Prevents bolts from loosening



A pair of washers for maximum safety

Nord-Lock bolt securing solutions consist of a pair of washers with cams facing each other and serrations gripping the mating surfaces. They use camgeometry to effectively prevent the bolt from vibrating loose. A hot melt adhesive is used to assemble the washers in pairs. The ingredients of the adhesive meet the compositional requirements of the American Food & Drug Administration regulations 21 CFR 175.105 "Adhesives".



When the fastener is tightened, the cams lock and the serrations on the outer faces of the washers grip into both the fastener and the clamped part, creating clear impression marks in both. Clamping load has been created by the bolt, keeping the assembly locked in place.

Because the cam angle ' α ' is greater than the thread pitch ' β ' a wedge-locking effect secures the fastener against rotational loosening, even under the most severe conditions.



When the fastener is untightened, sliding will occur between the two washers. The upper washer is locked to the nut or bolt head by the serrations. The lower washer does not rotate as its serrations are locked into the surface being clamped.

As the cams slide over each other, the clamping load from the bolt is first increased as the bolt stretches, before being released as the cams pass each other.

Joint Guide

Use this guide to help you use Nord-Lock original washers correctly. If you have an application that does not meet our design criteria, contact us and we will help you find a solution. Store dry the washer boxes at -15°C to 25°C ($5^{\circ}F$ to 77°F).



Tapped holes

Nord-Lock washers safely lock the bolt against the underlying surface.



Through holes

Through holes require two pairs of Nord-Lock washers — one pair for securing the bolt and one pair for securing the nut.



Stud bolts

Nord-Lock washers safely lock the nut on stud bolts and eliminate the need for adhesives.



Counterbores

The outer diameter of regular Nord-Lock washers is designed for counterbore holes according to DIN 974.



Large slotted holes or soft underlying surfaces

To optimize the load distribution for applications with large or slotted holes or with soft underlying surface, use a flanged nut or bolt together with Nord-Lock "sp" washers with enlarged outer diameter.

For soft underlying surfaces or materials with a lot of settlements, for example composite material, it is also recommended to use Nord-Lock X-series washers.



- When mating surfaces are not locked in place
- When mating surfaces are harder than the washers
- With very soft mating surfaces for example, wood and plastic
- For applications with extremely large settlements
- With non-preloaded joints

Assembly Instructions

Tightening of threaded holes





Place the pre-assembled washer pair on the bolt and (install) the bolt in the threaded hole.

We recommend the use of a lubricant. Lubricate the thread and the area under the head prior to installation.



2.

Tighten the bolt at a torque according to the Nord-Lock torque guidelines, using a calibrated torque wrench.



3. Ready!

Tightening of through holes



Place one pair of Nord-Lock washers underneath the head of the bolt and mount it in the through hole. Place the second pair of washers on the bolt and mount the nut.

We recommend the use of a lubricant. Lubricate the thread and the area under the head prior to installation.







Open cams - not correct

2.

Turn both fasteners (bolt head/nut) in order to close the cams on both washers before tightening to minimize settlements.



3.

Keep the bolt/nut secured while tightening the other part (bolt/nut). For guidance on which torque to tighten with, check the Nord-Lock torque guidelines.





USER MANUAL | NORD-LOCK ORIGINAL WASHERS

Product Selection

Nord-Lock offers products in a wide range of sizes, shapes and materials. They are developed to suit even the toughest environments. If you need support selecting the most appropriate product, please contact your closest Nord-Lock sales representative.



| | STEEL | STAINLESS STEEL | 254 SMO® | ALLOY C-276 | ALLOY 718 |
|----------------------------|---|---|---|--|---|
| Applications | General steel application | General stainless steel application Non chlorine / acid environments | Corrosive environment — chloride rich environments, pumps, heat exchangers, nuclear, food, medical, processing | Acidic environment — chemical industry, evaporators, offshore, downhole tooling | High temperatures — gas turbines, turbo charges, incinerators |
| Material Standard | EN 1.7182 | EN 1.4404 | EN 1.4547 | EN 2.4819 or equivalent | EN 2.4668 or equivalent |
| Hardening | Through hardened | Surface hardened | Surface hardened | Surface hardened | Surface hardened |
| Hardness* | ≥ 465HV1 | ≥ 520HV0.05 | ≥ 600HV0.05 | ≥ 520HV0.05 | ≥ 620HV0.05 |
| Corrosion Resistance** | Minimum 1,000 hours in salt spray test according to ISO 9227 | PREN 27 | PREN 45 | PREN 68 | PREN 29 |
| Temperature Range*** | -50°C to 200°C | -160°C to 500°C | -160°C to 500°C | -160°C to 500°C | -160°C to 700°C |
| Bolt Grades | Up to 12.9 | Up to A4-80 | Up to A4-80 | - | _ |
| Product Designation | NL NLsp | NLss NLspss | NLss-254 NLspss-254 | NLss-276 NLspss-276 | NLss-718 NLspss-718 |
| Laser Marking Type Code | flZn | SS | 254 | 276 | 718 |
| Size Range | M3-M130 #5 to 5" | M3-M80 #5 to 3 1/8" | M3-M39 #5 to 1 1/2" | M4-M20 #5 to 1 1/2" | M4-M20 #5 to 1 1/2" |
| Coating | Base coat: Delta Protekt® KL100 zinc flake coating Top coat: VH 302 GZ | - | _ | - | _ |

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Washer hardness must be greater than the hardness of the mating surfaces in order to assure its mechanical function.

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Corrosion resistance is known as PREN. PREN, or Pitting Resistance Equivalent Number, is a theoretical number calculated from the chemical composition of the raw material. The formula is: PREN = %Cr + 3.3x%Mo + 16x%N.

Temperature recommendations are based on information from the raw material supplier and testing. The locking function is not affected within the specified range.

Stainless steel (SS) washers

| Bolt size | Washer | Pitch | A4-70 Cu/C paste, G _F =65%, μ_{th} =0.13, μ_{h} =0.13 | | A4-80 Cu/C paste, G _F =65%, μ_{th} =0.13, μ_{h} =0.13 | |
|--------------|--------|-------|---|--------------------|---|--------------------|
| | size | [mm] | Torque [Nm] | Clamp load [kN] | Torque [Nm] | Clamp load [kN] |
| M3 | NL3ss | 0.50 | 0.8 | 1.5 | 1.1 | 2.0 |
| M4 | NL4ss | 0.70 | 1.8 | 2.6 | 2.4 | 3.4 |
| M5 | NL5ss | 0.80 | 3.6 | 4.1 | 4.8 | 5.5 |
| M6 | NL6ss | 1.00 | 6.3 | 5.9 | 8.4 | 7.8 |
| M8 | NL8ss | 1.25 | 15.0 | 11.0 | 20.0 | 14.0 |
| M10 | NL10ss | 1.50 | 30.0 | 17.0 | 39.0 | 23.0 |
| M12 | NL12ss | 1.75 | 51.0 | 25.0 | 68.0 | 33.0 |
| M14 | NL14ss | 2.00 | 81.0 | 34.0 | 108.0 | 45.0 |
| M16 | NL16ss | 2.00 | 124.0 | 46.0 | 165.0 | 61.0 |
| M18 | NL18ss | 2.50 | 173.0 | 56.0 | 231.0 | 75.0 |
| M20 | NL20ss | 2.50 | 243.0 | 72.0 | 323.0 | 95.0 |
| M22 | NL22ss | 2.50 | 330.0 | 89.0 | 440.0 | 118.0 |
| M24 | NL24ss | 3.00 | 418.0 | 103.0 | 557.0 | 137.0 |
| M27 | NL27ss | 3.00 | 609.0 | 134.0 | 812.0 | 179.0 |
| M30 | NL30ss | 3.50 | 831.0 | 164.0 | 1,108.0 | 219.0 |
| M36 | NL36ss | 4.00 | 1,444.0 | 239.0 | 1,925.0 | 319.0 |

Nord-Lock stainless steel washers with stainless steel bolt, lubricated with copper/graphite paste (Molykote® 1000).

254 SMO® washers

| Bolt | Washer | Pitch | A4-70 Cu/C paste, G _F =65%, μ_{th} =0.13, μ_{h} =0.13 | | A4-80 Cu/C paste, $G_F=65\%$, $\mu_{th}=0.13$, $\mu_h=0.13$ | |
|------|--------|-------|---|--------------------|---|--------------------|
| size | size | [mm] | Torque [Nm] | Clamp load [kN] | Torque [Nm] | Clamp load [kN] |
| M3 | NL3ss | 0.50 | 0.8 | 1.5 | 1.1 | 2.0 |
| M4 | NL4ss | 0.70 | 1.8 | 2.6 | 2.4 | 3.4 |
| M5 | NL5ss | 0.80 | 3.6 | 4.1 | 4.8 | 5.5 |
| M6 | NL6ss | 1.00 | 6.3 | 5.9 | 8.4 | 7.8 |
| M8 | NL8ss | 1.25 | 15.0 | 11.0 | 20.0 | 14.0 |
| M10 | NL10ss | 1.50 | 30.0 | 17.0 | 39.0 | 23.0 |
| M12 | NL12ss | 1.75 | 51.0 | 25.0 | 68.0 | 33.0 |
| M14 | NL14ss | 2.00 | 81.0 | 34.0 | 108.0 | 45.0 |
| M16 | NL16ss | 2.00 | 124.0 | 46.0 | 165.0 | 61.0 |
| M18 | NL18ss | 2.50 | 173.0 | 56.0 | 231.0 | 75.0 |
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Nord-Lock 254 SMO® washers with stainless steel bolt, lubricated with copper/graphite paste (Molykote® 1000).

Cu/C paste = Copper/graphite paste (Molykote[®] 1000) G_F= ratio of yield point. When tightening according to guidelines and with no deviation, this is the pre-stress achieved expressed as % of yield point.

 $\begin{array}{l} \mu_{th} = \mbox{ thread friction coefficient} \\ \mu_{h} = \mbox{ under head friction coefficient} \\ 1 \ N = 0.225 \ lb \\ 1 \ Nm = 0.738 \ ft\lb \end{array}$

Thread friction coefficients have theoretical values but are verified through testing. Under head friction coefficients have been established by tests.

Torque guidelines for other bolt grades are available through your local Nord-Lock representative.