## Supplementary designations

## **Prefixes**

Prefixes are used to identify components of a bearing and are usually then followed by the designation of the complete bearing, or to avoid confusion with other bearing designations. For example they are used in front of designations for taper roller bearings according to a system described in ANSI/ ABMA Standard 19 for (predominantly) inchsize bearings.

- **GS** Housing washer of a cylindrical roller thrust bearing
- **K** Cylindrical roller and cage thrust assembly
- K- Inner ring with roller and cage assembly (cone) or outer ring (cup) of inchsize taper roller bearing belonging to an ABMA standard series.
- L Separate inner or outer ring of a separable bearing
- R Inner or outer ring with roller (and cage) assembly of a separable bearing
- W Stainless steel deep groove ball bearing
- **WS** Shaft washer of a cylindrical roller thrust bearing
- ZE Bearing with SensorMount® feature

## Suffixes

Suffixes are used to identify designs or variants which differ in some way from the original design, or which differ from the current standard design. The suffixes are divided into groups and when more than one special feature is to be identified; suffixes are given in the order shown in the scheme in fig [1], page 150.

The most commonly used suffixes are listed below. Note that not all variants are available.

- A Deviating or modified internal design with the same boundary dimensions. As a rule the significance of the letter is bound to the particular bearing or bearing series. Examples: 4210 A: Double row deep groove ball bearing without filling slots 3220 A: Double row angular contact ball bearing with a 30° contact angle Single row angular contact ball
- bearing with a 25° contact angle

  ADA Modified snap ring grooves in the
- outer ring; a two-piece inner ring
  held together by a retaining ring

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- B Deviating or modified internal design with the same boundary dimensions. As a rule the significance of the letter is bound to the particular bearing series. Examples: 7224 B: Single row angular contact ball bearing with a 40° contact angle 32210 B: Steep contact angle taper roller bearing
- Bxx(x) B combined with a two or threefigure number identifies variants of the standard design that cannot be identified by generally applicable suffixes. Example:
- B20: Reduced width tolerance
  Deviating or modified internal design with the same boundary dimensions. As a rule the significance of the letter is bound to the particular bearing series. Example:
  21306 C: Spherical roller bearing with a flangeless inner ring, symmetrical rollers, loose guide ring and a window-type steel cage

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CAC	1. Spherical roller bearing of C design, but with retaining flanges on the inner ring and a machined cage 2. Single row angular contact ball bearing for universal matching. Two bearings arranged back-to-back or face-to-face will have a slight axial clearance before mounting  Spherical roller bearing of the CA design but with enhanced roller guidance	CN	Normal internal clearance, normally only used together with an additional letter that identifies a reduced or displaced clearance range.  Examples:  CNH Upper half of the Normal clearance range  CNM Two middle quarters of the Normal clearance range  CNL Lower half of the Normal clearance range  CNL Upper half of the Normal and lower half of C3 clearance
СВ	1. Single row angular contact ball bearing for universal matching. Two bearings arranged back-to-back or face-to-face will have a "Normal" axial clearance before mounting 2. Controlled axial clearance of double row angular contact ball bearings	cv	CNR Cylindrical roller bearings with Normal clearance to DIN 620-4:1982 The above letters H, M, L and P are also used together with the following clearance classes: C2, C3 and C4 Full complement cylindrical roller bearing with modified internal design
cc	Spherical roller bearing of C design but with enhanced roller guidance     Single row angular contact ball bearing for universal matching. Two bearings arranged back-to-back or face-to-face will have a large axial clearance before mounting	CS2 CS5	Contact seal of nitrile butadiene rubber (NBR) with sheet steel reinforcement on one side of the bearing Contact seal of fluoro rubber (FPM) with sheet steel reinforcement on one side of the bearing Contact seal of hydrogenated nitrile butadiene rubber (HNBR) with
CLN	Taper roller bearing with tolerances corresponding to ISO tolerance class 6X	2CS	sheet steel reinforcement on one side of the bearing Contact seals of nitrile butadiene
CL0	Inch-size taper roller bearing with tolerances to class 0 according to ANSI/ABMA Standard 19.2:1994	200	rubber (NBR) with sheet steel re- inforcement on both sides of the bearing
CL00	Inch-size taper roller bearing with tolerances to class 00 according to ANSI/ABMA Standard 19,2:1994	2CS2	Contact seals of fluoro rubber (FPM) with sheet steel reinforcement on both sides of the bearing
CL3	Inch-size taper roller bearing with tolerances to class 3 according to ANSI/ABMA Standard 19.2:1994	2CS5	Contact seals of hydrogenated nitrile butadiene rubber (HNBR) with sheet steel reinforcement on
CL7C	Taper roller bearing with special frictional behaviour and heightened running accuracy	C1 C2 C3 C4	both sides of the bearing Bearing internal clearance smaller than C2 Bearing internal clearance smaller than Normal (CN) Bearing internal clearance greater than Normal (CN) Bearing internal clearance greater than C3

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C5	Bearing internal clearance greater	DF	Two single row deep groove ball
C02	than C4 Extra reduced tolerance for running accuracy of inner ring of assembled bearing		bearings, single row angular contact ball bearings or single row taper roller bearings matched for mount- ing in a face-to-face arrangement.
C04	Extra reduced tolerance for running accuracy of outer ring of assembled bearing	DT	The letter(s) following the DF are explained under DB Two single row deep groove ball
C08 C083 C10	C02 + C04 C02 + C04 + C3 Reduced tolerance for the bore and outside diameters		bearings, single row angular con- tact ball bearings or single row taper roller bearings matched for mounting in a tandem arrangement;
D	Deviating or modified internal design with the same boundary dimensions; as a rule the significance of the letter is bound to the particular bearing series. Example:		for paired taper roller bearings the design and arrangement of the intermediate rings between the inner and/or outer rings are identi- fied by a two-figure number which
D4	3310 D: Double row angular contact ball bearing with a two-piece inner ring	E	follows immediately after DT Deviating or modified internal design with the same boundary
DA	Modified snap ring grooves in the outer ring; two-piece inner ring held together by a retaining ring		dimensions; as a rule the signifi- cance of the letter is bound to the particular bearing series; usually in-
DB	Two single row deep groove ball bearings (1), single row angular contact ball bearings (2) or single row taper roller bearings matched		dicates reinforced rolling element complement. Example: 7212 BE: Single row angular con- tact ball bearing with a 40° contact
	for mounting in a back-to-back arrangement. The letter(s) following the DB indicate the magnitude of the axial clearance or preload in the	EC	angle and optimized internal design Single row cylindrical roller bearing with an optimized internal design and with modified roller end/flange
	bearing pair before mounting.  A Light preload (2)  B Moderate preload (2)  C Heavy preload (2)	ECA	contact Spherical roller bearing of CA design but with reinforced rolling element complement
	CA Small axial clearance (1, 2) CB Normal axial clearance (1, 2) CC Large axial clearance (1, 2)	ECAC	Spherical roller bearing of CAC design but with reinforced rolling element complement
	C Special axial clearance in µm GA Light preload (1) GB Moderate preload (1) G Special preload in daN For paired taper roller bearings	F	Machined steel or special cast iron cage, rolling element centred; different designs or materials are identified by a figure following the F, e.g. F1
	the design and arrangement of the intermediate rings between the	FA	Machined steel or special cast iron cage; outer ring centred
	inner and outer rings are identified	FB	Machined steel or special cast iron
	by a two-figure number which is placed between DB and the above mentioned letters.	G	cage; inner ring centred Single row angular contact ball bearing for universal matching. Two bearings arranged back-to-back or face-to-face will have a certain axial clearance before mounting

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- G.. Grease filling. A second letter indicates the operating temperature range of the grease and a third letter identifies the actual grease. The significance of the second letter is as follows: Extreme pressure grease Food compatible grease H, J High temperature grease, -20 to +130 °C Low temperature grease, -50 to +80 °C –30 to +110 °C
  - Medium temperature grease,
  - W, X Low/high temperature grease, -40 to +140 °C

A figure following the three-letter grease code indicates that the filling degree deviates from the standard: Figures 1, 2 and 3 indicate smaller than standard, 4 up to 9 a larger fill. Examples:

GEA Extreme pressure grease, standard fill

GLB2 Low temperature grease, 15 to 25 % fill

- GA Single row angular contact ball bearing for universal matching. Two bearings arranged back-to-back or face-to-face will have a light preload before mounting
- GB Single row angular contact ball bearing for universal matching. Two bearings arranged back-to-back or face-to-face will have a moderate preload before mounting
- GC Single row angular contact ball bearing for universal matching. Two bearings arranged back-toback or face-to-face will have a heavy preload before mounting
- GJN Normal fill grade of polyurea base grease of consistency 2 to the NLGI Scale for a temperature range -30 to +150 °C
- н Pressed snap-type steel cage, hardened

- HA Bearing or bearing components of case-hardening steel. For closer identification HA is followed by one of the following figures
  - 0 Complete bearing
  - Outer and inner rings
  - 2 Outer ring
  - 3 Inner ring
  - 4 Outer ring, inner ring and rolling elements
  - 5 Rolling elements
  - 6 Outer ring and rolling elements
- Inner ring and rolling elements HB Bainite hardened bearing or bearing components. For closer identification HB is followed by one of the figures explained under HA
- HC Bearing or bearing components of ceramic material. For closer identification HC is followed by one of the figures explained under HA
- ΗE Bearing or bearing components of vacuum remelted steel. For closer identification HE is followed by one of the figures explained under HA
- НМ Martensite hardened bearing or bearing components. For closer identification HM is followed by one of the figures explained under HA HN Special surface heat-treated bear-
- ing or bearing components. For closer identification HN is followed by one of the figures explained under HA
- HT Grease fill for high operating temperatures (-20 to +130 °C). Greases, which differ from the selected standard grease for this temperature range, are identified by two-figure numbers following HT. Filling degrees other than standard are identified by a letter or letter/figure combination following HTxx:
  - A Filling degree less than standard
  - Filling degree greater than standard
  - Filling degree greater than 70 %
  - F1 Filling degree less than standard F7 Filling degree greater than
  - standard

F9 Filling degree greater than 70 % Examples: HTB, HT22 or HT24B

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HV	Bearing or bearing components of hardenable stainless steel. For closer identification HV is followed by one of the figures explained under HA	ML MP	One-piece brass window-type cage, inner or outer ring centred One-piece brass window-type cage, with punched or reamed pockets, inner or outer ring centred
J	Pressed steel cage, rolling element centred, unhardened; different designs or materials are identified by a figure, e.g. J1	MR MT	One-piece brass window-type cage, rolling element centred Grease fill for medium operating temperatures (–30 to +110 °C).
JR	Cage comprising of two flat washers of unhardened sheet steel, riveted together		A two-figure number following MT identifies the actual grease. An additional letter or letter/figure com-
K K30 LHT	Tapered bore, taper 1:12 Tapered bore, taper 1:30 Grease fill for low and high operating temperatures (-40 to +140 °C).		bination as mentioned under "HT" identifies filling degrees other than standard. Examples: MT33, MT37F9 or MT47
	A two-figure number following LHT identifies the actual grease. An additional letter or letter/figure com-	N NR	Snap ring groove in the outer ring Snap ring groove in the outer ring with appropriate snap ring
	bination as mentioned under "HT" identifies filling degrees other than standard. Examples:	N1 N2	One locating slot (notch) in one outer ring side face Two locating slots (notches) in one
LS	LHT23, LHT23C or LHT23F7 Land-riding contact seal with or		outer ring side face at 180° to each other
2LS	without sheet steel reinforcement on one side of the bearing Land-riding contact seals with or	Р	Injection moulded cage of glass fibre reinforced polyamide 6,6, rolling element centred
	without sheet steel reinforcement on both sides of the bearing	PH	Injection moulded cage of polyether ether ketone (PEEK), rolling element
LT	Grease fill for low operating tem- peratures (–50 to +80 °C). Greases, which differ from the selected stand- ard grease for this temperature	PHA	centred Injection moulded cage of polyether ether ketone (PEEK), outer ring centred
	range are identified as explained under "HT". Examples: LT, LT10 or LTF1	P4 P5	Dimensional and running accuracy to ISO tolerance class 4 Dimensional and running accuracy
L4B	Bearing rings and rolling elements with special surface coating	P6	to ISO tolerance class 5 Dimensional and running accuracy
L5B L5DA	Rolling elements with special surface coating NoWear bearing with coated rolling	P62 P63	to ISO tolerance class 6 P6+C2 P6+C3
L7DA	elements  NoWear bearing with coated rolling	Q	Optimized internal geometry and surface finish (taper roller bearing)
М	elements and inner ring raceway(s) Machined brass cage, rolling element centred; different designs or	R	Flanged outer ring     Crowned runner surface (track runner bearing)
	materials are identified by a figure, e.g. M2	RS	Contact seal of synthetic rubber with or without sheet steel reinforcement
MA MB	Machined brass cage, outer ring centred Machined brass cage, inner ring	RS1	on one side of the bearing Contact seal of acrylonitrile buta- diene rubber (NBR) with sheet steel
MD	centred		reinforcement on one side of the bearing

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RS1Z	Contact seal of acrylonitrile buta- diene rubber (NBR) with sheet steel reinforcement on one side and one shield on the other side of the bear-	S3 S4	Bearing rings or washers dimensionally stabilized for use at operating temperatures up to +300 °C Bearing rings or washers dimen-
RS2	ing Contact seal of fluoro rubber (FPM) with sheet steel reinforcement on one side of the bearing	т	sionally stabilized for use at operat- ing temperatures up to +350 °C Machined cage of fabric reinforced phenolic resin, rolling element
RSH	Contact seal of acrylonitrile buta- diene rubber (NBR) with sheet steel reinforcement on one side of the bearing	ТВ	centred Window-type cage of fabric re- inforced phenolic resin, inner ring centred
RSL	Low-friction contact seal of acrylo- nitrile butadiene rubber (NBR) with sheet steel reinforcement on one	TH	Snap-type cage of fabric reinforced phenolic resin, rolling element centred
RZ	side of the bearing Low-friction seal of acrylonitrile butadiene rubber (NBR) with sheet	TN TNH	Injection moulded cage of polyamide, rolling element centred Injection moulded cage of polyether
	steel reinforcement on one side of the bearing	11411	ether ketone (PEEK), rolling element centred
2RS	Contact seals of synthetic rubber with sheet steel reinforcement on both sides of the bearing	TN9	Injection moulded cage of glass fibre reinforced polyamide 6,6, rolling element centred
2RS1	Contact seals of acrylonitrile butadiene rubber (NBR) with sheet steel reinforcement on both sides of the bearing	U	U combined with a one-figure number identifies a taper roller bearing, cone or cup, with reduced width tolerance. Examples:
2RS2	Contact seals of fluoro rubber (FPM) with sheet steel reinforce-	V	U2: Width tolerance +0,05/0 mm U4: Width tolerance +0,10/0 mm
2RSH	ment on both sides of the bearing Contact seals of acrylonitrile buta- diene rubber (NBR) with sheet steel	v v	Full complement bearing (without cage) V combined with a second letter,
	reinforcement on both sides of the bearing	٧	identifies a variant group, and followed by a three or four figure num-
2RSL	Low-friction contact seals of acrylo- nitrile butadiene rubber (NBR) with sheet steel reinforcement on both sides of the bearing		ber denotes variants not covered by "standard" designation suffixes. Examples: VA Application oriented variants
2RZ	Low-friction seals of acrylonitrile butadiene rubber (NBR) with sheet steel reinforcement on both sides of the bearing		VB Boundary dimension deviations VE External or internal deviations VL Coatings
S0	Bearing rings or washers dimensionally stabilized for use at operating temperatures up to +150 °C		VQ Quality and tolerances other than standard VS Clearance and preload
S1	Bearing rings or washers dimensionally stabilized for use at operating temperatures up to +200 °C	VA201	VT Lubrication VU Miscellaneous applications Bearing for high-temperature
S2	Bearing rings or washers dimensionally stabilized for use at operat-	VA201	applications (e.g. kiln trucks)
	ing temperatures up to +250 °C	VA228	applications Bearing for high-temperature applications
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VA305	VA301 + special inspection		lubrication noies in outer ring
	routines	WT	Grease fill for low as well as high
VA3091	VA301 + VL0241		operating temperatures (-40 to
VA350	Bearing for railway axleboxes		+160 °C). Greases, which differ
	Bearing for vibratory applications		from the selected standard grease
	Bearing for vibratory applications		for this temperature range are
.,	with special PTFE bore coating		identified as explained under "HT"
VA820	Bearing for railway axleboxes		Examples: WT or WTF1
VAUZU		W20	Three lubrication holes in the outer
VOOOE	according to EN 12080:1998	WZU	
VC025	Bearing with specially debrisheat-	14/00	ring
	treated components for applica-	W26	Six lubrication holes in the inner ring
	tions in heavily contaminated	W33	Annular groove and three lubrica-
	environments		tion holes in the outer ring
VE240	CARB bearing modified for greater	W513	Six lubrication holes in the inner ring
	axial displacement		and annular groove and three lubri-
VE447	Shaft washer with three equally		cation holes in the outer ring
	spaced threaded holes in one side	W64	"Solid Oil" fill
	face to accommodate hoisting	W77	Plugged W33 lubrication holes
	tackle	X	1. Boundary dimensions altered to
VE552	Outer ring with three equally		conform to ISO standards
	spaced threaded holes in one side		2. Cylindrical runner surface (track
	face to accommodate hoisting		runner bearing)
	tackle	Υ	Pressed brass cage, rolling element
VF553	Outer ring with three equally	•	centred; different designs or mate-
V LOGO	spaced threaded holes in both side		rials are identified by a figure follow-
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	faces to accommodate hoisting	z	ing the Y, e.g. Y1
VECCO	tackle	_	Shield of pressed sheet steel on
VE032	Housing washer with three equally	2 <b>Z</b>	one side of the bearing
	spaced threaded holes in one side	22	Shields of pressed sheet steel on
	face to accommodate hoisting		both sides of the bearing
	tackle		
VG114	Surface hardened pressed steel		
	cage		
VH	Full complement cylindrical roller		
	bearing with self-retaining roller set		
VL0241	Aluminium oxide coated outside		
	surface of outer ring for electrical		
	resistance up to 1 000 V DC		
VL2071	Aluminium oxide coated outside		
	surface of inner ring for electrical		
	resistance up to 1 000 V DC		
VQ015	Inner ring with crowned raceway		
	for increased permissible misalign-		
	ment		
VQ424	Running accuracy better than C08		
VT143	Grease fill with an extreme pressure		
	grease		
	9,0400		

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Without annular groove and

lubrication holes in outer ring

VA301 Bearing for traction motors

VA305 VA301 + special inspection

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