

QUICK, SAFE

TENSION CONTROL FASTENING SYSTEM

COST SAVING FEATURES:

- Pre-assembled fasteners providing consistent, reliable tension, and faster assembly time.
- Single source for bolt, nut, and washer.
- Greater than minimum tension is guaranteed with proper installation.



- Visual inspection of sheared pintail verifies proper torque-tension coefficient.
- Dependable, repeatable results. Consistent tension is not dependent on tools or operator skill.
- Lightweight electric installation tool provides less operator fatigue.
- One operator installation reduces installation time and manpower costs.



LEADING MANUFACTURER OF DOMESTIC HIGH STRENGTH STRUCTURAL FASTENERS

STRUCTURAL STEEL FASTENING SYSTEM

Unytite Inc., a ISO 9001/ISO 14001 registered facility located in Peru, Illinois, is a manufacturer of "Structural Fastening Systems" for the Heavy Construction (High Rise, Bridge, Road, and Industrial Building applications), Petro Chemical (Refinery, Pipeline, and Chemical Industries), Heavy Equipment, Rail Car, and Tractor-Trailer O.E.M.'s.

The unique Tension Control Fastening System is a 3 piece fastening assembly comprised of a button head design bolt with a 12 point pintail, a high strength heavy hex nut, and a hardened flat washer. When installed with a dual socket electric shear wrench, the outer socket applies the turning force to the nut, while the inner socket holds the bolt in place by gripping the 12 point spline tip. When the forces reach or exceed the designed torque-tension coefficient, the 12 point spline tip will shear off, leaving the bolt and nut securing the application at the proper tension.

INSTALLATION PROCEDURE

- **1.** Fit the inner socket of the shear wrench over the spline on the bolt and push forward until the outer socket engages completely with the nut.
- **2**. Pull the larger trigger on the wrench. The inner socket will hold the bolt in place, while the outer socket tightens the nut. The spline will shear off when proper tension is reached.
- **3.** Remove the wrench from the nut and pull the ejection trigger. This will eject the spline from the inner socket of the wrench. The installation is now complete, and may be verified visually.







HANDLING - STORAGE - INSTALLATION

- All structural fasteners should be protected from dirt and moisture at the job site. No more than the amount of bolts to be used that day should be removed from the container, or protected storage. Remaining bolts at the end of the day should be returned to the correct container. <u>Dirty or rusted bolts should not be used</u>.
- 2. Place all the bolts into the connection, with a washer <u>under the nut</u> in <u>standard</u> and <u>short slotted</u> holes. For <u>long slotted</u> and <u>oversize holes</u>, a <u>washer</u> should be placed <u>under the head of the bolt and under the nut</u>. Washer and nut identification markings should always face the opposite direction of the connection.
- **3.** Bring all the fasteners in the connection to a snug tight condition, starting with the most rigid part of the connection. (The above recommendations by AISC apply to all A325 and A490 fasteners regardless of installation methods)

DETERMINING PROPER BOLT LENGTH

To determine the proper length of fastener that is needed, refer to the chart at right for the proper length to add to the grip. The bolt length should be adjusted to the next 1/4 inch for washer thickness.

(NOTE: 3-5 bolt threads should be within the structural member to avoid thread run out)

NOMINAL BOLT SIZE	LENGTH ADDED TO GRIP		
5/8"	7/8"		
3/4"	1"		
7/8" 1-1/8"			
1"	1-1/4"		
1-1/8" 1-1/2"			
L = Bolt Length			

LG = Grip Length

LA = Length Added to Grip



UNYTITE, **INC.** tension control bolts are designed, manufactured and tested to conform to ASTM (American Society for Testing and Materials) ASTM F3125, AISC (American Institute of Steel Construction), FHWA* (Federal Highway Administration) and the most demanding customer specifications.

*Production to meet FHWA on customer request.



ASME B18.2.6 DIMENSIONS FOR TWIST OFF STRUCTURAL BOLT

Normal Size	н		D	LS*	S*
or Basic Product Diameter	Height		Bearing Surface Diameter	Length of Spline	Width Across Flats
	Max	Min	Min	Ref	Ref
5/8" 0.625	0.403	0.378	1.102	0.60	0.43
3/4" 0.750	0.483	0.455	1.338	0.65	0.53
7/8" 0.875	0.563	0.531	1.535	0.72	0.61
1" 1.000	0.627	0.591	1.771	0.80	0.70
1-1/8" 1.125	0.718	0.658	1.991	0.90	0.80

*The spline length (LS) and across the flat (S) dimensions are used for reference only. The grooved spline design may vary in size and shape.

ASTM F3125 GRADE F1852 MECHANICAL PROPERTIES

	Bolt			N	lut	Washer
	Grade F1852			A56	3 DH	F436
	Proof Tensile Strength		Hardness	Proof	Hardnoos	Hardnoog
	Load	Min	Rockwell	Load	Tialuness	Tialuness
5/8"-11	19,200	27,100		39,550		
3/4"-10	28,400	40 100	HRC	58,450	HRC	HRC
7/8"-9	39,250	55,450	25~34	80,850	24~38	38~45
1"-8	51,500	72,700]	106,050		
1-1/8"-7	64,900	91,600		133,525		

Mechanical Galvanized & Weathering Steel are Available.

ASTM F3125 GRADE F2280 MECHANICAL PROPERTIES

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		Grade	F1852	A56	3 DH	F436	
	Proof	Proof Tensile Strength		Hardness	Proof	Hardness	Hardnoss
	Load	Max	Min	Rockwell	Load	riaruness	Tialuness
3/4"-10	40,100	57,800	50,100		58,450		
7/8"-9	55,450	79,950	69,300	HRC	80,850	HRC	HRC
1"-8	72,700	104,850	90,900	33~38	106,050	24~38	38~45
1-1/8"-7	91,550	132,000	114,450		133,525		

Weathering Steel Available.

F1852 FASTENER TENSION

	1	2	
Nominal Diameter	ASTM F3125 Grade F1852	UNYTITE Fastener Tension	
	Average	Min.	
5/8"-11	19,900	20,900	
3/4"-10	29,450	30,950	
7/8"-9	40,750	42,800	
1"-8	53,450	56,150	
1-1/8"-7	67,350	70,750	

F2280 FASTENER TENSION

	1	2
Nominal Diameter	ASTM F3125 Grade F2280	UNYTITE Fastener Tension
	Average	Min.
3/4"-10	36,800	38,650
7/8"-9	50,950	53,500
1"-8	66,800	70,150
1-1/8"-7	84,100	88,350

1 - ASTM F3125 Minimum Average Fastener Tension

2 - UNYTITE Designed Assembly Fastener Tension (Individual Sample Minimum)

INSPECTION CERTIFICATE

A. Set Lot Number – All UNYTITE Bolts, Nuts, and Washers are manufactured and processed in accordance with our lot identification quality assurance plan. Each production lot is assigned an identification number, which follows the product throughout its manufacturing process. Each lot is tested individually, and as a set with other production lots, and assigned a set lot number, which is labeled clearly on each shipping drum.

B. Fastener Tension – In each set lot, 5 fastener sets are tested for fastener tension. None of the five sets are lower than the minimum fastener tension. The average tension is reported on the certificate, along with the standard deviation.

C. Other Information – All UNYTITE certificates include mechanical properties, chemical composition, and heat numbers of raw materials.



CASE STUDY: HEX VS T.C. COST ADVANTAGES

SITUATION... Steel Usage: 1,500 ton Bolt Usage: 30,000 sets Erection Period: 2 months

3) Inspection Cost	= \$ 6,720	Total Labor Costs	<u>= 5 0</u> = \$ 21,840
(\$70.00 x 8 hours x 125 labor days)	= 5 70,000 = 6 720	3) Inspection Cost Total Labor Cost	$\frac{= \$ 0}{= \$ 21840}$
(30,000 bolts / 250 x \$70.00)	= 5 0,400	2) Bolt Fastening Labor Cost	= \$ 0 = \$ 21,840
DIRECT LABOR COST:	_ ¢ 9 400	DIRECT LABOR COST:	- 4 0
INSPECTION: 1) Torque check for 5% of bolts installed 2) 250 bolts / 2 inspectors / per day 3) 30,000 x 0.05 / 250 = 6 days 4) 2 inspectors x 6 days = 12 labor days		INSPECTION: 1) Visual inspection	
LABOR DAYS: 1) 5 man group 2) 1,200 bolts per group per day 3) 30,000 bolts / 1,200 = 25 days erection time 4) 5 men x 25 days = 125 labor days		LABOR DAYS: 1) 3 man each group 2) 2,400 bolts per group per day 3) 30,000 bolts / 2,400 = 13 days erection time 4) 3 men x 13 days = 39 labor days	
EQUIPMENT AND TOOLS: 1) Impact Wrench - 3 sets (Approx. 30 lbs./Set) 2) Tension Calibrator - 1 set 3) Torque Wrench - 1 set 4) Air Compressor (30 HP) - set		EQUIPMENT AND TOOLS: 1) Electric Wrench - 3 sets (Approx. 15 lbs./Set) 2) Tension Calibrator - 1 set 3) Generator - 1 set	
UNYTITE ASTM F3125 Grade A325 HEX HEAD	BOLT	UNYTITE ASTM F3125 Grade F1852 TENSION	CONTROL BOLT

(Cost reductions increase proportionately as project size and labor duration increase. Figures do not reflect savings due to fewer rental days of equipment)

TENSION CONTROL ASSEMBLIES COMPARISON: BUTTON HEAD VS. HEX HEAD

T.C. bolts are manufactured or produced with a button head design which incorporates a larger bearing surface than the hex head design. In structural applications the hardened, flat, bearing surface under the bolt head is in contact with a softer steel beam surface which is generally rough with mill scale, blast cleaned, or primer coated. These surfaces will have a higher friction coefficient than the hardened surfaces of the bolt, thus preventing rotation. Therefore, with the Unytite button head, which has 40% more bearing surface then the subject hex head, there is less chance of rotation because there is 40% more resistance and clamping force being distributed between the bolt head and the structural member.

The lower friction coefficient inherent in the hex head design has a greater chance for rotation in installations, thus resulting in decreased torque and causing the tip to shear before minimum tension is achieved. This could mean having to remove the assembly and reinstalling a new assembly.