

Fastening Technology and Bolted/Screwed Joint Design

About the Seminar:

This two-day seminar was developed to give engineers and other technical personnel current specifications for, and a better understanding of, the complexities of mechanical joining with fasteners. Insufficient guidelines and outdated information are not adequately equipping engineers for real life design challenges. This can lead to catastrophic failures or costly over-designs. The Federal regulations (Fastener Quality Act) on these often safety critical design elements has caused a renewed focus on the proper use of fasteners. This seminar incorporates the most recent techniques and guidelines from both international and domestic engineering societies and research groups and provides attendees with immediately applicable knowledge.

Who Should Attend:

Since most manufactured products involve the use of fasteners for assembly, this seminar is very beneficial to professionals working on design and development, maintenance, and procurement of fasteners and bolted interfaces. If you are involved in design engineering, manufacturing and assembly, standardization, testing, quality control, or otherwise involved with technical aspects of fasteners, this course is designed especially for you.

Benefits of Attending

- Gain a better understanding of the bolted/screwed joint, elastic interactions and preload stress
- Understand loosening causalities
- Select proper tightening methods
- Calculate safety factors and limitations
- Select the optimal fasteners for the design
- Evaluate dissimilar materials for thermal expansion and galvanic properties
- Gain insights into materials, threads and product standards

Concepts Covered

- Standards and specifications
- Material standards
- Fastener manufacturing
- Screw threads
- Corrosion and protection
- Quality
- Joint design
- Safety factors
- Tightening strategies
- Locking methods



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Course Syllabus -

DAY 1

Standards and Specifications

National and International Standards Load bearing fasteners – applications Fasteners for place-keeping, positioning Blind rivets, snap-fits, etc. Drive systems (ergonomics, space req., etc.)

Material Standards

Material Groups – applications
Heat treatment
Mechanical properties, inch and metric standards
Chemical compositions
Marking requirements
Corrosion resistant steels
Thread engagements, blind holes\

Fastener Manufacturing

Cold and hot forming
Machining and powder metallurgy

Screw Threads

Definition (tolerances, fit, etc.) Inch standards Metric standards Mismatch potentials, inch/metric Thread gaging methods

Corrosion and Protection

The mechanism of corrosion
Material combinations
Types of corrosion
Plating and coating
Hydrogen assisted cracking (embitterment)
Environmental considerations

Quality

Quality Assurance Standards AQL or In-Process Control Impact of the Fastener Quality Act Selecting a quality supplier

Joint Design

Introduction and overview of approaches Preparation and design goals Design steps (suggested sequence)

DAY 2

Joint Design (cont.)

Joint types and load conditions
Fastener (joint) Failure Facts
Factors influencing joint design
The highly stressed joint
5 basic rules for joint design
Joint calculation approach
Modeling the joint
Balance of joint forces
Developing a joint/force diagram
Calculating elasticities, bolt/joint

Force ratio and force introduction Work sheets for estimation of sizes, properties and friction coefficients

Calculating embedment (force loss)
Influence of torsional stresses
Temperature influence on joints
Design examples using manual or computer aided approaches

Safety Factors

Preload stress
External work load
Fatigue resistance (endurance limit)
Surface pressure allowance
Transverse, shear and comb. loads
Loosening
Good and bad joints, a summary

Tightening Strategies

Qualifying Joint integrity
Tooling choices
Auditing torque and tension
Joint signature analysis
Tension scatter with various tools
Load control systems

Locking Methods

Mechanism of loosening Effectiveness of locking devices Chemical locking Mechanical locking

Technical Communication

SI Metric – units and usage Blueprints – projection methods ISO Tolerance System