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BARTEC/LINXION Coupler

Couplers for mechanical splices of reinforcing bars

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Specific part

1 Technical description of the product

The BARTEC/LINXION Coupler is used as a mechanical, screwed system for connecting reinforcing bars in reinforced concrete components under static or quasi-static loading.

The product description is given in Annex A.

The characteristic material values, dimensions and tolerances of the BARTEC/LINXION Coupler not indicated in Annex A shall correspond to the respective values laid down in the technical documentation^[1] of this European technical assessment.

2 Specification of the intended use in accordance with the applicable European Assessment Document

The performances given in Section 3 are only valid if the BARTEC/LINXION Coupler is used in compliance with the specifications and conditions given in Annex B.

The verifications and assessment methods on which this European Technical Assessment is based lead to the assumption of a working life of the BARTEC/LINXION Coupler of at least 100 years. The indications given on the working life cannot be interpreted as a guarantee given by the producer, but are to be regarded only as a means for choosing the right products in relation to the expected economically reasonable working life of the works.

3 Performance of the product and references to the methods used for its assessment

3.1 Mechanical resistance and stability (BWR 1)

| Essential characteristic | Performance |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Resistance to static or quasi-static loading | See Annex C |
| Slip under static or quasi-static load | See Annex C |
| Slip after static or quasi-static load | See Annex C |
| Fatigue strength for N = 2 · 10 ⁶ load cycles | No performance assessed |
| Fatigue strength for S-N curve with k_1 and k_2 according to EN 1992-1-1 | No performance assessed |
| Fatigue strength for S-N curve with specific k ₁ and k ₂ | No performance assessed |
| Resistance to low cycle loading (seismic actions) | No performance assessed |

3.2 Safety in case of fire (BWR 2)

| Essential characteristic | Performance |
|--------------------------|-------------|
| Reaction to fire | Class A1 |

[1] The technical documentation of this European technical assessment is deposited at the Deutsches Institut für Bautechnik and, as far as relevant for the tasks of the approved bodies involved in the attestation of conformity procedure, is handed over to the approved bodies.

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4 Assessment and verification of constancy of performance (AVCP) system applied, with reference to its legal base

In accordance with EAD 160129-00-0301 the applicable European legal act is: 2000/606/EC. The system to be applied is: 1+

5 Technical details necessary for the implementation of the AVCP system, as provided for in the applicable EAD

Technical details necessary for the implementation of the AVCP system are laid down in the control plan deposited with Deutsches Institut für Bautechnik.

The following standards are referred to in this European Technical Assessment:

EN 1992-1-1:2004 Eurocode 2: Design of concrete structures - Part 1-1: General rules

+ AC:2010 + A1:2014 and rules for buildings

EN 13501-1:2018 Fire classification of construction products and building elements -

Part 1: Classification using data from reaction to fire tests

GB/T 3077:2015 Alloy structure steels

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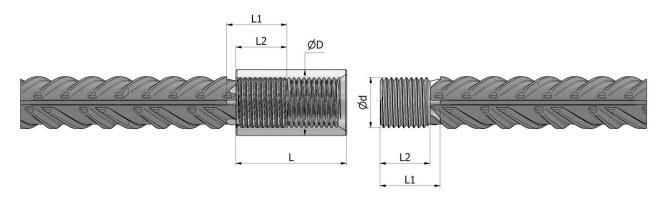
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A.1 Overview BARTEC/LINXION couplers

A.1.1 LS Rebar Splicing coupler

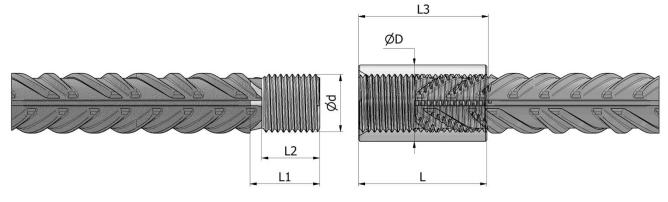


| Couplers Ref. | Rebar nominal diameter ф [mm] | Coupler external diameter D [mm] | Coupler length L [mm] | Thread length L1 [mm] | Thread length L2 [mm] | External thread d [mm] |
|---------------|----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| BTLX C12 | 12 | 20 | 33 | 17 | 15 | 14 |
| BTLX C14 | 14 | 22 | 37 | 19 | 17 | 16 |
| BTLX C16 | 16 | 25 | 46 | 23 | 22 | 20 |
| BTLX C18 | 18 | 30 | 50 | 25 | 24 | 22 |
| BTLX PI20 | 20 | 30 | 55 | 28 | 26 | 24 |
| BTLX C22 | 22 | 36 | 57 | 29 | 27 | 25 |
| BTLX C24 | 24 | 36 | 61 | 31 | 29 | 27 |
| BTLX C26 | 25-26 | 39 | 68 | 34 | 33 | 30 |
| BTLX PI28 | 28 | 44 | 74 | 37 | 36 | 33 |
| BTLX C32 | 30-32 | 47 | 81 | 41 | 39 | 36 |
| BTLX C40 | 40 | 59 | 100 | 50 | 49 | 45 |

| BARTEC/LINXION Coupler | |
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| Product description – LS Rebar Splicing Coupler | Annex A1 |



A.1.2 LSR Rebar Splicing coupler

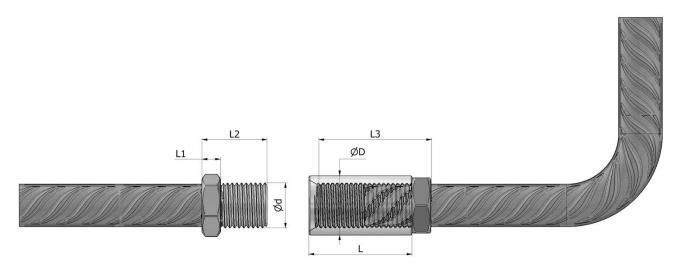


| Couplers Ref. | Rebar nominal diameter ф [mm] | Coupler external diameter D [mm] | Coupler length L [mm] | Thread length L1 [mm] | Thread length L2 [mm] | Thread length L3 | External thread d [mm] |
|------------------|----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------|
| BTLX C12 | 12 | 20 | 33 | 17 | 15 | 30 | 14 |
| BTLX C14 | 14 | 22 | 37 | 19 | 17 | 34 | 16 |
| BTLX C16 | 16 | 25 | 46 | 23 | 22 | 44 | 20 |
| BTLX C18 | 18 | 30 | 50 | 25 | 24 | 48 | 22 |
| BTLX PI20 | 20 | 30 | 55 | 28 | 26 | 52 | 24 |
| BTLX C22 | 22 | 36 | 57 | 29 | 27 | 54 | 25 |
| BTLX C24 | 24 | 36 | 61 | 31 | 29 | 58 | 27 |
| BTLX C26 | 25-26 | 39 | 68 | 34 | 33 | 66 | 30 |
| BTLX PI28 | 28 | 44 | 74 | 37 | 36 | 72 | 33 |
| BTLX C32 | 30-32 | 47 | 81 | 41 | 39 | 78 | 36 |
| BTLX C40 | 40 | 59 | 100 | 50 | 49 | 98 | 45 |

| BARTEC/LINXION Coupler | |
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| Product description – LSR Rebar Splicing Coupler | Annex A2 |



A.1.3 LCE Rebar Splicing coupler



| Couplers Ref. | Rebar nominal diameter ф [mm] | Coupler external diameter D [mm] | Coupler length L [mm] | Nut length L1 [mm] | Thread length L2 [mm] | Thread length L3 | External thread d [mm] |
|---------------|----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------|
| BTLX C12 | 12 | 20 | 33 | 10 | 25 | 40 | 14 |
| BTLX C14 | 14 | 22 | 37 | 11 | 28 | 45 | 16 |
| BTLX C16 | 16 | 25 | 46 | 13 | 35 | 57 | 20 |
| BTLX C18 | 18 | 30 | 50 | 15 | 39 | 63 | 22 |
| BTLX PI20 | 20 | 30 | 55 | 16 | 42 | 68 | 24 |
| BTLX C22 | 22 | 36 | 57 | 19 | 46 | 73 | 25 |
| BTLX C24 | 24 | 36 | 61 | 19 | 48 | 77 | 27 |
| BTLX C26 | 25-26 | 39 | 68 | 22 | 55 | 88 | 30 |
| BTLX PI28 | 28 | 44 | 74 | 22 | 58 | 94 | 33 |
| BTLX C32 | 30-32 | 47 | 81 | 24 | 63 | 102 | 36 |
| BTLX C40 | 40 | 59 | 100 | 31 | 80 | 129 | 45 |

A.2 Materials

Coupler steel: 40Cr according to GB/T 3077, Class A1 according to EN 13501-1

Reinforcing steel: B450C or B500B, Class A1 according to EN 13501-1

| BARTEC/LINXION Coupler | A A G |
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| Product description – LCE Rebar Splicing Coupler Materials | Annex A3 |



B.1 Conditions of use

BARTEC/LINXION couplers are used as mechanical coupling in accordance with EN 1992-1-1 and annex C for reinforcing steel bars B450C and B500B with a nominal diameter of 12 to 40 mm in accordance with EN 1992-1-1, Clause C.1 for:

- Transmission of static or quasi static tension and compression loads according to EN 1992-1-1, clauses 8.7 and 8.8 (4),
- Limitation of slip according to EN 1992-1-1, clause 7.3,

The rebar connection is primarily used for force transmission in construction joints.

B.2 Installation requirements

- Joints may be subjected to 100% of the static and quasi-static tensile and compressive load in the same way as a non-lapped bar; DIN EN 1992-1-1, Section 8.7.2(4) applies).
- The same values as for non-lapped bars shall apply to the concrete cover over the outer edge of a coupler as well as to the clear distances between the outer edges of adjacent couplers in accordance with EN 1992-1-1, clauses 4.4.1 and 8.2. The spacing necessary for installation shall remain.
- In case of bent (pre-bent) bars, the planned bending shall not begin until a distance of at least 5 φ from the end of the coupler (φ = nominal diameter of the bent bar). If coupling bars are bent at the manufacturing plant using a special equipment, the distance may be reduced to 2 φ.
- The couplers shall only be installed by appropriately trained personnel in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. These installation instructions are part of the accompanying documents.
- Only coupling elements that are marked in accordance with annex A shall be used.
- The coupler system shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions, see installation manual Annex B2 to B7.
- The threads of the bars and coupling elements shall be free of rust and contamination.
- Only rebar splices composed of 1st and 2nd phase threads produced and inspected by BARTEC Group's partners in accordance with BARTEC Group's quality procedures are authorized.

| BARTEC/LINXION Coupler | |
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| Intended use – Conditions of use and installation requirements | Annex B1 |



B.3 Installation manual

B.3.1 LS Rebar Splicing coupler

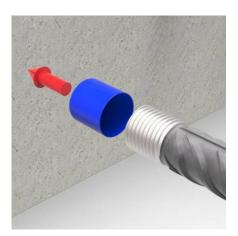


The rebar threaded end is fully engaged inside the coupler.

The coupler plug is correctly installed.



Remove the plug from the coupler.



Remove the protection from the 2nd phase rebar.

| BARTEC/LINXION Coupler | |
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| Intended use – Installation manual - LS Rebar Splicing coupler | Annex B2 |





Approach the rebar to the coupler and start rotating.



Use a standard wrench to tighten the rebar. For rebar with $\emptyset \ge 25$ mm, use a minimum lever length of 0,80 m.



When the installation is completed: no threaded portion of the 2^{nd} phase rebar is visible outside the coupler.

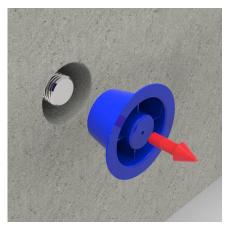
| BARTEC/LINXION Coupler | |
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| Intended use – Installation manual - LS Rebar Splicing coupler | Annex B3 |



B.3.2 LSR Rebar Splicing coupler



The rebar threaded end is properly covered by the spacing plug (RFI).



Remove the RFI plug.



Check that the coupler is fully engaged on the 2nd Phase rebar.

| BARTEC/LINXION Coupler | |
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| Intended use – Installation manual - LSR Rebar Splicing coupler | Annex B4 |
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Approach the 2nd Phase Rebar to the 1st Phase Rebar until they are in contact, then start rotating the coupler.



Use a standard wrench to tighten the rebar. For rebar with $\varnothing \ge 25$ mm, use a minimum lever length of 0,80 m



When the installation is completed, the visible threading length "I" has to fall between the limits below indicated.

| Rebar Ø | 12 | 14 | 16 | 18 | 20 | 22 |
|------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| I min (mm) | 16 | 18 | 22 | 24 | 27 | 27 |
| I max (mm) | 20 | 22 | 28 | 30 | 33 | 33 |

| Rebar Ø | 24 | 25-26 | 28 | 30-32 | 40 |
|------------|----|-------|----|-------|----|
| I min (mm) | 31 | 33 | 33 | 39 | 48 |
| I max (mm) | 37 | 40 | 40 | 48 | 58 |

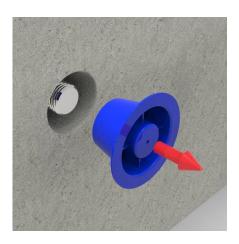
| BARTEC/LINXION Coupler | |
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| Intended use – Installation manual - LSR Rebar Splicing coupler | Annex B5 |
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B.3.3 LCE Rebar Splicing coupler



No visible threads on the rebar outside the lock nut; the spacing plug (RFI) is properly installed.



Remove the RFI plug.



The lock nut is fully engaged on the 2^{nd} phase rebar; coupler and lock nut are in contact.

| BARTEC/LINXION Coupler | |
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| Intended use – Installation manual - LCE Rebar Splicing coupler | Annex B6 |
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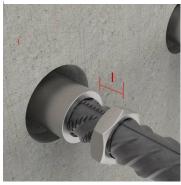




Screwing in the coupler by hand. (Should it ease the operation, a standard wrench may be used.)



Use a standard wrench to tighten the coupler. For rebar with $\varnothing \ge 25$ mm, use a minimum lever length of 0,80 m



The visible distance "I" between coupler and lock nut (still engaged at the bottom of the long thread) has to fall between the indicated limits.

| Rebar Ø | 12 | 14 | 16 | 18 | 20 | 22 |
|------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| I min (mm) | 16 | 18 | 22 | 24 | 27 | 27 |
| I max (mm) | 20 | 22 | 28 | 30 | 33 | 33 |

| Rebar Ø | 24 | 25-26 | 28 | 30-32 | 40 |
|------------|----|-------|----|-------|----|
| I min (mm) | 31 | 33 | 33 | 39 | 48 |
| I max (mm) | 37 | 40 | 40 | 48 | 58 |



Set the rebar in the correct position and use a standard wrench to tighten the lock nut. For rebar with $\emptyset \ge 25$ mm, use a minimum lever length of 0,80 m.

| BARTEC/LINXION Coupler | |
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| Intended use – Installation manual - LCE Rebar Splicing coupler | Annex B7 |
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C Performance parameters – Connection with reinforcing steel B450C/B500B

| Rebar nominal diameter φ | Resistance to static or quasi-static loading (tension and compression) ¹⁾ B450C/B500B | Slip under static or quasi-static loading ²⁾ | Slip after static or quasi-static loading ³⁾ |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|
| | [N/mm²] | S ₁ | s_2 |
| [mm] | | [mm] | [mm] |
| 12 | | | |
| 14 | | | |
| 16 | | | |
| 18 | | | |
| 20 | 518/540 | 0,1 | 0,1 |
| 22 | | , | -, |
| 24 | | | |
| 25-26 | | | |
| 28 | | | |
| 30-32 | | | |
| 40 | | | |

 $^{^{1)}}$ $f_{u.min}$ = $f_{yk} \cdot 1,08$ with f_{yk} = $500 \ N/mm^2$ for B500B $f_{u.min}$ = $f_{yk} \cdot 1,15$ with f_{yk} = $450 \ N/mm^2$ for B450C $^{2)}$ Slip within the connection under loading measured at $0,6 \cdot f_{yk}$ $^{3)}$ Slip within the connection under loading measured at $0,02 \cdot f_{yk}$

BARTEC/LINXION Coupler Annex C Performance parameters