

15.2 Lubrication

A well lubrication is important for maintaining the function of linear guideway. If the lubrication is not sufficient, the frictional resistance at rolling area will increase and the service life will be shortened as a result of wear of rolling parts.

Two primary lubricants are both grease and oil used for linear motion system, and the lubrication methods are categorized into manual and forced oiling. The selection of lubricant and its method should be based on the consideration of operating speed and environment requirement.

Grease lubrication

The grease feeding interval will be varied with different operating conditions and environments. Under normal operating condition, the grease should be replenished every 100km of travel. The standard grease is lithium-based grease No.2. Moving the carriage back and forth with minimum stroke length of length of 3 carriages after the carriages been greased. To assure the grease is evenly distributed inside of carriage, the mentioned process should be repeated twice at least.

Model No.	Initial Feeding Amount(cm ³)	Amount for Replenishing(cm ³)
MSA 15	1.1	0.4
MSA 20	2.1	0.7
MSA 25	3.5	1.2
MSA 30	5.8	1.9
MSA 35	8.2	2.7
MSA 45	16.1	5.4
MSA 55	27.1	9.0
MSA 65	51.6	17.2
MSB 15T	0.4	0.1
MSB 20T	0.7	0.2
MSB 25T	1.5	0.5
MSB 30T	2.2	0.7
MSB 35	8.2	2.7

Model No.	Initial Feeding Amount(cm ³)	Amount for Replenishing(cm ³)
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MSA 20L	3.1	1.0
MSA 25L	5.1	1.7
MSA 30L	8.2	2.7
MSA 35L	11.8	3.9
MSA 45L	23.0	7.7
MSA 55L	38.8	12.9
MSA 65L	77.8	25.9
MSB 15	1.0	0.3
MSB 20	1.5	0.5
MSB 25	2.8	0.9
MSB 30	4.5	1.5
MSB 35L	11.8	3.9

Oil lubrication

The recommended viscosity of oil is 30~150 cst, and the recommended feeding rate per hour is shown as table below. The installation other than horizontal may caused the oil unable to reach raceway area, so please specify the installed direction your linear guideway applied. Reference is shown in Section 13.1 Installation Direction of Linear Guideway.

Oil lubrication feeding rate

Model No.	Initial Feeding Amount(cm ³)	Feeding Rate (cm ³ /hr)
15	0.6	0.2
20	0.6	0.2
25	0.9	0.3
30	0.9	0.3
35	0.9	0.3
45	1.2	0.4
55	1.5	0.5
65	1.8	0.6

Note:

When the operating stroke length less than the sum of length of two carriages, the lubrication fitting should be applied on both ends of carriage for adequacy. Moreover, if the stroke length less than a half of the length of a carriage, the carriage should be moved back and forth up to the length of two carriages while lubricating.