

# METRIC FDA/USDA/3A Dairy Self-Lubricating Linear Bearings

**Food Process  
Packaging Machinery  
Bio/Pharmaceutical  
Medical Systems**

**RoHS**  
compliant



ETX Scraper Seals



Thin Wall Stainless/PTFE



European Stainless/PTFE



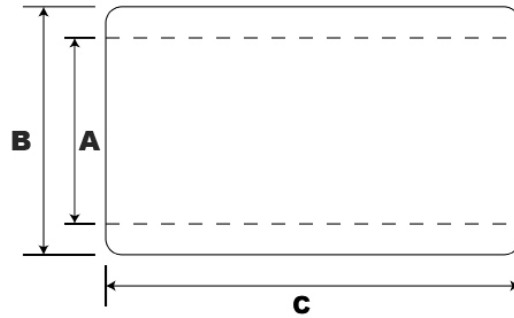
Fluidline



**L.M76**  
Linear Bearings

*The Engineering Edge*

# TWM Thin Wall Closed



Rapid Oscillation	
Self-Lubricating	
Contamination	
FDA/USDA 3A Dairy/USPVVI Compliant	
Chemicals and Caustic Vapors	
Caustic Wash Down	
Shock & Vibration	

Max PSI	Max PV	Max Velocity (Meters per Minute) Lubricated	Max Velocity (Meters per Minute) Unlubricated	Max Operating Temp °F/°C	Minimum Operating Temp °F/°C	Static Coefficient of Friction	Dynamic Coefficient of Friction	Minimum Shaft Hardness
1000	10,000	122	31	+385/196	-400/204	.3	.09 - .15	Rb25

Bearing Shell Material	300 Stainless Steel
Self-Lube Liner	PTFE

## ORDERING P/N EXAMPLE

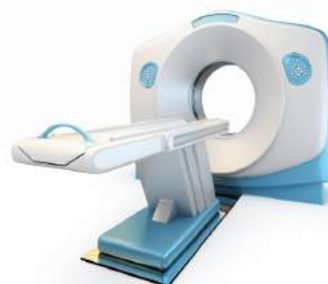
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Part Number	Working Bore mm	Bore Tolerance	Outside Diameter mm	Length Tolerance h14	Max Shaft Diameter mm	Housing Bore Diameter mm	MAX STATIC LOAD
	A		B	C			N
L12TWMFDA	12	"	19	28	12	19	3160
L14TWMFDA	14	"	21	28	14	21	3986
L16TWMFDA	16	"	24	30	16	24	4715
L20TWMFDA	20	0,047-0,074	28	30	20	28	6990
L25TWMFDA	25		35	40	25	35	11250
L30TWMFDA	30		40	50	30	40	16340
L40TWMFDA	40	0,049-0,089	52	60	40	52	29410
L50TWMFDA	50		62	70	50	52	46126

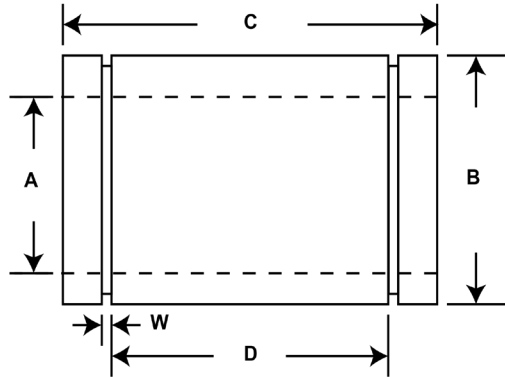
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# European Metric Closed



Max PSI	Max PV	Max Velocity (Meters per Minute) Lubricated	Max Velocity (Meters per Minute) Unlubricated	Max Operating Temp °F/°C	Minimum Operating Temp °F/°C	Static Coefficient of Friction	Dynamic Coefficient of Friction	Minimum Shaft Hardness
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Bearing Shell Material	300 Stainless Steel
Self-Lube Liner	PTFE

## ORDERING P/N EXAMPLE

**L 6 FDA**

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Chemicals and Caustic Vapors	
Caustic Wash Down	
Shock & Vibration	

Part Number	Working Bore mm	Max Shaft Dia. h6 or h7 Tolerance	ID Bore Tolerance -.000	O.D. Diameter	Bearing Length h14 Tolerance	Retaining Ring	Retaining Groove Width	Housing Bore Diameter h7	MAX STATIC LOAD
	A			B		D	W		N
L12-FDA	12	12	0,038-0,065	22	32	D=20 W=1,3	1.32	22	3720
L16-FDA	16	16	0,038-0,065	26	36	D=22 W=1,6	1.32	26	5740
L20-FDA	20	20	0,047-0,089	32	45	D=28 W=1,6	1.63	32	8879
L25-FDA	25	25	0,047-0,089	40	58	D=40 W=1,85	1.90	40	14732
L30-FDA	30	30	0,047-0,089	47	68	D=48 W=1,85	1.90	47	20893
L40-FDA	40	40	0,049-0,089	62	80	D=56 W=2,15	2.20	62	31207
L50-FDA	30	50	0,049-0,089	75	100	D=72 W=2,65	2.70	75	49890

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## ETX SCRAPER SEALS



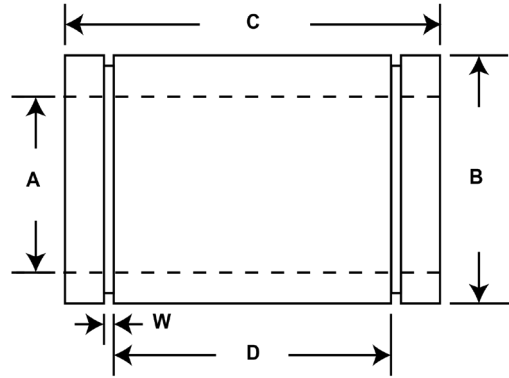
LM76 Stainless European Metric linear bearings can be modified with ETX scraper seals. ETX Seals are self-lubricating snap-in scraper seals which are FDA/USDA/3A Dairy/USPVI/Caustic Wash Down compliant. Because they are designed with an interference fit on the shaft, they do increase friction. ETX Scraper Seals are long wearing and will not allow debris to include between the bearing and the shaft. Excellent for cheese process, dairy, meat and poultry applications. To add ETX Seals, add 2ETX to the part number.

**NOTE:** ETX Scraper Seals are only available in closed style bearings.

Ordering Example: **L12TWMSLSS-2ETX**



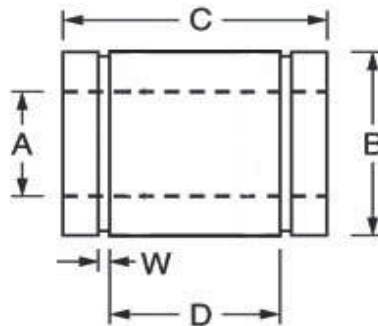
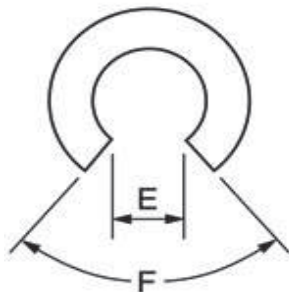
# European Metric Open



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Self-Lube Liner	PTFE

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## ORDERING P/N EXAMPLE

LX 6 FDA

Part Number	Working Bore mm	Max Shaft Dia. h6 or h7 Tolerance	ID Bore Tolerance -.000	O.D. Diameter	Bearing Length h14 Tolerance	Retaining Ring	Slot Width	Slot Angle	Housing Bore Diameter h7	MAX STATIC LOAD
	A				B					
LX12-FDA	12	12	0,038-0,065	22	32	D=20 W=1,3	7.6	60	22	3720
LX16-FDA	16	16	0,038-0,065	26	36	D=22 W=1,6	10.4	78	26	5740
LX20-FDA	20	20	0,047-0,089	32	45	D=28 W=1,6	10.8	78	32	8879
LX25-FDA	25	25	0,047-0,089	40	58	D=40 W=1,85	13.2	60	40	14732
LX30-FDA	30	30	0,047-0,089	47	68	D=48 W=1,85	14.2	72	47	20893
LX40-FDA	40	40	0,049-0,089	62	80	D=56 W=2,15	19.5	72	62	31207
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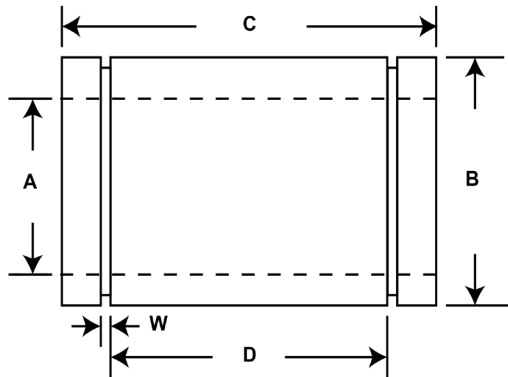
# FluidLine Metric Closed



FluidLine Linear Bearings offer a 1 piece construction that allows it to stay in service even after there is significant wear. Unlike our stainless bearings with a FDA compliant PTFE liner (.64mm - .89mm thick), once you wear through the PTFE liner, the bearing must be replaced because the shaft will be in contact with the stainless steel bearing shell. Because Fluidline is a piece design, it can stay in service longer - it will just get more loose fitting. Great for conveyor indexers and check weight underweight pushers. NOTE: Fluidline is a non-metallic linear bearing and thus it will dissipate heat more slowly. Not made for high speed, long travel applications. Closed style only.

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1000	10,000	121	30	+385/196	-400/204	.3	.09 - .15	Rb25

Bearing Material	PET-P
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## ORDERING P/N EXAMPLE

FDL	50
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Rapid Oscillation	
Self-Lubricating	
Contamination	
FDA/USDA 3A Dairy/USPVI Compliant	
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Caustic Wash Down	
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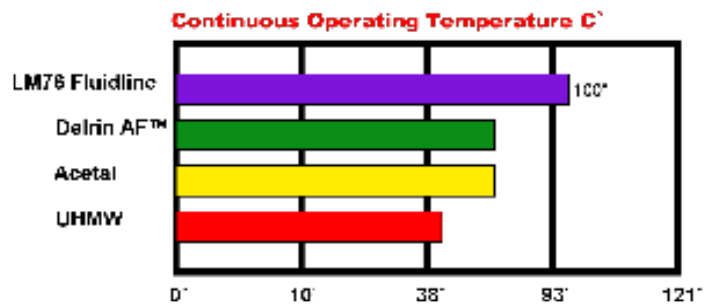
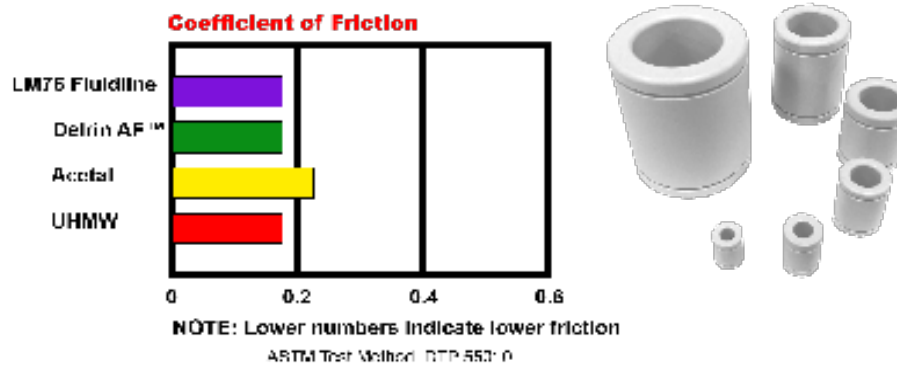
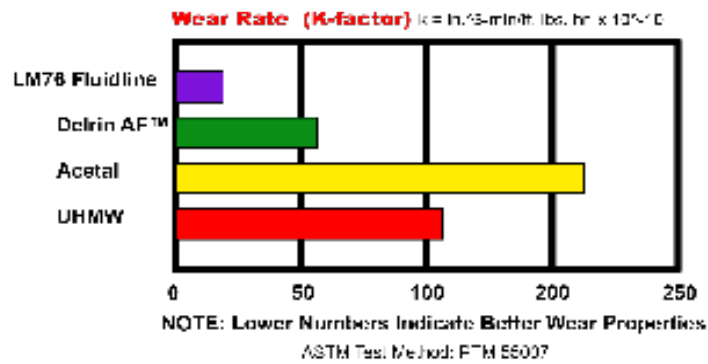
Part Number	Working Bore mm	Max Shaft Dia. h6 or h7 Tolerance	ID Bore Tolerance -.000	O.D. Diameter	Bearing Length h14 Tolerance	Retaining Ring	Slot Width	Slot Angle	Housing Bore Diameter h7	MAX STATIC LOAD
	A				C					
FDL-12	12	12	0,038-0,065	22	32	D=20 W=1,3	7.6	60	22	3720
FDL-16	16	16	0,038-0,065	26	36	D=22 W=1,6	10.4	78	26	5740
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FDL-25	25	25	0,047-0,089	40	58	D=40 W=1,85	13.2	60	40	14732
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FDL-40	40	40	0,049-0,089	62	80	D=56 W=2,15	19.5	72	62	31207
FDL-50	30	50	0,049-0,089	75	100	D=72 W=2,65	24.0	72	75	49890

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# FluidLine Engineering Data

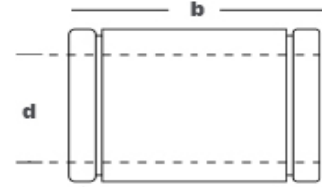


# PTFE Bearing Engineering Data

## Terms:

P = Pressure  
 PSI = Pressure per square inch  
 SFM = Surface Feet per Minute  
 PV = Is the unit of measure determined by 2 values - Pressure (PSI) and Velocity (SFM)  
 Formula:  $P=W/(dxb)$  W = Static Load d = Bearing Inside Diameter b = Bearing Length

ID x Length = Total Number of Square mm of bearing liner material (PTFE) available to load



## Example:

50kg (500) load on a 25mm ID bearing x 58mm Long  
 $P=W/(dxb)$   
 $P=500/(25x58) = 0.3448\text{N/mm}^2$  and the velocity is 0.25m/s  
 $PV = 0.3448 \times 0.25$   
**Result:**  $PV = 0.862\text{N/mm}^2 \text{ m/s}$



**Rule of Thumb:** Plain Bearings, due to their increased contact area, are prone to "Sticktion" - the force or torque required to get them moving is higher than when they are in motion. We use a .3 multiplier i.e., 45kg will take 13.5 kg to get the system moving. Design your drives around this figure.

## Understanding PV (Inverse Equation):

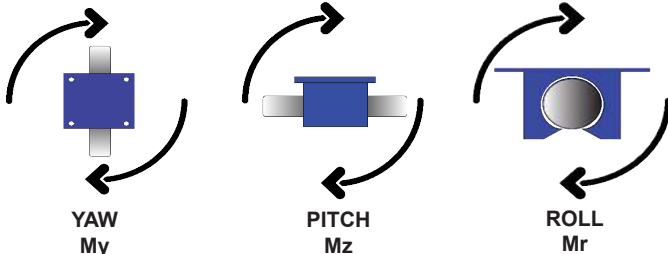
The total PV rating for our FDA/PTFE/Self-Lubricating liner is 10,000. PV works like this: If you go up on load, you go down in speed. If you go up on speed, you go down on load.



**Rule of thumb:** With a light load and lubrication, you can design around 121m/min system speed. Unlubricated, you can design around 30m/min system speed.

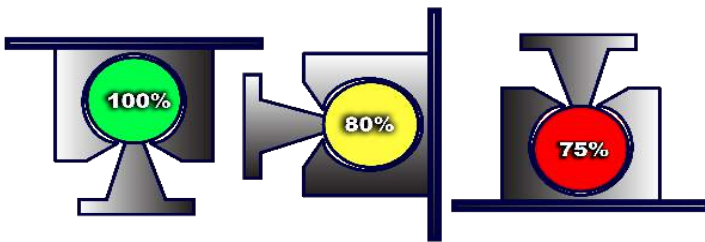
## Over-Turning Moment Loads:

Plain bearings are more susceptible to moment loading than ball or roller systems in all three axis: pitch, yaw and roll.



**NOTE:** Please contact LM76 Engineering for more information on moment loading.

## OPEN Bearing Orientation Load Depreciator Max Static Load



## 2:1 Ratio for Moment Loading

To specify bearing spacing relative to the c/g load point, we will use the following example for a vertical axis:

1. Determine where the C/G (center of gravity) is located along the moment arm. For our example, we have illustrated (Figure 1.0) a liquid filling machine which has a c/g load point 305mm from the centerline of the shafting. Employing the 2:1 ratio - spacing between bearings must be a minimum of 1/2 the distance of the c/g load point on the moment arm - therefore, spacing between bearings must be a minimum of 153mm.



**Rule of thumb:** Use all the distance between bearings that is physically available up to a 1:1 ratio - more is always better.

## Press-fit vs. Slip-Fit

LM76 linear bearings can be slip-fit into a housing and retained with stainless snap rings. They can also be press-fit with a light press - **DO NOT EXCEED .127mm**

## Bearing Edge Loading:

Edge loading is a condition resulting from excessive moment loading, lack of parallelism between shafts or any situation where bearing and shaft centerlines are out of alignment. Edge loading results in higher friction and wear. Extreme cases will cause sticking & slipping and in severe situations, system seizure.

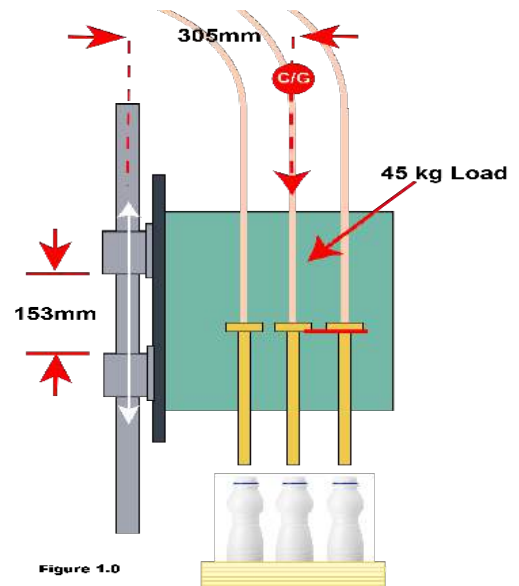
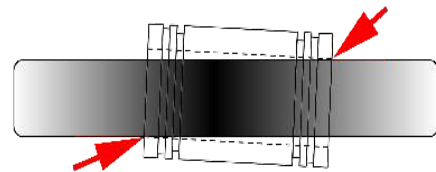


Figure 1.0

# Sanitation Standard Operating Procedures (SSOPs)

Consistently using correct cleaning and sanitizing procedures in dairy and food processing plants is the foundation to producing high quality, safe food. Sanitation Standard Operating Procedures (SSOPs) are detailed procedures specifying what to clean, how to clean, how often to clean, and the records used for monitoring.

A food processing or beverage plant's wash down areas are unique environments that undergo harsh abuse from pressure washer sprays and a multitude of chemicals used in the cleaning and sanitation of equipment.

In the baking industry, warm water and soap is a common washdown combination. However, meat, poultry and dairy products require more aggressive chemicals like sodas (sodium hydroxide) and self-foaming cleaners, foaming acids and self-foaming chlorinated caustic cleaners like chlorine to sanitize bearings, shafting and direct food contact areas. At LM76, we understand the issues associated with FDA compliant materials, both food contact and outside food contact applications and aggressive chlorinated foaming agents and sodas like sodium hydroxide.

LM76 Materials & Coatings Stainless Steels: 303, 304 and 316 are common bearing shells and shafting materials. In addition, we turn to proven and compliant PTFE self-lubricating liners that are highly inert to chemical washdown. NOTE: if you have questions about washdown LM76 also employs a number of proven and compliant coatings such as hardcoat anodized aluminum, electroless nickel plated aluminum for pillow blocks, flange blocks, shaft supports, shaft end supports and Armoloy® coated stainless steel shafting: 300 - 440c/420c.



Caustic Foaming Agents



High Pressure Washdown





LM76 was founded in 1976 and has been a proven, international designer/manufacturer of plain-style linear motion bearings. LM76 designed the original drop-in replacement for linear ball bearings in 1976 - our ceramic coated linear bearing. Our ceramic coated linear bearing has registered some of the highest accelerations seen by any product in our industry: +120G's along with fastest dynamic system speeds. To date, we have not found an excelleration or system speed where it has failed when properly employed. It has the longest life test of any linear bearing we are aware of:

PSI	ft/min	Final Distance	Wear
100	100	One Hundred Million Linear Feet	.00004"



**Ceramic Coated  
European Metric**



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Metric TWM Thin Wall**



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Self-Lubricating**



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LM76 is a prolific designer and manufacturer of special designs: ID's / OD's/ Lengths / Geometries made from a myriad of Materials. We design around your unique application, not a catalog product.

