

Limitorque HBC Series Worm Gear Operators

Proven in the most demanding situations









Flowserve Limitorque HBC Series: A worm gear drive capable of manual or motorized operation



Limitorque's HBC series worm gear operators excel in diverse applications. Their dependability has been proven in the most demanding situations, ranging from nuclear power plants, to large damper operations, to power plant flue gas desulphurization. Equipped with a handwheel, the HBC can be used to manually operate butterfly, plug, and ball valves. Combined with a Limitorque electric actuator (such as the SMB, L120, or MX), the HBC provides powerful and responsive motorized operation. These combination actuators provide a wide range of output speeds and output torques to 93,000 ft-lb (126,100 N m). HBC operators feature an optional 360° worm gear for use in guillotine damper and radial gate applications. Whether manual or motorized, depend on the HBC for easy valve control — even in tough installations.





HBC – over 40 years of proven effectiveness in a wide range of applications, including:

Nuclear and fossil fuel power generation

The HBC has been successfully tested in conjunction with the SMB electric actuator to IEEE standards for environmental and seismic conditions for nuclear plant service. Whether inside containment in safety-related applications or installed on flue gas desulphurization systems or large diameter butterfly valves in fossil fuel power plants, the rugged and reliable HBC delivers outstanding performance year in and year out.

Petroleum refining and transmission

HBCs are at work in these quarter-turn valve applications, providing consistent, worry-free operation. In the plant or on pipelines in any climate, the HBC is suited to a broad range of service conditions and temperatures from extreme cold to the desert heat.

Water and wastewater treatment

HBC worm gear operators are found in these applications where specifications demand a product with a long history of dependable operation under severe and critical service conditions. The demonstrated excellence in design and functionality make the HBC the operator of choice when nothing less than proven reliability is required.

The HBC provides key advantages for quarter-turn actuation

- Enables manual operation
- · Adapts multi-turn actuators to quarter-turn applications
- Covers a wide variety of output speeds and torques

Spur gear attachments increase your options

The HBC can be equipped with an optional spur gear attachment to further reduce input torque requirements—making it possible to operate even high-torque valves with a handwheel. Motorized applications can also incorporate spur gear attachments to reduce input torque requirements, allowing the use of smaller, less costly actuators to operate the valves.

To achieve specific operating/stroke times, please inquire about alternate spur gear ratios that are available for many larger valve applications.

Expand control capabilities with motorized operation

The HBC can easily handle valve positioning and modulating tasks when matched with a Limitorque electric actuator such as the L120, SMB or MX.

The HBC is used not only in quarter-turn applications, but can be provided with a 360° output for use with manually operated and motorized multi-turn devices such as guillotine dampers and radial gates.



Anatomy of the HBC Series

The HBC manual operator has an alloy steel worm shaft and a bronze worm gear. Buried and submersible operators are equipped with non-corrosive input shafts.

On all operators, except for buried service, a valve position pointer is provided as a standard feature. Handwheels are optional and can be furnished in various sizes.

All operator sizes can be supplied with factory-mounted Limitorque electric valve actuators or can be readily converted to motor operation in the field using Limitorque electric actuators.

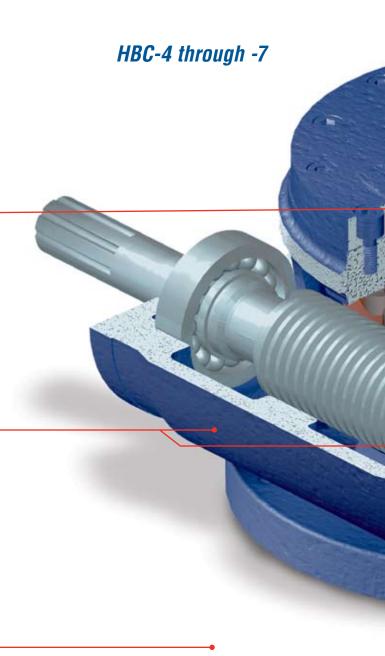
The speed of operation for butterfly, plug, or ball valves when motor-operated can be varied over a broad range, limited only by motor speed and available gear ratios.

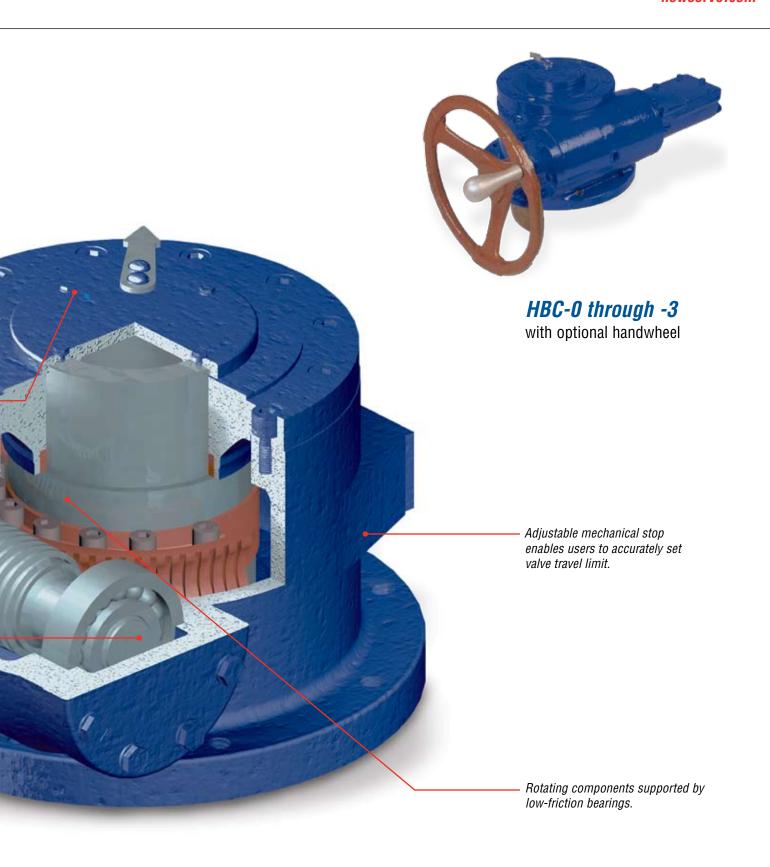
All HBCs are built to meet AWWA requirements. AWWA input limit stops are available for non-motorized applications.

Valve position pointer makes it easy to check position at a glance.

Bronze worm gear teams with an alloy steel worm shaft for rugged reliability.

Strong cast-iron housing tough enough to withstand buried and submersible service applications.











Combines with Limitorque electric actuators for enhanced capabilities:







HBC-5/SGA/SMB-00

(All SMB actuators can be mounted to the HBC manual operators.)

HBC-3/SGA/L120-20

(All L120 actuators can be mounted to the HBC manual operators.)

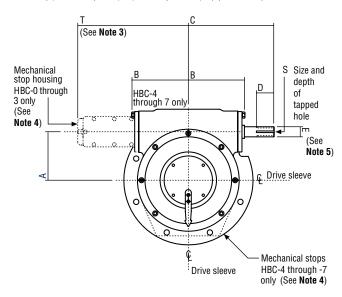
HBC-3/MX-10

(All MX actuators can be mounted to the HBC manual operators.)

HBC-0 through -7 standard operator dimensions

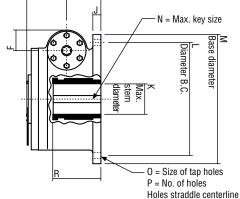
Top view

Assembly position **B** (CW input producing CW output) (See **Note 1**)



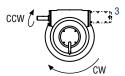


Side view



- Note 1: Position A is standard for HBC-7 due to left-hand gearing.
- Note 2: See certification sheet if position A is supplied.
- Note 3: Mechanical stop housing HBC-0 through -3 only.
- Note 4: External stops on worm shaft on HBC-0, -1, -2 and -3 only. HBC-4, -5, -6 and -7 have stops on drive sleeve.
- Note 5: See input shaft spline chart on page 8.

Alternate assembly position A (CCW input producing CW output) (See Notes 2 and 3)



Dimensions in inches

	Α	В	С	D	E ⁵	F	G	Н	J	K	L	M	N	0	Р	R	S	T
HBC-0	2.5	4.6	7.1	1.6	1.0	2.1	6.8	3.0	0.8	1.50	8.25	9.5	3/8 X 1/4	1/2-13	8	3.1	3/8-16 x 0.8	9.9
HBC-1	3.5	5.4	8.6	2.0	1.25	2.5	8.1	3.6	0.8	1.88	10.00	11.4	½ X ³ / ₈	5/8-11	8	4.4	3/8-16 x 0.8	11.9
HBC-2	4.3	5.9	9.3	2.0	1.25	2.7	8.4	3.8	1.0	2.88	11.75	13.5	¾ x ½	3/4-10	8	5.3	3/8-16 x 0.8	12.4
HBC-3	6.0	7.3	10.6	2.0	1.25	2.7	9.6	4.1	1.0	3.75	14.00	16.0	⁷ /8 X ⁵ /8	3/4-10	8	6.0	3/8-16 x 0.8	13.8
HBC-4	7.8	9.3	13.3	3.0	1.75	3.9	10.8	4.8	1.0	4.25	16.00	18.8	1 x ¾	3/4-10	8	7.8	3/8-16 x 0.8	-
HBC-5	9.8	10.2	14.3	3.0	1.75	3.9	11.6	5.0	1.0	6.50	18.38	21.0	1½ x 1	3/4-10	8	8.8	3/8-16 x 0.8	-
HBC-6	13.0	13.4	18.8	4.0	2.415	4.5	13.8	6.5	1.8	7.50	23.00	26.3	1¾ x 1¼	11/4-7	8	10.5	½-13 x 0.8	-
HBC-7/7M	16.0	15.1	19.3	4.0	2.75	5.4	14.1	6.3	2.5	9.00	29.00	31.8	1¾ x 1¼	11/4-7	8	8.9	½-13 x 1	-

Dimensions in millimeters

	Α	В	С	D	E ⁵	F	G	Н	J	K	L	M	N	0	Р	R	S	T
HBC-0	64	118	180	41	25	52	173	76	19	38	210	241	10 x 8	1/2-13	8	79	3/8-16 x 0.8	252
HBC-1	89	138	219	51	32	64	205	92	19	48	254	289	14 x 9	5/8-11	8	111	3/8-16 x 0.8	302
HBC-2	108	151	235	51	32	68	214	95	25	73	299	343	20 x 12	3/4-10	8	134	3/8-16 x 0.8	314
HBC-3	152	186	270	51	32	68	243	105	25	95	356	406	25 x 14	3/4-10	8	152	3/8-16 x 0.8	349
HBC-4	197	237	337	76	45	98	275	121	25	108	406	476	28 x 16	3/4-10	8	197	3/8-16 x 0.8	-
HBC-5	248	259	362	76	45	98	294	127	25	165	467	533	40 x 22	3/4-10	8	222	3/8-16 x 0.8	-
HBC-6	330	340	476	102	61	114	351	165	45	191	584	667	45 x 25	11/4-7	8	267	½-13 x 0.8	-
HBC-7/7M	406	384	489	102	70	137	359	159	64	229	737	810	50 x 28	11/4-7	8	225	½-13 x 1	-

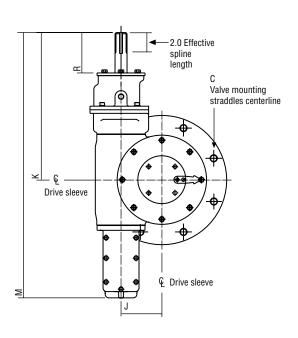
Note: The HBC-0 through HBC-6 operators are supplied with removable splined adapters for the output drive sleeve. The HBC-7 and HBC-7M operators are supplied with a bore and keyway-machined drive sleeve as standard, but with splined adapters available as an option. The maximum allowable bore diameter for the HBC-7 and HBC-7M splined adapters is less than that for the machined drive sleeves. Please contact the factory for allowable bore and keyway dimensions.



HBC-1 through -3 with optional spur gear attachment

Top view Side view

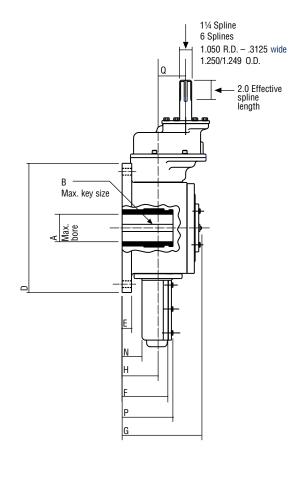
Position **B** (CW input producing CW output)



Alternate assembly position \boldsymbol{A} (CCW input producing CW output) (See $\boldsymbol{Note}~\boldsymbol{1}$)



Note 1: See certification sheet if position A is supplied.



Dimensions in inches

	SGA	Α	В	С	D	Е	F	G	Н	J	K	M	N	Р	Q	R
HBC-1	2.86:1	1.88	½ x ³/8 x 4³/8	(8) ⁵ / ₈ -11 x 0.8" DP on 10.0" BC	11.4	0.8	4.4	8.1	3.6	3.5	14.9	26.2	1.9	5.1	2.9	4.2
HBC-2	2.86:1	2.88	34 x ½ x 51/4	(8) 3/4-10 x 1.0" DP on 11.75" BC	13.5	1.0	5.3	8.4	3.8	4.3	15.4	27.8	2.1	5.3	2.9	4.2
HBC-3	2.86:1	3.75	⁷ /8 x ⁵ /8 x 6	(8) ¾-10 x 1.0" DP on 14.0" BC	16.0	1.0	6.0	9.6	4.1	6.0	16.8	30.6	2.4	5.6	2.9	4.2

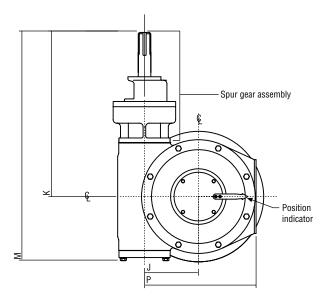
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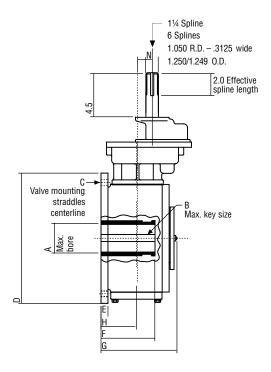
	SGA	Α	В	С	D	Е	F	G	Н	J	K	М	N	Р	Q	R
HBC-1	2.86:1	47.8	13 x 10 x 111	(8) 5/8-11 x 0.8" DP on 10.0" BC	282	19	112	206	91	89	378	665	48	130	74	107
HBC-2	2.86:1	73.2	19 x 13 x 133	(8) 34-10 x 1.0" DP on 11.75" BC	343	25.4	135	213	97	109	391	706	53.3	135	74	107
HBC-3	2.86:1	95.3	22 x 16 x 152	(8) 34-10 x 1.0" DP on 14.0" BC	406	25.4	152	244	104	152	427	777	61	142	74	107

HBC-4 through -7 with optional spur gear attachment

Top view Side view

Position **B** (CW input producing CW output) (See **Note 1**)





Alternate assembly position A (CCW input producing CW output) (See Note 2)



Note 1: Position A is standard for HBC-7M with 19.2:1 SGA (CW input, CW output).

Note 2: See certification sheet if position A is supplied.

Dimensions in inches

	SGA	Α	В	С	D	Е	F	G	Н	J	K	M	N	Р
HBC-4	6:1	4.29	1 x ¾ x 7¾	(8) ¾-10 x 1.3" DP on 16.0" BC	18.8	1.0	7.8	10.9	4.8	7.8	22.2	31.4	2.0	16.1
HBC-5	6:1	6.50	1½ x 1 x 8¾	(8) ¾-10 x 1.3" DP on 18.38" BC	21.0	1.0	8.8	11.6	5.0	9.8	23.1	33.2	2.0	19.8
HBC-6	13.6:1	7.52	1¾ x 1¼ x 10½	(8) 11/4-7 x 1.8" DP on 23.0" BC	26.3	1.8	10.5	13.9	6.5	13.0	30.1	39.3	0.8	26.4
HBC-7/7M	19.2:1	9.02	2½ x 1¾ x 11	(8) 11/4-7 x 1.8" DP on 29.0" BC	31.9	2.5	N/A*	14.2	6.3	16.0	31.4	46.4	0.8	29.3

Dimensions in millimeters

	SGA	А	В	С	D	Е	F	G	Н	J	K	М	N	Р
HBC-4	6:1	109	28 x 16 x 197	(8) 3/4-10 x 1.3" DP on 16.0" BC	478	25	198	277	122	198	564	798	51	409
HBC-5	6:1	165	40 x 22 x 222	(8) 3/4-10 x 1.3" DP on 18.38" BC	533	25	224	295	127	249	587	843	51	503
HBC-6	13.6:1	191	45 x 25 x 267	(8) 11/4-7 x 1.8" DP on 23.0" BC	668	46	267	353	165	330	765	998	20	671
HBC-7/7M	19.2:1	229	50 x 28 x 280	(8) 11/4-7 x 1.8" DP on 29.0" BC	810	64	N/A*	361	160	406	798	1179	61	744

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General specifications

0	D-4i-	Output to	rque rating	Input torque for	output torque rating	Maximum one-time input torque		
Operator/SGA	Ratio	ft-lb	N m	ft-lb	N m	ft-lb	N m	
HBC-0	71	445	605	21	28	100	136	
HBC-1	70	1,300	1,764	62	84	600	814	
HBC-1/S2.86	200	1,300	1,764	24	33	230	312	
HBC-2	70	2,200	2,985	105	142	675	915	
HBC-2/S2.86	200	2,200	2,985	41	56	260	353	
HBC-3	70	5,650	7,667	269	365	510	692	
HBC-3/S2.86	200	5,650	7,667	105	142	200	271	
HBC-4	60	12,800	17,370	711	964	1,290	1,749	
HBC-4/S6	360	12,800	17,370	132	179	240	325	
HBC-5	65	19,583	26,575	1,004	1,361	1,830	2,481	
HBC-5/S6	390	19,583	26,575	186	252	340	461	
HBC-6	66	46,000	62,425	2,323	3,150	3,900	5,288	
HBC-6/S13.6	898	46,000	62,425	205	278	319	433	
HBC-7	69	63,333	85,945	3,060	4,149	6,600	8,950	
HBC-7/S19.2	1,325	63,333	85,945	191	259	375	509	
HBC-7M	50	93,000	126,204	6,200	8,407	10,000	13,560	
HBC-7M/S19.2	960	93,000	126,204	388	526	613	831	

Input shaft splines

Product	Input shaft splines (w/o SGAs)	Input shaft splines (w/ SGAs)
HBC-0	15 involute splines, 16/32 D.P., 0.9375" Pitch Dia.	Not Applicable
HBC-1, 2, 3	6 splines, 1.05" Root Dia., 0.310" wide, 1.250" O.D.	6 splines, 1.05" Root Dia., 0.310" wide, 1.250" O.D.
HBC-4, 5	6 splines, 1.525" Root Dia., 0.430" wide, 1.750" O.D.	6 splines, 1.05" Root Dia., 0.310" wide, 1.250" O.D.
HBC-6	28 involute splines, 12/24 D.P., 2.333" Pitch Dia.	6 splines, 1.05" Root Dia., 0.310" wide, 1.250" O.D.
HBC-7, 7M	3.750" dia., keyway ⅓ x ¾₁6 x 3.00" long	6 splines, 1.05" Root Dia., 0.310" wide, 1.250" O.D.

Approximate weights

Operator/SGA	Standard	operator	With AWWA input stop				
Operator/Sun	lb	kg	lb	kg			
HBC-0	65	30	95	43			
HBC-1	120	54	150	68			
HBC-1/S2.86	160	73	190	86			
HBC-2	150	68	180	82			
HBC-2/S2.86	190	86	220	100			
HBC-3	230	104	260	118			
HBC-3/S2.86	270	123	300	136			
HBC-4	465	211	495	225			
HBC-4/S6	570	259	600	273			
HBC-5	560	254	590	268			
HBC-5/S6	665	302	695	316			
HBC-6	1,600	726	1,630	741			
HBC-6/S13.6	1,710	776	1,740	791			
HBC-7	2,100	953	2,130	968			
HBC-7/S19.2	2,375	1,078	2,405	1,093			
HBC-7M	2,100	953	2,130	968			
HBC-7M/S19.2	2,375	1,078	2,405	1,093			

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