



**SS / SZ Series:  
Spline Shafts**



**GR Series: Linear Guide Rails  
and Bushings**

**Kerk® SS / SZ Series Spline Shafts**

The Kerk® Spline Shaft (SS/SZ) series spline shaft system has been designed for light to moderate load applications, where low cost, low friction, and long life are primary design considerations.

Kerk Spline Shafts provide anti-rotation for one axis motion or a drive mechanism with rotation for two axes of motion. They are excellent alternatives for applications where hex shafts, square shafts and high-cost ball splines are typically used.

The assembly consists of a stainless steel spline shaft treated with Haydon Kerk Motion Solutions, Inc. proprietary low friction Kerkote® TFE coating, mated with a Kerkite® composite polymer bushing. The bushing is supplied with an integral brass collar to facilitate various mounting configurations without nut distortion.

Standard shaft straightness is .003-in (.08mm/30cm) per foot. Typical radial and torsional clearance between shaft and bushing for a basic assembly (SSA) is .002-in to .003-in (.05-.08mm). An anti-backlash assembly (SZA) is available for applications requiring minimum torsional play.

As with other Kerk® assemblies, special bushing configurations and end machining configurations are available upon request. Aluminum or carbon steel spline shafts are also available upon request.

**Identifying the Kerk® Spline Shafts and Guide Rails part number codes**

SPLINE SHAFTS  
AND GUIDE RAILS

<b>SZ</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>04</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>K</b>	-	<b>08</b>	-	<b>XXX</b>
<b>Prefix</b>	<b>Nut Style</b>	<b>Mounting</b>	<b>Rail Diameter</b>	<b>Number of Bushings per Rail</b>	<b>Coating</b>		<b>Length in Inches</b> <i>(Rounded up)</i>		<b>Unique Identifier</b>
<b>SS</b> = Spline Shaft <b>SZ</b> = Anti-Backlash Spline Shaft  <b>GR</b> = Guide Rail	<b>A</b> = Assembly only <b>B</b> = Bushing only <b>S</b> = Shaft only	<b>T</b> = Threaded <i>(for Spline Shafts only)</i>  <b>G</b> = Snap ring groove <i>(for Guide Rails only)</i>  <b>P</b> = Plain (no features) <b>S</b> = Shaft only <b>X</b> = Custom	<b>02</b> = 1/8-in <b>04</b> = 1/4-in <b>06</b> = 3/8-in <b>08</b> = 1/2-in <b>12</b> = 3/4-in	<b>0</b> <b>1</b> <b>2</b> <b>3</b> <b>4</b> <b>5</b> Use "0" for Shaft only and "1" if Bushing only	<b>S</b> = Uncoated <b>K</b> = Kerkote® <b>B</b> = Black Ice™ <b>N</b> = Bushing only		<b>Example:</b> <b>06</b> = 6-in <b>08</b> = 8-in <b>00</b> = Bushing only		Proprietary suffix assigned to a specific customer application. The identifier can apply to either a standard or custom part.

**NOTE:** Dashes must be included in Part Number (-) as shown above. For assistance or order entry, call our engineering team at 603 213 6290.

**EXAMPLES:**

**SZAT041K-12-XXXX** = Spline shaft with anti-backlash, shaft and threaded bushing assembly, 1/4-in shaft, 1 bushing per rail, Kerkote® coating, 12-in length, with no special features added.

**GRBPO41N-00-XXXX** = Guide rail, plain bushing only, 1/4-in shaft, with no special features added.



## SS Series Spline Shafts

Rail Diameter Code	Shaft	Root Diameter	Tube I.D.	Bushing Diameter	Bushing Length	Thread	Thread Length	Equivalent Diameter**	
	A in ± .002 (mm ± 0.05)	in ± .002 (mm ± 0.05)	in ± .002 (mm ± 0.05)	B in ± .001 (mm ± 0.025)	C in ± .01 (mm ± 0.25)	M	N in ± .002 (mm ± 0.05)		
<b>SS/SZ</b>	<b>02</b>	0.125 (3.18)	0.095 (2.41)	NA	0.375 (9.53)	0.500 (12.70)	3/8-24	0.250 (6.35)	0.110 (2.79)
	<b>04</b>	0.250 (6.35)	0.202 (5.13)	NA	0.500 (12.70)	0.75 (19.1)	7/16-20	0.250 (6.35)	0.226 (5.74)
	<b>06</b>	0.375 (9.53)	0.306 (7.77)	NA	0.625 (15.88)	1.00 (25.4)	9/16-20	0.375 (9.53)	0.341 (8.65)
	<b>08</b>	0.500 (12.70)	0.419 (10.64)	NA	0.813 (20.65)	1.50 (38.1)	3/4-20	0.500 (12.70)	0.458 (11.63)
	<b>12</b>	0.750 (19.05)	0.630 (16.00)	NA	1.125 (28.58)	2.25 (57.2)	1-16	0.750 (19.05)	0.690 (17.53)

Maximum Twist:  
3°/ft about Spline Shaft axis

Torsional Clearance (SSA):  
3° Bushing to Shaft

Spline Shaft stiffness may  
be modeled as a round rod  
with diameters given.

0.125-in rail size only  
available in SSAP and  
SSAT styles.

