

# Miniature Steel Linear Stages

## MFA SERIES



The MFA is part of Newport's steel stage series; designed for high thermal stability, stiffness and load capacity all in a very compact package. Relative to the stage's size, the miniature MFA is a low-cost option which offers precision motion for space-confined applications.

### All Steel Construction

A full steel body allows for a more compact design with exceptional stiffness-to-weight ratio, greater thermal stability and high load capacity.

### Vacuum Compatible Versions

The MFA-CCV6 is the vacuum compatible version of the MFA, compatible down to  $10^{-6}$  hPa.

### Double Row Linear Ball Bearing Slides

The double row, linear ball bearing slides provide excellent payload capabilities and longer life with accurate linear trajectory.

## DESIGN DETAILS

Base Material	Stainless Steel
Bearings	Double row linear ball bearings
Drive Mechanism	Backlash compensated leadscrew
Drive Screw Pitch	0.5 mm
Reduction Gear	MFA-CC: 1:14 MFA-PP: 1:43
Feedback	MFA-CC: Motor mounted rotary encoder; 2,048 cts/rev MFA-PP: None
Limit Switches	Optical switches
Origin	Uses motor side limit for homing, typically <5 mm repeatability
Cable Length	MFA-PP, MFA-PPD & MFA-CC: 3 m MFA-CCV6: 1.5 m

- All steel construction offers high stiffness and thermal stability
- Compact design utilized for space limited applications
- Stiff double-row linear ball bearings
- Vacuum-compatible versions to  $10^{-6}$  hPa.
- Plug and Play - ESP compatible
- High-resolution, encoder feedback enables ultra-smooth motion with 100 nm sensitivity



## SPECIFICATIONS

	MFA-PP and MFA-PPD	MFA-CC
Travel Range [in. (mm)]		1 (25)
Minimum Incremental Motion ( $\mu\text{m}$ )	0.1	0.1
Uni-directional Repeatability, Typical (Guaranteed) ( $\mu\text{m}$ )	0.12 ( $\pm 0.25$ )	$\pm 0.08$ ( $\pm 0.15$ )
Bi-directional Repeatability, Typical (Guaranteed) <sup>(1)</sup> ( $\mu\text{m}$ )	$\pm 0.2$ ( $\pm 0.75$ )	$\pm 0.15$ ( $\pm 0.75$ )
Accuracy, Typical (Guaranteed) <sup>(1)</sup> ( $\mu\text{m}$ )	$\pm 0.9$ ( $\pm 3.0$ )	$\pm 0.7$ ( $\pm 3.0$ )
Maximum Speed (mm/s)	0.3 (MFA-PP) 1.0 (MFA-PPD)	2.5
Pitch, Typical (Guaranteed) <sup>(1)</sup> ( $\mu\text{rad}$ ) <sup>(3)</sup>		$\pm 25$ ( $\pm 100$ )
Yaw, Typical (Guaranteed) <sup>(1)</sup> ( $\mu\text{rad}$ ) <sup>(3)</sup>		$\pm 30$ ( $\pm 50$ )
MTBF	10,000 h at a 1 kg load with a 20% duty cycle	

<sup>1)</sup> For the definition of Typical and Guaranteed specifications see "Motion Basics Terminology & Standards" Tutorial at [www.newport.com](http://www.newport.com)

<sup>2)</sup> After backlash compensation.

<sup>3)</sup> To obtain arcsec units, divide  $\mu\text{rad}$  value by 4.8.

**End-of Run Limit Switches**

The stage contains end-of-run limit switches on both ends to prevent damage to the stage from over-travel.

**Enhanced Repeatability**

The MFA includes a backlash compensated leadscrew, which increases repeatability. For even greater repeatability, the MFA-CC utilizes a motor-mounted rotary encoder of 2,048 cts/rev.

**Metrology Report Included at No Additional Cost**

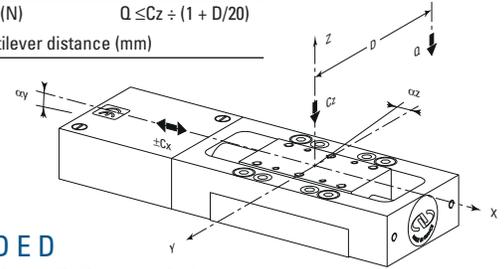
Newport guarantees specification values which are measured and recorded following ASME B5.57 and ISO 230-2 standards. The typical performance values are two times better than the guaranteed specifications.

**MFA Stage with CONEX Controller**

The CONEX-MFACC is a CONEX-CC DC motor controller/driver coupled with the all-steel MFA-CC linear stage. The unit is a miniature, low-cost option which offers precision motion in space-confined applications.

**LOAD CHARACTERISTICS AND STIFFNESS**

Cz,	Normal centered load capacity	50 N
-Cx, +Cx,	Axial load capacity	10 N
K <sub>cx</sub> ,	Compliance in roll	60 μrad/Nm
K <sub>cy</sub> ,	Compliance in pitch	10 μrad/Nm
Q,	Off-center load (N)	$Q \leq Cz \div (1 + D/20)$
Where D = Cantilever distance (mm)		



**RECOMMENDED CONTROLLERS/DRIVERS**

Model	Description
<b>XPS-D</b>	1- to 8-axis universal high-performance motion controller/driver
<b>XPS-DRV11</b>	Universal digital driver card for stepper, DC and direct motors
<b>XPS-RL</b>	1- to 4-axis universal high-performance motion controller/driver
<b>XPS-DRV01</b>	PWM drive module for DC brush and stepper motors, 3 A/43 V max.
<b>ESP301</b>	1- to 3-axis motion controller/driver
<b>SMC100CC</b>	Single-axis DC motor controller/driver
<b>SMC100PP</b>	Single-axis stepper motor controller/driver

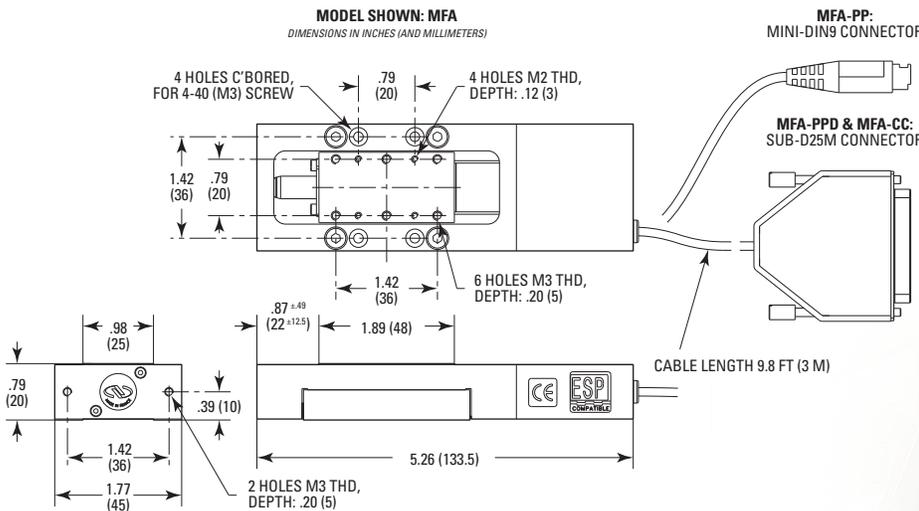
**ACCESSORIES**

Model	Description
<b>M-MFA-TP</b>	Top Plate, MFA Series Miniature Linear Stage, Metric Thread
<b>MFA-BP</b>	Universal Base Plate, MFA Series Stages
<b>MFA-BK</b>	Universal Top Plate, MFA Series, XZ and XYZ Mounting

**ORDERING INFORMATION**

Model	Description
<b>MFA-CC</b>	Miniature Linear Stage, 25 mm Travel, DC Motor
<b>MFA-CCV6</b>	Miniature Linear Stage, 25 mm Travel, DC Motor, Vacuum Compatible
<b>MFA-PP</b>	Miniature Linear Stage, 25 mm Travel, Stepper Motor, NSC200 Compatible
<b>MFA-PPD</b>	Miniature Linear Stage, 25 mm Travel, Stepper Motor
<b>CONEX-MFACC</b>	MFA-CC Linear Stage, Integrated with CONEX-CC Controller

**DIMENSIONS**



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