line carriage

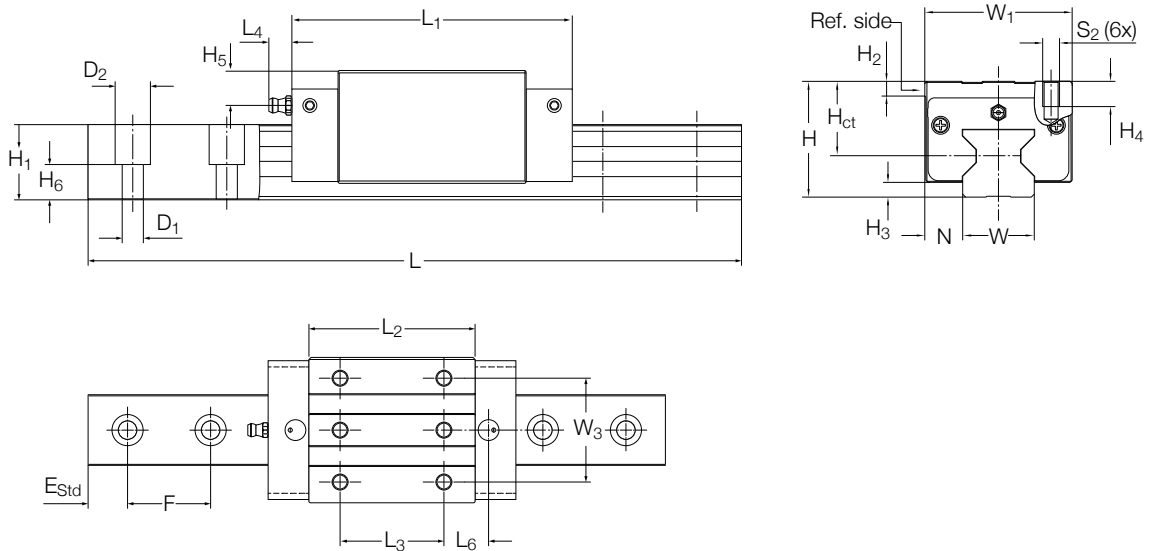
Standard length, extended height

For designation, refer to

Ordering key carriages (→ page 63).



### Dimensional drawing



Size	Assembly dimensions						Carriage dimensions								
	W <sub>1</sub> mm	N	H	H <sub>2</sub>	H <sub>3</sub>	H <sub>ct</sub>	L <sub>1</sub>	L <sub>2</sub>	L <sub>3</sub>	L <sub>4</sub>	L <sub>6</sub> <sup>1)</sup>	W <sub>3</sub>	H <sub>4</sub>	H <sub>5</sub>	S <sub>2</sub>
–															
25	48	12,5	40	7,5	6,5	25	90,2	62	35	9,8	19	35	9	9,5	M6
35	70	18	55	8	7	35,5	119,3	80	50	9,8	21,5	50	12	14,9	M8
45	86	20,5	70	10	10	45,5	147,3	101,3	60	9,8	27,65	60	18	18	M10
55	100	23,5	80	12	13	50,5	173	120	75	9,8	31,5	75	19	19,5	M12
65	126	31,5	90	15,5	12	58	221,8	159,8	70	9,8	51,8	76	22	15	M16

Size	Rail dimensions							Weight		Load ratings		Moments			
	W mm	H <sub>1</sub>	H <sub>6</sub>	F	D <sub>1</sub>	D <sub>2</sub>	E <sub>Std</sub>	carriage kg	rail kg/m	dynamic C	static C <sub>0</sub>	dynamic M <sub>xc</sub> Nm	static M <sub>xc0</sub>	dynamic M <sub>yc</sub> = M <sub>zc</sub>	static M <sub>yc0</sub> = M <sub>zc0</sub>
–															
25	23	24,35	12,85	30	7	11	12,5	0,6	3,4	27,0	57,6	431	863	285	570
35	34	32	15	40	9	15	17,5	1,6	6,5	53,3	99,0	1 179	2 192	674	1 253
45	45	39,85	20,85	52,5	14	20	23,75	3,1	10,7	95,0	184,0	2 617	5 070	1 538	2 979
55	53	47,8	25,8	60	16	24	27,5	4,7	15,2	132,6	256,0	4 503	8 707	2 576	4 981
65	63	55	29	75	18	26	35	8,5	22,5	212,0	414,0	8 100	15 780	5 210	10 140

<sup>1)</sup> For size 65, L<sub>6</sub> in the table is valid only with top lubrication adaptor mounted, which is not shown on the drawing.

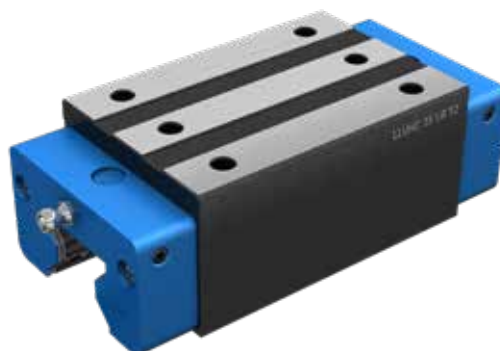
## 3.1.4 Carriage LLUHC ... LR

Slim-line carriage

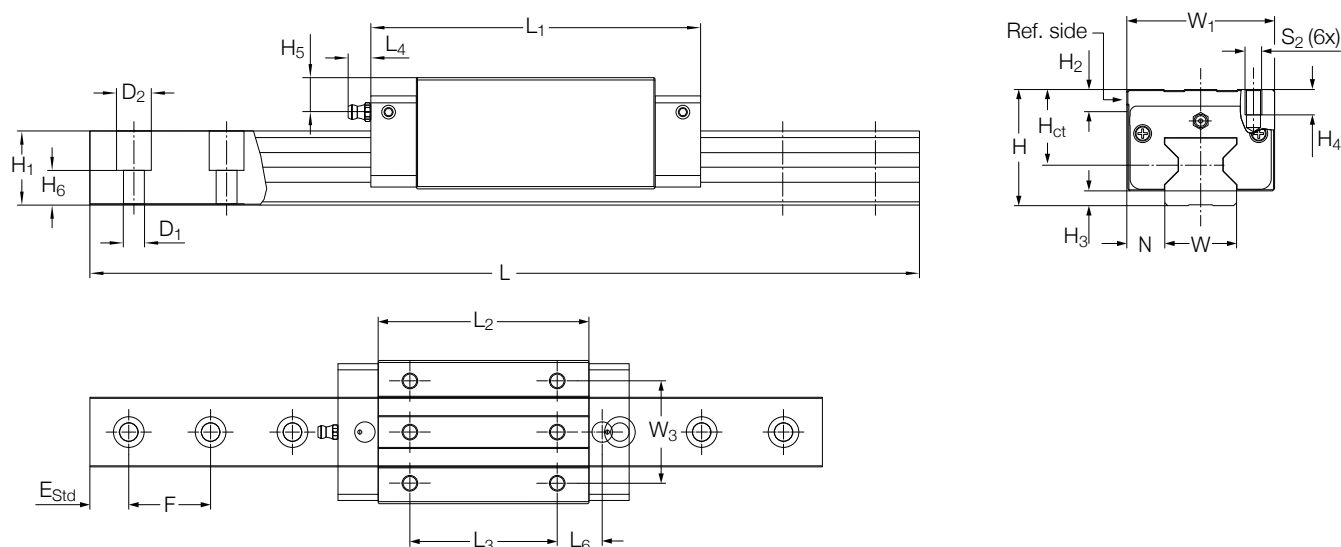
Extended length, extended height

For designation, refer to

Ordering key carriages (→ page 63).



### Dimensional drawing



Size	Assembly dimensions						Carriage dimensions								
	W <sub>1</sub> mm	N	H	H <sub>2</sub>	H <sub>3</sub>	H <sub>ct</sub>	L <sub>1</sub>	L <sub>2</sub>	L <sub>3</sub>	L <sub>4</sub>	L <sub>6</sub> <sup>1)</sup>	W <sub>3</sub>	H <sub>4</sub>	H <sub>5</sub>	S <sub>2</sub>
–															
25	48	12,5	40	7,5	6,5	25	109,7	81,5	50	9,8	21,25	35	9	9,5	M6
35	70	18	55	8	7	35,5	142,3	103	72	9,8	22	50	12	14,9	M8
45	86	20,5	70	10	10	45,5	179,8	133,8	80	9,8	33,9	60	18	18	M10
55	100	23,5	80	12	13	50,5	215	162	95	9,8	42,5	75	19	19,5	M12
65	126	31,5	90	15,5	12	58	272,3	210,3	120	9,8	52,05	76	22	15	M16

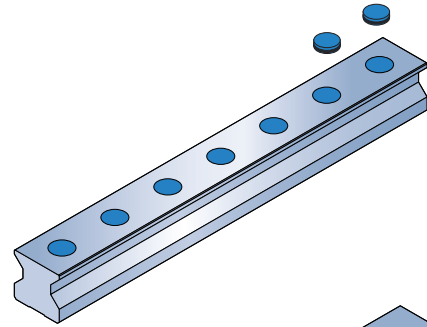
Size	Rail dimensions							Weight		Load ratings		Moments			
	W mm	H <sub>1</sub>	H <sub>6</sub>	F	D <sub>1</sub>	D <sub>2</sub>	E <sub>Std</sub>	carriage kg	rail kg/m	dynamic C	static C <sub>0</sub>	dynamic M <sub>xc</sub> Nm	static M <sub>xc0</sub>	dynamic M <sub>yc</sub> = M <sub>zc</sub>	static M <sub>yc0</sub> = M <sub>zc0</sub>
–															
25	23	24,35	12,85	30	7	11	12,5	0,8	3,4	36,5	76,8	583	1 150	491	970
35	34	32	15	40	9	15	17,5	2,0	6,5	72,6	136,0	1 595	3 014	1 187	2 243
45	45	39,85	20,85	52,5	14	20	23,75	4,1	10,7	119,5	242,2	3 293	6 672	2 444	4 951
55	53	47,8	25,8	60	16	24	27,5	6,2	15,2	176,0	351,0	5 977	11 915	4 470	8 910
65	63	55	29	75	18	26	35	12,7	22,5	276,0	579,0	10 530	22 100	8 980	11 840

<sup>1)</sup> For size 65, L<sub>6</sub> in the table is valid only with top lubrication adaptor mounted, which is not shown on the drawing.

## 3.2 Rail data

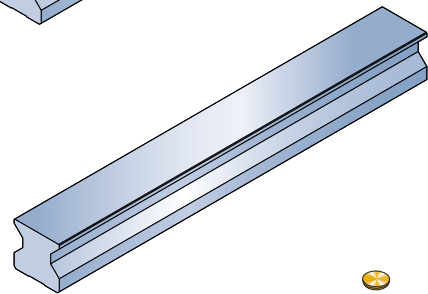
### LLUHR rails

Standard rail, always supplied with protective plastic caps for mounting from above.



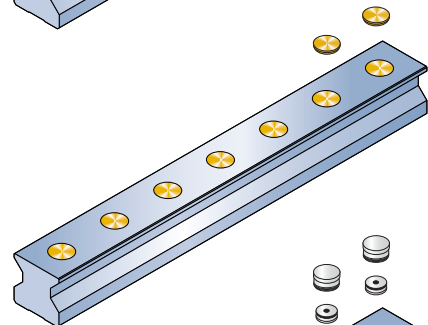
### LLUHR ... D4 rails

With blind holes for mounting from below.



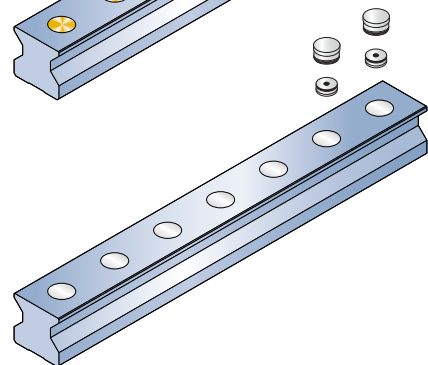
### LLUHR ... D6 rails

Standard rail supplied with protective brass plugs for mounting from above.



### LLUHR ... D8 rails

Standard rail supplied with protective steel plugs for mounting from above.

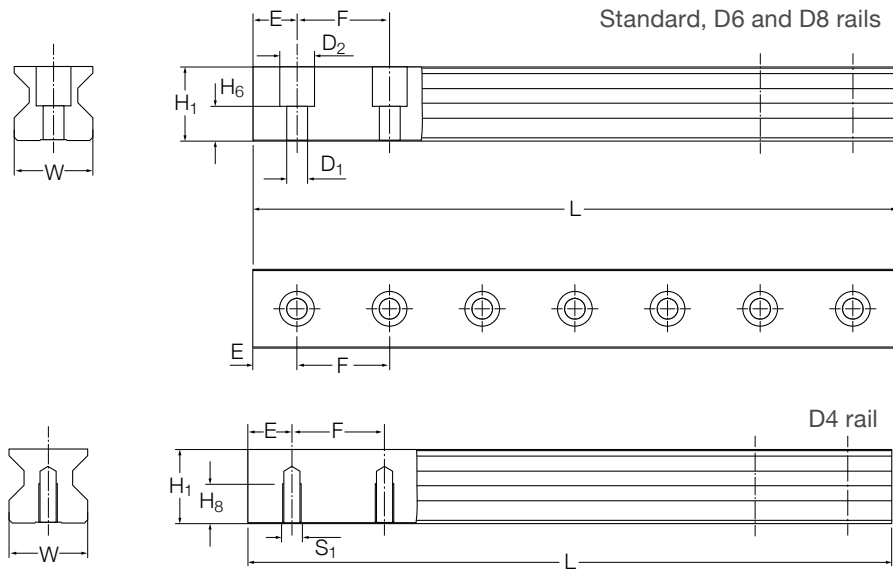


Protective metal plugs ensure that no residues of dirt, swarf, cooling water and other contaminants remain in the area of the attachment holes. After insertion, these plugs align flush with the surface of the profile rail guide to provide effective wiping. The use of additional scraper plates in combination with these protective metal plugs is an option which will further enhance protection.

Size-specific mounting tools for installing the protective brass and steel plugs are available from Ewellix. Please refer to **page 65** to order the mounting tool.

**NOTE:** If a rail length is required that exceeds the maximum length available, joint rails can be ordered. These rails are manufactured to match seamlessly with each other.

To determine the rail length and calculate specific equidistant E values see formulae on the following page (→ **page 41**).



Size	Rail dimensions		H <sub>6</sub>	F	D <sub>1</sub>	D <sub>2</sub>	H <sub>8</sub>	S <sub>1</sub>	E <sub>Std</sub> -0.75	E <sub>min</sub> -0.75	E <sub>max</sub> -0.75	L <sub>max</sub> <sup>1)</sup> -1.5
	W	H <sub>1</sub>										
–	mm											
25	23	24,35	12,85	30	7	11	12	M6	12,5	10	22	3 985
35	34	32	15	40	9	15	15	M8	17,5	12	30	3 995
45	45	39,85	20,85	52,5	14	20	19	M12	23,75	15	40	3 985
55	53	47,8	25,8	60	16	24	22	M14	27,5	17	46	3 955
65	63	55	29	75	18	26	25	M16	35	18	60	3 970

<sup>1)</sup> Calculated by using E<sub>Std</sub>  
For the designation of the different rails refer to Ordering key rails (→ page 64) .

The “E” dimension designates the distance between the end face and the center of the first mounting hole of the rail.

With suffix “ES” in the ordering key, the holes at both rail ends will be positioned equidistantly from either end of the rail using the E<sub>Std</sub> dimension. This results in predefined rail lengths that should be preferred when ordering:

$$L = nF + 2 E_{Std}$$

With suffix “E0”, the rail is produced with the shortest possible symmetrical “E” dimension on both rail ends.

With suffix “Exx”, the “E” dimension has to be specified.

To calculate specific equidistant “E” dimensions, following formulae are used:

#### Calculation of number of attachment holes in rail guide

$$(1) n_{real} = \frac{L}{F}$$

(2) Round down of n<sub>real</sub> to n

$$(3) n + 1 = z$$

F = Distance of attachment holes  
L = Rail length  
n<sub>real</sub> = Real calculation value for number of hole distances  
z = Number of attachment holes in rail

#### Determination of E dimension based on z

$$(4) E_{real} = \frac{L - F(z - 1)}{2}$$

E<sub>real</sub> = Real calculation value for E-dimension

E<sub>min</sub> = Minimum E-dimension according to catalogue

E<sub>Std</sub> = Standard value for E-Dimension

#### Comparison with catalogue value of E<sub>min</sub>

$$(4.1) \text{ If } E_{real} \geq E_{min}$$

Usage of E<sub>real</sub> from formula 4

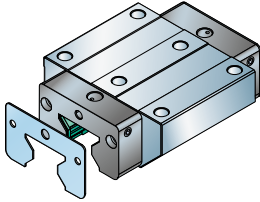
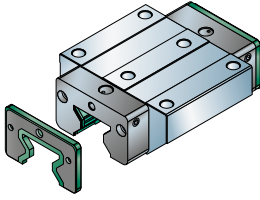
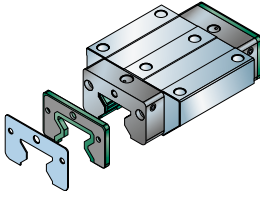
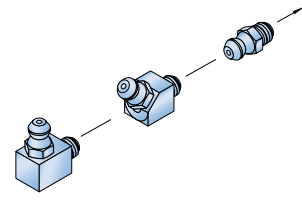
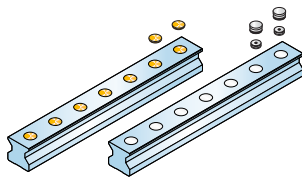
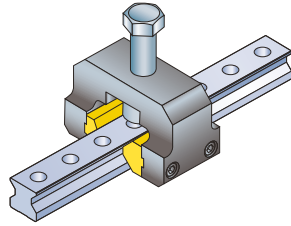
$$(4.2) \text{ If } E_{real} < E_{min}$$

Calculation of E<sub>real</sub>

according to formula 5

$$(5) E_{real} = \frac{L - F(z - 2)}{2}$$

## 3.3 Accessories

Accessories Item name	Illustration <sup>1)</sup>	Purpose
<b>Scraper plate</b> LLTHZ ... S1		Scraper plates are spring-steel, non-contact components. They protect the front seal from coarse contaminants or hot metal chips. Lubrication adaptors can be used without modifications. Longer mounting screws are supplied with the scraper plate
<b>Additional front seal</b> LLTHZ ... S7		Additional front seals are contact seals that can be attached to the carriage end faces. They are single-lip seals consisting of special heavy-duty material with rubber (NBR) seal lips (S7) or fluoroelastomere (FKM) seal lips (S4). Both offer additional protection against liquids and smaller contaminants. The FKM seal has a better chemical resistance, e.g. against aggressive coolants. One lubrication connector and longer screws are supplied with the seal.
<b>Seal kit</b> LLTHZ ... S3 LLTHZ ... S8		The seal kit consists of a metal scraper and an additional front seal. It is intended for applications involving exposure to coarse and fine dirt as well as liquids. One lubrication connector and longer screws are supplied with the seal kit.
<b>Lubrication adaptors</b> LLUHZ VN ...		To connect different lubrication devices to the carriage, several lubrication adaptors are available.
<b>Protective metal plugs from brass or steel</b> LLUHZ ... TD6 / TD8		Metal plugs protect carriage and rail from damages caused by high thermal and mechanical exposure, e.g. chip formation.
<b>Assembly tool for metal plugs</b> LLUHZ ... D6		Rail size specific assembly tools are available for proper installation of protective metal plugs. There are two sizes available, one covering the range of size 25-45 and one covering size 45-65.

<sup>1)</sup> Appearance can vary slightly depending on the size



### 3.3.1 Scraper plate

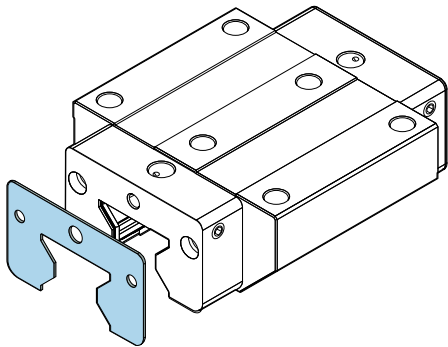
**LLUHZ ... S1**

- Material: Spring steel according to DIN EN 10088
- Appearance: Steel grey
- Designed with a specified maximum gap of ~ 50 µm

**Mounting**

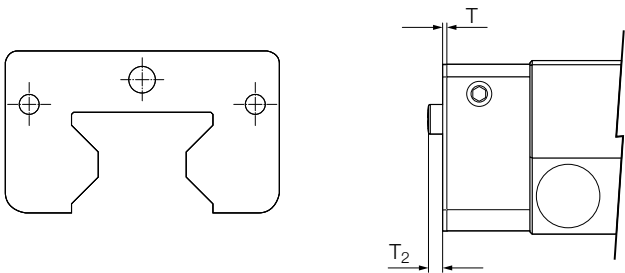
The standard grease nipple still fits. Longer mounting screws are supplied with the scraper plate. When mounting, be sure there is an even space between the rail and scraper plate.

**NOTE:** Can be ordered in combination with an additional front seal as a kit, designation S3 or S8.



Appearance can vary slightly depending on the size.

**Dimensional drawing**



Carriage size		
–	T mm	T <sub>2</sub>
25	1	2,6
35	1	3,3
45	1,5	4
55	1,5	4,8
65	2	8

## 3.3.2 Additional front seal

### LLUHZ ... S7

- Material: Elastomer (NBR) on steel carrier
- Design: Single-lip seal

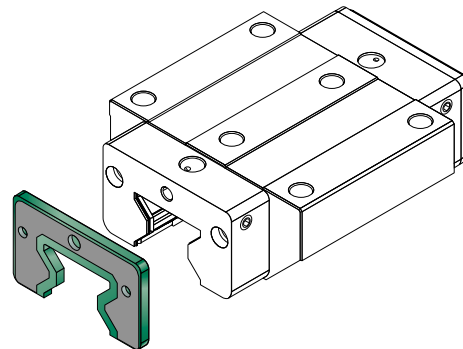
### LLUHZ ... S4

- Material: Fluoroelastomer (FKM) on steel carrier
- Good chemical resistance e.g. against aggressive coolants
- Design: Single-lip seal

### Mounting

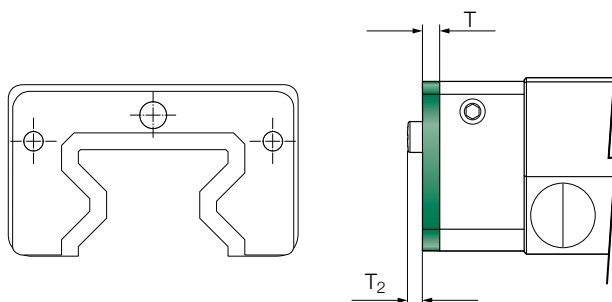
One lubrication connector and longer mounting screws are supplied with the seal. For dimensions of the lubrication connector please refer to **table 1** (→ **page 47**)

**NOTE:** Can be ordered in combination with an additional scraper plate as a kit, designation S3 or S8.



Appearance can vary slightly depending on the size.

### Dimensional drawing



Carriage size	T mm	T <sub>2</sub>
–		
25	6	2,6
35	6	3,3
45	6	4
55	6	4,8
65	7	8

### 3.3.3 Seal kit

#### LLUHZ ... S3

The seal kit consists of the following components:

- Scraper plate
- Additional front seal S7 (NBR)

#### LLUHZ ... S8

The seal kit consists of the following components:

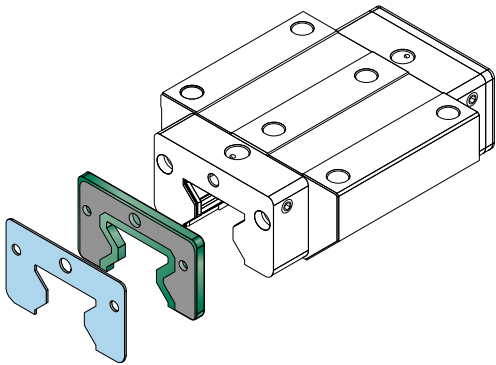
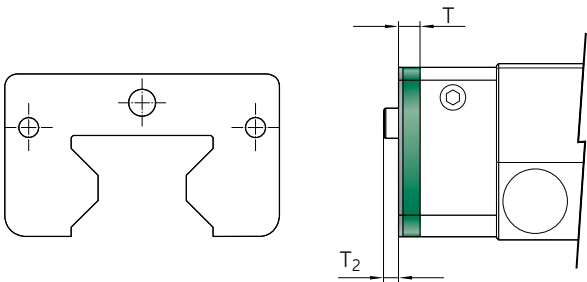
- Scraper plate
- Additional front seal S4 (FKM)

#### Mounting

One lubrication connector and longer mounting screws are supplied with the seal kit. For dimensions of the lubrication connector please refer to **table 1** (→ **page 47**).

When mounting, be sure there is an even space between the rail and scraper plate.

#### Dimensional drawing



Appearance can vary slightly depending on the size.

Carriage size	T mm	T <sub>2</sub>
–		
25	7	2,6
35	7	3,3
45	7,5	4
55	7,5	4,8
65	9	8

### 3.3.4 Lubrication adaptors

All lubrication adaptors are standardized with a M6 thread for secure attachment to the carriages of all sizes. For our range of grease nipples, couplings and fittings, please refer to **table 1**.

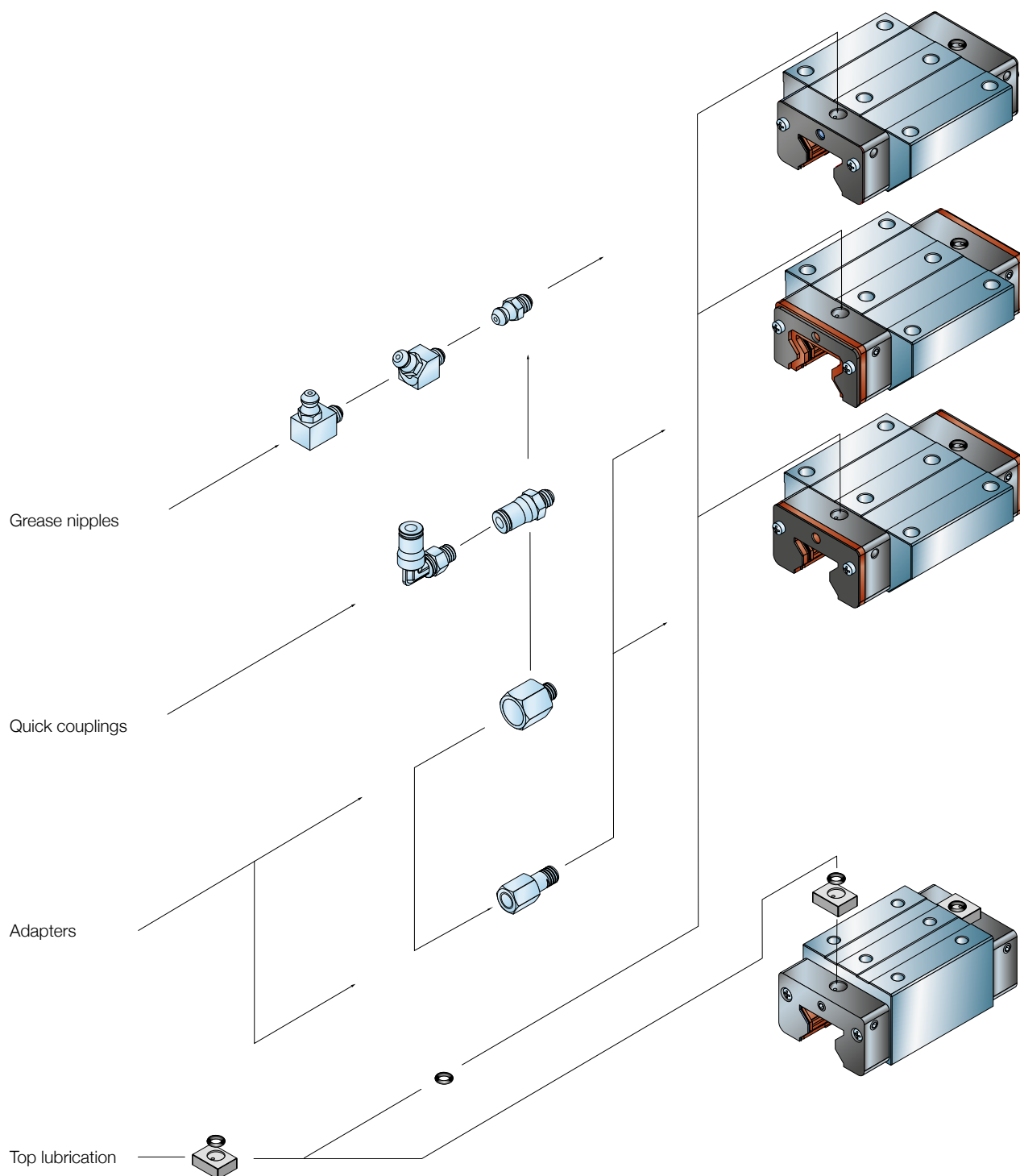
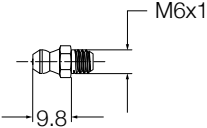
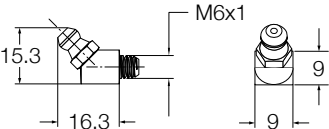
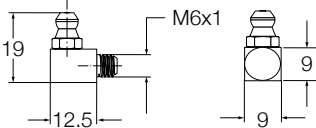
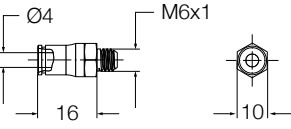
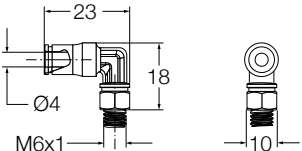
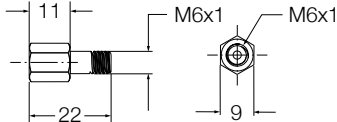
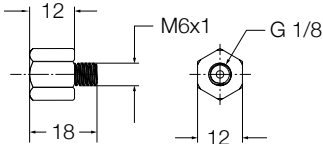
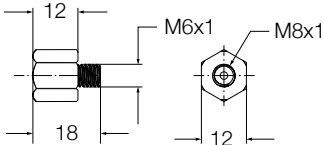
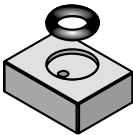


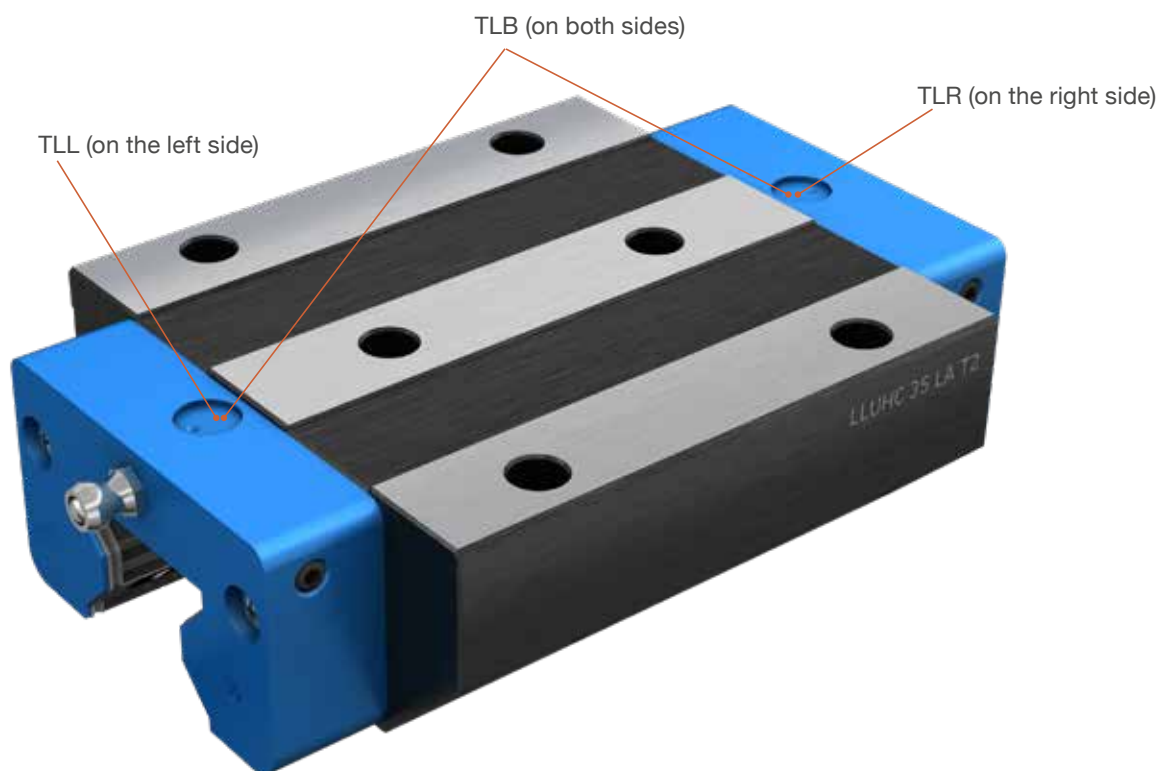
Table 1

	Item name Ordering key	Size	Description
	Grease nipple straight LLUHZ VN-M6	Steel, coated	Is supplied with the carriage as standard.
	Grease nipple 45° LLUHZ VN-M6-45	Steel, coated	
	Grease nipple 90° LLUHZ VN-M6-90	Steel, coated	
	Quick coupling straight LLUHZ VN SC	Steel, coated	To connect 4 mm outer diameter plastic pipe. Max. operating pressure: 30 bar
	Quick coupling 90°, adjustable LLUHZ VN AC	Steel, coated	Coupling can be rotated 360°. To connect 4 mm outer diameter plastic pipe. Max. operating pressure: 30 bar
	Lubrication connector LLUHZ VN UA	Stainless steel	Needed when using seal kit S3, S8 and seal S7, S4.
	Reduction fitting LLUHZ VN UB	Stainless steel	Reduction from G1/8 to M6 when connection to a pipe system is needed.
	Reduction fitting LLUHZ VN UC	Stainless steel	Reduction from M8x1 to M6.
	Adaptor for top lubrication LLUHZ VN TL	Aluminium and O-rings	Supplied with top lubrication option. Separately only if needed as a spare part.

### 3.3.5 Adaptor for top lubrication

The lube port for top lubrication in the end plate is usually closed. If needed, it is to be ordered separately. In this case the carriage will be delivered with an opened port and the necessary top lubrication adaptor. Reconditioning of delivered carriages to accommodate top lubrication is not possible.


When ordering a system or a single carriage with top lubrication, be sure to specify on which side of the carriage the lubrication port is needed.



When ordering an adaptor for top lubrication as a spare part, be sure to specify which carriage type it is needed for.

<b>TL1</b>	for A, LA carriage	O-ring (size 25-55), O-ring + adaptor (size 65)
<b>TL2</b>	for R, LR carriage	O-ring + adaptor





4

**Mounting  
instruction and  
maintenance**



## 4.1 Design rules

The following mounting instructions are applicable to all carriage types. To maintain the high precision of Ewellix roller profile rail guides LLU, the carriages must be handled carefully during transport and assembly. To provide protection during transport, storage and assembly, LLU rails and carriages are supplied with a corrosion preservative. This preservative does not need to be removed if the recommended lubricants are used.

**NOTE:** When carriages are shipped without a rail, they are equipped with a transportation sleeve to keep the rollers in place. This transportation sleeve should never be removed without pushing the carriage onto a rail. Also, the carriages should never be removed from a rail without using a transportation sleeve to keep the rollers in place. Failure to follow these directions may result in the rollers falling out of place. If this happens, the carriages cannot be used anymore.

Fig. 1

### Mounting with laterally fixed rails

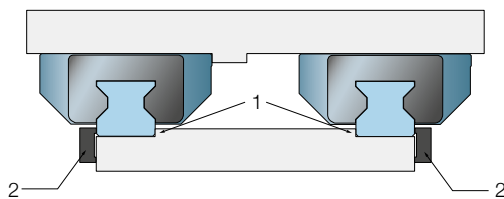
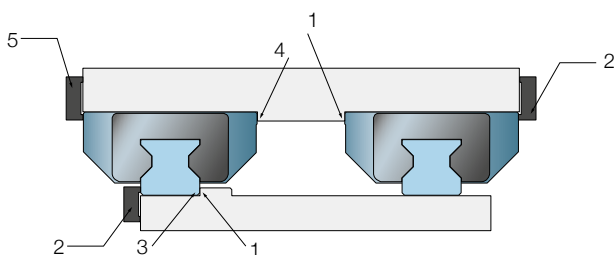


Fig. 2

### Mounting with laterally fixed rail and carriages



### 4.1.1 Typical mounting examples

#### Rails

Each rail has ground reference edges on both sides.

**Options for securing the rails laterally** (→ figs. 1 and 2)

- 4.2.1. Stop edges
- 4.2.2. Retaining strips
- 4.2.3. Reference edges

**NOTE:** Rail ends must be chamfered to prevent seal damage during installation. However, if two rails are to be joined, do not chamfer either of the mating ends.

Rails that are not laterally fixed must be installed straight and parallel. Ewellix recommends using a support strip to maintain the rail's position during installation.

Guideline values for the permissible lateral loads for guidings that are not laterally supported are listed in **table 11**.

#### Carriage

Each carriage has one reference side (please refer to dimension  $H_2$  in the drawings of the carriages) (→ **pages 36 and following**).

**Options for securing the carriages laterally** (→ fig. 2)

- 4.2.4. Stop edges
- 4.2.5. Retaining strips

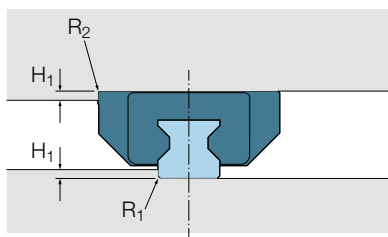
**NOTE:** If mounted correctly, the carriage should move easily on the rail when pushed (moving force depending on preload). During assembly, secure the carriage to prevent it from falling.

## 4.1.2 Interface design, screw sizes and tightening torques

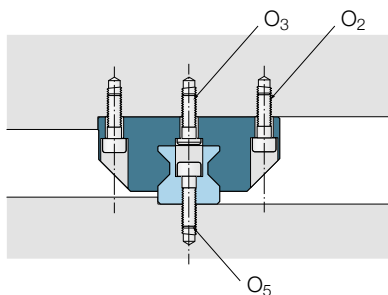
- The flange-type carriages can be fastened from above (↳ **fig. 4**) and below (↳ **fig. 5**). For fixation from below, use the attachment holes as pass-through holes for a screw in the next smaller size. For the two inner attachment holes ( $O_3$ ), special screws with low head height according to **DIN 6912** must be used.
- The slim-type carriages can be fastened only from above (↳ **fig. 6**).
- Rails can be fastened from both above (↳ **fig. 5 and 6**) or below (↳ **fig. 4**).

All screw dimensions and recommended lengths are shown in **table 1**. The correct tightening torque is critical to the proper function of the guide system. It is to be considered according to **table 2**. If no stop edge is provided in the adjacent structure, then the permissible maximum lateral load per carriage should be considered. Values can be found in **table 3**.

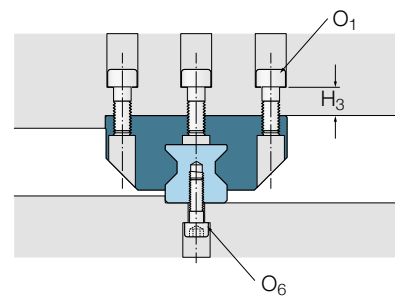
**Fig. 3**



**Fig. 5**



**Fig. 4**



**Fig. 6**

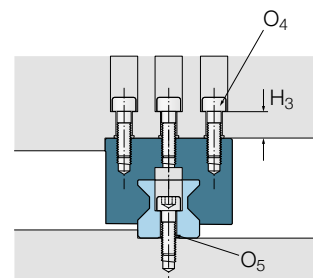


Table 1

## Stop edges, corner radii, screw types and sizes per carriage type and fastening direction

Size	Dimensions				Screw					
	H1	R1 max	R2 max	H3	O11)	O22)	O33)	O44)	O5	O65)
–	mm				ISO 4762	ISO 4762	DIN 6912	ISO 4762		
<b>25</b>	5	0,8	0,8	10	M8x20	M6x20	M6x16	M6x18	M6x30	M6x20
<b>35</b>	6	0,8	0,8	13	M10x25	M8x25	M8x20	M8x25	M8x35	M8x25
<b>45</b>	8	0,8	0,8	14	M12x30	M10x30	M10x25	M10x30	M12x45	M12x30
<b>55</b>	10	1,0	1,2	20	M14x40	M12x40	M12x30	M12x35	M14x50	M14x40
<b>65</b>	10	1,5	1,5	25	M16x45	M14x45	M14x35	M16x40	M16x60	M16x45

<sup>1)</sup> A, LA type, bolted from above<sup>2)</sup> A, LA type, bolted from below 4 outer screws<sup>3)</sup> A, LA type bolted from below 2 inner screws<sup>4)</sup> R, LR type bolted from above<sup>5)</sup> Please respect the general recommendations for minimum thread engagement lengths

Table 2

## Recommended tightening torques of mounting screws

Screw strength class	Screw					
	M6	M8	M10	M12	M14	M16
–	Nm					
<b>8.8</b>	10	24	48	83	130	200
<b>12.9</b>	15	40	81	135	215	265

Table 3

## Maximum lateral load per carriage

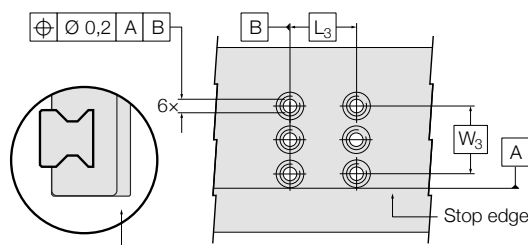
Screw strength class	Screws used for mounting in line				
	Carriage O1	O2+O3	O4	Rail O5	O6
<b>8.8</b>	19% C	14% C	14% C	6% C	6% C
<b>12.9</b>	29% C	22% C	22% C	10% C	10% C

## 4.1.3 Position tolerances of attachment holes

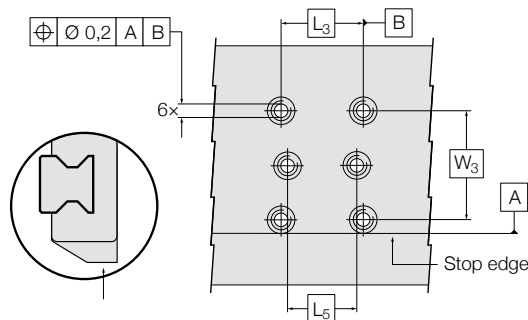
To ensure the interchangeability between the machine bed and the profile rail guides, it is necessary to match the positions of the corresponding attachment holes of all components to be mounted. When observing the tolerances given in the following drawings, it is not necessary to remachine the machine bed, in particular with long profile rail guides.

Fig. 7

### Attachment structure for carriages



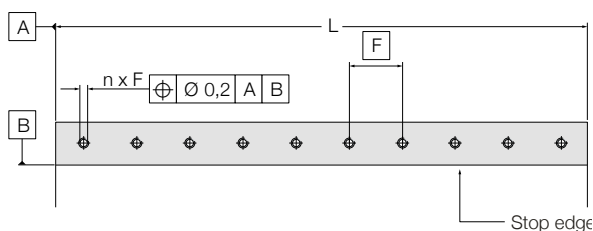
Ref. side  
R / LR - carriage



Ref. side  
A / LA - carriage

Fig. 8

### Attachment structure for rails



## 4.1.4 Permissible height deviation

The values for height deviation are applicable for all carriage types. If the values for height deviation  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  are within the specified range, the service life of the rail guide system will not be influenced.

### Permissible height deviation in lateral direction (→ table 12)

$$S_1 = d \cdot Y$$

where

$s_1$  = Permissible height deviation [mm]

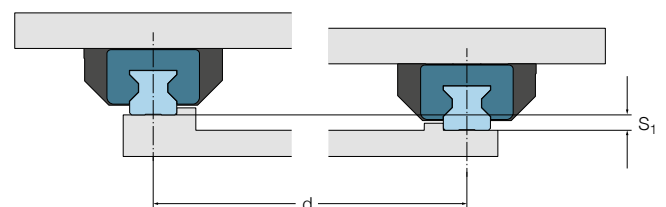
$d$  = Distance between the rails [mm]

$Y$  = Calculation factor lateral direction

**NOTE:** The height tolerance  $H$  for the carriages has to be taken into account. Please refer to **table 2** on **page 14**. If the difference  $S_1 - 2 \times \text{tolerance } H < 0$ , a new product selection is necessary (other preload, precision).

Table 4

### Permissible height deviation in lateral direction



### Calculation factor Preload

	T2 (8% C)	T3 (13% C)
$Y$	$1,7 \times 10^{-4}$	$1,2 \times 10^{-4}$

Permissible height deviation in longitudinal direction  
(↳ table 5)

$S_2 = c \cdot X$

where

- $S_2$  = Permissible height deviation [mm]
- $c$  = Distance between the carriages [mm]
- $X$  = Calculation factor longitudinal direction

**NOTE:** The maximum difference  $\Delta H$  for the carriages has to be taken into account. Please refer to **table 2** on **page 14**. If the difference  $S_2 - \Delta H < 0$ , a new product selection is necessary (other preload, precision).

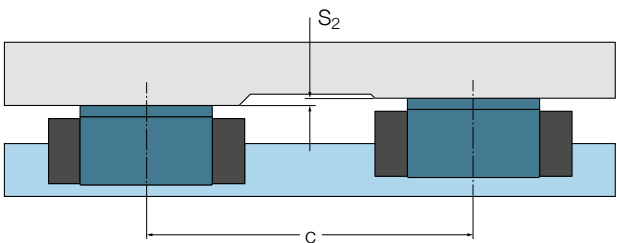
4.1.5 Parallelism

The parallelism of mounted rails is measured on the rails and the carriages.

The values for deviation in parallelism  $P_a$  are applicable to all carriage types. Deviation in parallelism  $P_a$  increases the internal load. If the values are within the specified range in **table 6**, the service life of the profile rail guide system will not be influenced. With standard mounting, the adjacent structure is slightly resilient. However, a rigid, high-precision adjacent structure is required for precision mounting. In this case, the values in **table 6** must be halved.

Table 5

Permissible height deviation in longitudinal direction on one rail

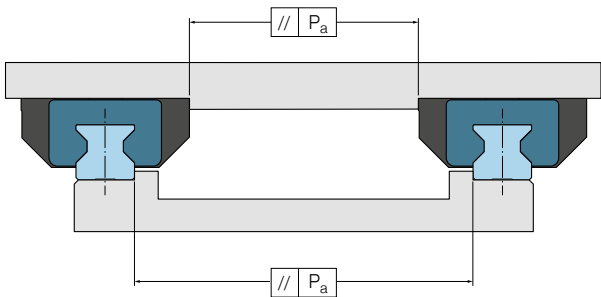


Calculation factor X for carriages  
Calculation factor

	Standard length	Extended length
X	$4,5 \times 10^{-5}$	$3,5 \times 10^{-5}$

Table 6

Deviation in parallelism  $P_a$



Size	Pa in relation to preload class [mm]	
	T2 (8% C)	T3 (13% C)
25	0,008	0,005
35	0,012	0,008
45	0,014	0,009
55	0,017	0,011
65	0,018	0,011

## 4.2 Maintenance and repairs

### 4.2.1 Preventive maintenance

To avoid dirt from adhering to and being embedded into the rails, the rails should be cleaned regularly with a “cleaning stroke”. Ewellix recommends a cleaning stroke over the entire length of the rails twice a day or at least every eight hours.

Perform a cleaning stroke whenever switching the machine on or off.

### 4.2.2 Lubrication

The appropriate type and amount of lubricant is required for rolling bearings to function reliably. To reduce wear, the lubricant prevents direct metal-to-metal contact between the rolling elements and the raceways. In addition, the lubricant protects the carriage from corrosion.

The guiding system can only realize its optimum operating temperature when a suitable amount of lubricant to reliably lubricate the roller profile rail guide is applied.

Basically, two different lubrication methods are available for LLU: grease and oil lubrication.

#### Delivery condition from factory

LLU roller carriages and rails are protected with high-quality anti-corrosion preservation oil for transport, storage and mounting. This special oil supports initial installation of LLU and can remain in the product if the Ewellix recommended lubricants are used.

Each carriage is delivered with one straight grease nipple and has to be initially lubricated before usage as described on the next pages.

#### Lubrication ports

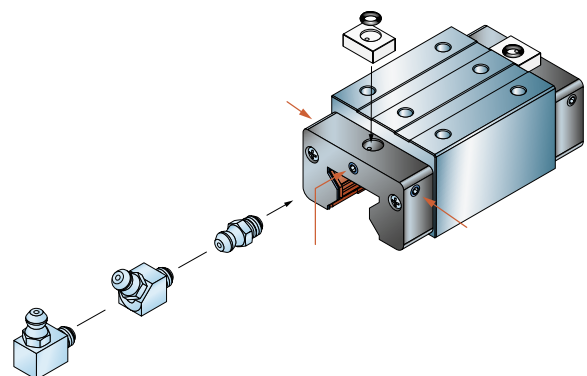
Both end plates of the carriage feature three lube ports with M6 thread, one in longitudinal and two in 90° orientation to moving direction (→fig. 9). At delivery these ports are closed by grub screws. As standard, one straight grease nipple for manual lubrication is supplied with the carriage. If needed, the carriage can be adapted for top lubrication.

The lube port for top lubrication is usually closed and has to be ordered separately if required (see ordering key system). In this case the carriage will be delivered with an opened port and the necessary adaptor. Reconditioning of delivered carriages to accommodate top lubrication is not possible. For additional lubrication adaptors please refer to **table 8** on **page 47**.

#### Grease lubrication

Under normal operating conditions, LLU roller profile rail guides should be lubricated with grease. The advantage of grease is that it is more easily retained in the bearing, which is particularly important when the axis of travel is inclined or vertical. Moreover, it contributes to sealing the bearing against the ingress of liquid contaminants or humidity.

**Fig. 9**  
**Permissible Lubrication ports**



## Base oil viscosity

The viscosity of the lubricating oil in grease is key to the formation of the hydrodynamic film that separates the rolling elements from the raceways.

In general, the viscosity of lubricating oils is based on the flow rate at 40 °C. These values also apply to the mineral base oils contained in lubricating greases.

The base oils of commercially available rolling bearing greases have viscosity values between 15 and 500 mm<sup>2</sup>/s (at 40 °C). Greases with higher base oil viscosities often release the oil too slowly to sufficiently lubricate bearings.

## Consistency class

Lubricating greases are divided into various consistency classes according to a scale by the National Institute of Grease Lubrication (NLGI). These are also reflected in DIN 51 818 and DIN 51 825.

Greases with a metallic soap thickener with a consistency of 2 or 3 on the NLGI scale are particularly suitable for use with LLU roller profile rail guides. The grease consistency should not vary too much with changing operating temperatures or stress levels. Greases that soften at higher temperatures can leak from the bearing position, while greases that stiffen at lower temperatures can impede the operation of the linear guiding system.

Specific requirements are placed on the lubricating grease's purity, composition and compatibility if the grease is to be used in special applications.

## Temperature range

The temperature range over which a grease can be used depends largely on the type of base oil and thickener as well as the additives.

The low temperature limit, the lowest temperature at which the grease enables the bearing to be started up without difficulty, is largely determined by the type of base oil and its viscosity. The high temperature limit is determined by the type of thickener and its dropping point. The dropping point is the temperature at which grease changes its consistency and becomes a fluid.

**NOTE:** that grease will age with increasing rapidity at higher operating temperatures. The resulting by-products have a detrimental effect on the grease's lubrication properties and conditions in the rolling contact zone.

Lubricating greases with synthetic base oils can be used both at higher and lower temperatures than lubricants with a mineral oil base.

## Corrosion-inhibiting additives in lubricants

Lubricants typically contain additives to inhibit corrosion. In addition, the type of thickener is crucially important in this regard.

Lithium-base and calcium-soap greases provide excellent corrosion protection properties. They are also resistant to water wash-out.

## SKF bearing greases

The assortment of SKF greases has been developed based on the latest information about rolling bearing lubrication and has undergone extensive testing both in the laboratory and under field conditions. SKF continuously monitors the quality of its greases prior to use or sale.

**Table 7** lists those SKF greases that are particularly well-suited for LLU roller profile rail guides. Additional information and special lubricant recommendations are available from Ewellix upon request.

**Table 7**

### A selection of SKF rolling bearing greases

Properties	Lubricant (designation)			
	LGEP 2	LGMT 2	LGLT 2	LGFP 2
Thickener	Li	Li	Li	Al complex soap
Base oil	Mineral oil	Mineral oil	Di-ester oil	Medical white oil
Operating temperature, °C (steady state)	–20 up to +100	–30 up to +120	–55 up to +110	–20 up to +110
Kinematic viscosity of base oil	200	110	15	130
Consistency class (acc. to NLGI)	2	2	2	2
Temperature range /Application range	EP grease	normal	low	food compatible

## Initial grease lubrication

LLU roller profile rail guides must be initially lubricated immediately after installation with lubricant quantities specified in **table 8**. During lubrication, the carriage should be moved at least three times' its length for better lubricant distribution within the carriage.

## Grease relubrication

The lubrication intervals for LLU roller profile rail guides depend primarily on the average running speed, operating temperature and grease quality. The intervals recommended for fixed operating conditions are listed in **table 9**. For appropriate grease quantity, refer to **table 10**. Where contamination, use of coolants, vibration, shock loads, etc. are part of the environmental conditions, it is advisable to reduce relubrication intervals accordingly.

Table 8

Initial grease lubrication quantities

Quantity/carriage –	LLUHC 25 cm <sup>3</sup>	LLUHC 35	LLUHC 45	LLUHC 55	LLUHC 65
A, R	1,9	2,9	5,3	8,4	15
LA, LR	2,2	3,7	6,6	10,6	18,9

Table 9

Relubrication interval according to applied carriage load

Load ratio C/Fm		LLUHC 25	LLUHC 35	LLUHC 45	LLUHC 55	LLUHC 65
≥	<	travel interval in km				
8	–	800	500	300	200	100
5	8	500	300	150	100	50
3	5	200	150	80	50	25
2	3	120	80	40	25	15

Table 10

Grease relubrication quantities

Quantity/carriage –	LLUHC 25 cm <sup>3</sup>	LLUHC 35	LLUHC 45	LLUHC 55	LLUHC 65
A, R	0,5	1,2	2,2	3,2	5,9
LA, LR	0,6	1,4	2,6	4	7,4



## Oil lubrication

When a LLU roller profile rail guide is used under particular operating conditions, such as unfavorable load scenarios or limited access for relubrication, oil lubrication is advisable.

For small sizes of roller profile rail guides under heavy load conditions oil lubrication might be advantageous to extend the service life in the application.

Oil lubrication can also be advantageous when a centralized lubrication system is installed or where there is a need to unify the lubrication management with other machine parts, e.g. drive train or secondary lubrication points. In this case, Ewellix recommends oil types according to DIN 51517, type CLP or DIN 51524, type HLP. The viscosity range should cover ISO VG 68 to ISO VG 220.

## Initial oil lubrication

Immediately after installation, the carriages should be lubricated with the oil quantities specified in **table 11**. The quantities are valid for all carriage types and vary only with the size. During the filling, the carriage should be moved at least three times its length for better oil distribution within the carriage.

## Oil relubrication

The oil relubrication intervals for LLU roller profile rail guides depend primarily on the average running speed, operating temperature and oil quality. The intervals recommended for fixed operating conditions are the same as for grease lubrication and are listed in **table 9**. The appropriate oil quantity is the same as for initial lubrication according to **table 11**. Where contamination, use of coolants, vibration, shock loads, etc. are part of the environmental conditions, it is advisable to reduce relubrication intervals accordingly.

In case of impulse oil lubrication, the minimum quantity per impulse should be 15% of the values from **table 11**.

## Temperature range

Note that oil will age with increasing rapidity at higher operating temperatures. The resulting by-products have a detrimental effect on the oil's lubrication properties and conditions in the rolling contact zone.

## Short stroke applications

If the stroke is less than twice the carriage length, lube ports on both carriage end plates must be used, each filled equally with the grease or oil quantity stated for initial lubrication or relubrication.

### Example

- Short stroke application
- Carriage type A
- Size LLUHC 25
- Grease lubrication

Apply 1,9 cm<sup>3</sup> into the left and 1,9 cm<sup>3</sup> into the right grease nipple for initial lubrication.

**IMPORTANT:** To avoid serious damage to the rail guides, it is important to consider the miscibility of greases or oils when changing from one lubricant to another.

Moreover, you must also consider the possibility of reduced relubrication intervals and reduced load ratings as well as the possibility of chemical interaction with synthetic materials, lubricants and preservatives. Please refer to the grease and oil manufacturer's instructions. In case of incompatibility between lubricants employed, the carriages should be thoroughly cleaned before regreasing.

## Centralized lubrication systems

If the application features a centralized lubrication system using greases with a consistency of 2 or higher on the NLGI scale, contact Ewellix.

For automatic relubrication systems from Ewellix, please contact your local Ewellix representative.

Table 11

### Initial oil lubrication quantities

Quantity/carriage	LLUHC 25	LLUHC 35	LLUHC 45	LLUHC 55	LLUHC 65
–	cm <sup>3</sup>				
	0,8	1,0	1,4	1,8	3,6

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## 4.2.3 Replacement

If the LLU roller profile rail guide system has reached the end of its service life and has to be replaced, Ewellix recommends replacing the whole system. Please locate the name of the ordering key written on the carriage and measure the rail length and the E-dimension (the distance from the rail end to the first hole) for re-ordering.

## 4.2.4 Stationary conditions, shipping and storage

If a LLU roller profile rail guide is stationary for long periods and subjected to vibration from external sources, micro movement in the contact zone between rollers and raceways will lead to damage of those surfaces. This damage can result in a significant increase in running noise and premature failure due to material fatigue. Damage of this kind should be avoided at all costs, for instance by isolating the bearings from external vibration and by taking suitable precautions during transport.



## 4.3 Ordering key

The ordering key on the following tables supports the selecting of complete systems, carriages, rails and accessories.

**NOTE:** Carriage and rail types marked in **RED** represent the preferred range, meaning they are usually available from stock for prompt delivery. Accessories although not being marked in RED are usually available for prompt deliveries as well.

### 4.3.1 Ordering key LLU system

LLUH	S	35	R	2	T2	1000	P01	A	D4	E0	M	S1	C	TLL	M
LLU roller profile rail guide _____															
Type code _____															
C	Carriage (carriage only) <sup>1)</sup>														
R	Rail (rail only) <sup>1)</sup>														
S	System <sup>2)</sup>														
Z	Accessories (if ordered separately) <sup>1)</sup>														
Size _____															
25, 35, 45, 55, 65															
Carriage type _____															
A	Flanged carriage, standard length, standard height														
LA	Flanged carriage, extended length, standard height														
R	Slim-line carriage, standard length, extended height														
LR	Slim-line carriage, extended length, extended height														
Number of carriages per rail _____															
1, 2, 4, 6, ...															
Preload class _____															
T2	Medium preload, 8% C														
T3	Heavy preload, 13% C														
Rail length _____															
Maximum rail length without joint: 4 000 mm; in 1 mm increments <sup>3)</sup>															
Precision class _____															
P3	Medium														
P1	High														
P01	Super														
P001	Ultra														
Joint rails _____															
–	If not selected, no code														
A	Yes														
Rail _____															
–	Standard rail with plastic caps, no code														
D	Rail, if customized according to drawing number														
D4	Rail with blind holes														
D6	Rail with brass plugs														
D8	Rail with steel plugs														
Distance between end face and first mounting hole of the rail <sup>3)</sup> _____															
ES	The holes at both rail ends will be positioned equidistantly from either end of the rail using the EStd dimension. This results in predefined rail lengths, details see <b>page 41</b> .														
E0	The holes at both rail ends will be positioned equidistantly from either end of the rail with the shortest possible “E” dimension.														
Exx	“E” dimension to be specified														

LLUH	S	35	R	2	T2	1000	P01	A	D4	E0	M	S1	C	TLL	M
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**System (Carriage mounted on rail)**

- If not selected, no code  
M Yes

**Additional sealing, as part of the system (for separate parts see Ordering Key Accessories)**

- S1 Scraper plate  
S3 Seal kit, additional front seal NBR with scraper plate  
S4 Additional front seal FKM  
S7 Additional front seal NBR  
S8 Seal kit, additional front seal FKM with scraper plate

**Number of additional seals**

- C Two additional seals per carriage  
S Two additional seals per system, only outer sides of carriages are additionally sealed

**Top lubrication (details and definition see page 48)**

- If not selected, no code  
TLL Left end plate modified plus adaptor for lubrication from top  
TLR Right end plate modified plus adaptor for lubrication from top  
TLB Both end plates modified plus two adaptors for lubrication from top

**Mounting of accessories<sup>4)</sup>**

- Not mounted, no code  
M Accessories mounted on the carriages

**Preferred range**<sup>1)</sup> When ordered separately (not in a system)<sup>2)</sup> System can consist of one rail, one or more carriages and accessories<sup>3)</sup> For details and more information please refer to **page 41**<sup>4)</sup> Can only be selected when option "Carriage mounted on rail" is ordered

## 4.3.2 Ordering key LLU carriages

LLUH	C	35	R	T2	P01	TLL
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**Carriage size****25, 35, 45, 55, 65****Carriage type**

- A** Flanged carriage, standard length, standard height  
**LA** Flanged carriage, extended length, standard height  
**R** Slim-line carriage, standard length, extended height  
**LR** Slim-line carriage, extended length, extended height

**Preload class**

- T2** Medium preload, 8% C  
T3 Heavy preload, 13% C

**Precision class**

- P3** Medium  
**P1** High  
P01 Super  
P001 Ultra<sup>1)</sup>

**Top lubrication (details and definition see page 48)**

- If not selected, no code  
TLL Left end plate modified plus adaptor for lubrication from top  
TLR Right end plate modified plus adaptor for lubrication from top  
TLB Both end plates modified plus adaptor for lubrication from top

**Preferred range**

## 4.3.3 Ordering key LLU rails

LLUH	R	35	1000	P01	A	D4	E0
<b>Rail size</b> _____ <b>25, 35, 45, 55, 65</b>							
<b>Rail length</b> _____ Maximum rail length without joint: 4000 mm; in 1 mm increments <sup>1)</sup>							
<b>Precision class</b> _____ <b>P3</b> Medium <b>P1</b> High P01 Super P001 Ultra <sup>5)</sup>							
<b>Joint rails</b> <sup>2)</sup> _____ – If not selected, no code A Yes							
<b>Rail</b> <sup>3)</sup> _____ – Standard rail with plastic caps, no code <b>D4</b> Rail with blind holes D6 Rail with brass plugs <sup>4)</sup> D8 Rail with steel plugs <sup>4)</sup> D Rail, if customized according to drawing number							
<b>Distance between end face and the center of the first mounting hole of the rail</b> <sup>1)</sup> _____ ES The holes at both rail ends will be positioned equidistantly from either end of the rail using the EStd dimension. This results in predefined rail lengths, details see <b>page 41</b> . E0 The holes at both rail ends will be positioned equidistantly from either end of the rail with the shortest possible “E” dimension. Exx “E” dimension to be specified.							

<sup>1)</sup> For details and more information please refer to **page 41**
<sup>2)</sup> Only if required rail length exceeds the maximum available rail length

<sup>3)</sup> Plastic and metal plugs are available as spare parts, please see **Ordering Key Accessories**
<sup>4)</sup> Mounting Tools are separately available, please see **Ordering Key Accessories**
<sup>5)</sup> Can only be ordered as a complete system

**Preferred range**

## 4.3.4 Ordering key LLU accessories

LLUH	Z	35	S1
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### Size

25, 35, 45, 55, 65

### Accessories:

#### Additional sealing options

S1	Scraper plate
S3	Seal kit, additional front seal NBR with scraper plate
S4	Additional front seal FKM
S7	Additional front seal NBR
S8	Seal kit, additional front seal FKM with scraper plate

#### Assembly tools for metal plugs

25-45 D6	Assembly tool for sizes 25, 35 and 45
45-65 D6	Assembly tool for sizes 45, 55 and 65

#### Caps and plugs as spare parts

VP	Set of 40 plastic caps
TD6	Set of 40 brass plugs
TD8	Set of 40 steel plugs

#### Grease nipples<sup>1)</sup>

25-65 VN-M6	Standard grease nipple, straight
25-65 VN-M6-45	Grease nipple, 45 degrees
25-65 VN-M6-90	Grease nipple, 90 degrees

#### Adaptors<sup>1)</sup>

25-65 VN UA	Lubrication connector, extension M6 to M6
25-65 VN UB	Reduction fitting, from G1/8 to M6
25-65 VN UC	Reduction fitting, from M8x1 to M6

#### Quick lubrication couplings<sup>1)</sup>

25-65 VN SC	Lubrication coupling, straight
25-65 VN AC	Adjustable coupling, 90 degrees

#### Adaptors for top lubrication (as spare part)

VN TL1	for A, LA carriage, O-ring (size 25 - 55), O-ring + adaptor (size 65)
VN TL2	for R, LR carriage, O-ring + adapter

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**Customer  
specification sheet**



## Specification sheet – Roller profile rail guide LLU

Please complete the form with all available information and send it to your Ewellix representative or authorized distributor for product selection.

Ewellix contact	Date
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## General information

### Customer

Company		
Address 1		
Address 2		
Post code / Zip	City	State
Country		

### Contact

Contact name	
Job title	
Department	
Phone (including country code)	Mobile (including country code)
Mail	

Project title
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### Reason for request

Current product / brand		Description
<input type="radio"/> Replacement	<input type="radio"/> New design	<input type="radio"/> Other

### Application / Industry

<input type="radio"/> Factory automation	<input type="radio"/> Food and beverage	<input type="radio"/> Machine tools	Description
<input type="radio"/> Medical	<input type="radio"/> Semiconductor	<input type="radio"/> Other	

### Export control and Ewellix policy (mandatory to mark)

<input type="radio"/> The application is not subsidiary or part of industry of national defence and/or nuclear (also not with details of the function). The application is civil.
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## Commercial information

### General

<input type="radio"/> One shot business	Quantity, pcs	Batch size, pcs	Start of supply, YYYY MM DD	Target price / each	Currency
<input type="radio"/> Yearly repeating business					

## Application description

Stroke	Rail length	Center distance between carriages, c	or Short part dimensions rails, d	Guiding system
<div>mm</div>	<div>mm</div>	<div>mm</div>	<div>Length</div> <div>Width</div> <div>mm</div> <div>mm</div>	<div>Maximum height</div> <div>mm</div>
				<input type="radio"/> No constraints

Distance	Total time	Period of one cycle	Stroke of one cycle
km	h	s	mm

## m/s

m/s<sup>2</sup>

☐ No specific requirements

Parallelism in height	$\mu\text{m}$
Parallelism in sideward direction	$\mu\text{m}$

Presence of dust, dirt or fluids

- ☐ Clean environment, e.g. laboratory
- ☐ Standard industrial environment
- ☐ Dirty environment, e.g. milling machine

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☐ Humid or corrosive environment

If yes, please describe:

Preferred sealing version

- ☐ Standard sealing
- ☐ Scraper plate (S1)
- ☐ Additional front seal NBR (S7)
- ☐ Additional front seal FKM (S4)
- ☐ Seal kit (S3)
- ☐ Seal kit (S8)

Minimum	Operating	Maximum
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If yes, please describe:

<input type="radio"/> Grease (preferably SKF LGEP 2)	<input type="radio"/> Oil lubrication	Please specify (type, brand):
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## Product details

Product designation (if already known)

Carriage type



☐ LLUHC-A



☐ LLUHC-LA



☐ LLUHC-R



☐ LLUHC-LR

Rail type



☐ LLUHR



☐ LLUHR-D4



☐ LLUHR-D6



☐ LLUHC-D8

Preload class

☐ T2 (8% C)

☐ T3 (13% C)

Precision class

☐ P3 (Medium)

☐ P1 (High)

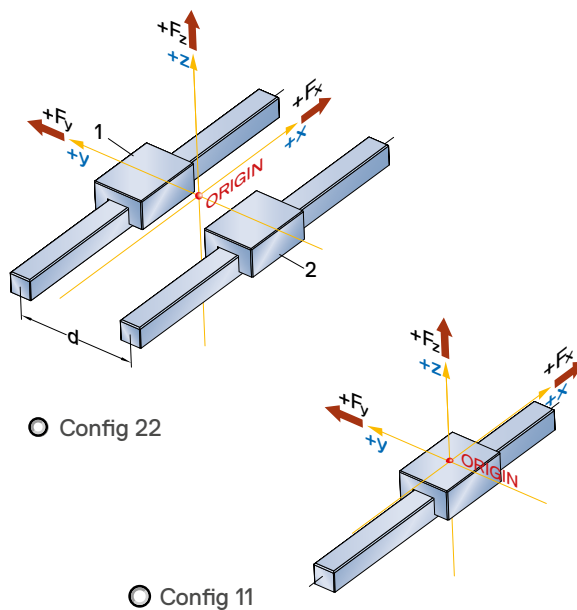
☐ P01 (Super)

☐ P001 (Ultra)

Needed accessories (for details see Ewellix publication Roller profile rail guide LLU)

- |  |                 |
|--|-----------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Grease nipple straight (standard)         | (25-65VN-M6)    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Grease nipple 45°                         | (25-65VN-M6-45) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Grease nipple 90°                         | (25-65VN-M6-90) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Quick coupling straight                   | (25-65VN SC)    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Quick coupling 90°, adjustable            | (25-65 VN AC)   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lubrication connector, extension M6 to M6 | (25-65VN UA)    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Reduction fitting, from G1/8 to M6        | (25-65VN UB)    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Reduction fitting, from M8x1 to M6        | (25-65VN UC)    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Assembly tools for metal plugs            | (LLUHZ ... D6)  |

### Input for dimensioning calculation



☐ No preference

☐ Other

If yes, please describe:

**Moving direction** (set coordinate system accordingly)

☐ Horizontal ☐ Vertical ☐ Other

Please specify:

Forces in N, Lever arms in mm measured from defined origin (see graphics above) If the application has more than 3 load phases, please copy this page.

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