

## Clamping cartridges/units

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## Characteristics

### At a glance

- The clamping cartridges/units use spring force to hold round material in any required position.
- They can stop and hold material for long periods, even in applications with varying loads, fluctuating operating pressure and system leaks.
- The clamping force is released by pressurising the clamping cartridge.
- The clamping cartridges/units can be mounted in any position.
- Clamping cartridges/units are not suitable for positioning.
- The clamping cartridge KP and the clamping units KPE, KEC, KEC-S are standalone components.
- Cylinders with integrated clamping unit
  - ADNKP
  - DSNU-...-KP
  - DSBC-...-C
  - DNCKE/DNCKE-S
- Zero backlash in clamped condition with varying loads on the piston rod:
  - Clamping cartridge/unit KP/KPE: no
  - Clamping unit KEC/KECS: yes

### Selection aid

#### Clamping cartridge KP → Page 6



- For in-house assembly of clamping units
- Not certified for use in safety-related control systems

#### Clamping unit KPE → Page 8



- Ready-to-install combination of clamping cartridge KP and housing
- Wide range of mounting options → 9
- Not certified for use in safety-related control systems

#### Clamping unit KEC → Page 10



- For use as a holding device (static application):
  - Holding and clamping in the event of power failure
  - Protection against pressure failure and pressure drop
  - Securing the piston rod during intermediate stops for process operations
- Mounting hole pattern to ISO 15552 (DIN ISO 6431)
- Not certified for use in safety-related control systems

#### Clamping unit KEC-...-S, for safety-related applications → Page 12



- Pneumatic braking/holding device for use in safety-related parts of control systems.  
The clamping unit is not a complete safety solution, but it can be used as part of a solution.
- Certified by the Institute for Occupational Safety and Health of the German Social Accident Insurance (DGUV). Testing and certification body in DGUV Test (IFA). Pneumatic braking/holding device with safety function.
- For use as a holding device (static application):
  - Holding and clamping in the event of power failure
  - Protection against pressure failure and pressure drop
  - Securing the piston rod during intermediate stops for process operations
- For use as a braking device (dynamic application):
  - Braking or stopping a movement
  - Suspension of a movement if a danger zone is entered
- Mounting hole pattern to ISO 15552 (DIN ISO 6431)
- When used as a braking device, the overtravel must be checked regularly
- Suitable for use in safety-related parts of control systems belonging to category 1 to EN ISO 13849-1 (tried-and-tested component). Additional control measures are required for use in higher categories.
- Products intended for use in safety-related applications must be selected, sized and arranged in accordance with valid standards and regulations.

## Characteristics

### Requirements for the round material to be clamped

In combination with clamping cartridge KP or clamping unit KPE

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|---|--|--|---|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Material:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Hard-chrome-plated steel</li> <li>– Hardened steel</li> <li>– Rolled steel:                 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tensile strength <math>&gt; 650 \text{ N/mm}^2</math>,</li> <li>hardness (HB30) <math>&gt; 175</math></li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Diameter tolerance: h8</li> <li>• Surface roughness:                 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><math>R_{\text{max.}} = 4 \mu\text{m}</math></li> </ul> </li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The specified holding forces refer to a static load. If these values are exceeded, slippage may occur.</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clamping cartridge KP and clamping unit KPE are not suitable for dynamic operation.</li> </ul> |
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In combination with clamping unit KEC

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|--|---|--|--|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Material:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Hard-chrome-plated steel:                 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>layer thickness min. <math>20 \mu\text{m}</math></li> </ul> </li> <li>– Hardened steel:                 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>min. HRC 60</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Diameter tolerance: h7 ... f7</li> <li>• Surface roughness:                 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><math>R_{\text{max.}} = 4 \mu\text{m}</math></li> </ul> </li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The specified holding forces refer to a static load. If these values are exceeded, slippage may occur.</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clamping unit KEC is not suitable for dynamic operation.</li> <li>• For clamping unit KECS, the following applies: dynamic forces occurring during operation must not exceed the static holding force.</li> </ul> |
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## Type codes

001	Series
<b>KP</b>	Clamping cartridge

002	Piston rod diameter [mm]
<b>4</b>	4
<b>6</b>	6
<b>8</b>	8
<b>10</b>	10
<b>12</b>	12
<b>16</b>	16
<b>20</b>	20
<b>25</b>	25
<b>32</b>	32

003	Static holding force
<b>80</b>	80
<b>180</b>	180
<b>350</b>	350
<b>600</b>	600
<b>1000</b>	1000
<b>1400</b>	1400
<b>2000</b>	2000
<b>5000</b>	5000
<b>7500</b>	7500

## Type codes

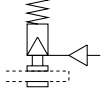
001	Series	
KPE	Clamping unit	
KEC	Clamping unit	



002	Piston rod diameter [mm]	
4	4	
6	6	
8	8	
10	10	
12	12	
16	16	
20	20	
25	25	
32	32	

003	Certification	
	None	
S	Safety device to Machinery Directive 2006/42/EC	

## Data sheet

### Function



-  - Diameter of round material to be clamped: 4 ... 32 mm
-  - Force 80 ... 7500 N



### - - Note

Additional measures are required for use in safety-related applications; in Europe, for example, the standards listed under the EC Machinery Directive must be observed. Without additional measures in accordance with statutory minimum requirements, the product is not suitable as a safety-related part of control systems.

### General technical data

For round material diameter	4	6	8	10	12	16	20	25	32	
Pneumatic connection	M5					G1/8				
Design	Tilting plates									
Type of mounting	Via self-configured housing									
Type of clamping with active direction	At both ends									
	Clamping via spring force, compressed air to release									
Static holding force [N]	80	180	350	350	600	1000	1400	2000	5000	7500
Axial play under load [mm]	0.2	0.3		0.5			0.8			1.8
Min. release pressure [bar]	3									
Mounting position	Any									
Product weight [g]	10	15	50	50	50	90	170	170	700	1600

### Operating and environmental conditions

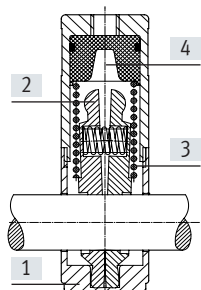
Operating medium	Compressed air to ISO 8573-1:2010 [7:4:4]
Note on operating/pilot medium	Lubricated operation possible (in which case lubricated operation will always be required)
Operating pressure [bar]	≤ 10
Ambient temperature [°C]	-10 ... +80
Corrosion resistance CRC <sup>1)</sup>	2

1) Corrosion resistance class CRC 2 to Festo standard FN 940070

Moderate corrosion stress. Indoor applications in which condensation can occur. External visible parts with primarily decorative surface requirements which are in direct contact with a normal industrial environment.

### Materials

#### Sectional view

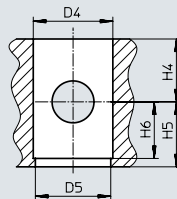
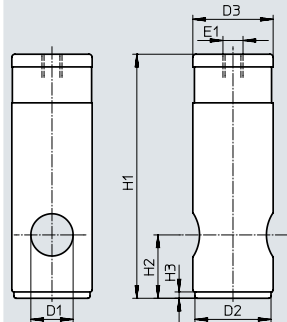



#### Clamping cartridge

[1]	Housing	Anodised aluminium
[2]	Clamping jaws	Brass
[3]	Spring	Spring steel
[4]	Piston	POM
-	Seals	NBR, TPE-U(PU)

## Data sheet

## Dimensions and ordering data

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 **Note**

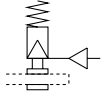
When installing the clamping cartridge in a housing, plain bearings must be installed on both sides of this housing.



For diam. [mm]	D1 ∅	D2 ∅ h12	D3 ∅ f9	D4 ∅ D9	D5 ∅	E1	H1	H2
4	4	10	12	12	11	M5	28	7
6	6	14	16	16	15	M5	35	10
8	8	18	20	20	19	M5	62	17.5
10	10	18	20	20	19	M5	62	17.5
12	12	18	20	20	19	M5	62	17.5
16	16	22	24	24	23	G1/8	83	22
20	20	28	30	30	29	G1/8	100	25
	20	36	38	38	37	G1/8	115.5	30
25	25	46	48	48	47	G1/8	155	36
32	32	63	65	65	64	G1/8	195	55

For diam. [mm]	H3	H4 min.	H5 min.	H6	Weight [g]	Part no.	Type
4	2	9	7.5	6	10	178452	KP-4-80
6	3	10	11	8	15	178453	KP-6-180
8	3	18	18.5	15.5	50	178454	KP-8-350
10	3	18	18.5	15.5	50	178455	KP-10-350
12	3	18	18.5	15.5	50	178456	KP-12-600
16	3	22	23	20	90	178457	KP-16-1000
20	3	25	26	23	170	178458	KP-20-1400
	3	30	31	28	170	178459	KP-20-2000
25	3	36	37	34	700	178460	KP-25-5000
32	3	55	56	53	1600	178461	KP-32-7500

## Data sheet

### Function



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-  Force 80 ... 7500 N
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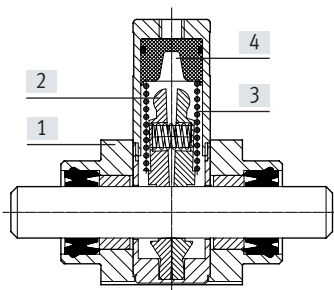
General technical data										
For round material diameter	4	6	8	10	12	16	20	25	32	
Pneumatic connection	M5					G1/8				
Design	Tilting plates									
Type of mounting	With mounting thread									
	With through-hole									
Type of clamping with active direction	At both ends									
	Clamping via spring force, compressed air to release									
Static holding force [N]	80	180	350	350	600	1000	2000	5000	7500	
Axial play under load [mm]	0.2	0.3		0.5			0.8		1.8	
Min. release pressure [bar]	3									
Mounting position	Any									
Product weight [g]	100	150	240	260	270	410	930	2000	4600	

Operating and environmental conditions	
Operating medium	Compressed air to ISO 8573-1:2010 [7:4:4]
Note on operating/pilot medium	Lubricated operation possible (in which case lubricated operation will always be required)
Operating pressure [bar]	≤ 10
Ambient temperature [°C]	-10 ... +80
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#### Sectional view



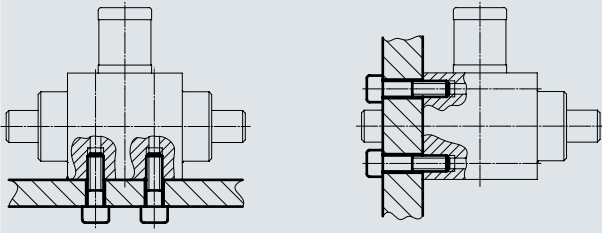
Clamping unit		
[1]	Retaining bracket	Anodised aluminium
[2]	Clamping jaws	Brass
[3]	Spring	Spring steel
[4]	Piston	POM
-	Seals	NBR, TPE-U(PU)



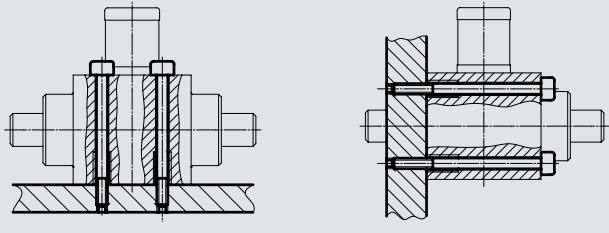
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Mounting options

With mounting thread



With through-hole

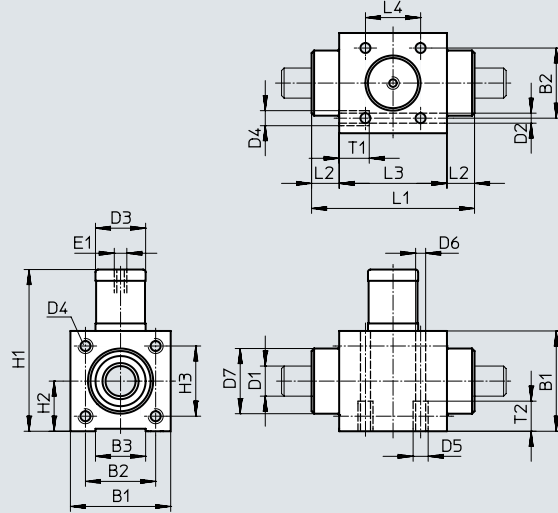
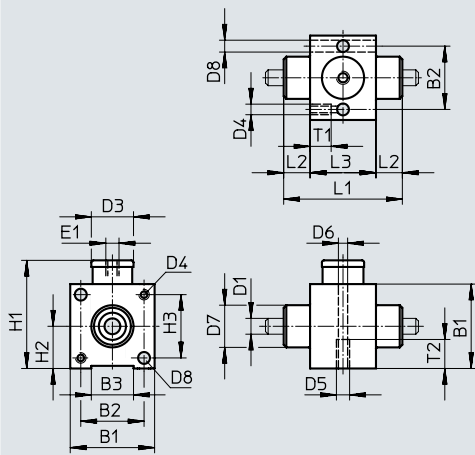


Dimensions and ordering data

For round material diameter 4 ... 6 mm

For round material diameter 8 ... 32 mm

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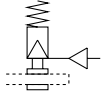




For diam.	B1	B2	B3	D1 ∅	D2 ∅	D3 ∅	D4	D5	D6 ∅	D7 ∅ d11	D8 ∅	E1	H1	H2
[mm]														
4	27	19.5	12	4	-	12	-	M5	4.2	12	4.5	M5	34.5	13.5
6	32	24	16	6	-	16	-	M5	4.2	16	4.5	M5	41	16
8	36	27	20	8	4.2	20	M5	M5	4.2	22	-	M5	62.5	18
10	36	27	20	10	4.2	20	M5	M5	4.2	22	-	M5	62.5	18
12	40	28	20	12	5.2	20	M6	M6	5.2	28	-	M5	64.5	20
16	45	32.5	25	16	5.2	24	M6	M6	5.2	32	-	G1/8	83.5	22.5
20	65	50	38	20	6.5	38	M8	M8	6.5	45	-	G1/8	118	32.5
25	88	65	50	25	8.5	48	M10	M10	8.5	55	-	G1/8	163	44
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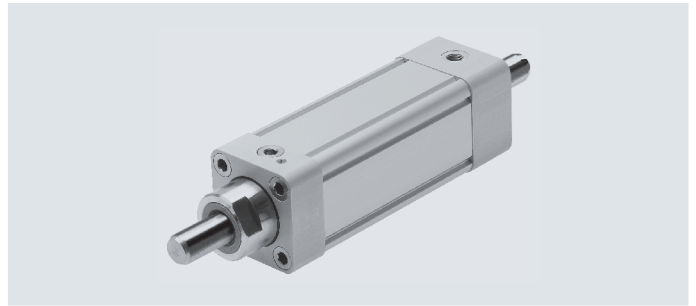
For diam.	H3	L1	L2	L3	L4	T1	T2	Weight	Part no.	Type
[mm]								[g]		
4	19.5	33	7.5	18	-	9	11	100	178462	KPE-4
6	24	45	10	25	-	9	11	150	178463	KPE-6
8	27	58	10	38	20	10	11	240	178464	KPE-8
10	27	62	12	38	20	10	11	260	178465	KPE-10
12	28	65	11	43	22	12	12	270	178466	KPE-12
16	32.5	69	12.5	44	22	12	12	410	178467	KPE-16
20	50	83	12.5	58	30	16	16	930	178468	KPE-20
25	65	100	15	70	34	20	20	2000	178469	KPE-25
32	90	154	25	104	60	24	24	4600	178470	KPE-32

Data sheet

Function




-  Diameter of round material to be clamped: 16 ... 25 mm
-  Force 1300 ... 8000 N



 **Note**  
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General technical data			
For round material diameter	16	20	25
Pneumatic connection	G1/8	G1/4	G3/8
Type of mounting	With female thread With accessory → page 14		
Type of clamping with active direction	At both ends Clamping via spring force, compressed air to release		
Static holding force	1300	3200	8000
Min. release pressure [bar]	3.8		
Mounting position	Any		
Product weight [g]	1860	4515	16760

Operating and environmental conditions	
Operating medium	Compressed air to ISO 8573-1:2010 [7:4:4]
Note on operating/pilot medium	Lubricated operation possible (in which case lubricated operation will always be required)
Operating pressure [bar]	3.8 ... 10
Ambient temperature [°C]	-20 ... +80
ATEX	Selected types → <a href="http://www.festo.com">www.festo.com</a>
Requirements for the round material	
Tolerance	h7 ... f7
Quality	Hardened (min. HRC 60) or hard-chrome-plated (layer thickness min. 20 µm) Surface roughness Rmax. = 4 µm
Lead-in chamfer	3 mm wide 15° chamfer on the end of the round material

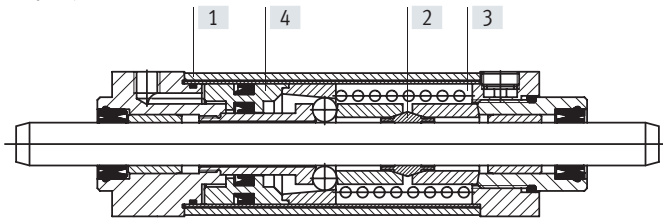
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**Actuation:**  
 The clamping unit may only be released when the forces on the round material are balanced out. Otherwise there is a risk of accidents due to the sudden movement of the round material. Blocking off the compressed air supply at both ends (e.g. with a 5/3-way valve) does not provide any safety.

## Data sheet

## Materials

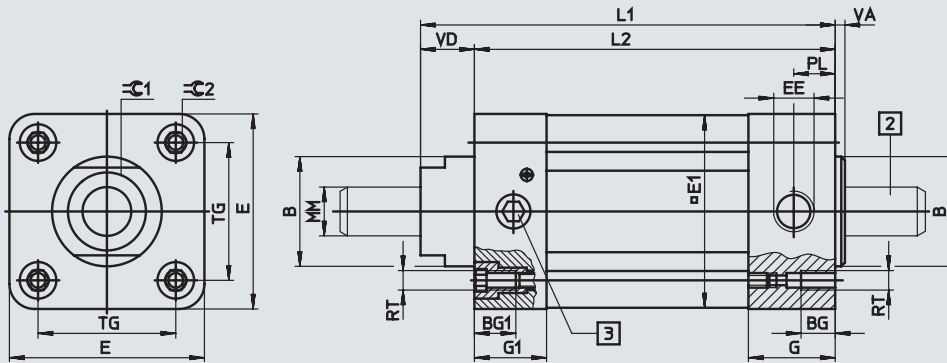
Sectional view




## Clamping unit

[1]	Housing	Wrought aluminium alloy
[2]	Clamping jaws	Tool steel
[3]	Spring	High-alloy steel
[4]	Piston	Wrought aluminium alloy
-	Seals	NBR, TPE-U(PU)

## Dimensions and ordering data

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-  - **Note**

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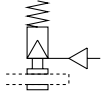
- [2] Round material to be clamped
- [3] Locking screw



For diam. [mm]	B ∅ f8	BG	BG1	E	E1	EE	G	G1	L1	L2	MM ∅ f7-h7
16	35	15	15	54	53	G1/8	27	22	178	160	16
20	45	14	17	80	79	G1/4	30	29.5	208.5	187	20
25	55	17	17	126	126	G3/8	32.5	32.5	287	258	25

For diam. [mm]	PL	RT	TG	VA	VD	≙C1	≙C2	Weight [g]	Part no.	Type
16	13	M6	38	5.5	18	30	6	1860	527492	KEC-16
20	15.5	M8	56.5	6	21.5	36	8	4515	527493	KEC-20
25	17	M10	89	7	29	41	10	15600	527494	KEC-25

## Data sheet

## Function




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-  Force 1300 ... 8000 N



General technical data			
For round material diameter	16	20	25
Pneumatic connection	G1/8	G1/4	G3/8
Type of mounting	With female thread With accessory → page 14		
Type of clamping with active direction	At both ends Clamping via spring force, compressed air to release		
Static holding force	1300	3200	8000
Min. release pressure [bar]	3.8		
Mounting position	Any		
Function	Single-channel to EN ISO 13849-1, category 1		
Safety function	Holding and stopping a movement		
Certification	Certified by the Institute for Occupational Safety and Health of the German Social Accident Insurance (DGUV). Testing and certification body in DGUV Test (IFA)		
Product weight [g]	1860	4515	15600

Operating and environmental conditions	
Operating medium	Compressed air to ISO 8573-1:2010 [7:4:4]
Note on operating/pilot medium	Lubricated operation possible (in which case lubricated operation will always be required)
Operating pressure [bar]	3.8 ... 8
Max. permissible test pressure [bar]	10
Ambient temperature [°C]	-10 ... +60
Requirements for the round material	
Tolerance	h7 ... f7
Quality	Hardened (min. HRC 60) or hard-chrome-plated (layer thickness min. 20 µm) Surface roughness Rmax. = 4 µm
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## Actuation:

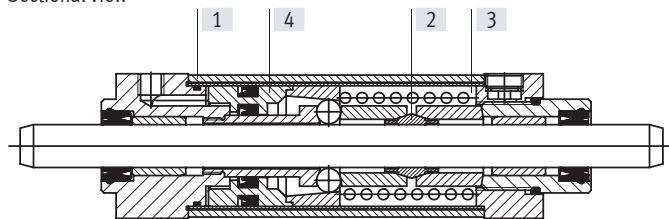
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Safety data	
Safety function	Stopping a linear movement
Performance Level (PL)	Cat. 1, PLc
Certificate issuing authority	IFA 1504155
CE marking (see declaration of conformity)	To EU Machinery Directive

## Data sheet

## Materials

Sectional view

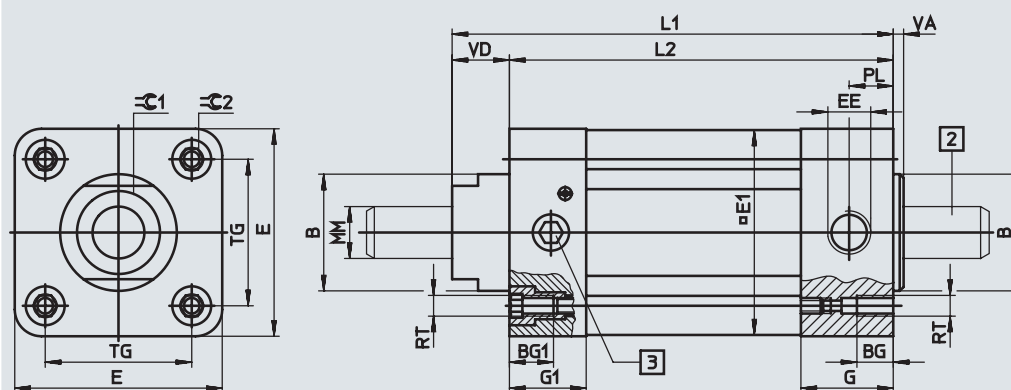


## Clamping unit

[1]	Housing	Wrought aluminium alloy
[2]	Clamping jaws	Tool steel
[3]	Spring	High-alloy steel
[4]	Piston	Wrought aluminium alloy
-	Seals	NBR, TPE-U(PU)

## Dimensions and ordering data

KEC-S – for safety-related control systems

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- [2] Round material to be clamped  
[3] Locking screw

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For diam. [mm]	PL	RT	TG	VA	VD	∅C1	∅C2	Weight [g]	Part no.	Type
16	13	M6	38	5.5	18	30	6	1860	538242	KEC-16-S
20	15.5	M8	56.5	6	21.5	36	8	4515	538243	KEC-20-S
25	17	M10	89	7	29	41	10	15600	538244	KEC-25-S

-  - **Note**

The overtravel is the distance that the piston rod covers between exhausting of the clamping unit and coming to a standstill. It must be determined by the customer when the machine is being set up. When the clamping unit is used as a braking device, an increase in the overtravel as a function of the load and the frequency of braking (wear) must be expected. The clamping unit KEC-S can be used in safety-related parts of control systems belonging to category 1 (tried-and-tested component) as defined by EN ISO 13849-1. For use in higher categories than category 1 to EN ISO 13849-1, the overtravel must be achieved even in the event of faults.

The overtravel is dependent on the ambient conditions and stress, e.g.:

- Operating pressure
- Nominal size of the switching valve
- Cable length
- Diameter of the connecting cable to the clamping unit
- Load and speed

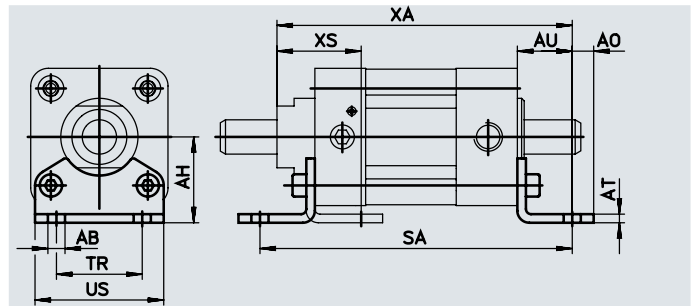
The overtravel can be reduced by attaching a quick exhaust valve to the compressed air supply port of the clamping unit.

## Clamping units

### Accessories

#### Foot mounting HNC

Material:  
Galvanised steel  
Free of copper and PTFE



#### Dimensions and ordering data

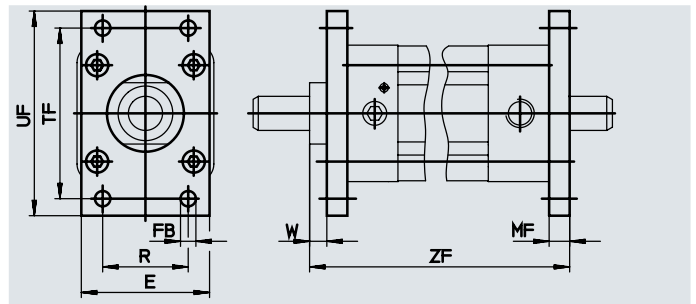
For diam.	AB ∅	AH	AO	AT	AU	SA	TR	US	XA	XS	CRC <sup>1)</sup>	Weight [g]	Part no.	Type
16	10	36	9	5	28	216	36	54	206	42	2	193	174370	HNC-40
20	10	50	12.5	6	32	251	50	75	240.5	48.5	2	436	174372	HNC-63
25	14.5	71	17.5	6	41	340	75	110	328	64	2	1009	174374	HNC-100

1) Corrosion resistance class CRC 2 to Festo standard FN 940070

Moderate corrosion stress. Indoor applications in which condensation can occur. External visible parts with primarily decorative surface requirements which are in direct contact with a normal industrial environment.

#### Flange mounting FNC

Material:  
Galvanised steel  
Free of copper and PTFE



#### Dimensions and ordering data

For diam.	E	FB ∅ H13	MF	R	TF	UF	W	ZF	CRC <sup>1)</sup>	Weight [g]	Part no.	Type
16	54	9	10	36	72	90	8	188	1	291	174377	FNC-40
20	75	9	12	50	100	120	9.5	220.5	1	679	174379	FNC-63
25	110	14	16	75	150	175	13	303	1	2041	174381	FNC-100

1) Corrosion resistance class CRC 1 to Festo standard FN 940070

Low corrosion stress. Dry internal application or transport and storage protection. Also applies to parts behind coverings, in the non-visible interior area, and parts which are covered in the application (e.g. drive trunnions).

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