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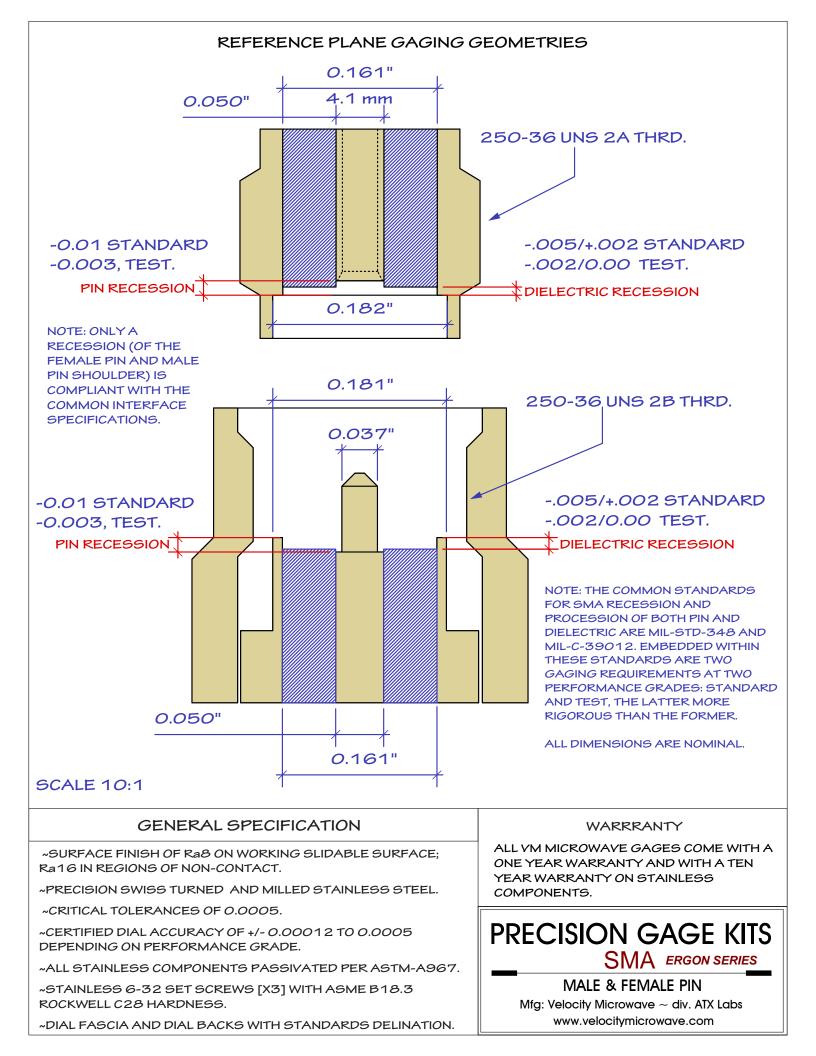
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THE ACT OF "GAGING" A MICROWAVE CONNECTOR IS SIMPLY THE ACT OF DETERMINING THE DIFFERENCE IN GRADE BETWEEN TWO POINTS INSIDE THE CONNECTOR: TYPICALLY THE OUTER COAXIAL BODY'S FRONT (MATING) PLANE AND A GEOMETRIC FEATURE ON THE MALE PIN (TYPICALLY THE SHOULDER) OR ON THE FEMALE PIN (TYPICALLY THE FRONT PLANE). GAGING IS SIMPLE IN BOTH CONCEPT AND EXECUTION.

THE CONVENTIONAL METHOD FOR DETERMINING A GRADE DIFFERENCE IS TO USE A DIAL INDICATOR WITH A FIXED STEM AND A MOVABLE RACK OR SPINDLE. THE SPINDLE COMMUNICATES ITS MOTION AND POSITION RELATIVE TO A PRESET ZERO CONDITION TO THE HAND ON THE INDICATOR'S DIAL FACE. THE TRADITIONAL APPROACH IN MICROWAVE GAGING IS TO ATTACH A FIXED BUSHING TO A CONVENTIONAL DIAL INDICATOR'S STEM AND A CONTACT POINT TO THE DIAL INDICATOR'S MOVABLE SPINDLE. WHEN THE BUSHING IS MADE TO REST ON THE OUTER BODY'S MATING PLANE AND THE CONTACT POINT IS MADE TO REST ON THE FEATURE OF INTEREST, LIKE A PIN'S SHOULDER, THE HAND OF THE DIAL SHOWS THE GRADE DIFFERENCE. WHILE THIS TRADITIONAL APPROACH ADDS A BUSHING AND CONTACT POINT, NO CHANGE IS MADE TO THE DIAL INDICATOR'S INDICIA OR FASCIA. AND TYPICALLY THIS LEGACY APPROACH REQUIRES TWO GAGES FOR THE MALE AND FEMALE. IN THIS MANNER, THE "RECESSION" (OR "PROCESSION" IN THE CASE OF NON-COMPLIANCE) OF THE MALE PIN'S SHOULDER OR THE FEMALE PIN'S FRONT PLANE RELATIVE TO THE OUTER COAXIAL BODY'S MATING PLANE IS DETERMINED.

## VM'S PATENTED APPROACH

GAGING THEN, IN THE SIMPLIFIED SECTIONAL IMAGES OF SUBMINIATURE CONNECTORS SHOWN TO THE RIGHT, THE DIFFERENCE R-S WOULD BE COMPARED TO A STANDARD LIKE MIL-STD-348, THAT REPRESENTS THE INTERFACE SPECIFICATION WITH WHICH THE CONNECTOR IS REQUIRED TO COMPLY.

TO THIS END THE MICROWAVE GAGING OF SUBMINIATURE CONNECTORS HAS BY TRADITION EMPLOYED A SEPARATE GAGE FOR EACH CONNECTOR GENDER. WITHIN THIS APPROACH A DISTINCTION WAS MADE BETWEEN FREE HAND GAGING, IN WHICH THE USER PLACES THE WORKING END OF THE GAGE ON THE CONNECTOR'S INTERFACE MANUALLY, AND THREADED ENGAGEMENT, WHEREIN THE USER THREADS THE GAGE ON TO THE CONNECTOR IN THE SAME MANNER AS AN ACTUAL MALE/FEMALE CONNECTOR ENGAGEMENT.

VM'S PATENT PENDING APPROACH TO SUBMINIATURE GAGING IS BASED ON SEVERAL DIFFERENT PRINCIPLES.

[1] A SINGLE GAGE/INDICATOR (AS OPPOSED TO THE CUSTOMARY TWO) IS USED FOR BOTH MALE AND FEMALE GENDERS THEREBY SIMPLIFYING GAGING AND REDUCING COST- BUT WITH NO LOSS IN ACCURACY OR PRECISION;

[2] ONLY ONE MASTER GAGE IS USED (AS OPPOSED TO CONVENTIONAL DUAL MASTERS) THAT CONTAINS A PRECISION GROUND, CLOSELY TOLERANCED, FLAT STAINLESS STEEL SURFACE - THEREBY VIRTUALLY ELIMINATING MASTER GAGE ERROR WITH REGARD TO SURFACE ACCURACY;

[3] FOR MALE GAGING A SEPARATE THREADED GUIDE IS PROVIDED THAT REQUIRES NO SPECIFIC TORQUE, IS EASIER TO MATE THAN TORQUE SPECIFIC THREADED ENGAGEMENT, AND INTRODUCES NO MEASUREMENT UNCERTAINTY AS A FUNCTION OF UNCERTAIN TORQUE CALIBRATION OR SETTING.

[4] THE HUMAN INTERFACE IS ENHANCED WITH ADVANCED ERGONOMICS TO PROVIDE INSTANT FEEDBACK RELATIVE TO ALL STANDARDS, AND REAL VALUE INDICIA ARE USED TO SPECIFY TRUE RECESSION AND TRUE PROCESSION -THEREBY SPEEDING GAGING AND ELIMINATING POTENTIAL CONFUSION. THE VM GAGE BACK IS ALSO ENHANCED.

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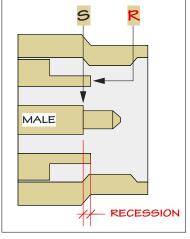
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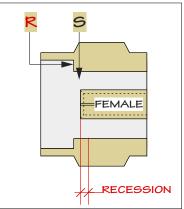
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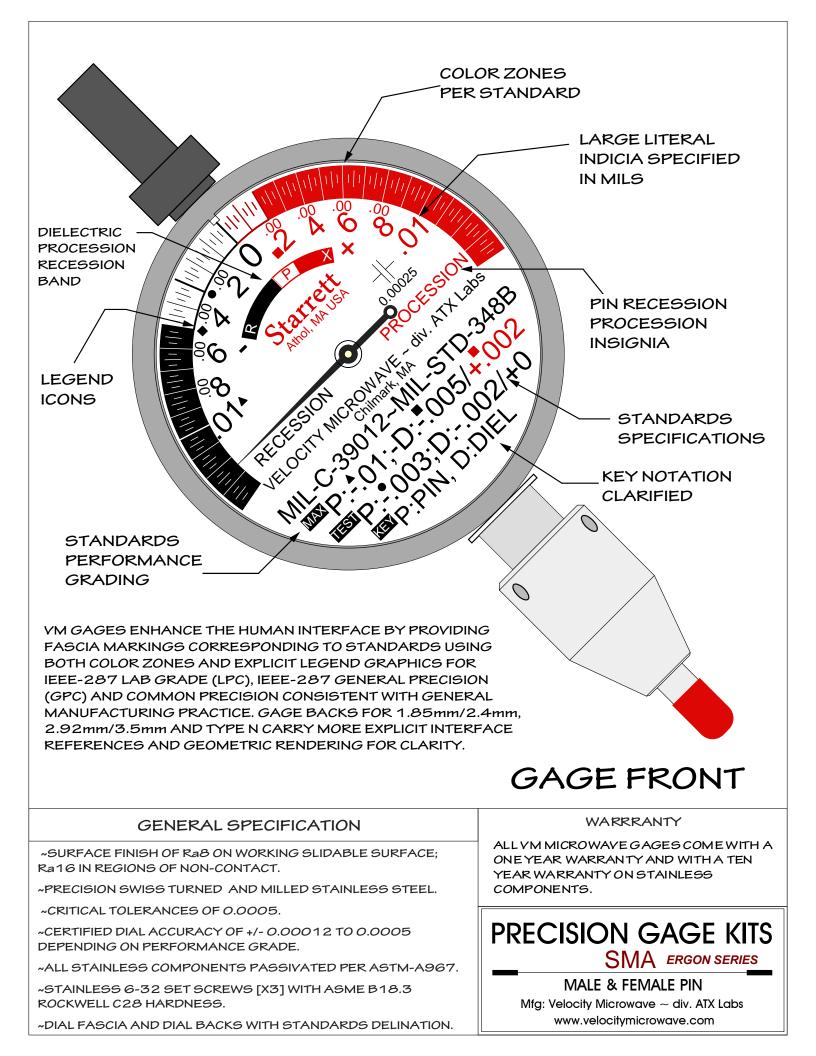
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## GAGE CALIBRATION AND ACCURACY

ALL VM GAGES ARE PROVIDED WITH AN ACCREDITED NIST TRACEABLE ISO17025 CALIBRATION PERFORMED BY L. C. STARRETT COMPANY.

1. <u>ACCURACY</u>: THE TRACEABLE ASSURANCE STANDARDS EMPLOYED IN CALIBRATION ARE PROGRESSIVELY MORE ACCURATE ON THE ORDER OF 4:1. FOR ANALOG CALIBRATIONS WITH INSTRUMENT GRADUATIONS OF 0.0001 THE CALIBRATION AND MEASUREMENT CAPABILITY (+/- CMC) IS 26  $\mu$ in, AND FOR ANALOG GRADUATIONS WITH INSTRUMENT RESOLUTION OF 0.0005 INCHES THE CMC IS 42  $\mu$ in. FOR DIGITAL CALIBRATIONS WITH INSTRUMENT RESOLUTION OF 0.00005 INCHES THE CMC IS 35  $\mu$ in, AND FOR CALIBRATION OF DIGITAL INSTRUMENTS WITH 0.0001 RESOLUTION THE CMC IS 65  $\mu$ in.

SEE TABLE BELOW FOR FULL THE CMC CAPABILITY FOR DIAL AND DIGITAL INDICATORS CALIBRATED PER ISO 17025 AND ANSI B89.1.10M, AND SEE http://www.starrett.com/docs/other-downloadable-resources/a2la-starrett-athol.pdf?sfvrs n=4 FOR SCOPE OF CURRENT ACCREDITATION.

SCOPE OF ACCREDITATION TO ISO/IEC 17025:2005 & ANSI/NCSL Z540-1-1994			
Indicators –			ANSI B89.1.10M, manufacturer's
Mechanical	0.00005 in 0.0001 in 0.0005 in 0.001 in 0.005 in 0.010 in	20 μin 26 μin 42 μin 56 μin 150 μin 250 μin	specifications. Final CMC's a function of calibration device error, calibration device uncertainty, repeatability,
Digital	0.00005 in 0.0001 in 0.00025 in 0.0005 in 0.001 in	35 μin 65 μin 150 μin 300 μin 600 μin	resolution and thermal effects per ANSI B89.1.10M. L.C.Starrett Co. Certification number: 760.01
NOTE: CERTIFIED ACCURACY IS WITH REFERENCE TO 20 DEGREES C (68F)			

2. <u>CONFIDENCE</u>: THE ESTIMATED UNCERTAINTY REPORTED ON THE LETTER OF CERTIFICATION SHALL SPECIFY THE N.I.S.T. TEST NUMBER, THE RELEVANT SPECIFICATION, THE SERIAL NUMBER OR NUMBERS OF THE INSTRUMENTS, AND THE WARRANTED ACCURACY FOR THE FIRST 2.5 REVOLUTIONS AND FOR THE BALANCE OF THE RANGE OF THE DIAL OR DIGITAL INDICATOR. THE CERTIFIED UNCERTAINTY SHALL BE STATED WITH A CONFIDENCE LEVEL OF 95% AND MAY BE UNDERSTOOD AS THE BOUNDING CONFIDENCE FOR THE END USER'S MEASUREMENTS AT ORDINARY LEVELS OF ART AND SKILL PROVIDED CONDITIONS UNIQUE TO THE USER ARE CONSIDERED.

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