

Machine Screws - Styles and Uses

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A machine screw is as basic a screw as there is. Used for countless applications where something needs to be fastened with a mating nut or driven into a pre-tapped hole. It is usually a fully threaded screw with unified threading and a blunt point. There are a multitude of head combinations (binding, fillister, flat, hex, hex washer, oval, pan, round and truss) and drives (Phillips, slot, 6-lobe, square, hex) that allow for virtually unlimited uses. Machine screws are available in many materials including steel, stainless steel, brass, aluminum and nylon. Available in Inch and Metric sizes.

Binding Undercut Head Machine Screws

A binding head is rounded similar to a pan head but thicker and has a larger bearing surface. Available in stainless steel 304, steel with zinc, black zinc, green zinc (grounding screw), and black oxide coatings. Often used in electrical applications with undercut that allows for wire underneath the head. Available in Phillips, Slotted or Phillips/Slot combination drives.



[Phillips Drive](#)



[Slot Drive](#)



[Slot/Phillips Drive](#)

Cheese Head Machine Screws (DIN 84)

A Din 84 (ISO 1207) slotted cheese head machine screw has a slightly tapered cylindrical head that is approximately 2 times the diameter of the screw thread. The head height is approximately 40% of the head diameter. The head has a slotted drive for installation and removal of the screw. Available in Steel, Stainless Steel, Aluminum, Brass and Nylon. Available in Metric Only



[Slot Drive](#)

Fillister Head Machine Screws

A fillister head is rounded similar to a pan head but higher and deeper. Standard slot drive and phillips drives. Available in stainless steel 304, steel with zinc, and black oxide coatings. It is the preferred head style for use in counterbored holes.



[Fillister Phillips Drive](#)



[Fillister Slot Drive](#)

Flat Countersunk Head Machine Screws

A flat countersunk screw is designed to be used when you need a flat smooth surface on the finished product. Undercut heads and 100 degree threads are available generally for short sizes to allow for extra threading. Standard slot drive, phillips, pozi and torx (6-lobe) drives. Available in stainless steel, brass, nylon, aluminum and steel with zinc (clear, yellow, green, black) and black oxide coatings. Available in Inch and Metric.



[100 Degree Undercut Phillips](#)



[Flat 6-Lobe Drive](#)



[Flat Phillips Drive 82 & 100 degree](#)



[Flat Phillips/Slot Combo Drive](#)



[Flat Pozidriv® Alternative](#)



[Flat Slot Drive](#)



[Flat Undercut 6-Lobe Drive](#)



[Flat Undercut Phillips](#)



[Flat Undercut Slot Drive](#)

Hex Head and Hex Washer Head Machine Screws

A hex head and hex washer head screw allows for greater torque when driving the screw. All other machine screws are internally driven, while the hex head is externally driven. Many versions also have phillips and slot drives for insertion and extraction if the user does not have an external hex driver. The washer head version has a built in washer to eliminate the need for another piece if a greater bearing surface is required. Available in stainless steel, steel with zinc (clear, yellow, green, black) and black oxide. Inch and Metric sizes are available.



[Hex Phillips/Slot Combo Drive](#)



[Hex Indented Slotted](#)



[Hex Indented Unslotted](#)



[Hex Washer Phillips](#)



[Hex Washer Phillips/Slot](#)



[Hex Indented Washer, No Slot](#)



[Hex Indented Washer, Slotted](#)

Oval Head Countersunk Machine Screws

An oval countersunk screw is designed to be used when you need a rounded surface on the finished product but require countersinking. Undercut heads threads are available generally for short sizes to allow for extra threading. Standard slot drive and phillips drives. Available in stainless steel and steel with zinc (clear, black) and black oxide coatings. Available in Inch and Metric.



[Oval Phillips Drive](#)



[Oval Slot Drive](#)



[Oval Undercut Phillips Drive](#)



[Oval Undercut Slot Drive](#)

Pan Head Machine Screws

A pan head machine screw is probably the most common and versatile rounded head screw. Not overly rounded with a large bearing surface it can be used in almost any application where a countersink is not necessary. Standard torx (6-lobe), slot, square and phillips drives. Available in stainless steel, brass, aluminum, nylon and steel with zinc (clear, black, green, yellow), and black oxide coatings. Pan head machine screws are available in inch (from #0-80 to 3/8" diameters) and metric sizes.



[Pan 6-Lobe Drive](#)



[Pan Phillips/Slot Combo](#)



[Pan Phillips Drive](#)



[Pan Pozidriv® Alternative](#)



[Pan Slot Drive](#)



[Pan Square Drive](#)

Round Head and Round Washer Head Machine Screws

A round head machine screw is similar to a pan head but with a higher, narrower head. The washer head type provides with a large bearing surface. Choosing round head over pan is usually for decorative reasons. It can be used in almost any application where a countersink is not necessary. Standard slot, square and Phillips drives. Available in stainless steel and steel with zinc (clear, black, green, yellow), and black oxide coatings. Round head machine screws are available in inch standard sizes.



[Round Phillips Drive](#)



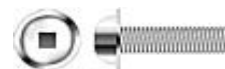
[Round Phillips/Slot Combo Drive](#)



[Round Slot Drive](#)



[Round Washer Head Phillips Drive](#)



[Round Washer Head Square Drive](#)

Truss Head Machine Screws

A truss head machine screw is used instead of a pan head in applications that require a large bearing surface and low profile head style. The low head with a large bearing surface it can be used in almost any application where a countersink is not possible or necessary. Standard torx (6-lobe), slot and phillips drives. Available in stainless steel and steel with zinc (clear, black, yellow), and black oxide coatings. Truss head machine screws are available in inch (from #2-56 to 3/8" diameters) sizes.



[Truss Head 6-Lobe Drive](#)



[Truss Phillips Drive](#)



[Truss Phillips/Slot Combo](#)



[Truss Slot Drive](#)