



Run Down Adapters September 2023

FAQ FOR RUN DOWN ADAPTERS

Q1. What is a Run Down Adapter (RDA)?

A1. It is a joint simulator used for testing power tools. It is used in conjunction with a torque analyzer or reaction torque sensor.



- Q2. What type of tool is an RDA used for testing?
- A2. The device is for testing electric and pneumatic power tools.
- Q3. Does it matter what RDA model I use when testing a power tool?
- A3. Ensure the power tool being tested is within the torque range of the RDA model. If used correctly, it will supply repeatable torque data within the RDA's torque range.
- Q4. What is an RDA designed to provide when testing a power tool?
- A4. The RDA is designed to provide consistent and reliable torque readings when testing power-driven torque control tools. The RDA reduces the impact and irregular peaks that cause poor repeatability. Each
- Q5. How is an RDA used when testing a power tool?
- A5. The run down adapter is mounted in-line between the tool drive and the transducer of a torque analyzer or sensor.
- Q6. Do I use an RDA when calibrating or testing a hand screwdriver or torque wrench?
- A6. No, it cannot be used for testing a hand screwdriver or torque wrench.
- Q7. Can an RDA be used for both CW and CCW direction when testing a power tool?
- A7. The RDA operates in a clockwise direction only. After each run down, the RDA should be completely backed up.
- Q8. What is a torque verification program?
- A8. It is a quality control process to test and validate if a tool is still in or out of calibration. Conducting a daily or weekly torque verification allows you to monitor tool performance and identify when it drifts out of tolerance.