



# **EZ-STACK** Selection & Technical Guide



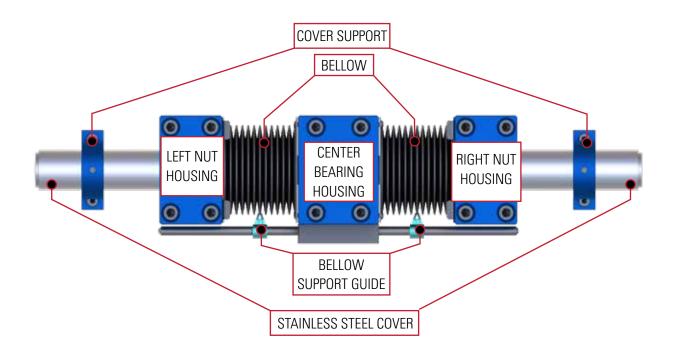
# DME EZ-STACK INTRODUCTION

DME's EZ-STACK BALL SCREW CENTERING DEVICE is designed for use in all Stack tooling applications. Complete assemblies are available from stock and custom fit to your mold within three days.

All the moving parts are contained within the bellows and stainless tubes protecting the moving parts while keeping contaminates away from the molded parts.

The maintenance on the EZ-Stack is simple and can be done without having to use any type of wrenches. The "One Touch" retainer allows easy access for lubrication.

A bellow support keeps the bellows from sagging during the open phase of the molding cycle.





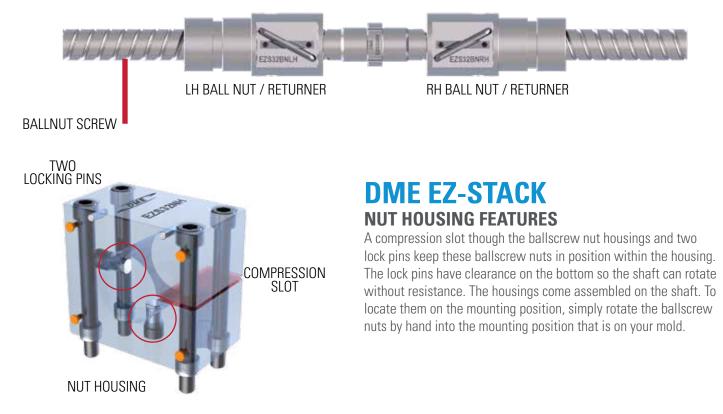
# **DME EZ-STACK** PART DESCRIPTION



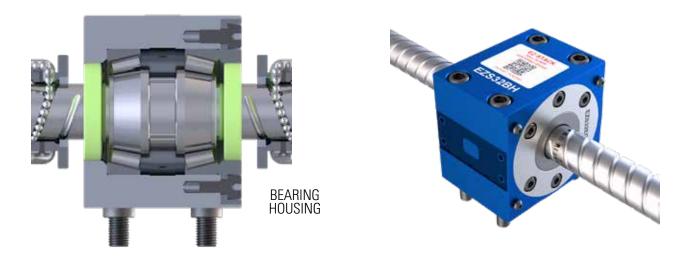


Stop washers are incorporated to prevent any over-travel of the ballscrew nuts.

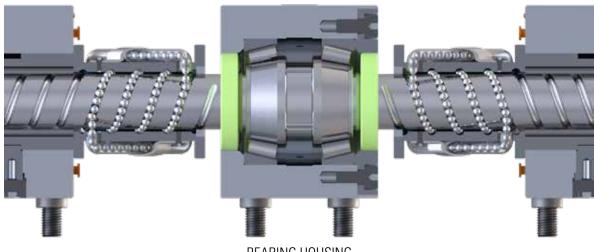
The EZ-Stack uses a precision ground case-hardened shaft and hardened ballscrew nuts. The rolling coefficient of friction is less than 0.01 ensuring reliable performance cycle by cycle.



# **DME EZ-STACK** PART DESCRIPTION



The bearing housing is a one piece housing with an end cap. There are two thrust bearings inside used for support of the ball screw rod and are designed to handle the acceleration when the mold opens and closes. The green image shows the seals that are used to retain the grease for the bearings lubrication.



BEARING HOUSING

The bellows are fixed to the bearing housing and attached to the nut housings by the "One Touch" designed retainer. The bellow support mechanism is fixed on the bottom of bearing housing. A clip guide is attached to the center of bellows and slides on the support rod when the mold opens and closes.



# **DME EZ-STACK** Dynamic & Static Loads

The force (load) on EZ-Stack for opening and closing the center portion is mainly related to the center portion mass and acceleration.

The EZ-stack is not for support and guidance of the center portion of the mold. The center portion must be supported and guided by using leader pins and bushings. Large mold should include a center support.

Other sources of resistance, which including mold misalignment, improper part draft or undercuts will add extra load on the EZ-stack ballscrew shaft. in the worst case the miss alignment could damage the EZ-Stack centering device.

# DME EZ-STACK EACH EZ-STACK LOAD

ITEM#	DYNAMIC LOAD (KN)	STATIC LOAD (KN)
EZS32	21	58
EZS40	35	98

# **DME EZ-STACK** REFERENCE SELECTION GUIDE

The balance is more important than the force. Selecting 2 or 4 sets of the EZ-Stack mainly depends on the size the of mold. The press opening and closing acceleration is related to the whole moving mass and force, we recommend not more than  $2M/S^2$ . The center portion acceleration is half of that  $(1M/S^2)$ .

For ease of selection, we are using the WEIGHT in the chart instead of the MASS. The recommended EZ-Stack in the chart is for reference only, use the Center Potion Max Weight and Sizes to choose the quantity of the EZ-Stack Centering Devices to mount on your mold.

For Safety, set the max load at 10% of the dynamic load and center portion acceleration as a 2.0 M/  $S^2$ .

BALLSCREW SHAFT SIZE & QUANTITY	DYNAMIC LOAD	STATIC LOAD	MAX LOAD	CENTER PORTION MAX WEIGHT	CENTER PORTION MAX SIZES
(2) EZS32	42KN	116KN	4KN	2,000 KG 4,400 LBS	800 X 800 X 350 (MM) 32 x 32 x 14 (INCH)
(2) EZS40	70KN	196KN	7KN	3,500 KG 6,600 LBS	1,000 X 1,000 X 400 (MM) 40 x 40 x 16 (INCH)
(4) EZS32	84KN	232KN	8KN	4,000 KG 8,800 LBS	1,200 X 1,200 X 350 (MM) 48 X 48 X 14 (INCH)
(4) EZS40	140KN	392KN	14KN	7,000 KG 13,200 LBS	1,400 x 1,400 x 400 (MM) 55 x 55 x 16 (INCH)

# **DME EZ-STACK** INSTALLATION

The Ball Screw Centering Device only works properly if all three portions of the stack mold are stable and fully aligned.

Important note:

- 1. The EZ-Stack Ball Screw Centering Device does not substitute the functionality of the leader pins for alignment and the support of the center portion.
- 2. If only two EZ-Stack centering devices are used, they must be placed in the middle of the side, symmetrically. Never mount in a kitty-corner arrangement.

	THREAD IN A	ALUMINUM	THREAD IN STEEL		
SHCS	N*m	ft*lbs.	N*m	ft*lbs.	
M6 x 1.00	14.7	10.8	16	11.7	
M8 x 1.25	35.9	26.5	39	29.2	
M10 x 1.50	70.8	52.2	77	56.7	
M12 x 1.75	124.2	91.6	135	100	

USE A TORQUE WRENCH TO TIGHTEN ALL OF THE SCREWS

# **DME EZ-STACK**

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- Every 100,000 cycles grease the ball screw nuts
- Every 300,000 cycles, grease the center cavity retainer plate
- Every 1,000,000 cycles, wipe excess grease buildup

Always use synthectic grease such as Super Grease for lubrication



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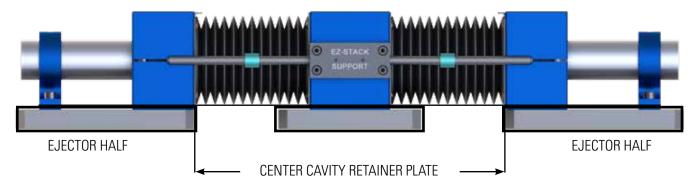


## Three options to mounting the EZ-STACK Centering Device.

**OPTION 1:** Mount directly to the mold base

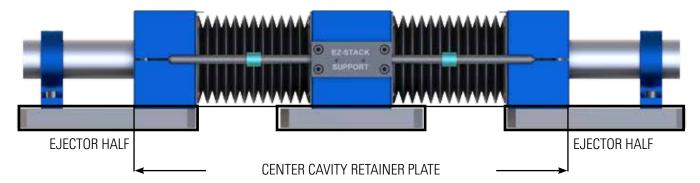


## **OPTION 2:** Retrofit existing Helical Gear Centering Device



Option 2 is used to retrofit Helical Gear Centering device. By using adapter plates, you mount the EZ-Stack using the existing holes of the Helical Gear Centering Device and then mount the EZ-Stack to the top of the adapter plates.

**OPTION 3:** Mount to the mold base using adapter plates for a wider opening.



If the mold has a wide center portion, mounting the adapter plates to telescope inwards from the ejector halves to the center portion moves the ballscrew nuts closer to the center. By doing this, a wider opening/stroke is created for ejection and/or allows a robot room to pick parts. Relief will be needed in the center portion of the mold to avoid the adapter plates as to prevent rubbing during operation.

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