

# **MANUAL** INSTALLATION, OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

# RSX EXTREME FORCE ROD-STYLE ACTUATOR

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## 1.1 Safety Symbols

#### General

Read completely through the applicable sections of the manual before the equipment/unit is unpacked, installed or operated. Pay careful attention to all of the dangers, warnings, cautions and notes stated in the manual.

Serious injury to persons or damage to the equipment may result if the information in the manual is not followed.

#### Safety Symbols

Items that are specifically marked DANGER, WARNING, CAUTION, PROHIBITIVE, MANDATORY ACTION, or NOTE! are arranged in a hierarchical system and have the following meaning:

#### **A DANGER** DANGER!

Indicates a very hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury. This signal word is limited to the most extreme situations.

## **WARNING** WARNING!

Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury.

## **A CAUTION** CAUTION!

Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, this situation may result in property damage or minor or moderate injury.

# **PROHIBITED ACTION**

Indicates Prohibited Action



Indicates Mandatory Action



Information that requires special attention is stated here.

## 1.2 Safety Considerations

#### Proper and Safe Use of Product

#### **Device Damage Prevention**

To prevent permanent damage to the device, proper care should be taken not to exceed published voltage, current, temperature, and load/force ratings. In addition, proper mechanical assembly and proper wiring should be verified and safety measures checked before applying power to the complete equipment package.

#### **Personal Safety**

During normal operation the actuator can become hot, especially the appropriately marked electric motor housing, which is electrically coupled to the actuator. In addition, the case ground of the appropriately marked electric motor should be tied to an earth ground to prevent the presence of case voltage.

During normal operation, the actuator rod travels in and out creating a possible pinch point.

Proper guarding and signage must be used prevent entry into possible pinch zones and contact with hot surfaces. It is highly recommended to display proper safety notices and implement proper safety measures to prevent contact with hot surfaces.

#### **Handling and Unpacking**

When unpacking and handling the actuator, care should be taken not to drop the actuator as this can damage the connectors, internal electronics, or cause misalignment of the actuator feedback device. Damage the internal mechanical components may cause poor performance or render the actuator non-functional. Since this is an electromechanical device, proper ESD measures should be taken to avoid static electricity from contacting the signal and power lines of the device. as this can damage the internal mechanical components rendering the actuator damaged or non-functional.

#### **Packing and Transport**



Package actuator to prevent damage during transport. Also make sure the actuator is clean, dry and protected from moisture.

#### **Modifications to the Equipment**

#### **WARNING** WARNING!

The manufacturer takes no responsibility whatsoever if the equipment is modified or if the equipment is used in any way beyond performance specifications. Unauthorized modifications or changes to the equipment are strictly forbidden and void all warranties.

#### Requirement Regarding Personnel



All personnel must be completely informed regarding all safety regulations and the function of the equipment.

#### **Risk Area and Personnel**



When installed, pinch points are generated capable of damaging forces. The risk area surrounding the actuator must either be guarded or clearly marked, including display signage in accordance with all applicable national and international legal requirements. The risk area must be protected by a safety system that stops the equipment if anyone enters the risk area. Personnel who enter the risk area must be authorized, trained and qualified for the different tasks inside the risk area.

#### 2.1 General Description



Figure 2-1: RSX actuator with RP (Reverse Parallel) motor mount

RSX series is a family of roller screw or ball screw driven high force mechanical rod style linear actuators manufactured by Tolomatic Inc. to customer specified stroke length and mounting provisions for customer specified motor (gearhead) and are intended for use in general purpose industrial applications.

The product family currently includes the following models: RSX10, RSX15, RSX20 and RSX25. The actuators have hard coat anodized aluminum construction with steel tie rods and thrust rod. An appropriately marked electric motor or a motor (gearhead) assembly is coupled with the input shaft of the actuator to create linear motion. The motor (gearhead) may be installed by the customer at their facility or by Tolomatic.

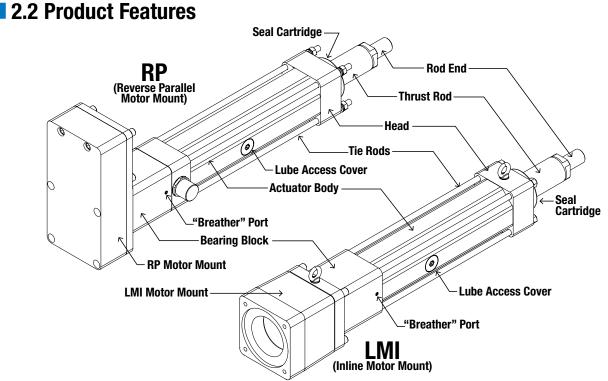


Figure 2-2: RSX actuator major components

## **3.1 RSX Series Standard Configurations and Options**

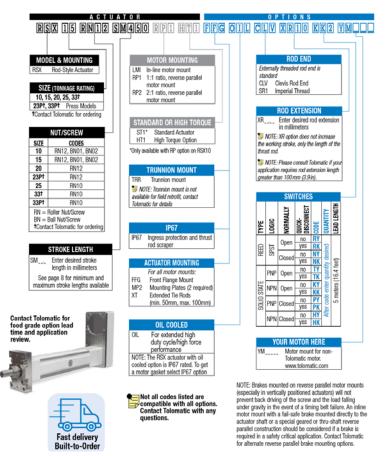
RSX series includes four actuator models: RSX10, RSX15, RSX20 and RSX25

- Each of the RSX actuator models is available in a number of different motor mounting configurations
- Each of the RSX actuator models is available with a number of different mounting options:
- Each of the RSX actuator models is available with a number of different rod end options:
- Each of the RSX actuator models is available with a choice of positioning sensors (switches)
- · Each of the RSX actuator models is available with extended length tie rods
- · Each of the RSX actuator models is available with extended length thrust rod
- Each of the RSX actuator models is available with IP67 ingress protection
- Each of the RSX actuator models is available in an oil filled version

**NOTE** For performance data and specifications please refer to the Tolomatic RSX Product Brochure 2171-4001.

## **3.2 RSX Configurations and Options Ordering Codes**

**NOTE** See Tolomatic RSX Product Brochure 2171-4001 for complete information on ordering codes. Please use 3D CAD files (available at www.tolomatic.com) for critical dimensions.



Tolomatic User Manual: RSX Extreme Force Electric Rod-Style Linear Actuator • 10 • Figure 3-1 RSX ordering codes and descriptions

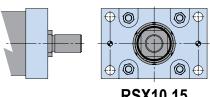
#### 3.3 Motor (Gearhead) Mounting Options

- Each of the RSX actuators is available in Reverse Parallel or Inline motor (gearhead) mounting configuration;
- Timing belt reduction drive in the Reverse Parallel configuration is available with 1:1 or 2:1 reduction ratio;
- Motor (gearhead) can be installed by the Customer at their facility or at Tolomatic.

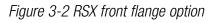
## 3.4 Actuator Mounting Options

All of the RSX actuators are available with the following mounting options:

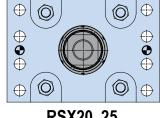
• Front Flange mount;



**RSX10,15** 



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**RSX20, 25** 

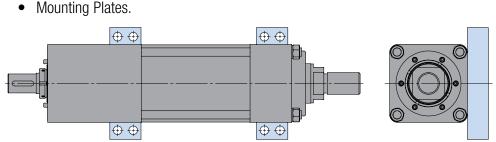


Figure 3-3 RSX mounting plates option

Trunnion mount. •  $\overline{\ominus}$ 

Figure 3-4 RSX trunnion mount option

## 3.5 Rod End Options

All of the models are available with the following rod end options:

Rod Clevis;

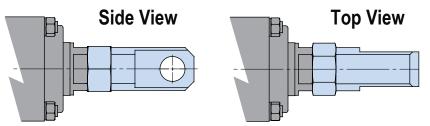


Figure 3-5 RSX rod clevis option

• Rod End with male Imperial mounting thread.

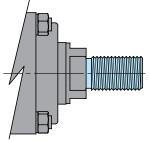


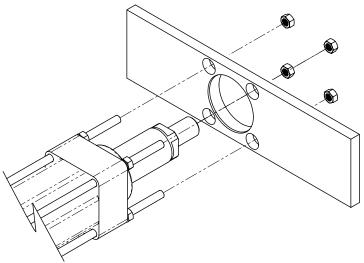
Figure 3-6 RSX external thread option

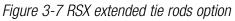
#### 3.6 Extended Thrust Rod

All of the RSX actuator models are available with a thrust rod of extended length per customer specifications.

## **3.7 Extended Tie Rods**

All of the RSX actuator models are available with extended tie rods that could be used to mount the actuator to any wall with a set of through holes by protruding the tie rods into the holes and securing the actuator with 4 jam nuts from the other side. If this option is used it is strongly recommended that the actuator is properly aligned by providing a pilot hole to prevent side loading. (see section 4.2)





## 3.8 IP67 Ingress Protection

All of the RSX actuator models are available with optional IP67 ingress protection, when additional sealing gaskets and washers are used when mounting the motor (gearhead) as well as between mating parts of Reverse Parallel or Inline motor mounting kits.

#### 3.9 Position Sensors

All of the RSX actuator models are available with Reed, Solid State PNP or Solid State NPN position sensors with a choice of Normally Open or Normally Closed logic, and with "Quick Disconnect" Connectors or flying leads. Please see Tolomatic RSX Product Brochure 2171-4001 for specifications and dimensional information.

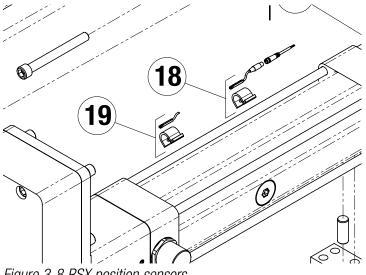


Figure 3-8 RSX position sensors

#### 3.10 Oil Filled Version

The oil filled version of the RSX actuator provides improved thermal capacity by using synthetic oil that serves as a lubricant for the roller screw as well as the cooling media transfering internal heat generated by the roller nut to the inside walls of the aluminum body, more rapidly dissipating heat and enabling improved performance (higher continuous force outputs and duty cycles).



#### **WARNING** WARNING!

Prior to installation and commissioning of this equipment this Manual and all accompanying manufacturer documents and manuals MUST be completely read by the appropriate personnel. All warnings must be given special attention.

#### 4.1 General Operation

RSX series linear actuators function by translating the rotary motion of externally mounted electric motor into linear motion of the thrust rod using a planetary roller screw mechanism. The travel coordinates, linear speed, acceleration and force are typically controlled by a servo drive.

The relationship between the rotary motion of the motor and the linear motion of the actuator corresponds to the following relationships:

Linear Force (N) = [motor torque (Nm)/1000 x 2 x  $\pi$  x reduction ratio x screw efficiency] / screw lead (mm)

Linear Force (lbf) = [motor torque (lbf-in) x 2 x  $\pi$  x reduction ratio x screw efficiency] / screw lead (in)

## **A** CAUTION CAUTION!

Care should be taken not to exceed the physical travel limits of the actuator. Exceeding the specified stroke will cause the actuator to reach mechanical end of stroke internally. Although protected by the end of stroke bumpers, reaching internal end of stroke at speeds and torque greater than those used to home (less than 25mm/sec and low torque) may physically damage the screw and the internal components of the actuator.

## 4.2 Alignment and Side Loading

Alignment of the actuator with regard to the application axis of motion and the direction of the force is essential to its proper functioning. Misalignment creates side loads on the thrust rod, leading to rod binding, uneven roller nut loading and premature wear of rod seals, leading to excessive heat generation and reduced service life of the actuator. RSX series actuators must not be used in applications where side loading occurs. Loads must be aligned with the line of motion of the thrust rod. Where necessary rod alignment couplers may be used.

#### 4.3 Mechanical Installation

- **1.** Open the crate and remove packaging material
- **2.** Carefully remove linear actuator from the crate \*Consider the weight of the actuator. Depending on the configuration, the actuator can weight over 227 kg (500 lb)
- 3. Visually inspect the actuator for damage
- 4. Notify the carrier of any shipping damage immediately
- **5.** Move the actuator to its position.
- **6.** If the actuator is mounted in a vertical or inclined position include safety measures to prevent load from falling in the case of screw failure or loss of power
- 7. Ensure sufficient clearance around the actuator to allow for airflow and cooling
- 8. Follow installation mounting instructions for each configuration.

#### 4.4 Lifting and Moving

#### A CAUTION CAUTION!

Special care must be taken when lifting and moving the RSX actuators. Depending on the size and configuration RSX actuators can represent heavy and awkward loads. Lifting equipment with appropriate capacity must be used, and safe hoisting practices must be employed.

	WEIGHT								
		PER UNIT							
RSX			kg			ka nor mm			
SIZE	LMI	RP1 ST	RP1HT	RP2ST	RP2HT	kg per mm			
10	65.65	72.61	—	73.45	—	0.041			
15	65.65	—	73.23	—	73.77	0.041			
20	83.67	-	93.31	—	93.85	0.045			
25	176.62	_	207.95	_	209.86	0.079			
			lb			lb per in			
10	144.74	160.07	_	161.92	_	2.31			
15	144.74	-	161.45	—	162.63	2.31			
20	184.45	_	205.72	_	206.90	2.51			
25	389.38	_	458.44	_	462.66	4.40			

Table 4-1 RSX actuator weights. Calculate total actuator weight by: (multiplying stroke x per unit weight) then adding base actuator weight.

Special care must be taken when lifting and moving the RSX actuators. Depending on the size and configuration RSX actuators can represent heavy and awkward loads. Lifting equipment with appropriate capacity must be used, and safe hoisting practices must be employed.

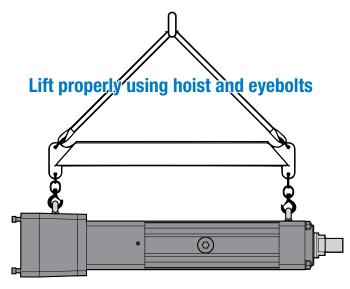


Figure 4-1 Lift RSX properly using hoist and eyebolts

If for any reason the RSX actuator is not equipped with lifting eyebolts it may be lifted by securing straps around the bearing block next to the motor mount and the thrust rod next to the front head. The reverse parallel housing must be oriented vertically pointing upward. (Figure 4-2)



Figure 4-2 Lift RSX properly without eyebolts

#### 4.5 Motor Installation

#### 4.5.1 Reverse Parallel Configuration

When the motor (gearhead) is installed by the Customer at their facility, RSX actuator is shipped with 6 socket head cap screws holding the Reverse Parallel Cover "hand tight" and the motor (gearhead) fasteners and the timing pulley separate.

To install the motor (gearhead):

- **a.** RSX actuators use taper lock bushings for mounting pulleys.
- **b.** Assemble the timing pulley on the motor (gearhead) shaft using the motor (gearhead) key and secure with fasteners tightened to the torque values given below:

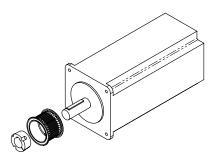


Figure 4-3 RSX RP motor and pulley

				TOP	QUE
MODEL	REDUCTION Ratio	NUMBER OF SET SCREWS	SET SCREW SIZE	(Nm)	(lbf-ft)
DOV10 15 20	RP1	2	1/2-13 UNC	48.5	35.8
RSX10,15, 20	RP2	2	3/8-16 UNC	19.8	14.6
RSX25	RP1	2	5/8-11 UNC	90.4	66.7
n3723	RP2	2	7/16-14 UNC	31.6	23.3

Table 4-2 RSX motor pulley set screw torque requirements

\*Thread adhesive is recommended.

- c. Install the motor (gearhead) on the Reverse Parallel Plate (with fasteners not tight)\*;
- **d**. Tension the timing belt using the following instruction
- 1. Locate the belt over the pulleys and slide the drive pulley over the motor shaft. Tighten the pulley to the motor shaft.
- 2. Verify that there is clearance between the inside of the RP case and each pulley. Verify that the pulleys are aligned to each other.
- 3. Tension the belt by pulling the motor away from the drive shaft with the appropriate force from the "Total Belt Tension" column in the chart below. Tighten the motor fasteners while this force is applied to the motor.

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				Те	nsion Spe	sion Specs Sonic Tension Method							Force	e Def	lection	Method		
			_	l Belt Ision		n Tension rce	Natural Frequency	Tension Tolerance	Ma	SS	Wid	lth	Spa	In	Defle	ction	Deflect	ion Force
			lbf	N	lbf	N	Hz	Hz	lb/in	g/m	in	тт	in	тт	in	тт	lbf	N
20		ST1	440	1,957	$220 \pm 20$	979 ± 89	190	±8	0.408	4.7	1.42	36	7.87	200	0.12	3.0	$16 \pm 2$	71 ± 9
RSX10,15,20	RP1	HT1	440	1,957	$220 \pm 20$	979 ± 89	145	±6	0.408	4.7	2.44	62	7.87	200	0.12	3.0	$16 \pm 2$	71 ± 9
X10	000	ST1	440	1,957	$220 \pm 20$	979 ± 89	197	±8	0.408	4.7	1.42	36	7.60	193	0.12	3.0	$16 \pm 2$	71 ± 9
RS	RP2	HT1	440	1,957	$220 \pm 20$	979 ± 89	150	±6	0.408	4.7	2.44	62	7.60	193	0.12	3.0	$16 \pm 2$	71 ± 9
RSX25	RP1	HT1	500	2,224	250 ± 20	1,112 ± 89	110	±5	0.408	4.7	2.44	62	11.024	280	0.17	4.3	$19 \pm 2$	84.5 ± 9
RS	RP2	HT1	500	2,224	$250 \pm 20$	1,112 ± 89	111	±5	0.408	4.7	2.44	62	11.087	282	0.17	4.3	$19 \pm 2$	84.5±9

Table 4-3 RSX belt tension specifications

- 4. Validate the span tension of the belt using either a sonic tension meter or force deflection method.
  - a. Sonic tension meter

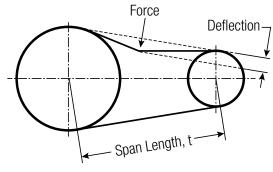
i. Enter the mass, width, and span from the table above into the tension meter.

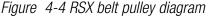
ii. Test the belt using the manufacturers recommendations

iii. Compare the span tension to the target in the "Span Tension Force"

b. Force deflection method

i. At the center of the span, measure the force required to deflect the belt the distance called out in the "Deflection" column in the table above. The measured force should fall within the deflection force tolerance noted in the "Deflection Force" column.





- 1. Ensure one pulley is free to rotate.
- 2. The deflection force needs to be evenly applied across the entire belt width. Use a piece of steel or angle iron across the belt width and deflect the belt evenly.
- **e**. Tighten the motor fasteners to the following torque values:

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SCREW	TOF	RQUE
SIZE	(Nm)	(lbf-ft)
M6	10	7
M8	25	18
M10	50	35
M12	85	60
M14	135	100
M18	275	200

Table 4-4 RSX motor fasteners torque requirements

f.Tighten the Reverse Parallel Cover fasteners to the following minimum torque values\*\*:

MODEL	FASTENER	TOF	RQUE
WIUDEL	SIZE	(Nm)	(lbf-ft)
RSX10, 15, 20	M16	200	150
RS25	M24	675	500

Table 4-5 RSX reverse parallel cover fasteners torque requirements

- \*If equipped with IP67 option verify that the gasket is installed between the motor (gearhead) and the plate, and the sealing washers are used on the motor fasteners.
- \*\*If equipped with IP67 option verify that the Reverse Parallel cover gasket is properly seated inside the machined recess of the Reverse Parallel plate.

#### 4.5.2 Inline Configuration

When the motor (gearhead) is installed by the Customer at their facility, RSX actuator is shipped with the motor (gearhead) fasteners and the coupling half separate.

To install the motor (gearhead):

**a**. Assemble the coupling half on the motor (gearhead) shaft using the motor (gearhead) key (see the drawing) and secure with fasteners tightened to the torque values given below (thread adhesive is recommended):

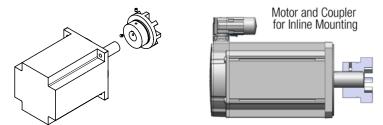


Figure 4-5 RSX motor coupler for LMI (inline) motor mounting

MODEL	NUMBER OF	SET SCREW SIZE	TOR	QUE
WODEL	SET SCREWS	SET SUNEW SIZE	(Nm)	(lbf-ft)
RSX10, 15, 20	2	5/16-18 UNC	20	15
RSX25	2	3/8-16 UNC	34	25

Table 4-6 RSX motor coupler set screw torque requirements

Carefully align the coupling half with the mating half on the actuator's drive shaft and move the motor (gearhead) in until it is fully seated on the LMI motor plate. If equipped with IP67 option verify that the gasket is installed between the motor (gearhead) and the plate.

**b**. Tighten the motor fasteners to the following torque values\*:

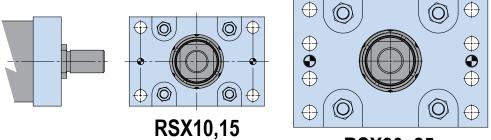
SCREW	TORQUE					
SIZE	(Nm)	(lbf-ft)				
M6	10	7				
M8	25	18				
M10	50	35				
M12	85	60				
M14	135	100				
M18	275	200				

Table 4-7 RSX motor fasteners torque requirements

\*If equipped with IP67 option verify that the sealing washers are used on the motor fastener

# 4.6 Options 4.6.1 Front Flange Mount

Front Flange (Option FFG) may be aligned to the axis of motion of the application (machine) with 2 dowel pins, and secured with fasteners (dowel pins and fasteners are not included) tightened to the torque values given below. Please see Tolomatic RSX Product Brochure 2171-4001 for dimensional drawings.



**RSX20, 25** 

Figure 4-6 RSX front flange option

	NUMBER		METRIC FASTENERS			
MODEL	OF DOWEL PINS			PROPERTY CLASS	FASTENER SIZE	TORQUE (Nm)
RSX10,15,20	2	12	4	12.9	M20	685
RSX25	2	20	8	12.9	M24	1180

	NUMBER			IPERIAL FASTENERS		
MODEL	OF DOWEL PINS	PIN SIZE		SAE GRADE	FASTENER SIZE	TORQUE (lbf-ft)
RSX10,15,20	2	12	4	8	3/4-16	445
RSX25	2	20	8	8	7/8-14	700

Table 4-8 RSX front flange fasteners torque requirements

#### 4.6.2 Trunnion Mount

RSX actuators are available with Trunnion mount (Option TRR). Please see Tolomatic RSX Product Brochure 2171-4001 for dimensional drawings.

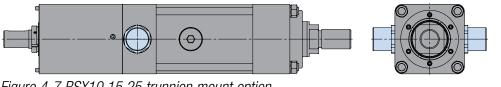


Figure 4-7 RSX10,15,25 trunnion mount option

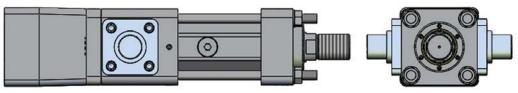


Figure 4-8 RSX20 trunnion mount option

MODEL	TRUNNION DIAMETER, mm	TOLERANCE, µm	TRUNNION DIAMETER, in	TOLERANCE, in
RSX10,15	50 f8	-25/-64	1.9685	0010/0025
RSX20	60 f8	-30/-76	2.3622	0012/0030
RSX25	63 f8	-30/-76	2.4803	0012/0030

Table 4-9 RSX trunnion diameter and tolerance

## 4.6.3 Mounting Plates

RSX series actuators may be mounted to a surface parallel to the line of motion using mounting plates located under the bearing block and the front head of the actuator (Option MP2). Each of the two mounting plates is secured with 4 fasteners (not included) tightened to the torque values given below. Please see Tolomatic RSX Product Brochure 2171-4001 for dimensional drawings.

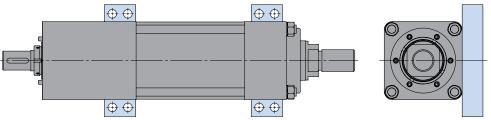


Figure 4-9 RSX mounting plates option

		METRIC FASTENERS		
MODEL	NUMBER OF FASTENERS	PROPERTY CLASS	FASTENER SIZE	TORQUE (Nm)
RSX10,15	8	12.9	M16	350
RSX20	8	12.9	M20	685
RSX25	8	12.9	M20	685

		IMPE	RIAL FASTE	NERS
MODEL	NUMBER OF FASTENERS	SAE GRADE	FASTENER SIZE	TORQUE (lbf-ft)
RSX10,15	8	8	5/8-18	260
RSX20	8	8	3/4-16	445
RSX25	8	8	3/4-16	445

Table 4-10 RSX mounting plates torque requirements

#### 4.6.4 Extended Tie Rod Mounting

In the event the actuator is mounted using optional Extended Tie Rods the actuator is secured by 4 hex jam nuts (not included) installed with flat washers on the extended threaded portion of each tie rod and tightened to the torque values given below.

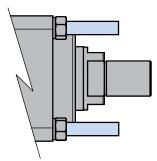


Figure 4-10 RSX extended tie rod mount option

	NUMBER	PROPERTY		TOR	QUE
MODEL	<b>OF NUTS</b>	CLASS	NUT SIZE	(Nm)	(lbf-ft)
RSX10,15	4	10.9	M16x1.5	150	110
RSX20	4	10.9	M24x3.0	360	265
RSX25	4	10.9	M24x3.0	360	265

Table 4-11 RSX extended tie rod mounting torque requirements

The recommended pilot hole dimensions for the actuator head alignment (if provided):

MODEL	PILOT DIAMETER, mm	TOLERANCE, mm	PILOT DIAMETER, in	TOLERANCE, in
RSX10,15	125	80/30	4.9213	.0031/.0012
RSX20	125	80/30	4.9213	.0031/.0012
RSX25	175	80/30	6.8898	.0031/.0012

Table 4-12 RSX pilot holes diameter and tolerance

## 4.6.5 Rod End

Standard RSX actuators' Rod Ends have a male metric mounting thread. Optional Rod Ends with imperial threads are available (Option SR1). Please see Tolomatic RSX Product Brochure 2171-4001 for dimensional drawings.

The recommended tightening torque values when securing Rod End threads to any moving components of an application are given below.

MODEL	STANDARD THREAD SIZE	TORQUE (Nm)	OPTIONAL Thread Size	TORQUE (lbf-ft)
RSX10,15	M42x4.5-6g	1590	1-7/8-12 UN-2A	1175
RSX20	M64x3.0-6g	3560	2-1/2-12 UN-2A	2625
RSX25	M64x3.0-6g	3560	2-1/2-8 UN-2A	2625

Table 4-13 RSX rod end torque requirements

#### 4.6.6 Rod Clevis

RSX actuators are available with Rod Clevis (Option CLV) for standard (metric) rod end. Please see Tolomatic RSX Product Brochure 2171-4001 for dimensional drawings.

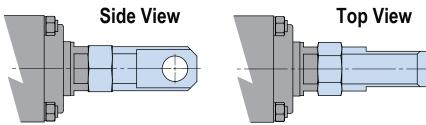


Figure 4-11 RSX rod clevis option

MODEL	ROD CLEVIS BORE DIAMETER, mm	TOLERANCE, μm	ROD CLEVIS BORE DIAMETER, in	TOLERANCE, in
RSX10,15	36 H9	62/0	1.4173	.0024/0
RSX20,25	45 H9	62/0	1.7717	.0024/0

Table 4-14 RSX rod clevis bore diameter and tolerance

MODEL	ROD CLEVIS WIDTH, mm	TOLERANCE, μm	ROD CLEVIS WIDTH, in	TOLERANCE, in
RSX10,15	50 h13	0/-39	1.4173	0/0015
RSX20,25	60 h13	0/-46	1.7717	0/0018

Table 4-15 RSX rod clevis width and tolerance

Unless requested RSX actuators are shipped with Rod Clevis Nut hand tight on the rod end thread to allow for the onsite alignment of the rod clevis.

The recommended tightening torque values when securing the Rod Clevis Nut are given below.

	NUT THREAD	TOR	QUE
MODEL	SIZE	(Nm)	(lbf-ft)
RSX10,15	M42x4.5	1590	1175
RSX20,25	M64x3.0	3560	2625

Table 4-16 RSX rod clevis torque requirements



#### 5.1 Back Driving

#### **WARNING**

#### WARNING!

RSX actuators are equipped with roller screws that are not self-braking and will not hold position under load. When there is no current/torque input to the drive motor, the screw will rotate and the thrust rod can move freely. A motor brake option should be used if the motion system/axis requires the actuator to hold position when it is not powered, or as a safety measure if the actuator is mounted in a vertical orientation to prevent the payload from free falling in the event of unintended power loss.

## 5.2 Homing

To establish full open and close position of the actuator, set the drive torque limits to the lowest values possible for motion (10-20% to begin with) and use a slow velocity jog command (<1mm/s) to search for the hard limits. If 10-20% of the continuous current is not sufficient to drive both the actuator installed on the equipment, slowly increase the current limit until the unit is able to move to both the fully open and fully closed positions. Proper care must be taken when finding hard limits after installation to the equipment. Applying a load in excess of the continuous rated force at the end of travel may cause internal damage and could render the assembly inoperable or cause damage.

Once the full open and closed positions are determined, these values can be stored in the drive/ controller as travel limits.

## **5.3 Breather/Purge Port Operation**

The port on the side of the actuator's bearing block can be used as a "breather" to relieve internal pressure buildup that may result from reciprocating linear motion of internal components, or as a "purge port" for providing positive pressure to the interior of the actuator as an additional means of preventing ingress of contaminants. It is recommended that the supplied air is dry and clean, and the air line should be periodically inspected for moisture.

MODEL	THREAD SIZE (BRITISH INTERNAL TAPER PIPE THREAD FOR PRESSURE TIGHT JOINTS)
RSX10,15,20	1/8-28
RSX25	1/4-19

The breather port threads are as follows:

Table 5-1 RSX breather/purge port thread size

## 5.4 Oil Fill and Drain 5.4.<u>1 Oil Fill</u>

Review all figures and instructions prior to service to prevent damage to the assembly due to improper operation

- Units are filled and tested prior to shipment from the factory ;
- Prior to shipment, the units are drained;
- A light coat of oil remains on the roller screw and nut assembly to prevent corrosion during transportation and storage;
- Tolomatic recommends oil filled units are only used with the following oil brand and type: Mobil SHC630;

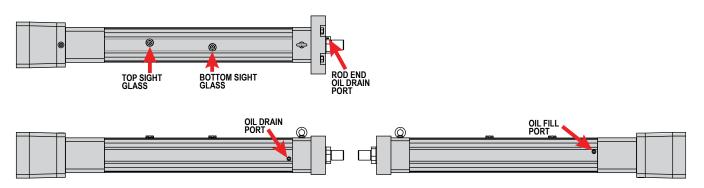


Figure 5-1 Locations of Oil Drain Port, Top & Bottom Sight Glass and Oil Fill Port

- When filling the actuator with oil, the thrust rod must be in the fully retracted position;
- Remove the 3/8-19 Rc plug from the oil fill port near the motor end of the actuator;
- Add 7.5 oz (0.22 L) of oil per each 25 mm of the actuator stroke;
- Apply pipe sealant (Loctite 561 or similar) to the plug's threads and reinstall it.
- When mounted horizontally or vertically with the motor end facing up, oil must cover the top sight glass completely ;
  - o Contact Tolomatic for recommendation on orientations not listed in this document;
- In vertical installations where the motor end is pointed up, the oil level inside will drop as a result of some amount of oil migrating into the voids inside the assembly;
- When the oil level drops below the top sight glass, add an additional 1.2 oz (0.04 L) of oil per each 25 mm of the stroke;

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• When the working stroke length of the thrust rod of a vertically mounted (motor end up) RSX096 actuator is less than 75 mm, to ensure effective roller screw lubrication the amount of oil needs to be increased by 7.5 oz (0.22 L) per each 25 mm of the difference between the actuator stroke length and the working stroke length.

## 5.4.2 Oil Drain

#### NOTE

Prior to draining the oil, the area around and under the actuator should be protected from oil spills;

- There are two drain ports at the front of the actuator (See figure 1);
  - o One is located on the assembly body near the rod end;
  - o The other is located on the thrust rod;
- Slowly remove the 3/8-19 Rc plug fitting from the assembly body nearest the thrust rod;

# Care needs to be taken when removing the plug as oil gets slightly pressurized during operation and may splash out.

- o Oil may be drained through gravity or with use of an oil extractor pump;
- When nearly all of the oil has been removed, proceed with removing the 1/8-28 Rc on the rod end, remove the remaining oil from inside the thrust rod;
  - o Oil extractor pump can be used to remove minor amounts of oil still remaining inside the thrust rod;
- Reinstall all drain plugs (apply pipe sealant to the plugs' threads prior to every installation) and refill per section 1;
- Oil should be changed annually.

It is recommended that the seal cartridge be replaced at the time of oil change. (See 6.1)



#### **WARNING** WARNING!

Before starting any maintenance activities, make sure that the supply power is shut OFF.

## 6.1 Seal Cartridge Replacement

Seal Cartridge Parts List			Quantity	
Item	Description	Part Number	RSX10, 15, & 20	RSX25
SC	Seal Cartridge Kit	2173-9002	1	-
SC	Seal Cartridge Kit, IP67	2171-9002	1	-
SC	Seal Cartridge Kit	2172-9002	-	1

- a. Remove power and safely secure the actuator with the Thrust Rod fully retracted;
- **b**. Remove any tooling from the Rod End;
- **c**. Remove the Rod Clevis and the Jam Nut (if so equipped);
- d. Remove Front Flange (if so equipped);
- **e**. Remove any debris/contamination from around the Seal Cartridge
- f. Remove the Seal Cartridge fasteners and sealing washers
- **g**. Slide the old Seal Cartridge off the Thrust Rod

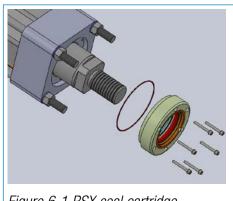


Figure 6-1 RSX seal cartridge exploded view

- **h**. Carefully slide the new Seal Cartridge (verify that the O-ring is installed on its mounting surface) onto the Thrust Rod and align it to the fastener holes
- **i.** Apply removable strength thread adhesive to the fasteners' threads and install the fasteners with sealing washers. Tightening torque is given below:

	NUMBER OF	SET SCREW	TORQUE	
MODEL	FASTENERS	SIZE	(Nm)	(lbf-ft)
RSX10,15,20	6	M5	6	4
RSX25	6	M8	20	15

Table 6-1 RSX seal cartridge torque requirements

j. Reinstall Front Flange/Rod Clevis (if so equipped)

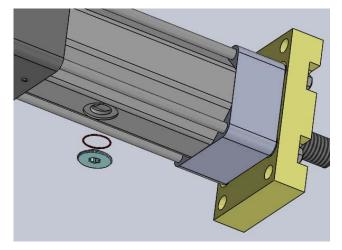
#### 6.2 Screw Lubrication

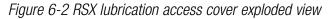
Screw lubrication requirements depend on the motion cycle (velocity, force and frequency of operation), type of application, ambient temperature, environmental and other factors.

In general purpose applications to maximize service life Tolomatic recommends to re-lubricate the actuator at least every 1,000,000 cycles or once every year whichever comes first. For more demanding applications such as pressing, high frequency motion or other cases where the screw is highly stressed, the re-lubrication interval will need to be more frequent. In such applications it is recommended to execute at least 5 full length stroke moves every 5,000 cycles of operation to redistribute the lubricant within the actuator.

#### In order to re-lubricate the screw:

a. Remove the Access Cover from the side of the actuator body;





- **b.** Roller Screw: Extend or retract the Thrust Rod so that the grease fitting on the Roller Nut Assembly is accessible through the port, see table 6-2 for quantity;
   **Ball Screw:** Extend or retract the Thrust Rod.
- **c**. Remove power from the actuator;
- **d**. Supply Mobil Mobilith® SHC 220 Grease, 2 NLGI Grade in the quantity below:

	LUBRICANT QUANTITY	
MODEL	(g)	(0Z)
RSX10,15,20	9.5 + 0.025 x Stroke Length (mm)	.34 + .022 x Stroke Length (in)
RSX25	12.0 + 0.027 x Stroke Length (mm)	.42 + .024 x Stroke Length (in)

Table 6-2 RSX roller screw lubrication quantity recommendations

e. Replace Access Cover.

#### 6.3 Storage Recommendations

- Prior to storing the actuator perform repairs, maintenance and inspections to ensure the equipment is in good working order.
- Make sure the equipment is placed in a suitable storage position to prevent damage to the seals or thrust rod.
- Make sure that storage will not damage external surfaces creating pits, scratches or crevices.
- Store in clean and dry environment.
- Prior to placing the actuator to service after storage it will be necessary to execute at least 5 full stroke length moves to redistribute the lubricant within the actuator.
- If stored for a period longer than 2 years without use it will be necessary to replace the lubricant. Please return to Tolomatic for this maintenance.
- Storage temperature range -25°C to +60°C (-13°F to 140°F).

#### 6.4 Replacement Parts & Repairs

Tolomatic recommends returning the RSX for most repairs. Contact Tolomatic for RMA (Return Merchandise Authorization) instructions.

For additional information:

Parts Sheet	Web Link	
RSX10,15,20,25	https://www.tolomatic.com/storyslab?resid=29075	
Previous Model Number Parts Sheet		
RSX080	https://www.tolomatic.com/storyslab?resid=3080	
RSX096	https://www.tolomatic.com/storyslab?resid=3077	
RSX128	https://www.tolomatic.com/storyslab?resid=3104	

## A.1 Specifications

#### A.1.1 Performance and Mechanical Specifications

**NOTE** For performance data and specifications please refer to the Tolomatic RSX Product Brochure 2171-4001

## A.1.2: Actuator Sizing

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## A.1.3: Critical Speed

**NOTE** For performance data and specifications please refer to the Tolomatic RSX Product Brochure 2171-4001

## A.1.4: Roller Screw Life

**NOTE** For performance data and specifications please refer to the Tolomatic RSX Product Brochure 2171-4001

Appendix

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## B.1 Troubleshooting Procedure

SYMPTOM	CAUSE	SOLUTION
	Force exceeds the actuator's capacity	Verify force requirements
	Excessive side load	Verify that side loading is minimized
	Misalignment of the thrust rod and the application's line of motion	Ensure proper alignment
Thrust rod cannot move	Drive has insufficient current capacity	Verify the drive's settings
	Actuator underwent an end of stroke collision	Disconnect the tooling and manually jog away from the end of stroke. If problem persists contact Tolomatic for service
	Loose Coupler or belt failure	
	Controller / Drive Fault	Reset the Controller / Drive
	Improper / Failed Wiring	Check motor cables and connectors
Actuator body	Loose mounting	Check actuator mounting
moves or vibrates during	Actuator is improperly tuned	Tune actuator
operation	Excessive Belt Tension	Check Belt Tension
Actuator is	Duty cycle exceeds actuator's power capacity	Verify actuator sizing
overheating	Actuator is improperly tuned	Tune actuator
	Actuator is low on lubricant	Re-lubricate

**Appendix** 

## C.1 Warranty

Warranty and Limitation of Liability

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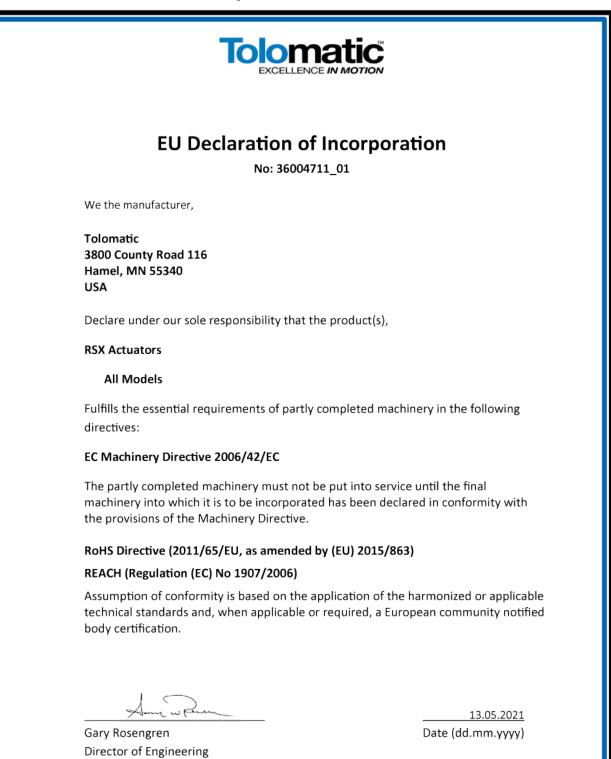
- 1. Before initiating the RMA process and obtaining an RMA number, please contact the Tolomatic Technical Support team to determine if it is possible to correct the issue in the field.
- 2. If an RMA is needed your Tolomtic Technical support team will initiate the RMA process and set up an RMA number.

#### End of Life

Your RSX actuator has been designed to provide years of reliable and trouble-free service, but at some point in time it may be necessary to retire the unit from service. To protect our environment specific guidelines and requirements should be followed. The RSX actuator is primarily constructed from steel and aluminum and contains no hazardous materials.



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