



DEX GEAR 320

FZG TEST RESULTS

What are the FZG scuffing load tests all about?

FZG is the Technical Institute for the Study of Gears and Drive Mechanisms (Forschungsstelle für Zahnräder und Getriebebau) of the Technical University in Munich, where this test rig was developed. The several scuffing load tests performed on the FZG test rig serve for determining the extent to which gear lubricants help to prevent scuffing on the tooth faces at the lubrication gap. Scuffing occurs locally where the gears are in mesh,

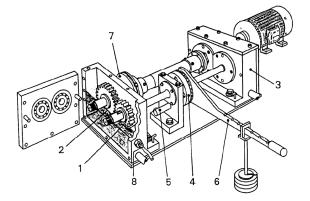
i.e. where at roughness peaks in contact temperatures rise sharply ('flash temperatures'), depending on the load, peripheral speed and oil sump temperature. At these contact points, the surfaces weld together briefly and are torn apart again as the gears revolve, which leads to partial destruction of the surfaces. The outperforming test results with respect to the Dex Premium Lubricants are a result of the DEX QM Technology. The scuffing load capacity of a lubricant depends primarily on the base oils and additives used, and the consequent lubricant film thickness.

Standard scuffing load test acc. to DIN 51354

FZG (A/8.3/90)

Gear pair type A, peripheral speed 8.3 m/s, oil sump temperature 90 °C, center distance in test gear 91.5 mm.

At first, the gear pair is run in at low load stages. Then the load stages are increased, which leads to higher flash temperatures occurring in the gears. The running-in smoothens the surfaces.



Drawing of an FZG four square gear oil tester

- Test pinion
- 2. Test wheel
- 3. Drive gear case
- 4. Rotating coupling
- 5. Locking pin
- 6. Load lever with weights



List for comparing the various FZG scuffing load tests:

The various scuffing load tests can be classified according to the occurring flash temperatures, which renders a list as follows.

| Scuffing load test | Flash temp. Δ9 [K] | Results |
|---|--------------------|-----------------|
| FZG (A/8.3/90) sls > 11 | ≈ 370 | |
| FZG (A/8.3/90) sls > 12 | ≈ 420 | |
| FZG (A/16.6/90) sls > 11 | ≈ 460 | |
| FZG (A/8.3/90) sls > 13 | ≈ 500 | |
| FZG (A/16.6/90) sls > 12 | ≈ 520 | |
| FZG (A/8.3/90) sls > 14 | ≈ 570 | DEX PAO 320 III |
| FZG (A/16.6/90) sls > 13 | ≈ 610 | |
| FZG (A10/16.6R/90) sls > 10 = API GL 4 | ≈ 620 | |
| FZG (S-A10/16.6R/90) Is 8 PASS = API GL 4 | ≈ 770 | |
| FZG (S-A10/16.6R/90) Is 9 PASS = API GL 5 | ≈ 950 | |

The indicated flash temperatures (temperature increase over tooth bulk temperature 1) were determined by means of the integral temperature method DIN 3990

Test Report Results



Chemical-physical analysis Sample: **DEX I** 17-19399-001

| Analysis | Results | |
|-------------------------|------------|--|
| Test rig | 4 - LG9022 | |
| Gear no. | 9 936 | |
| Gear side | 1 | |
| Speed at pinion | 8.3 m/s | |
| Oil temperature (start) | 90 °C | |
| Oil temperature (EOT) | 160 °C | |
| Failure load stage | >14 | |
| Torque at pinion | > 714,2 Nm | |

Remarks The difference in weight between SOT and EOT (after load stage 14) was for the wheel 13 mg and for the pinion 10 mg