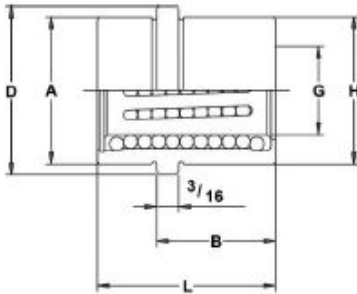


**PRODUCT DESCRIPTION** | BOLEXP ball guidance bushes are made up of an outer casing of steel for rolling, hardened and ground, which holds fixed inside a high-resistance bronze cage for guiding the balls running along the cage. The translation system consists of several rows of precision balls circulating endlessly. The great novelty of BOLEXP ball guidance bushes is that balls do not run aligned with the translation motion, but at a slight angle, thus enlarging the contact area with the shaft and enabling greater load capacity. This patented system represents an utter innovation in the linear guidance market. An all-metal structure makes bushes extremely resistant to high temperatures, 400°F(200°C).

**Model BGEB:** Bush with two outer cylindrical bodies and a center flange for fixing it between two plates.



**GUIDE COLUMN** | BOLEXP guide column is made of steel 1.5732 with surface hardening, obtaining a hardness of 62-64 HRc, and a depth from 0.04 to 0.047 inches, leaving the shaft core soft so that it can absorb the bending it might be required to. In guide manufacturing, some features are considered to be essential, including the quality of steel, surface hardness and precision and quality of the finish.

**FEATURES** | Determining the adequate ball bush size is based on the requirements of the tool to be constructed and the load capacity needed, as well as bush lifetime and operating security. Use the maximum recommended loads listed in Table I below for calculations.

TABLE I			
MODEL	Maximum Recommended Load (N)	MODEL	Maximum Recommended Load (N)
BGEB0750	1,250	BGEB1250	2,290
BGEB0875	1,950	BGEB1500	2,850
BGEB1000	1,990		

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Use the following formula to calculate nominal life for ball bushes.

$$L_h = (833 / (H * N_{osc})) * (C / P)^3$$

$L_h$  = Nominal lifetime in operating hours

$H$  = Single-way length of oscillatory motion travel in m.

$N_{osc}$  = Come-and-go motion frequency in 1/min.

$C$  = Load capacity in N

$P$  = Equivalent rolling load in N

**CALCULATION EXAMPLE** | An injection mould expulsion is guided by four bushes reference BGEB1000( $C=1,990$ ). The load on each bush is of  $P=200N$ , the column travel is of  $H=0.25m.$ , the come-and-go motion frequency is of  $N_{osc}=101/min$ . Nominal lifetime has to be calculated.

$$\text{Solution: } L_h = (833 / (0.25 * 10)) * (1,990 / 200)^3 = 300,000 \text{ hours}$$

Load capacities and lifetime calculations for bushes shown here above are applicable under precisely defined conditions. Any adverse condition may reduce significantly both measurements.

**TRAVEL ACCURACY** | Travel accuracy with a guidance system using shafts with BOLEXP ball linear rolling depends on several factors, such as the positioning precision of bushes or shafts, quality of shafts, free length between shaft supports and length of the bush in relation to the area to be slid. These influences depend basically on the type of application and the load to be supported. On the whole, the required travel accuracy must be ensured by the features and design of the assembly, as well as by the precise manufacture of adjacent pieces. Fixing the shaft at its two ends is recommended, particularly in the case of high loads, whenever the project allows it.

**LUBRICATION** | In order to ensure long durability for BOLEXP ball bushes, proper lubrication and maintenance are a must. The channels that the balls run along must be free of any interfering particles. Moreover, it is recommended to use oil lubrication so as to ensure proper lubrication for the whole of rolling items and, if necessary, to remove all impurities. We suggest the use of CLP oils according to DIN 51524, within the range of viscosities from ISO VG 64 to 100. Although grease can also be used for lubrication, this is not highly recommended as it fixes dirt particles much more easily. BOLEXP ball bushes are supplied oiled for its conservation and must be lubricated when Necessary. The conservancy fluid is compatible and can be mixed with mineral-based lubricants, making it unnecessary to wash bushes

**SHAFT EXECUTION** | Shafts for BOLEXP ball bushes must be hardened and ground. The ends require a tapering so that rollings cannot be damaged during the assembling. In order to fully benefit from high travel accuracy and load capacity of BOLEXP ball bushes, the shafts around which bushes slid must exhibit the best quality and a properly hard layer.

**ASSEMBLING & FIXING** | BOLEXP ball bushes can be mounted either in holes with tolerance H7 or in such a way that they can be manually slid into their cartridge. Never hit them with hammers or any other impacting tool. Otherwise, the bush structure could be damaged. It is recommended to mount at least two units in parallel disposal so as to avoid possible rotation motions in the travelling of items. Bush length is also suggested to be at least twice its diameter in order to minimize the rotation motion of balls, whenever this is possible. Rotation motions are not advised in this type of bushes, whose function is that of translation.