

NATIONAL DIE INFORMATION

⚠ CAUTION

- **Improper die selection could result in significant loss of efficiency in the termination.**

National dies and die holders are made solely for swaging properly designed fittings on wire rope, and any other uses are prohibited.

The swaging operation results in a high degree of cold metal flow. The movement that occurs between the fitting and the dies will cause wear of the dies. Therefore, to prolong the life of the dies, it is important to always lubricate die faces and cavities between each pass with a light weight oil or high pressure grease.

When scores appear in the die cavities, the dies should be removed from service.

NEVER EXCEED THE WORKING LOAD LIMIT OF DIES OR DIE HOLDERS.

All National Standard dies 1/4" through 1" include an open channel die cavity and a tapered die cavity in the same die block.

Dies for S-505 Standard Steel Sleeves (Flemish Eyes)

Die sizes for 1/4" through 1"

Swaging 1/4" through 1" Standard Steel S-505 sleeves on Flemish Eye terminations requires the use of the taper cavity only. Refer to the *Wire Rope End Termination User's Manual* for proper die selection.

Die sizes for 1-1/8" and above

Swaging 1-1/8" and larger Standard Steel S-505 sleeves on Flemish Eye terminations requires using 2 sets of open channel dies (1st stage and 2nd stage) for each size. Beginning with the 1st stage die and finishing with the 2nd stage die will achieve proper after swage dimensions. Dies for S-505 Sleeves 1-1/8" and larger are single cavity with open channel. Refer to the *Wire Rope End Termination User's Manual* for proper die selection.

Using S-505 Sleeves with Metric Ropes

Although Crosby National S-505 Standard Steel sleeves are designed to be used with most metric ropes, there are selected "intermediate" sizes of metric ropes that when swaged in standard National dies utilizing Crosby National S-505 sleeves do not achieve required after swage dimensions and efficiencies. To ensure all 505 sleeves achieve the required efficiency when used with metric ropes, Crosby provides special National swaging dies to be used in conjunction with selected size metric ropes. These new dies will produce the required efficiencies and after swage dimensions.

The table found in the *Wire Rope End Termination User's Manual* identifies the new dies that are required to properly swage the selected intermediate size wire ropes not covered in the standard product offering found on page 24 of the manual.

Dies for 6mm through 26mm (except 12mm, 20mm and 24mm)

Swaging on 6mm through 26mm metric ropes for Flemish Eye slings requires the selection of the proper S-505 Standard Steel sleeve and the use of the tapered cavity only. Refer to page 24 of the *Wire Rope End Termination User's Manual* for proper sleeve and die selection.

Dies for 12mm, 20mm and 24mm

Swaging on 12mm, 20mm and 24mm metric ropes for Flemish Eye slings requires the selection of the proper S-505 Standard Steel sleeve and the use of both the open cavity and tapered cavity in special dies. Refer to page 25 of the *Wire Rope End Termination User's Manual* for proper sleeve and die selection.

Dies for 28mm and larger

Swaging on 28mm and larger metric ropes for Flemish Eye slings requires the selection of the proper S-505 Standard Steel sleeve and the use of 2 sets of open channel dies (1st stage and 2nd stage) for each size. Beginning with the 1st stage die and finishing with the 2nd stage die will achieve proper after swage dimensions. Dies for S-505 sleeves 28mm and larger are single cavity with open channel. Refer to page 24 of the *Wire Rope End Termination User's Manual* for proper sleeve and die selection.

Important: If the specific size metric rope required is not listed on page 24 of the *Wire Rope End Termination User's Manual* refer to Intermediate Metric Die Chart on page 25 of the manual for proper sleeve and die selection.

Dies for QUIC-PASS® Swaging System – 1/4" through 1-1/2"

The QUIC-PASS® swaging system allows "Flemish style" wire rope terminations to be swaged in only two passes. This is accomplished while maintaining currently published efficiency ratings and utilizing National Swage S-505 Standard "COLD TUFF"® Steel Sleeves.

The special design of the QUIC-PASS® dies allows the swaging process to be completed in just two passes, resulting in a 50-75% reduction in the number of passes required with conventional swaging systems. Unlike standard round dies, the QUIC-PASS® dies close completely with each pass, resulting in an increase in overall swaging process efficiencies (the job can be performed quicker), a reduction in the complexity of swaging (the concern for excess flashing between dies has been eliminated) and a reduction in training time needed for operators (more user friendly).

The finished sleeve has a "Hex" appearance that provides a QUIC-CHECK® look to determine if the termination has been swaged and provides a flat surface that allows for ease of I.D. stamping on the finished sleeve. Refer to page 24 of the *Wire Rope End Termination User's Manual* for proper die selection.