

# SOLVING PROBLEMS

## With Pitchlign® Heavy Duty Needle Roller Bearings



**Our housing envelope is limited, yet we need greater bearing load capacity."**

RBC's unique TJ TandemRoller®, Pitchlign heavy duty needle roller bearing design delivers 10% to 40% greater load capacity than equivalent sized single roller per pocket designs.

The TandemRoller advantage is the use of a larger number of rollers per bearing.

Full roller complement bearings provide more rollers but lose a significant amount of capacity due to roller skewing and consequential heat build-up. They also contain less space for lubricants.

TJ TandemRoller bearings utilize precision cages that provide close tolerance roller guidance.

**"Bearings are the "weak link" in our products' longevity. We need longer life!"**

An increase in fatigue life that accompanies higher load capacity is an additional benefit of the TJ TandemRoller design.

Typically, fatigue life will be 37% to 200% greater in a TJ bearing compared to an equivalently sized single roller per pocket bearing.

Long service life applications such as pumps have greatly benefited from the use of TJ TandemRoller bearings.



**"There are several seal designations called out in the RBC Pitchlign catalog. Which one is right for my application?"**

R (single seal) or RR (double seal) designation: The seal lips face inward to retain lubricant for maximum service life.

S or SS designation: The seal lips face outward to exclude foreign matter.

R and S combinations: Can be designated to provide both lubricant retention and exclusion of foreign matter.

A new style is under development at RBC that will provide the benefits of both the R and S style in a single seal.

**"Economy is very important to us. How can we reduce Pitchlign bearing costs?"**

Many of our bearings use fully machined roller retainers (cages).

If the volume can support tooling costs, economical "wrap and weld" cages can be specified.



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**“The load in our application exceeds even the capacity of the TJ TandemRoller bearing. We have no available room to increase the housing bore dimension.”**

Consider using RBC's DTJ Double Row TandemRoller Bearing. This is essentially the equivalent of two TJ bearings in a single outer race.

The resultant bearing is twice the width of a single TJ TandemRoller bearing.

The advantage presented by the DTJ is a reduction in components and ease of assembly.

**“We'd rather not heat treat our shafts to provide the proper running surface for the rollers of the Pitchlign bearings in our application.”**

Our hardened and ground inner rings are ideal for use as a running surface for our bearings.

Consult our Pitchlign catalog for proper bearing to inner ring combinations.



**“The size we need isn't in your catalog.”**

Specials are a way of life for RBC. Make sure to present the details of the modifications or special work needed. Blueprint review often yields an acceptable solution.



**“We're currently assembling loose rollers into machined raceways to provide for a planetary roller array. Can RBC offer an alternative?”**

Our unique Inverted Pitchlign roller bearings are possible time and money savers for these types of applications.

Rollers are pre-assembled into precision inner raceways. Assembly is simplified and the need to handle many individual parts is reduced.

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