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Warranty does not apply to damages resulting from:

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 - Carriage speed higher than specified speed.
 - Improper grounding.
 - ¬ Connectors must be properly secured.
 - ¬ When the load on the stage represents an electrical risk, it must be connected to ground.
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Warnings

WARNING

The translation of objects of all types carries potential risks for operators. Ensure the protection of operators by prohibiting access to the dangerous area and by informing the personnel of the potential risks involved.

WARNING

Do not use this stage when its motor is emitting smoke or is unusually hot to the touch or is emitting any unusual odor or noise or is in any other abnormal state.

Stop using the stage immediately, switch off the motor power and then disconnect the electronics power supply.

After checking that smoke is no longer being emitted contact your Newport service facility and request repairs. Never attempt to repair the stage yourself as this can be dangerous.

WARNING

Make sure that this stage is not exposed to moisture and that liquid does not get into the stage.

Nevertheless, if any liquid has entered the stage, switch off the motor power and then disconnect the electronics from power supply.

Contact your Newport service facility and request repairs.

WARNING

Do not insert or drop objects into this stage, this may cause an electric shock, or lock the drive.

Do not use this stage if any foreign objects have entered the stage. Switch off the motor power and then disconnect the electronics power supply.

Contact your Newport service facility for repairs.

WARNING

Do not place this stage in unstable locations such as on a wobbly table or sloping surface, where it may fall or tip over and cause injury.

If this stage has been dropped or the case has been damaged, switch off the motor power and then disconnect the electronics power supply.

Contact your Newport service facility and request repairs.

WARNING

Do not attempt to modify this stage; this may cause an electric shock or downgrade its performance.

WARNING

Do not exceed the usable depth indicated on the mounting holes (see section "Dimensions"). Longer screws can damage the mechanics or cause a short-circuit.



Cautions

CAUTION

Do not place this stage in a hostile environment such as X-Rays, hard UV,... or in a vacuum environment less than 10^{-2} Torr.

CAUTION

Do not place this stage in a location affected by dust, oil fumes or steam. This may cause an electric shock.

CAUTION

Do not leave this stage in places subject to extremely high temperatures or low temperatures. This may cause an electric shock.

- Operating temperature: +10 to +35 °C.
- Storage temperature: -10 to +40 °C (in its original packaging).

CAUTION

Do not move this stage if its motor power is on.

Make sure that the cable to the electronics is disconnected before moving the stage. Failure to do so may damage the cable and cause an electrical shock.

CAUTION

Be careful that the stage is not bumped when it is being carried. This may cause it to malfunction.

CAUTION

When handling this stage, always unplug the equipment from the power source for safety.

CAUTION

Contact your Newport service facility to request cleaning and specification control every year.



Miniature Linear Stages (M-)MFN

1.0 Introduction

This manual provides operating instructions for the stage that you have purchased in the (M-)MFN Series:

• (M-)MFNPP • (M-)MFNPPV6 ⁽¹⁾ • (M-)MFNCC

¹⁾ **REMARK**

Vacuum compatible stages to 10⁶ Torr. In this case, max. speed and load capacity have to be divided by two.



(M-)MFN miniature linear stage.

RECOMMENDATION

We recommend you read carefully the chapter "Connection to electronics" before using the (M-)MFN stage.



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2.0 Description

Designed for space-limited applications and compact multi-axis assemblies, MFN Series linear stages supply very high resolution, single-axis translation in a low-cost, motorized package. Typical applications for this stage are fiber optic alignment, laser diode research, and inspection systems.

Components mount to the top surface of the stage via tapped mounting holes. Modular stage design facilitates easy assembly of MFN Series stages into multi-axis configurations.

A miniature DC-or stepper motor, housed within the carriage of the stage, actuates motion via a backlash-compensated lead screw and nut system. Precision-ground, double-row ball bearings ensure accurate linear travel. To meet high positioning requirements, a motor-mounted rotary encoder delivers better than 0.1 μ m resolution. End-of-run limit switches prevent bearing damage from accidental over-travel.

For optimal performance, we recommend the use of our ESP or MM series motion controllers.

The (M-)MFN Series stages are supplied with a 3-meter cable for connection to our motion controllers.

Base Material	Stainless Steel
Bearings	Double row linear ball bearings
Drive Mechanism	Backlash-compensated leadscrew
Drive Screw Pitch	0.5 mm
Reduction Gear	141:1
Feedback	(M-)MFNPP: Motor mounted rotary encoder,
	48 pts/rev.
	(M-)MFNCC: Motor mounted rotary encoder,
	64 pts/rev.
Limit Switches	Mechanical
Origin	Uses motor side limit for homing, typically
	<20 µm repeatability
Motor	(M-)MFNCC: DC-servo motor UE16CC
	(M-)MFNPP: 2-phase stepper motor UE16PP,
	1 Full step = 2 Encoder pulses
Cable Length	1.5 m
Vacuum Compatibility	Vacuum compatible versions are available
	up to 10 ⁻⁶ Torr:
	(M-)MFN08PPV6 and (M-)MFN25PPV6

2.1 Design Details



3.0 Characteristics

3.1 Definitions

Specifications of our products are established in reference to ISO 230 standard part II "Determination of the position, precision and repeatability of the machine tools with CNC".

This standard gives the definition of position uncertainty which depends on the 3 following quantities:

(Absolute) Accuracy

Difference between ideal position and real position.

On-Axis Accuracy

Difference between ideal position and real position after the compensation of linear error sources.

Linear errors include: cosine errors, inaccuracy of screw or linear scale pitch, angular deviation at the measuring point (Abbe error) and thermal expansion effect. All Newport motion electronics can compensate for linear accuracy errors by step encoder correction.

The relation between absolute accuracy and on-axis accuracy is as follow:

Absolute Accuracy = On-Axis Accuracy + Slope x Travel

Repeatability

Ability of a system to achieve a commanded position over many attempts.

Reversal Value (Hysteresis)

Difference between actual position values obtained for a given target position when approached from opposite directions.

Minimum Incremental Motion (Sensitivity)

Minimum motion that a stage can achieve. Our stages and our kinematic chain are conceived in such a way that sensitivity is better than the resolution of the encoder.

Resolution

The smallest motion an encoder fixed to the stage can measure.

Yaw, Pitch

Rotation of carriage around the Z axis (Yaw) or Y axis (Pitch), when it moves.

The testing of on-axis accuracy, repeatability, and reversal error are made systematically with our test equipment in an air-conditioned room (20 °C $^{\pm 1}$ °C).

Each stage is tested with a laser interferometer.

A linear cycle with 21 measures on the travel and 4 cycles in each direction gives a total of 164 points.



3.2 Mechanical Specifications

mechanical specifications			
Travel Range	(mm)	8; 25	5
Resolution	(µm)	0.055	5 (DC-Brush Servo),
		0.074	4 (Stepper motor)
Minimum Incremental Motio	on (µm)	0.2	
Unidirectional Repeatability	ν (μm)	1	
Reversal Value (Hysteresis)	(µm)	3	
On Axis Accuracy	(µm)	10	
Maximum Speed	(mm/sec)	0.3	
Roll	(µrad)	60	
Pitch	(µrad)	100	
Yaw	(µrad)	100	

3.3 Load Specification Definitions

Normal Load Capacity (Cz)

Maximum load a stage can move while maintaining specifications.

This value is given with speed and acceleration specified for each stage, and with a load perpendicular to bearings.

Axial Load Capacity (±Cx)

Maximum load along the direction of the drive train.

Off-Centered Load (Q)

Maximum cantilever-load a stage can move: $Q \le Cz / (1 + D/20)$ D: Cantilever distance.

3.4 Load Characteristics and Stiffness



Cz	(N)	50
-Cx	(N)	10
+Cx	(N)	10
kαx	(µrad/N.m)	60
kαy	(µrad/N.m)	100

Q: Off-center load, $Q \le Cz / (1 + D/20)$

D: Cantilever distance in mm

- Cz: Normal center load capacity on bearings
- +Cx: Direct load capacity on X axis
- -Cx: Inverse load capacity on X axis
- kαx: Angular stiffness (Roll)
- kαy: Angular stiffness (Pitch)

3.5 Stage Weights

Weights indicated into the below table are average values for stages with their cable installed.

(M-)MFN08	[lb (kg)]	0.7 (0.3)
(M-)MFN25	[lb (kg)]	0.9 (0.4)

The weight variation between drive units is not very significant.



Half-Step;

1 phase at once

4.0	Drive					
		4.1	Stepper Drive V	/ersion		
			Stepper-motor-o (M-)MFNPP.	lriven stages are	e offered in one half-ste	ep drive version:
			Half-Step Drive			
			Is used for ste sponds to theor	pper motors, w etical physical r	when 1 pulse emitted notion of 1/2 of a full st	by electronic corre- ep of the motor.
			Stepper Motor 1	Performance Sp	ecifications	
				Resolution	Speed	Motor
				(µm)	(mm/sec)	
			(M-)MFNPP	0.074	0.3	UE16PP
		4.2	DC-Motor Drive	e Version		
			One DC-motor-d	lriven configurat	tion is available: (M-)M	FNCC.
			DC-Motor Perfo	rmance Specifi	cations	
				Resolution	Speed	D.C. L
				(µm)	(mm/sec)	Motor
			(M-)MFNCC	0.055	0.3	UE16CC
5.0	Motor					
		5.1	UE16PP Motor	Characteristics		
Motor	r.	Angle by Step	Current (A)	Resistance	Inductance	Newport Utilization

¹⁾ 1 phase at once: $0.25 A - {}^{2)} 2$ phases at once: 0.18 A by phase.

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5.2 Command Signals for the Stepper Motor

 $0.25^{\,(1)}$

 $0.18^{(2)}$



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UE16PP

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5.3 UE31CC Motor Characteristics

	Mechanical	Nominal	Armature
Motor	Power	Voltage	Resistance
	(W)	(V)	(Ω)
UE31CC	0.31	12	115

5.4 Command Signals for the DC-Motor



In the above drawings, + Motor signal is referred to – Motor signal.

- When the stage moves in + Direction, the + Motor voltage is higher than Motor voltage.
- When the stage moves in Direction, the + Motor voltage is lower than – Motor voltage.

5.5 Sensor Position



End-of-Run and Mechanical Zero are TTL type: $5 \text{ V} \pm 5\%$, 2 mA max.

Use of the Index Pulse provides a repeatable Home Position at ± 1 step.

CAUTION

"End-of-Run" and "Mechanical Zero" are active signals and should not be connected to any other source. Use appropriate TTL type receivers.





5.6 Feedback Signal Position

The incremental sensor operates following the photoelectric measurement principle, with a disk including slides. When the sensor shaft turns, the sensor generates square signals in quadrature, sent to pins #19, #20, #23 and #24 of the 25-pin Sub-D connector.





5.7 Pinouts

The 25-pin Sub-D connection for the (M-)MFN stages is given in the following table:

				UE16PP:		UE16CC:
				(M-)MFNPP		(M-)MFNCC
			1	Phase 1a	1	N.C.
			2	N.C.	2	N.C.
			3	Phase 1b	3	N.C.
			4	N.C.	4	N.C.
			5	Phase 2a	5	+ Motor
			6	N.C.	6	+ Motor
			7	Phase 1b	7	– Motor
	\frown	١.	8	N.C.	8	– Motor
14		1	9	N.C.	9	N.C.
	000		10	N.C.	10	N.C.
	00		11	N.C.	11	N.C.
	000		12	N.C.	12	N.C.
	00		13	Mechanical Zero	13	Mechanical Zero
	00		14	Shield Ground	14	Shield Ground
25	00	13	15	Connected to +5 V	15	Connected to +5 V
	\sim	,	16	0 V logic	16	0 V logic
			17	+ End-of-Run	17	+ End-of-Run
			18	– End-of-Run	18	– End-of-Run
			19	Encoder Phase A	19	Encoder Phase A
			20	Encoder Phase B	20	Encoder Phase B
			21	Encoder Power: +5 V	21	Encoder Power: +5 V
			22	0 V Encoder	22	0 V Encoder
			23	Encoder Phase /A	23	Encoder Phase /A
			24	Encoder Phase /B	24	Encoder Phase /B
			25	Connected to 0 V	25	Connected to 0 V



6.0 Connection to Newport Controllers

6.1 Warnings on controllers

Controllers are intended for use by qualified personnel who recognize shock hazards and are familiar with safety precautions required to avoid possible injury. Read the controller user's manual carefully before operating the instrument and pay attention to all written warnings and cautions.

WARNING

Disconnect the power plug under the following circumstances:

- If the power cord or any attached cables are frayed or damaged in any way.
- If the power plug is damaged in any way.
- If the unit is exposed to rain, excessive moisture, or liquids are spilled on the unit.
- If the unit has been dropped or the case is damaged.
- If you suspect service or repair is required.
- Whenever you clean the electronics unit.

CAUTION

To protect the unit from damage, be sure to:

- Keep all air vents free of dirt and dust.
- Keep all liquids away from the unit.
- Do not expose the unit to excessive moisture (>85% humidity).
- Read this manual before using the unit for the first time.

WARNING

All attachment plug receptacles in the vicinity of this unit are to be of the grounding type and properly polarized.

Contact your electrician to check your receptacles.

WARNING

This product is equipped with a 3-wire grounding type plug.

Any interruption of the grounding connection can create an electric shock hazard.

If you are unable to insert the plug into your wall plug receptacle, contact your electrician to perform the necessary alterations to ensure that the green (green-yellow) wire is attached to earth ground.

WARNING

This product operates with voltages that can be lethal.

Pushing objects of any kind into cabinet slots or holes, or spilling any liquid on the product, may touch hazardous voltage points or short out parts.



6.2 Connection

On each stage is represented a label which indicates its name, its serial number and the motor it is equipped with (ex.: UE16PP).

MFN25PP	S/N#
ENCODER:5V	MOTOR:UE16PP
Stepper Motor	U=30VDC I=0.25A

WARNING

Always turn the controller's power OFF before connecting to a stage.

Stages may be connected to the rear panel motor connectors labeled "Motor..." any time prior to power-up with the supplied cable assemblies.

WARNING

With MM series controllers, damage to stage may occur if the stage is not the same type as shown on driver label located near the stage interface connector.

Check that the option number specified on this label correspond to the number indicated in the driver module options table for your stage.

WARNING

Vacuum compatible stages have to be configured if running with an ESP series controller.

6.3 Cables

All our (M-)MFN stages are delivered equipped with a 1.5-meter cable with a 25-pin Sub-D connector so they can be directly connected to our controllers/drivers of MM or ESP series.



WARNING

This cable is shielded correctly. For a correct operation, make sure to lock the connector (ground continuity provided by cables).



For applications where the standard 1.5-meter cable included with your stage is not adequate, Newport offers longer length cables designed to ensure the integrity of your positioning application.



These cables are specially shielded and terminated with Newport's standard 25-pin sub-D connectors. They are available in 3-m (**MMCABLE-3**), 5-m (**MMCABLE-5**), 7-m (**MMCABLE-7**) or 10-m (**MMCABLE-10**) lengths.

WARNING

Keep the motor cables at a safe distance from other electrical cables in your environment to avoid potential cross talk.

For cable lengths in excess of 3 meters, we recommend the **MMCABLE-REG** to ensure a high quality, regulated 5 V supply to the stages.



This regulator is available as an option. Please note that for best efficiency, this regulator should be attached to the stage to re-adjust the 5 volts coming from the controller through the long cable.



7.0 Connection to Non-Newport Controllers

WARNING

Newport takes no responsibility for improper functioning or damage of a stage when it is used with any non-Newport controllers.

WARNING

Newport guarantees the " $(\in$ " compliance of the (M-)MFN translation stages only if they are used with Newport cables and controllers.

Nevertheless, the figure below indicates the recommended wiring when a (M-)MFN stage is used with non-Newport controllers.



* Open collector type with a 5.6 V protective Zener diode.



End-of-Run or Mechanical Zero: Max. I_{in}: 16 mA Max. V: 5.6 V

If the "Mechanical Zero" output is not used, a 1 k $\Omega/0.25$ W resistor must be connected between pins #13 and #21.

"Encoder" are "differential pair" type output signals. Using these signals permits a high immunity to noise. Emission circuits generally used by Newport are 26LS31 or MC3487. Reception circuits to use are 26LS32 or MC3486.



8.0 Mounting

8.1 Stage Mountings

WARNING

Before to use a (M-)MFN stage, it is imperative to fix it:

- directly on a rectified working surface, from holes located on the mounting plate,
- on another stage, directly or with a mounting interface.

but in no case, the stage has to remain without fastening.

It is equally necessary to fasten the device to move on the carriage:

- directly,
- removing the plate on the top of the stage.



CAUTION

The working surface flatness directly influences stage accuracy and performance.

8.2 Interfaces Disassembling

Disassemble the top plate fixed on the carriage of the stage with 4 CHc M3 screws / □ 1.4 x .79 (36 x 20 mm).





(36 x 20 mm).

2 Disassemble the base plate fixed with 4 CHc M3 screws on \Box 1.4 x .79



8.3 Mounting on Working Surface

Stage on the right side, fasten the stage on the working surface by 4 CHc M3 screws / □ 1.4 x .79 (36 x 20 mm).



8.4 Disassembling

Make steps of "Mounting on Working Surface" chapter in the opposite order.



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8.5 Interface Plates Mounting

Make steps of "Interfaces Disassembling" chapter in the opposite order.

8.6 Assembly Pattern

Stacking (M-)MFN Series stages either together or with other Newport stage is easily accomplished. Below are example schematics of the assembly patterns used. These interfaces are accessed by unscrewing and removing the upper and/or lower plates of the stages (see dimension drawing).



9.0 Dimensions



	Thread		Dimension [in. (mr		(mm)]
Model (Metric)	А	В	С	D	Е
MFN08	8-32	1.0	2.0	2.95	0.43
(M-MFN08)	(M4)	(25.0)	(50.0)	(75.0)	(11.0)
MFN25	8-32	1.0	2.0	3.62	0.77
(M-MFN25)	(M4)	(25.0)	(50.0)	(92.0)	(19.5)



10.0 Maintenance

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended to contact our After Sales Service which will be able to define the appropriate maintenance for your application.

10.1 Maintenance

The (M-)MFN stage requires no particular maintenance. Nevertheless, this is a precision mechanical device that must be kept and manipulated with precaution.

PRECAUTIONS

The (M-)MFN stage must operate, and be stocked in a clean environment, without dust, humidity, solvents or other substances.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended to return your stage to our After Sales Service after every 2000 hours of use for lubrication.

If your (M-)MFN stage is mounted on a workstation and cannot be easily dismantled, please contact our After Sales Service for further instructions.

10.2 Repairing

CAUTION

Never attempt to disassemble an element of the stage that has not been specified in this manual.

Disassembling a non specified element can cause a malfunction of the stage.

If you observe a malfunction in your stage, please immediately contact us to make arrangements for a repair.

CAUTION

All disassembly attempts or repair of stage without authorization will void your warranty.

10.3 Calibration

CAUTION

It is recommended to return your stage to Newport once a year for a recalibration to its original specifications.



Service Form

Your Local Representative

Tel.: _____ Fax: _____

Name:	Return authorization #:		
Company:	(Please obtain prior to return of item)		
Address:	Date:		
Country:	Phone Number:		
P.O. Number:	Fax Number:		
Item(s) Being Returned:			
Model #:	Serial #:		
Description:			
Reasons of return of goods (please list any specific problem	ems):		



(M-)MFN Miniature Linear Stages



CE Declaration of Conformity

We declare that the accompanying product, identified with the " $(\in$ " mark, meets all relevant requirements of Directive:

- 73/23/CEE, for Low Voltage Compatibility.
- 89/336/EEC for Electromagnetic Compatibility.

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