STANDARD

LMC's DSP couplings are manufactured in compliance with NF S61-704 for the dimensions ND 40 and ND 65. The ND 100 dimension is manufactured in compliance with NF S61-705.

OPERATION

A DSP coupling is a self-sealing* symmetrical coupling which is secured by interconnecting two DSP couplings. The half coupling is closed by turning the locking ring beneath the triangular section of the opposed DSP coupling. Extra closure can be applied by locking the connection with LMC-Couplings patented multi wrench. The DSP coupling locking system is similar to that of the Guillemin coupling. There are however differences to the preformed serration on the locking ring and the design of the lugs. The locking ring of DSP couplings can be turned up to 45°.

*Seal available only on DSP couplings with locking rings

The DSP coupling range includes two types of coupling:

- DSP couplings in ND 40 and ND 65 are used for pressure and delivery applications
- AR couplings in ND 100 are used for suction and delivery applications

Lug positions:

Please refer to the following assembly instructions where DSP couplings are to be fitted to a fixed installation.

Figure 1: The lugs in this illustration are referred to as "top and bottom lugs". "Top and bottom lugs" are normally used for outlets and in delivery operations.

Figure 2: The lugs in this illustration are referred to as "ear lugs". "Ear lugs" are used for inlets and in suction operations.

N.B.: DSP couplings are not interchangeable with Guillemin couplings.

FEATURES

1. High-quality surface finishing
2. Extra-thick wall for longer life
3. Hole in each lug for chain attachment
4. LMC-Couplings brand name
5. Heat-treated material
6. Material composition as required by the standard
APPLICATION

Fire-fighting: ND 40 - 65 - 100
Pressure delivery (DSP): ND 40 - 65
Suction delivery (AR): ND 100

WORKING PRESSURE

16 bar / 230 psi

TEMPERATURE

-20°C / -4°F up to 65°C / 149°F
Hose, coupling, assembly method and seal must be chosen in relation with the desired application and temperature range.

MATERIAL

- Coupling
  Heat-treated aluminium

- Seal
  NBR - black

ASSEMBLY

Wire binding
Low pressure ferrules
Band clamps
Worm drive clamps

THREADS

Male thread: EN ISO 228-1
Female thread: EN ISO 228-1

TESTING

The main application of DSP couplings is fire fighting. This application causes significant impacts on the coupling during handling. DSP couplings are therefore subject to more demanding testing methods than other couplings.
Like LMC’s Guillemin couplings the DSP couplings undergo a number of tests executed by our Research & Development department.
The following product properties are tested:

- Lugs
- Locking ring
- Material
- Dimensions
- Quality of finish
- **Lugs**
  A fall of a hose, assembled with DSP couplings, causes an import impact on the lugs of the coupling. Therefore the mechanical strength of the lugs needs to be tested. The mechanical strength of the lugs is tested using a conical weight falling around its axis onto the coupling lugs. This ‘Chinese head’ test is developed to test the internal impact of the lugs. The external impact strength of the lugs is tested using the ‘pan’ test, which is the opposite of the ‘Chinese head’ procedure. LMC’s DSP couplings passed both lug tests successfully.

- **Locking ring**
  The locking ring is tested by simulating a fall to the ground. The testing device consists of a sway arm and a weight. When the arm hits the locking ring, the ring deforms as a result of the heavy impact. This test enables us to discover whether there are any signs of post-impact deformation or fracturing. In practice, a locking ring can’t deform, because it is mounted onto the body of the DSP coupling. However, if the chemical structure of the locking ring is inadequate, the locking ring will break immediately. The LMC-Couplings locking ring maintained its original shape after testing, and showed no evidence of fracture.

- **Material**
  An in-house spectrope is used to test the material composition of the heat treated aluminium used for DSP couplings. This test guarantees our customers DSP couplings developed in full compliance with the relevant standard.

- **Dimensions**
  The dimensions of LMC DSP couplings comply with NF S61-704 / NF S61-705. All DSP couplings manufactured in compliance with this standard are interchangeable. All the DSP couplings are randomly checked for correct dimensions using LMC’s measuring system. Our measuring system checks if the dimensions of our DSP couplings comply with the standard. Although ordinary measuring systems are unable to give precise measurements, our measuring system is able to measure the less accessible parts and shapes of DSP couplings. This method minimizes inspection times and ensures the highest levels of product quality.

- **Quality of finish**
  LMC’s DSP couplings not only meet the high requirements of the standard NF S61-704 / NF S61-705, a lot of attention was focused on product design. The design of the lugs, the ergonomic locking ring, the special treated surface, plug with chain, branding ... and many more details guarantee a highly finished product.
### DSP couplings vs Guillemin couplings

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