

PUPI® Tangent Crossarm Pin Torque Tests

Pin Torque Test, Longitudinal

Test Method

- Test specimens are standard PUPI beams with standard drilling pattern.
- Arms are mounted using standard PUPI mount.
- Three pin designs were tested: Joslyn standard pins J203Z and J647Z, 5" and 7" pins with nylon thread and Joslyn clamp pins J3322. Series 1000 arms were tested with J203Z pins only.
- Pins are attached to the crossarms at standard outer pin locations 4" from the end of the arm.
- Steel nut is threaded onto insulator pin as the loading contact.
- Insulator pin tip is placed under load cell in Instron test system.
- Load is applied to pin tip perpendicular to the crossarm major axis until beam fractures.
 - No contact with the shaft of the pin or the end of the arm is allowed.
- RUS requirement is no crushing of the fiberglass beam to 700 lbs load.

Results

Series 1000 Crossarms

⇒ All tests passed 900 lbs load with no damage to crossarms.

Series 2000 Crossarms

⇒ All tests passed 1000 lbs load with no damage to crossarms.

Series 2500 Crossarms

⇒ All tests passed 1000 lbs load with no damage to crossarms.

Series 3000 Crossarms

⇒ All tests passed 1250 lbs load, clamp pins exceeded 2300 lbs load with no damage to arms.

Pin Torque Test, Transverse

Test Method

- Specimens are 30" sections cut from the ends of standard PUPI crossarms.
- Cut end of arms are placed into a steel fixture to hold the arm section vertically.
- Joslyn insulator pin is attached to the free end of the beam section at the normal location 4" from the end of the crossarm.
- Insulator pin tip is placed under load cell in Instron test system
- Load is applied to the insulator pin tip parallel to the beam major axis until beam fractures or load limit of test is achieved.
- RUS requirement is no crushing of the fiberglass beam to 750 lbs load with standard pins, no crushing of the fiberglass beam to 1000 lbs with clamp pins.

Results

Series 1000 Crossarms

⇒ All tests passed 1000 lbs load with no damage to crossarms, tests truncated at 1000 lb load.

Series 2000 Crossarms

⇒ All tests passed 1000 lbs load with no damage to crossarms, tests truncated at 1000 lb load.

Series 3000 Crossarms

⇒ All tests passed 1000 lbs load with no damage to crossarms, tests truncated at 1000 lb load.

PUPI crossarms exceed RUS pin torque test requirements.