

# SKF Vibracon

The chocking solution for rotating equipment





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The chocking solution which offers easy, accurate and economical installation of rotating equipment

SKF Vibracon chocks are self-leveling and provide the option to reduce profile height. They allow easy, accurate mounting of all types of rotating equipment to base frames and either steel or concrete foundations. They accommodate the angular difference (up to 4°) between machine and mounting base without the need to machine the base or install epoxy resin chocks. The chocks eliminate soft foot- and can lower the cost of equipment foundations – whether they are designed-in or retrofitted.

# SKF Vibracon chocking solutions offer you the advantages of:

- A high load capacity
- A broad adjustment range
- An optimized load path through the product
- An optimized bolt/Vibracon combination
- Reduced chock height across the entire range





Carbon steel chocks

Surface-treated chocks



Stainless steel chocks



SKF Vibracon chocks have undergone rigorous laboratory and field testing. This has been performed in a variety of environments and applications, under the scrutiny of designers, production managers, OEM commissioning engineers, operators and owners. The chocks have helped many leading engineering companies to improve both technical and economic performance.

SKF Vibracon chocks can save costs and raise performance in many industries, including:

- Food & beverage
- Pulp & paper
- Oil & gas
- Marine & offshore
- Railways

- Power generation including renewable energy
- Agriculture
- Clean room applications

As well as enhancing performance, SKF Vibracon chocks are backed by SKF's extensive maintenance organisation – and expertise in shaft alignment.

SKF Vibracon chocks raise efficiency and save cost in the installation of rotating components. This is further simplified by the availability of a broad range of specialist adjustment tools allowing technicians to alter chock height with maximum safety and comfort.

Configurations and materials are not limited to the examples shown in the product tables. Many other options are available – and are routinely used to solve mounting challenges.

# Typical SKF Vibracon applications

- Gas and diesel engines
- Compressors
- Electric motors
- Gearboxes
- Generators

- Pumps and fans
- Bearing housings
- Turbines
- Other critical rotating machinery



Low profile chocks





# Carbon steel chocks (E-CS)

SKF Vibracon adjustable chocks can satisfy a range of technical concerns, as they are available in a number of configurations and materials. Chocks made of carbon steel are recommended for indoor use. They provide a cost-effective solution for standard applications, while offering reliable performance in environments such as on the factory floor. Applying additives at the mating surfaces provides initial protection – both before and during installation – and prevents parts from seizing when they are adjusted.



# Surface treated chocks (E-CSTR)

Chocks are often installed in demanding environments, including humid and salty climates – where enhanced corrosion protection is recommended. (SKF Vibracon chocks were originally developed for marine applications.) To satisfy this need, SKF has tested a range of protective solutions, resulting in its surface-treated chocks. Each part is individually surface treated, which helps to give the chocks a consistent quality and extended performance against corrosion.



# Stainless steel chocks (E-SS)

For the most demanding environments where carbon steel surface-treated chocks will not suffice, SKF has developed a range of stainlesssteel chocks. Mating surfaces are treated with additives to prevent parts from seizing when adjusted. Coupled with recent performance improvements, such as increased load capacity, they are suitable but not limited to be used in industries such as oil & gas or offshore.



## Low profile chocks (ELP-ASTR)

These surface treated alloy steel low profile chocks are aimed at applications with limited available chocking heights. Low profile chocks offer an economic alternative to the expensive milled chocks, shims or epoxy resins typically used for re-chocking projects or previously designed solutions. Each part is individually surface treated, which helps to give the chocks a consistent quality and extended performance against corrosion. They can be fitted easily and cost-effectively, which helps machine owners who are on a tight installation schedule.



# Adjustment tools

Using SKF Vibracon chocks makes the installation of rotating components efficient and cost effective. The installation process is simplified thanks to a wide selection of adjustment tools. These tools are designed for safe, comfortable height alteration of the chocks. Benefits include:

- Specific design results in a simple but perfect fit
- Easy to use in hard-to-reach locations
- Tools available for every type and size of SKF Vibracon chock
- Surface treatment to extend lifetime
- Grip handles for added comfort



# Other SKF Vibracon applications

The configurations and materials of SKF Vibracon chocks are not limited to the examples shown in the product tables. Many options are available and routinely deployed to solve mounting challenges.

### Shock hardened

Chocks for the Grade A Shock (MIL-S-901D) requirements.

# Customised chocks

SKF Vibracon chocks can provide a solution for most mounting challenges – even if bolt pitch is limited, or special materials are needed.

# SKF Vibracon kit for resilient mounts

A one-box kit solution is available, for commonly used resilient mounts

# SKF Vibracon selection tool

Selecting the correct chock for an application is not easy - but is simplified by the use of the SKF Vibracon selection tool.

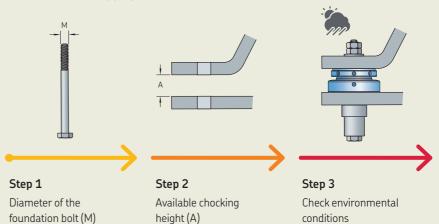
The SKF Vibracon selection tool was developed to simplify the selection of the correct adjustable steel chock for mounting rotating equipment.

The selection tool determines the most suitable Vibracon chock for an application, based on three key criteria:

- Bolt size
- Available installation height (chocking height)
- Preferred material such as carbon steel, surface treated steel or stainless steel

The product selector is available at skf.com/vibraconselector

# How to select the appropriate SKF Vibracon chock





# Vibracon selection tool

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The SKF Vibracon selection tool provides a calculation tool to determine the most suitable SKF Vibracon chock for your application.

# Suitable dimensions

Bolt size rang	je	Adjustme		Designation	Designation									
Standard ran	ge	standard	range	Surface treated	Stainless steel	Carbon steel								
Metric	Imperial	mm	in.											
M12 - M16	1/2"- 5/8	30 - 40	1.18 - 1.57	SM 12 E-CSTR	SM 12 E-SS	SM 12 E-CS								
M16 - M20	5/8" - 3/4"	35 - 48	1.38 - 1.89	SM 16 E-CSTR	SM 16 E-SS	SM 16 E-CS								
M20 - M24	3/4" - 1"	40 - 54	1.57 - 2.13	SM 20 E-CSTR	SM 20 E-SS	SM 20 E-CS								
M24 - M30	1" - 1 <sup>1/</sup> 4"	45 - 60	1.77 - 2.36	SM 24 E-CSTR	SM 24 E-SS	SM 24 E-CS								
M30 - M36	1 1/4" - 1 1/2"	50 - 65	1.97 - 2.56	SM 30 E-CSTR	SM 30 E-SS	SM 30 E-CS								
M36 - M42	<u>1</u> 1/2" - <u>1</u> 3/4"	55 - 70	2.17 - 2.76	SM 36 E-CSTR	SM 36 E-SS	SM 36 E-CS								
M42 - M48	1 3/4" - 2"	60 - 75	2.36 - 2.95	SM 42 E-CSTR	SM 42 E-SS	SM 42 E-CS								
M48 - M56	2" - 21/4"	70 - 89	2.76 - 3.50	SM 48 E-CSTR	SM 48 E-SS	SM 48 E-CS								
M56 - M64	2 1/4" - 2 1/2"	75 - 94	2.95 - 3.70	SM 56 E-CSTR	SM 56 E-SS	SM 56 E-CS								
M64 - M68	2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> " - 2 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub> "	80 - 99	3.15 - 3.90	SM 64 E-CSTR	SM 64 E-SS	SM 64 E-CS								
					Adjustment tools									
Low profile ra	inge			Surface treated	Designation	Suitable for:								
M16 - M20	5/8"- 3/4	25 - 37	0.98 - 1.46	SM 16 ELP-ASTR	SMAT 006	SM12 E – SM16 E								
M20 - M24	3/4" - 1"	25 - 37	0.98 - 1.46	SM 20 ELP-ASTR	SMAT 008	SM 20 E – SM 36 E								

#### M24 - M30 1" - 1 1/4" 25 - 37 0.98 - 1.46 SM 24 ELP-ASTR **SMAT 010** SM 42 E – SM 64 E M30 - M36 1 1/4" - 1 1/2" 25 - 37 0.98 - 1.46 SM 30 ELP-ASTR SMAT 006 LP-3 SM16ELP-SM20ELP M36 - M42 1 1/2" - 1 3/4" 30 - 42 1.18 - 1.65 SM 36 ELP-ASTR SMAT 006 LP-4 SM 24 ELP - SM 42 ELP

SM 42 ELP-ASTR

1.38 - 1.85

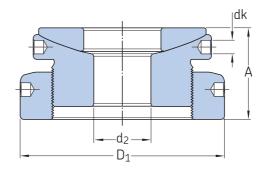
35 - 47

M42 - M48

1 3/4" - 2"

**Designation suffix:** 

CS = Carbon steel CSTR = Carbon steel surface treated SS = Stainless steel



Designation example: SM 24 E-CSTR

Bolt size range		Bolt hole diameter		Maximum height		Engineering Minimum height height			Minimum reduced height <sup>1)</sup>		Maximum extended height <sup>2)</sup>		Outer diameter		Key hole diameter		Pitch of thread		Product type	
Metric	Imperial	d <sub>2</sub>		А		А		А	А		A		A		$D_1$		dk			
		mm	in.	mm	in.	mm	in.	mm	in.	mm	in.	mm	in.	mm	in.	mm	in.	mm	in.	
M12-M16	1/2"-5/8"	18	0.71	40	1.57	34	1.34	30	1.18	24	0.94	65	2.56	65	2.56	6	0.24	1.5	0.06	SM 12 E
M16-M20	5/8"-3/4"	22	0.87	48	1.89	40	1.57	35	1.38	26	1.02	80	3.15	80	3.15	6	0.24	1.5	0.06	SM 16 E
M20-M24	3/4"-1"	27	1.06	54	2.13	45	1.77	40	1.57	30	1.18	100	3.94	100	3.94	8	0.31	1.5	0.06	SM 20 E
M24-M30	1"-1 <sup>1</sup> /4"	33	1.30	60	2.36	51	2.01	45	1.77	35	1.38	120	4.72	120	4.72	8	0.31	2	0.08	SM 24 E
M30-M36	<b>11/4"-11/</b> 2"	39	1.54	65	2,56	56	2.20	50	1.97	40	1,57	140	5.51	140	5.51	8	0.31	2	0.08	SM 30 E
M36-M42	1 <sup>1</sup> /2"-1 <sup>3</sup> /4"	45	1.77	70	2,76	61	2,40	55	2.17	45	1,77	160	6.30	160	6.30	8	0.31	2	0.08	SM 36 E
M42-M48	1 <sup>3</sup> /4"-2"	52	2.05	75	2,95	66	2,60	60	2.36	50	1,97	190	7.48	190	7.48	10	0.39	2	0.08	SM 42 E
M48-M56	2"-21/4"	60	2.36	89	3,50	77	3,03	70	2,76	59	2,32	210	8.27	210	8.27	10	0.39	3	0.12	SM 48 E
M56-M64	21/4"-21/2"	68	2.68	94	3,70	82	3,23	75	2,95	64	2,52	230	9.06	230	9.06	10	0.39	3	0.12	SM 56 E
M64-M68	21/2"-23/4	78	3.07	99	3,90	87	3,43	80	3,15	69	2,72	260	10.24	260	10.24	10	0.39	3	0.12	SM 64 E

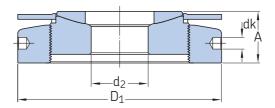
<sup>1)</sup> The minimum height of the product can be reduced on a lathe if required.

<sup>2)</sup> The maximum height of the product can be extended with the use of an additonal bottom ring.

Bolt size range		Bolt	Torque	Bolt	Torque	Bolt	Torque	Bolt	Torque	Proof load <sup>3)</sup>		Machine load <sup>4)</sup>		Weight		Designation			
Metric	Imperial									luau	<i>''</i>	luau	1040 4/				Suffixes		
		Metr.	Nm	Metr.	Nm	lmp.	lbf.ft	lmp.	lbf.ft	kN	kip	kN	kip	kg	lbs				
M12-M16	1/2"-5/8"	M12	85	M16	215	1/2"	65	5/8"	160	90	20	15	3.4	0,6	1,32	SM 12 E	-CSTR	-SS	-CS
M16-M20	5/8"-3/4"	M16	215	M20	420	5/8"	160	3/4"	295	140	31	25	5.6	1,0	2,20	SM 16 E	-CSTR	-SS	-CS
M20-M24	3/4"-1"	M20	420	M24	730	3/4"	295	1"	560	200	45	35	7.9	1,8	3,97	SM 20 E	-CSTR	-SS	-CS
M24-M30	1"-11/4"	M24	730	M30	1465	1"	560	<b>1</b> 1/4"	1 145	325	73	60	13.5	3,0	6,61	SM 24 E	-CSTR	-SS	-CS
M30-M36	11/4" <b>-1</b> 1/2"	M30	1465	M36	2 570	1 <sup>1</sup> /4"	1 145	11/2"	2 000	475	107	90	20.2	4,6	10,14	SM 30 E	-CSTR	-SS	-CS
M36-M42	1 <sup>1</sup> /2"-1 <sup>3</sup> /4"	M36	2 570	M42	4100	1 <sup>1</sup> /2"	2 000	13/4"	3 200	650	146	120	27.0	6,5	14,33	SM 36 E	-CSTR	-SS	-CS
M42-M48	13/4"-2"	M42	4100	M48	6 210	1 <sup>3</sup> /4"	3 200	2"	4 785	850	191	160	36.0	10,0	22,05	SM 42 E	-CSTR	-SS	-CS
M48-M56	2"-2 <u>1</u> /4"	M48	6 210	M56	9 660	2"	4 785	2 <sup>1</sup> /4"	7 285	1150	259	200	45.0	14,5	31,97	SM 48 E	-CSTR	-SS	-CS
M56-M64	21/4"-21/2"	M56	9 660	M64	14 400	2 1/4"	7 285	<b>21/</b> 2"	10 550	1500	337	260	58.5	18,7	41,23	SM 56 E	-CSTR	-SS	-CS
M64-M68	21/2"-23/4	M64	14 400	M68	17 900	2 1/2"	10 550	23/4"	15 475	2 000	450	380	85.5	25,1	55,34	SM 64 E	-CSTR	-SS	-CS

Calculations are valid for bolts with usual thread, material grade 8.8, yield strength > 640 MPa (ASTM A193 Grade B7, yield strength > 105 ksi), oil lubricated thread courses and nut mating surfaces without slide additives

 <sup>3)</sup> Recommended maximum load on the SKF Vibracon corresponding with the proof load of the recommended maximum metric bolt size.
<sup>4)</sup> Sum of the weight of the component and the dynamic forces operating on the SKF Vibracon in the maximum adjusted position at the heaviest loaded position and multiplied by a safety factor.



**Designation suffix** ASTR = Alloy steel surface treated

## Designation example: SM 24 ELP-ASTR

Bolt size range		Bore hole diameter		Maximum height		Engineering Minimum height height			Minimum reduced height <sup>1)</sup>		Maximum extended height <sup>2)</sup>		Diameter		Key holes		Pitch of thread		Product type	
Metric	Imperial	d <sub>2</sub>		А		А	А		А		A		A		$D_1$					
		mm	in.	mm	in.	mm	in.	mm	in.	mm	in.	mm	in.	mm	in.	mm	in.	mm	in.	
M16 - M20	5/8"-3/4"	22	0.87	37	1.46	30	1.18	25	0.98	17	0.67	80	3.15	80	3.15	6	0.24	1.5	0.06	SM 16 ELP
M20 - M24	3/4"-1"	27	1.06	37	1.46	30	1.18	25	0.98	17	0.67	100	3.94	100	3.94	6	0.24	1.5	0.06	SM 20 ELP
M24 - M30	1"-1 1/4"	33	1.30	37	1.46	30	1.18	25	0.98	17	0.67	120	4.72	120	4.72	6	0.24	2	0.08	SM 24 ELP
M30 - M36	1 <sup>1</sup> /4"-1 <sup>1</sup> /2"	39	1.54	37	1.46	30	1.18	25	0.98	17	0.67	140	5.51	140	5.51	6	0.24	2	0.08	SM 30 ELP
M36 - M42	1 <sup>1</sup> /2"-1 <sup>3</sup> /4"	45	1.77	42	1.65	35	1.38	30	1.18	22	0.87	160	6.30	160	6.30	6	0.24	2	0.08	SM 36 ELP
M42 - M48	1 <sup>3</sup> /4"-2"	52	2.05	47	1.85	40	1.57	35	1.38	27	1.06	190	7.48	190	7.48	6	0.24	2	0.08	SM 42 ELP

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M20 - M24	3/4"-1"	M20	420	M24	730	3/4"	295	1"	560	200	45	35	7.9	1,2	2,65	SM 20 ELP-ASTR	
M24 - M30	1"-1 <sup>1/</sup> 4"	M24	730	M30	1465	1"	560	1 1/4"	1 145	325	73	60	13.5	1,8	3,97	SM 24 ELP-ASTR	
M30 - M36	1 1/4"-1 1/2"	M30	1465	M36	2 570	1 1/4"	1 145	1 <sup>1</sup> /2"	2 000	475	107	90	20.2	2,4	5,29	SM 30 ELP-ASTR	
M36 - M42	1 <sup>1</sup> /2"-1 <sup>3</sup> /4"	M36	2 570	M42	4100	1 1/2"	2 000	1 <sup>3</sup> /4"	3 200	650	146	120	27.0	3,8	8,38	SM 36 ELP-ASTR	
M42 - M48	1 3/4"-2"	M42	4100	M48	6 210	<u>1</u> 3/4"	3 200	2"	4 785	850	191	160	36.0	6,4	14,12	SM 42 ELP-ASTR	

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# Also available from SKF

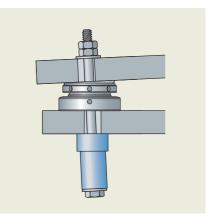
# Spherical washers

# Avoid bending of the foundation bolt

Spherical washers from SKF are designed to create an exact, parallel plane between the bolt head and the face of the nut. These washers automatically adjust and compensate for the angular deviation between the planes and prevent the bolt from bending.

Advantages of using spherical washers:

- Automatically compensates for angular errors
- Evenly distributed bolt tension
- Reduces bolt fatigue from bending bolts
- Improved bolt stretch possible due to increased clamping length
- Surface treated for protection in humid and harsh environments
- Available in standard and low-profile (LP) versions



# Alignment tools

# Shaft misalignment is a major cause of rotating machinery breakdown

Accurate alignment – using specialist tools – helps to overcome the problem, as well as reducing unplanned stops and preventing lost production. This can help to extend machine lifetime. In today's demanding environment of cost reduction and asset optimisation, the need for accurate alignment is greater than ever.

SKF offers a wide variety of shaft alignment equipment, backed up by extensive maintenance expertise. Please visit skf.com/alignment for more information and product specifications.



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