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# MS 15 EXPOSED LINEAR ENCODERS WITH HOMING AND LIMIT FUNCTION





# SPECIAL FEATURES

- Online signal stabilization
- Display of the signal quality directly at the scanning head via 3-coloured LED function
- Permanent control of the signals over the whole measuring length
- High quality of the signals due to singlefield scanning
- Homing and limit function
- Reference mark position customizable

# TERM EXPLANATIONS

#### Grating period

A grating is a continuous series of lines and spaces printed on the graduation carrier. The width of one line and one space is called the period of the grating. The lines and spaces are accurately placed on the graduation carrier.

#### Signal period

When scanning the grating, the scanning head produces sinusoidal signals with a period equal to the grating period.

#### Interpolation

The sinusoidal signal period can be electronically divided into equal parts. The interpolation circuitry generates a square-wave edge for each division.

## Measuring step

The smallest digital counting step produced by an encoder.

## Yaw angle, pitch angle, roll angle, displacement, gap tolerance

Mounting tolerances of the scanning head relative to the graduation carrier.

## Reference pulse (reference mark)

There is an additional track of marks printed next to the grating to allow a user to find an absolute position along the length of the graduation carrier. A one increment wide signal is generated when the scanning head passes the reference mark on the graduation carrier.

This is called a "true" reference mark since it is repeatable in both directions. Subsequent electronics use this pulse to assign a preset value to the absolute reference mark position.

## Error signal (US)

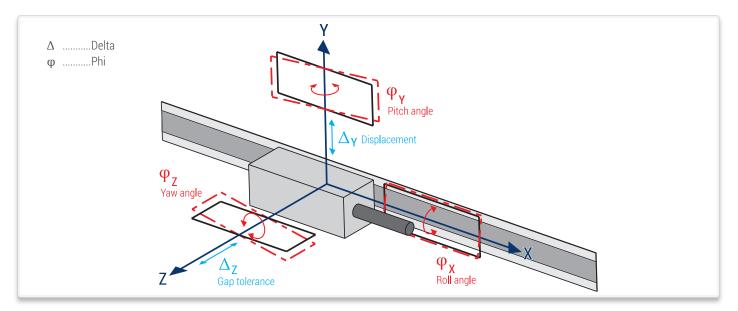
This signal appears when a malfunctioning encoder generates faulty scanning signals.

## Online signal stabilization (HSP)

During moving the amplitude, offset-error, amplitude differences and phase shift error are measured and stabilized cyclic.

#### Abbe error

Measuring error due to lateral distance between the measuring system and the machining level.



# PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS

- CONTAMINATION RESISTANCE
- IMMUNITY AGAINST AGING AND TEMPERATURE CHANGES
- HIGH PERMISSIBLE TRAVERSING SPEED
- EASY MOUNTING
- SMALL DIMENSIONS
- NO MECHANICAL BACKLASH
- NO FRICTIONAL FORCE
- REFERENCE MARKS REPEATABLE FROM BOTH TRAVERSING DIRECTIONS
- TWO SEPARATE SWITCH SIGNALS
- RESOLUTION: 10 μm 0.05 μm

## MS 15 MEETS ALL THESE REQUIREMENTS!



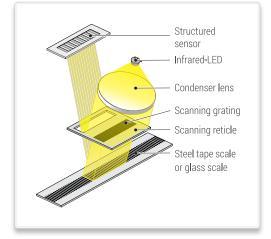
# SCANNING PRINCIPLE

The model MS 15 incremental linear encoder system works with the photoelectric measuring principle and a **singlefield reflective scanning method**.

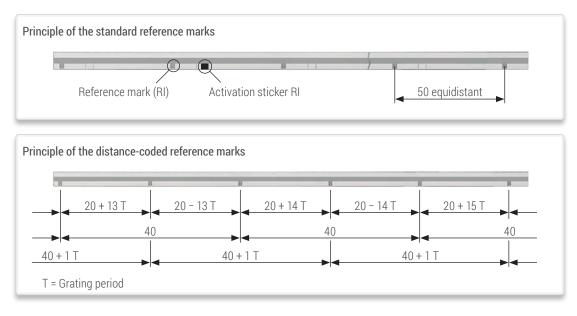
The regulated light of an infrared LED is collimated by a condenser lens and passes through the grid of the reticle. After being reflected from the graduation carrier, the infrared LED generates a periodic intensity distribution on the structured sensor.

The sensor generates high quality sinusoidal signals which are highly insensitive to possible contaminations.

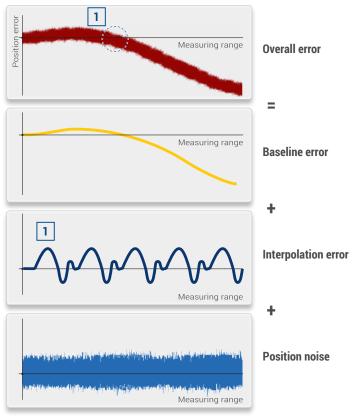
The regulation of the LED ensures a constant signal amplitude, guaranteeing stability in the case of temperature fluctuations and with long-run operation.



# **REFERENCE MARKS**



# ACCURACY DEFINITION

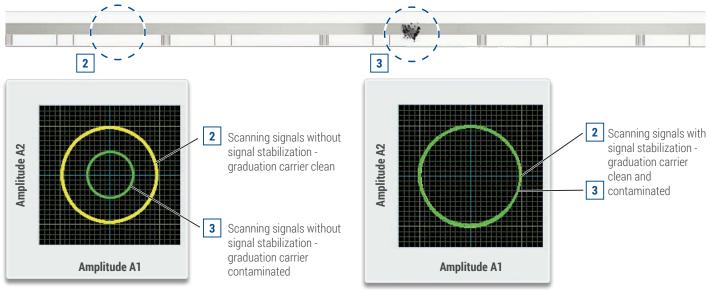


The accuracy of a linear encoder is mainly determined by the baseline error of the graduation carrier, the interpolation error of the optoelectronic scanning and the position noise.

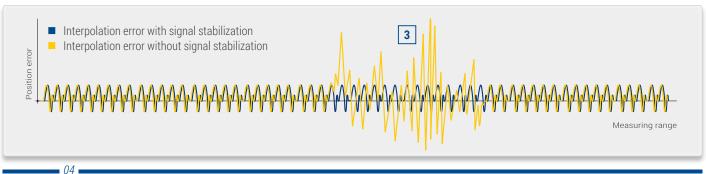
The baseline error is the error of the graduation carrier identified in a measurement room under optimum conditions, along a determined measuring length, without any interpolation error and position noise.

The indicated accuracy grade represents the maximum possible baseline error. It is calculated within any section with a maximum length of one meter.

Effect of contamination on the quality and amplitude of scanning signal Graduation carrier contaminated by fluids, dust, particles, fingerprints etc.



Effect of contamination on the interpolation error Graduation carrier contaminated by fluids, dust, particles, fingerprints etc.

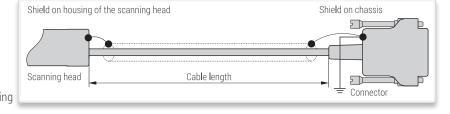


# SHIELDING, PIN ASSIGNMENT





Shielded PUR-cable; Drag chain qualified. Bending radius Bending radius fixed mounting continuous flexing



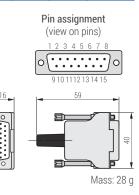
## D-sub connector, male, 15-pin

Pin	1	2	3	4		6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Sinusoidal voltage signals 1 Vpp	Test**	0 V Sensor	Occupied	RI-	A2-	A1-	V+ Sensor	V+	0 V	S1***	S2***	RI+	A2+	A1+	nc
Square-wave signals via line driver	Test*	0 V Sensor	US	RI	T2	TI	V+ Sensor	V+	0 V	S1***	S2***	RI	T2	T1	nc

 \* Test = analog signal switch-over for set-up. By applying +5 V to the test pin, the test signals (sinusoidal micro-current signals 11 µApp) are switched to the output connector.

\*\* Test = analog signal switch-over for set-up.
 By applying +5 V to the test pin, the NOT corrected test signals (1 Vpp) are switched to the output connector.

- S1, S2 = switch signals.
- \*\*\* Version without switch signals (version K) = without function.
- Sensor: the sensor pins are bridged in the chassis with the particular power supply.
- The shield is connected with the chassis.
- Pins or wires marked "occupied" or "nc" must not be used by the customer.



## Effect of the scanning head gap on the signal amplitude



# **INTERFACES**

## SINUSOIDAL VOLTAGE SIGNALS 1 VPP

(drawing shows "positive counting direction")

Power supply: +5 V ±10 %, max. 160 mA (unloaded) Track signals (differential voltage A1+ to A1- resp. A2+ to A2-): Signal amplitude 0.6 Vpp to 1.2 Vpp; typ. 1 Vpp (with terminating impedance Zo = 120  $\Omega$  between A1+ to A1- resp. A2+ to A2-).

**Reference mark** (differential voltage RI+ to RI-): Square-wave pulse with an amplitude of 0.8 up to 1.2 V; typical 1 V (with terminating impedance Zo =  $120 \Omega$  between RI+ to RI-)

#### Advantage:

- High permissible traversing speed with long cable lengths possible.

#### SQUARE-WAVE SIGNALS

(drawing shows "positive counting direction")

With the integrated interpolation electronics (for times -1, -5, -10, -20, -25, -50, -100 or -200) the photoelement output signals are converted into two square-wave signals that have a phase shift of 90°.

The output signals are "differential" via line driver (RS 422). One measuring step reflects the measuring distance between two edges of the square-wave signals.

The controls/DRO's must be able to detect each edge of the square-wave signals. The minimum edge separation  $a_{min}$  is listed in the technical data and refers to a measurement at the output of the interpolator (inside the scanning head). Propagation-time differences in the line driver, the cable and the line receiver reduce the edge separation.

#### Propagation-time differences:

Line driver:max. 10 nsCable:0.2 ns/mLine receiver:max. 10 ns (referred to the recommended line receiver circuit)

To prevent counting errors, the controls/DRO's must be able to process the resulting edge separation.

#### Example:

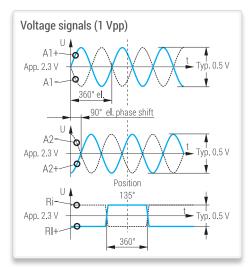
a<sub>min</sub> = 100 ns, 10 m cable 100 ns - 10 ns - 10 x 0.2 ns - 10 ns = 78 ns

**Power supply:** +5 V ±10 %, max. 160 mA (unloaded)

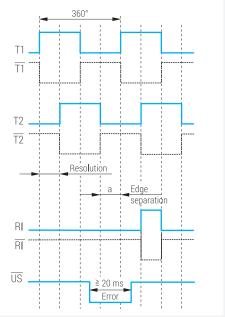
#### Advantages:

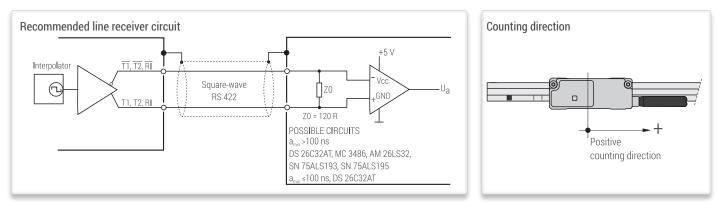
- Noise immune signals.

- No further subdividing electronics necessary.



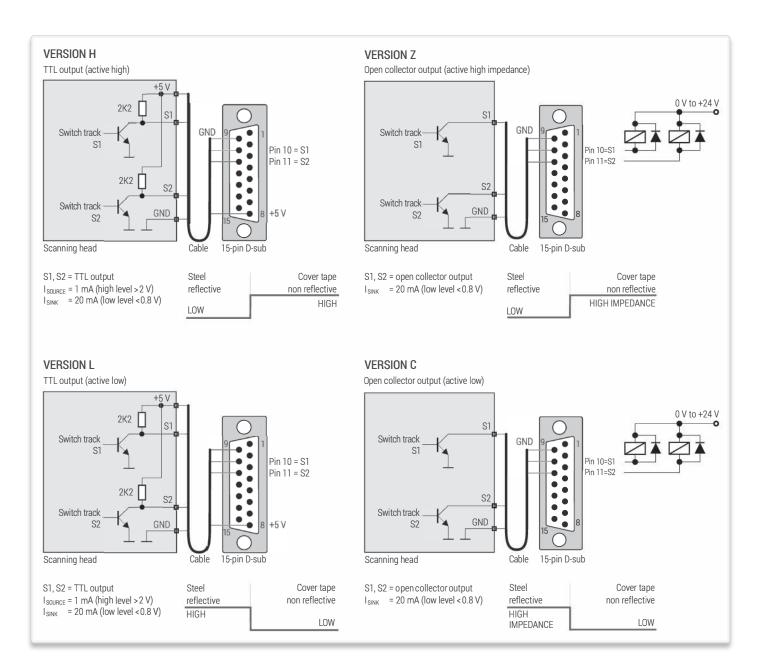






# SWITCH SIGNAL OUTPUT

For individual special functions there are two additional switch tracks on the steel tape scale. The switching point position can be chosen by the user by placing self-adhesive covering tapes.



# **TECHNICAL DATA**

## SCANNING HEAD

Model	AK MS 15 1 Vpp	AK MS 15 TTLx1u	AK MS 15 TTLx5	AK MS 15 TTLx10	AK MS 15 TTLx20	AK MS 15 TTLx25	AK MS 15 TTLx50	AK MS 15 TTLx100	AK MS 15 TTLx200	
Interface	$\sim$	л	л	л	л	л	л	л	л	
Measuring step [µm]	Depending on external interpolation	10.00	2.00	1.00	0.50	0.40	0.20	0.10	0.05	
Integrated interpolation		Times 1	Times 5	Times 10	Times 20	Times 25	Times 50	Times 100	Times 200	
Max. velocity [m/s]	10.00	10.00	6.40	3.20	2.40	1.92	1.92	0.96	0.96	
Max. output frequency	250 kHz									
Edge separation amin		500 ns	300 ns	300 ns	200 ns	200 ns	100 ns	100 ns	50 ns	
Interpolation error with signal stabilization	Typical ±65 nm (peak-peak)									
Electrical connection	Cable, 0.5 m	Cable, 0.5 m, 1 m or 3 m with D-sub connector, male, 15-pin								
Voltage supply	+5 V ±10 %									
Power consumption	Max. 880 m	Max. 880 mW (without load)								
Current consumption	Max. 160 mA (without load)									
Vibration 55 Hz – 2000 Hz Shock 8 ms	≤ 150 m/s² (EN 60 068-2-6) ≤ 750 m/s² (EN 60 068-2-27)									
Operating temperature Storage temperature	0 °C to 50 °C −20 °C to 70 °C									
Mass	Scanning he	Scanning head: 12 g (without cable), cable: 30 g/m, connector: D-sub connector: 28 g								

## **GRADUATION CARRIER**

Model	MB MS 15 MK	MS 15 MP	MS 15 GK	MS 15 BK			
Graduation carrier	Steel tape scale	Steel tape scale	Glass scale	Glass ceramic scale			
Coefficient of linear expansion	α≈10 x 10 <sup>-6</sup> /K	α≈10 x 10 <sup>-6</sup> /K	α≈8.5 x 10 <sup>.6</sup>	α≈0x10 <sup>-6</sup> /K			
Grating period	40 µm	40 µm	40 µm	40 µm			
Accuracy grades *	±5, ±15 μm/m	±5, ±15 μm/m	±3, ±5 μm/m	±3, ±5 μm/m			
Non-linearity *	±3 μm/m	±3 μm/m	±3 μm/m	±3 µm/m			
Baseline error	≤ ±0.75 µm/50 mm (typical)	≤ ±0.75 µm/50 mm (typical)	≤ ±0.30 µm/10 mm	≤ ±0.30 µm/10 mm			
Measuring length ML	20 000 mm	20 000 mm	3140 mm	1920 mm **			
Reference marks	Standard: 50 mm equidistant / Position selectable by customer / Distance-coded on request						
Mass	17 g/m		55 g/m	57 g/m			
	* At 20 °C						

## CONFORMITIES AND CERTIFICATIONS

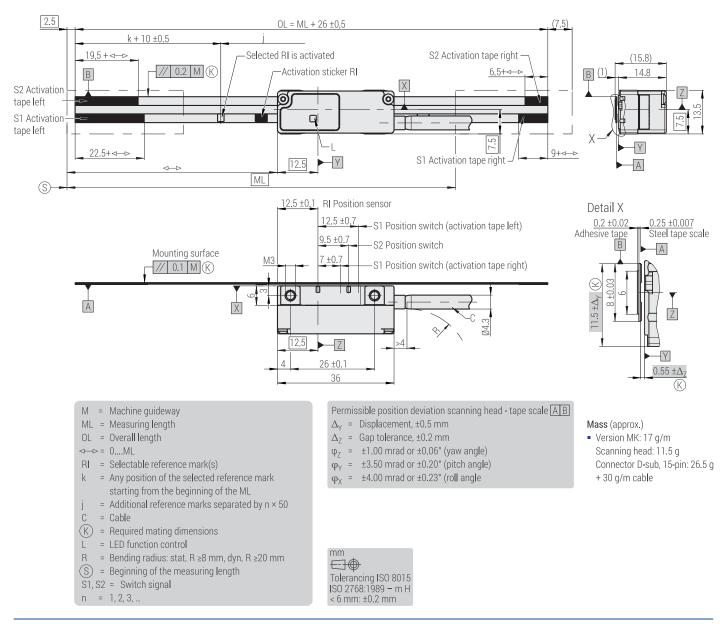
RoHS	2011/65/EU, 2015/863/EU
EMV	2014/30/EU
Product-Certifications	UL, CSA, EN, IEC 61010-1

# MS 15 MK

• Steel tape scale with adhesive tape

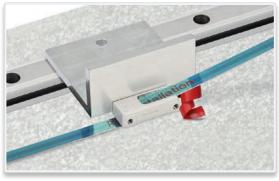


Dimensions, mounting tolerances:



Tape mounting tool **TMT MS 15 MK** (optional) For safe and precise mounting of the steel tape scale.

- Mount TMT MS 15 MK instead of the MS 15 scanning head.
- Thread steel tape scale (version MK) and move along the scale length
- Remove TMT MS 15 MK, mount MS 15 scanning head.



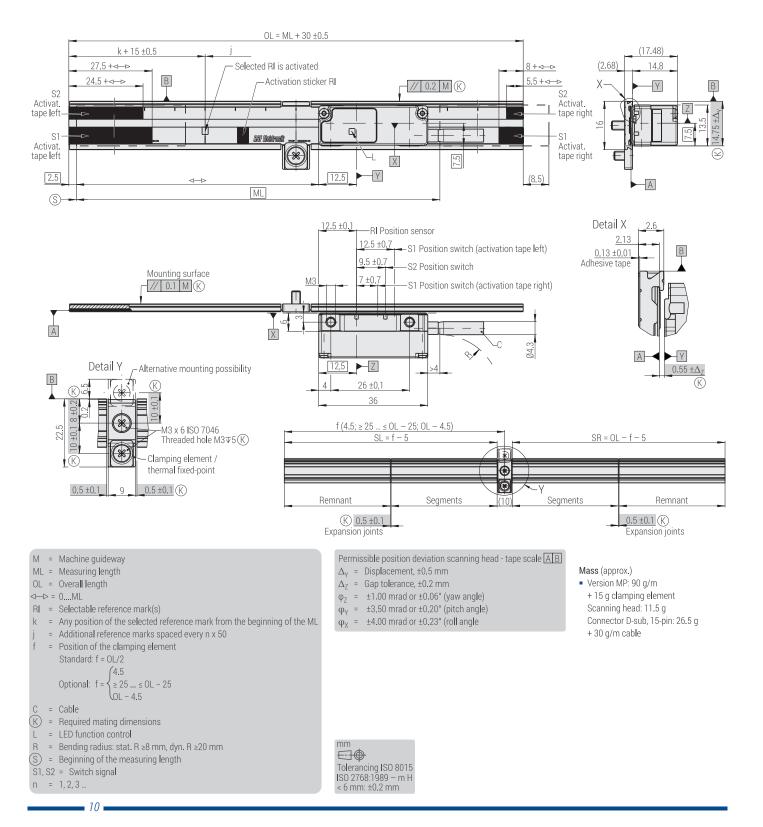
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# MS 15 MP

- Steel tape scale in aluminum carrier with clamping element
- Clamping element bolted
- Carrier with adhesive tape

Dimensions, mounting tolerances:



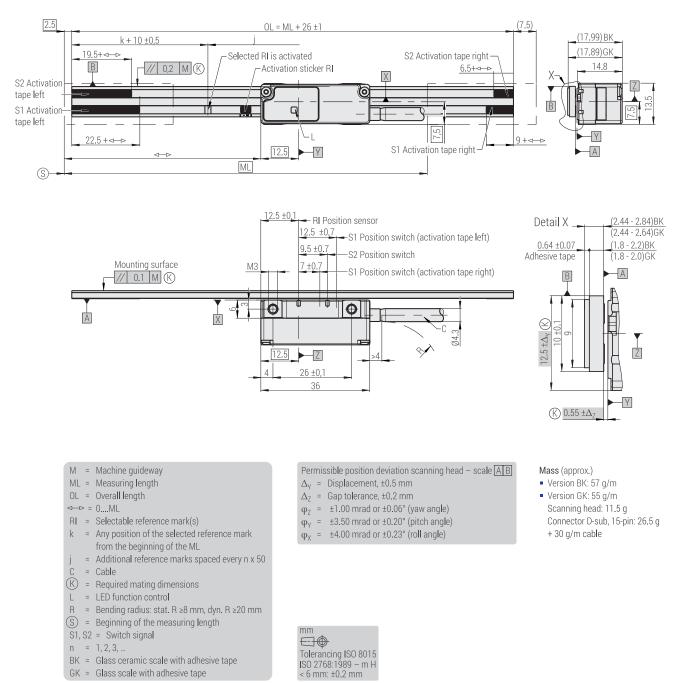


# MS 15 GK, BK

- GK: Glass scale with adhesive tape
- BK: Glass ceramic scale with adhesive tape

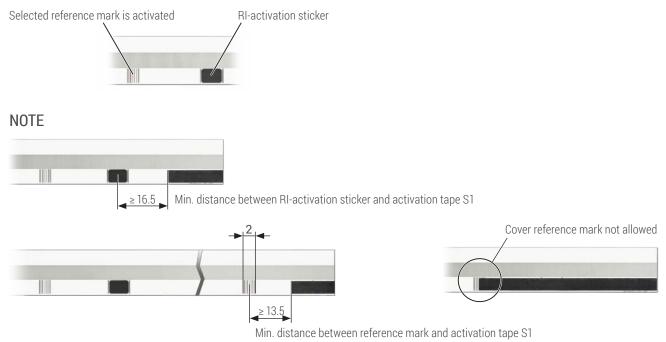


Dimensions, mounting tolerances:



# **REFERENCE MARK (RI)- AND SWITCH POINTS-SELECTION**

## Reference mark (RI)-selection



## MS 15 BK, GK and MK selection of the switch points

S2= Switch point signal S2 from beginning of ML  $X2_{I} =$  Activation tape length  $X2_1 = S2 + 19.5$ 

S1 = Switch point signal S1 before end of ML X1<sub>R</sub> = Activation tape length  $X1_{B} = S1 + 9$ 

S1 = Switch point signal S1 before end of ML

X1<sub>B</sub> = Activation tape length

 $X1_{R} = S1 + 8$ 

## EXAMPLE

S2: 20 mm from beginning of ML  $\rightarrow$  X2<sub>L</sub> = 39.5 mm S1: 20 mm before end of ML  $\rightarrow$  X1<sub>R</sub> = 29 mm



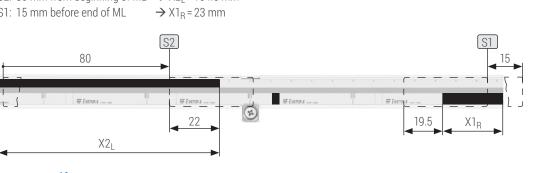
## MS 15 MP selection of the switch points



 $X2_{I}$  = Activation tape length

EXAMPLE

S2: 80 mm from beginning of ML  $\rightarrow$  X2<sub>L</sub> = 104.5 mm S1: 15 mm before end of ML  $\rightarrow$  X1<sub>R</sub> = 23 mm



# **INSPECTION OF FUNCTIONS**

STATUS OF LED	INFORMATION	NOTE							
Without external test box									
Function-control main track									
<ul> <li>LED displays GREEN</li> </ul>	Counting signals very good	After successful mounting							
LED blinks GREEN	Counting signals good	At mounting not allowed $ ightarrow$ allowed during operation							
LED blinks RED	Counting signals out of tolerance $ ightarrow$ error	Check mounting, clean graduation carrier							
Function-control reference impulse RI		Only by passing the reference mark							
LED blinks BLUE	RI within tolerance								
LED blinks RED	RI out of tolerance	Check mounting, clean graduation carrier							
With external test box									
Function-control main track									
<ul> <li>LED displays GREEN</li> </ul>	Scanning head supplied with power	Evaluation of counting signals via LED not active							
Function-control reference impulse RI		Only by passing the reference mark							
LED blinks BLUE	RI within tolerance								
LED blinks RED	RI out of tolerance	Check mounting, clean graduation carrier							

**Note!** If the scanning head passes a further reference mark within 0.5 s the information of the reference mark will not be stated by the function control. Thus the information of the incremental signals will also be displayed at high traversing speed and/or many reference marks.

# **EXTERNAL TESTING DEVICE PWT 101**

Even though the MS 15 linear encoders allow large mechanical mounting tolerances, it is recommended to control the function of counting signals and reference impulse.

The signals can be controlled directly via the integrated LED functioncontrol or connected to an oscilloscope and checked for conformity with signal specifications. The last mentioned method requires some effort.

The PWT 101 is a testing device for checking the function and adjustment of RSF Elektronik encoders. At encoders with pin assignment according to RSF standard (compare page 05) the pinout adapter PA2 must be used additionally. At alternative pin assignments other pinout adapters could be necessary.

Thanks to its compact dimensions and robust design, the PWT 101 is ideal for mobile use. A 4.3-inch touchscreen provides for display and operation.

## Available functions

The performance range of the PWT 101 can be expanded by firmware update. Appropriate firmware files that can be imported to the PWT 101 through a memory card (not included in delivery) will be made available at www.heidenhain.de.





# FURTHER PRODUCTS



## MCR 15 | MCS 15

# Absolute modular angle encoders with small dimensions

- Diverse serial interfaces
- Status display directly at the scanning head via LED function
- Easy mounting as a result of large mounting tolerances
- High insensitivity against contaminations
- Possible drum diameter (TTR): 50.00 mm to 350.23 mm (outside)
- Possible scanning diameter (MBR): 59.93 mm to 350.23 mm (outside)
- Steel tape scale (MSS) from Ø 75 mm



## MSR 15 | MSS 15

# Incremental modular angle encoders with small dimensions

- Quality of the scanning signals is directly visible at the scanning head via a tricolored LED function
- Easy mounting as a result of large mounting tolerances
- High insensitivity against contaminations
- Possible drum diameter (TTR): 50.00 mm to 350.23 mm (outside)
- Possible scanning diameter (MBR): 59.93 mm to 350.23 mm (outside)
- Steel tape scale (MSS) from Ø 75 mm



## **MSR 45**

Modular angle encoders with steel tape scale various versions

- Full-circle or segment version
- Grating period: 200 μm
- Accuracy of the grating (stretched): ±30 µm/m
- High permissible rotational speed resp.
- circumferential speed
   Integrated subdividing: up to times 100
- Possible diameter:
   Full-circle from Ø 146.99 mm
   Segment from Ø 150 mm



## MC 15

## Absolute linear encoders with status display

- Divers serial interfaces
- Status display directly at the scanning head via LED function
- Easy mounting as a result of large mounting tolerances
- High insensitivity against contaminations
- Max. measuring length Steel tape scale: 10 000 mm

## MS 25

#### Exposed linear encoder with and without integrated mounting control

- Easy mounting; no test box or oscilloscope needed
- Quality of the scanning signals is directly visible at the scanning head via a tricolored LED function
- Two independent switch tracks for individual special functions
- Position of reference mark selectable by customer
- High insensitivity against contamination
- High permissible traversing speed
- Integrated subdividing: up to times 200
- Max. measuring length Glass scale: 3140 mm Steel tape scale: 20 000 mm



## MS 45

*Exposed scanning linear encoders with integrated mounting control* 

- Easy mounting; no test box or oscilloscope needed
- Quality of the scanning signals is directly visible at the scanning head via a tricolored LED function
- Flat dimensions
- Easy mounting due to large mounting tolerances
- High insensitivity against contamination
- High permissible traversing speed
- Integrated subdividing: up to times 100
- Max. measuring length: Steel tape scale: 30 000 mm

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