Saga Coupling Design

Elastomeric Pre-compression Type

Saga is a general purpose, torsionally soft coupling with high tolerance to all forms of misalignment. The design features hexagonal or octagonal rubber donut-shaped elements with metal inserts positioned at each apex during the vulcanization process. These metal inserts carry actual bolts which fix the element to tines on cast, cylindrical hubs. Embedded inserts also have tines which connect with mating surfaces on hubs so that axial bolts can be easily torqued during assembly without twisting the rubber beyond the limits of its elasticity. The rubber between each apex is precompressed, so it is much more durable to the stresses arising from the various forms of misalignment and torsional vibrations.

While the Saga coupling is normally associated with shaft-to-shaft applications, adaptations for flange and flywheel mountings can be made. In addition, a floating shaft version for use in lieu of a universal joint drive shaft with separate torsional coupling is available. Its elements can also be stacked in series for use in applications with extreme transient or permanent parallel misalignment, or where torsional dynamics demand an extremely soft element for proper damping and/or vibratory decoupling. The rubber's stiffness of 60 as measured against Shore A by durometer, covers the majority of such situations.

Features

- No end thrust in misalignment position
- Absorbs misalignment and shock
- No axial reaction force to damage or accelerate wear in system bearings
- Accepts constant angular misalignment of up to 3°
- Parallel tolerance of 0.060 (1.5mm), while reaction force remains low
- Lateral softness without complication, or sacrifice of performance or durability
- Natural rubber can operate in temperatures from -60° to 200° F (-51° to 93° C)

Note: ■ For applications requiring simultaneous angular and parallel misalignment, consult Lovejoy Engineering to ensure that heat generated from all three forms of stress do not exceed the coupling's ability to dissipate heat.

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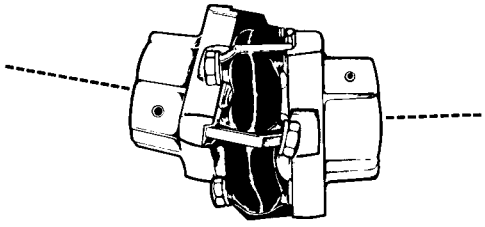
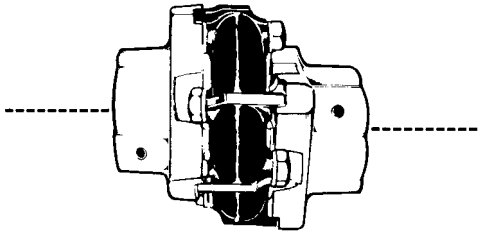


Angular Offset (Exaggerated)



Parallel Offset (Exaggerated)

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Steps In Selecting A Saga Coupling

Step 1: Establish torque or HP rating of the driver and operating and maximum RPM (for electric motors, these are essentially the same).

Step 2: Determine the horsepower 100 RPM:

$$\frac{\text{HP} \times 100}{\text{RPM}} = \text{HP per 100 RPM}$$

or establish driver torque at operating RPM.

Step 3: Using the Application Service Factor table (page JW-8) multiply torque or HP/100 RPM by the factor. Using the result, select a coupling from the Performance Data chart (page SP-24). The coupling's rating must be equal to or greater than adjusted HP/100 RPM or torque.

Step 4: Compare the maximum driver RPM to the Performance Data chart on page SP-24 to insure that the coupling's speed limit is not exceeded.

Step 5: Finally, determine shaft diameters of both driving and driven equipment and check them against maximum bore diameters from the Dimensional Data chart on page SP-24 to ensure that these values are not exceeded.

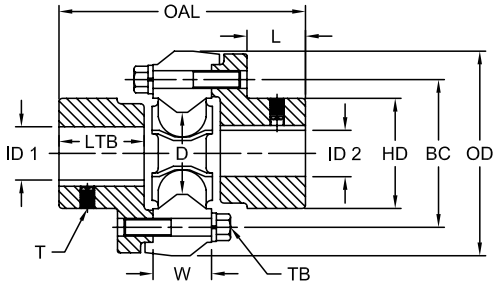
Saga Performance Data

Size	HP/100 RPM for 1.0 Service Factor	Rated Torque for 1.0 SF in-lbs	Rated Torque for 1.0 SF Nm	Max Shock Load in-lbs	Max Shock Load Nm	Dynamic Torsional Stiffness in-lbs/Deg	Dynamic Torsional Stiffness in-lbs/Rad	Specific Torsional Stiffness	Max Speed RPM[1]	Approx Weight lbs	Approx Weight kg	Moment of Intertia WR² lb in²
S-11	0.56	350	40	1,000	113	47	2,693	7.69	10,000	4.75	2.2	3.0
S-13	0.95	600	68	1,800	203	67	3,839	6.40	8,400	6.50	2.9	6.6
S-15	1.59	1,000	113	3,000	339	120	6,875	6.88	7,000	10.00	4.5	14.3
S-18	3.17	2,000	226	6,000	678	200	11,459	5.73	5,600	17.00	7.7	40.0
S-22	4.76	3,000	339	9,000	1 017	400	22,918	7.64	5,000	31.00	14.1	102.0
S-26	7.93	5,000	565	15,000	1 695	590	33,805	6.76	4,000	46.00	20.9	234.0
S-30	11.11	7,000	791	21,000	2 373	800	45,837	6.55	3,500	64.00	29.0	384.0
S-34	19.04	12,000	1 356	36,000	4 067	2,000	114,592	9.55	2,800	122.00	55.3	832.0
S-40	31.73	20,000	2 260	60,000	6 779	3,500	200,535	10.03	2,200	175.00	79.4	1,200.0

Note: ■ 1 indicates: For higher speeds, balancing may be necessary.

Saga Bolt Torque Data

Size	Bolt Grade No 5 Size	Recommended Torque Wet ft-lb	Wet Nm	Dry ft-lb	Dry Nm
S-11	5/16 - 18 x 1-3/4	13	18	17	23
S-13	3/8 - 16 x 2	23	31	30	41
S-15	3/8 - 16 x 2-1/2	23	31	30	41
S-18	1/2 - 13 x 3	55	75	75	102
S-22	5/8 - 11 x 3-1/4	110	149	150	203
S-26	3/4 - 10 x 4	200	271	260	353
S-30	3/4 - 10 x 4-1/2	200	271	260	353
S-34	3/4 - 10 x 4-1/2	200	271	260	353
S-40	1 - 8 x 5-1/2	480	651	640	868



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Saga Dimensional Data

Size	OAL in	L in	LTB in	D in	ID1 - ID2 Rough Stock Bore² in	ID1 - ID2 Rough Stock Bore² mm	ID1 - ID2 Max Bore in	ID1 - ID2 Max Bore mm	T Set Screw in	TB Bolt Grade No 5 Qty	TB Bolt Grade No 5 Size	W in	OD in	BC in	HD in
S-11	4.56	1.13	1.50	1.38	0.625	16	1.188	30	5/16-18	6	5/16 - 18 x 1-3/4	1.06	3.56	2.56	1.84
S-13	5.22	1.31	1.75	1.63	0.750	19	1.375	35	5/16-18	6	3/8 - 16 x 2	1.22	4.28	3.06	2.25
S-15	6.41	1.63	2.13	2.00	0.875	22	1.875	48	3/8-16	6	3/8 - 16 x 2-1/2	1.53	5.09	3.69	2.88
S-18	7.44	1.81	2.50	2.33	1.000	25	2.225	57	1/2-13	6	1/2 - 13 x 3	1.81	6.28	4.56	3.44
S-22	8.69	2.06	3.00	2.75	1.000	25	2.500	64	1/2-13	6	3/8 - 11 x 3-1/4	2.06	7.31	5.20	3.88
S-26	9.88	2.25	3.38	3.25	1.500	38	2.875	73	1/2-13	6	3/4 - 10 x 4	2.38	8.63	6.20	4.59
S-30	11.38	2.75	3.88	3.63	1.625	41	3.375	86	5/8-11	6	3/4 - 10 x 4-1/2	2.63	9.63	6.94	5.31
S-34	12.66	3.44	4.34	4.75	2.125	54	4.000	102	5/8-11	8	3/4 - 10 x 4-1/2	2.95	11.09	8.25	6.25
S-40	14.81	3.88	5.00	6.00	2.250	57	4.750	121	5/8-11	8	1 - 8 x 5-1/2	3.56	13.38	10.00	7.50

Notes: ■ 2 indicates: Standard bores available by 1/16 inch increments.
■ Some metric sizes also available as standard.