

# Spring Testing Machine

CAPABILITY SHEET · LOAD · MEASURE · RELEASE · RECORD · ENGINEERED TO ORDER

## THE ONE IDEA

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| <b>PRINCIPLE</b>      | A spring's rate is the easy number. Whether it comes back is the one that decides its life.                                                        |
| <b>WHY IT MATTERS</b> | A spring that passes its rate once can still take a permanent set, or fail after many cycles, in ways a single reading under load will never show. |

## THE MACHINE

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| <b>FRAME</b>     | A load frame with a screw or servo-driven crosshead, built stiff enough that its own flex never enters the reading.                    |
| <b>LOAD CELL</b> | Matched to the spring under test, not fixed to the frame's own maximum, so a light spring is read as carefully as a heavy one.         |
| <b>FIXTURES</b>  | Platens for compression, hooks for extension, and a torque arm for torsion, matched to the spring's own ends.                          |
| <b>RECORD</b>    | Load and position logged together throughout, so the rate, the set after release, and, if cycled, the fatigue life all come from data. |

## THE TEST

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| <b>ORDER</b>  | Mount, zero, load, hold and read, release and recover, record and cycle. The spring is always released and left to find its own length before the test is called complete. |
| <b>LIMITS</b> | Every result is set against the limits in the spring's own drawing, which the customer provides.                                                                           |

## CONFIGURATIONS

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| <b>BENCH MACHINE</b>  | One fixture, for static rate and set testing.             |
| <b>FATIGUE RIG</b>    | Built to cycle a spring for endurance.                    |
| <b>MULTI-MODE RIG</b> | Compression, extension and torsion fixtures on one frame. |

## STANDARDS & SCOPE

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| <b>STANDARDS</b>      | EN 13906-1, EN 13906-2 and EN 13906-3 are the public references for compression, extension and torsion spring design, and ISO/IEC 17025 for calibration.                                 |
| <b>SCOPE BOUNDARY</b> | This is the machine built around a spring's own rate, set and fatigue life. It is not a general load frame, not a single-blow impact test, and not a test of a complete suspension unit. |
| <b>STATUS</b>         | Neometrix has quoted against successive spring testing machine requirements, and no delivered spring testing machine is claimed.                                                         |

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