## **SWG ASSY 3.0 WOOD SCREWS**

**Special Provision** 



06-04-2019

### Subject: Substitution of Lag Screws with SWG ASSY 3.0 Wood Screws

Lag screws are ever-present in the timber construction industry, however labor intensive installation requirements make lag screws a difficult to work with solution for wood-to-wood or even steel to wood connections. Code approved ASSY 3.0 Wood Screws present numerous advantages over traditional lag screws as they are self-tapping and no pre-drilling is required in most circumstances. ASSY wood screws can be used as a labor-saving substitute for lag screws in most cases, for fasteners under simple shear forces.

Self-tapping screws offer comparable lateral capacities to lag screws and faster installation. This document is to be read in conjunction with the **National Design Standard** (NDS) 2018 and ICC ESR-3179 for SWG ASSY 3.0 Wood Screws. The following substitution tables show adequate self-tapping screw replacements for given lag screw geometry that meet or exceed load-carrying capacities calculated for single lag screw connections.

In shear applications, the lag screw or equivalent ASSY screw must penetrate a minimum of 6D into the main member, where D is the screw outside thread diameter (major diameter). A detailed analysis of the substitution must be carried if group effects are applicable for the connection under consideration. MyTiCon Timber Connectors recommends that for lag screws in simple shear applications the fastener be substituted with specified ASSY Ecofast (Eco) or ASSY SK for wood to wood connections and ASSY Eco or ASSY Kombi for steel to wood connections.

It is important to note that spacing requirements are different for lag screws and self-tapping screws. To maintain the same spacing requirements, the self-tapping screws would need to be pre-drilled.

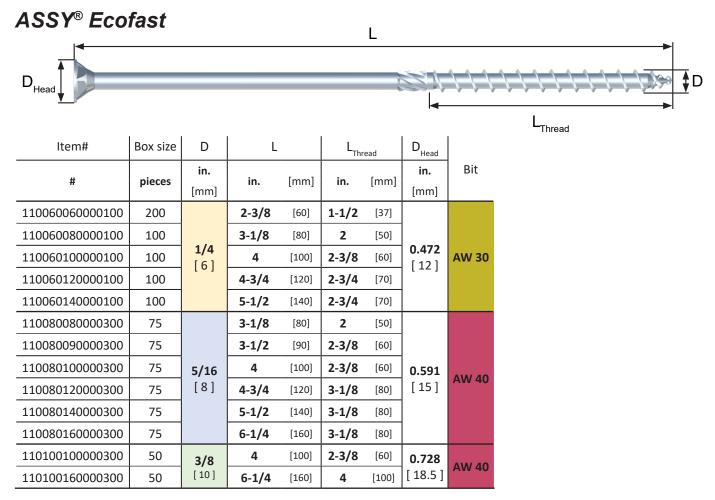
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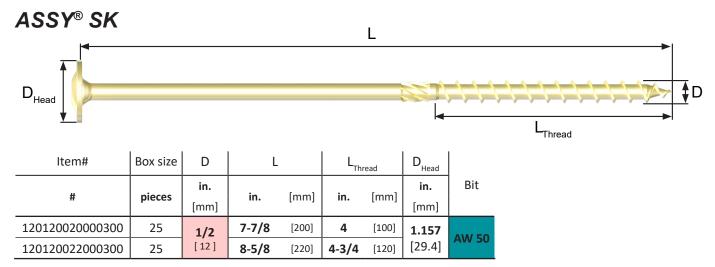
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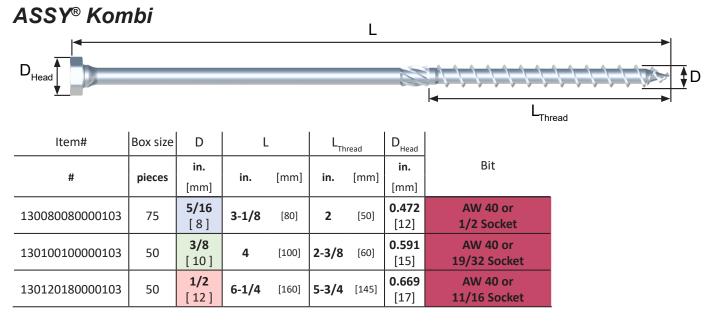
- Substitution only valid for ASSY<sup>®</sup> fastener for Single Shear (two member) Connections in S.P.F. (G = 0.42) and D.Fir (G=0.49) in accordance with NDS 2018.
- 2. Group effects have not been considered and adjustment factors are assumed to not be required.
- 3. Head pull-through capacity does not govern the axial design of the lag screw.



Notes: For more ASSY® fastener options, visit the MyTiCon website MyTiCon.com.



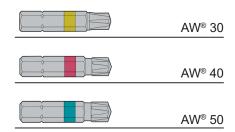
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### Bits - AW® Drive

The AW® Bits are engineered and patented for proper installation of all ASSY® screws and offer exceptional fit and durability. They are available in three standard sizes.



## **Pre-drilling Recommendations**

Table I.1, Pre-drilling hole diameter

Major Diameter (D)	Softwood	Hardwood	Steel Plate		
in.	in.	in.	in.		
[mm]	[mm]	[mm]	[mm]		
1/4	5/32	5/32	9/32		
[6]	[4]	[4]	[7]		
5/16	3/16	15/64	23/64		
[8]	[5]	[6]	[9]		
3/8	15/64	17/64	7/16		
[10]	[6]	[7]	[11]		
1/2	17/64	5/16	33/64		
[12]	[7]	[8]	[13]		

- 1. Consult a qualified design professional before pre-drilling.
- Pre-drilled holes that exceed the diameters listed above may reduce the capacity of the screws.
- 3. Recommendations only applicable to ASSY® screws.
- 4. Connection design must meet all the relevant requirements outlined in the Notes to the Designer section.

## **Lag Screw Substitution Tables**

Table T.1, Wood to Wood Lag Screw Substitution Tables

	Lag crew	Wood Side Member Thickness, T (in)									
D (in)	L (in)	1/2	5/8	5/8 3/4 1 1-1/4 1-1/2 1-3/4							
	3	N/A							N/A	N/A	
	4	N/A			Eco	Eco	Eco 1/4 x 4-3/4	N/A			
1/4	5 to 12	N/A			1/4 x 3-1/8	1/4 x 4		Eco 1/4 x 5-1/2			
	4	N/A				N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
	5	N/A							N/A	N/A	
5/16	6	N/A		CO 4/0		E	СО		Eco 5/16 x 5-1/2	N/A	
	7 to 12	N/A	5/16)	c 3-1/8			6 x 4			Eco 5/16 x 6-1/4	
	4	N/A		N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
	5	N/A	-				•	N/A	N/A	N/A	
3/8	6	N/A	-				N/A				
	7 to 12	N/A			Eco 3/8 x 3-1/8			co 6-1/4			
	6	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		N/A	N/A	N/A	
	7	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	SK 1/2 x 7-7/8			N/A	
1/2	8 to 12	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A				SK 1/2 x 8-5/8	

- Substitution only valid for ASSY® fastener for Single Shear (two member) Connections in S.P.F. (G = 0.42) and D.Fir (G=0.49) in accordance with NDS 2018.
- 2. Substitution are based on capcities shown in Table 12J of NDS 2018.
- Connection geometry for ASSY screw, presented in the Detailing Section, must be respected.
- 4. Substitution valid for  $Z_{_{/\!/}}, Z_{_{SL}}, Z_{_{mL}}$  and  $Z_{_{L}}$ .
- N/A stands for Not Applicable. It either means there are no available ASSY substitution or the connection does not follow the minimum penetration requirements.

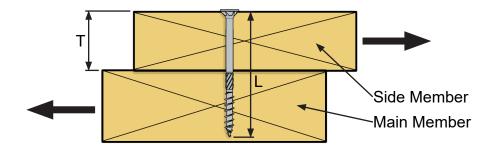
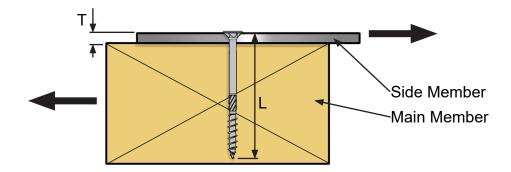


Table T.2, Steel to Wood Lag Screw Substitution Tables

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D (in)	L (in)	14ga	12ga	3ga	1/4"			
1/4	2 to 12			Eco 1/4 x 3-1/8				
5/16	3 to 12			Kombi 5/16 x 3-1/8				
3/8	4 to 12	Kombi 3/8 x 3-1/8						
1/2	5 to 12	Kombi 1/2 x 5-1/2						

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- 2. Substitution are based on capcities shown in Table 12K of NDS 2018.
- Connection geometry for ASSY screw, presented in the Detailing Section, must be respected.
- Substitution valid for  $Z_{_{/\!/}}$  and  $Z_{_\perp}$ .

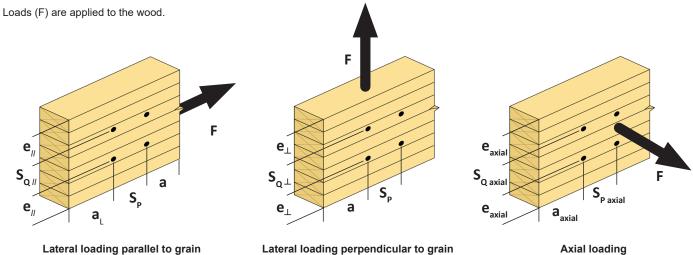


# **Spacing and Edge Distance Requirements**

Spacing and distance requirements ensure full fastener resistance can be developed. Self-tapping screws displace wood fiber as the screw is driven into the member, while pre-drilling removes wood fiber. The spacing and edge distance requirements

for self-tapping screws, vary when compared to other fasteners. If pre-drilling is implemented, the spacing and edge distance requirements as per NDS 2018 may apply.





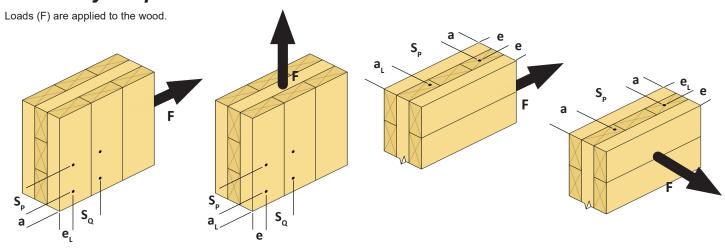
## Geometry Requirements for ASSY® Screws

Table S.1.1, Timber Connection Geometry Requirements without Pre-drilling

		End Di	stance	E	dge Distand	ce	Spacing Between Fasteners in a Row		Spacing Between Rows	
	a/a <sub>L</sub>	a <sub>axial</sub>	<b>e</b> <sub>//</sub>	$\mathbf{e}_{\!\scriptscriptstyle \perp}$	e <sub>axial</sub>	S <sub>p</sub>	S <sub>P axial</sub>	S <sub>Q</sub> _/ S <sub>Q</sub> //	S <sub>Q axial</sub>	
	G ≤ 0.42	10 D	10 D	5 D	10 D	5 D	5 D	5 D	5 D	5 D
Partial Thread	0.42 < G ≤ 0.55	15 D	15 D	7 D	12 D	7 D	7 D	7 D	7 D	7 D
	D-Fir	22.5 D	22.5 D	7 D	12 D	7 D	10.5 D	10.5 D	7 D	7 D
	G ≤ 0.42	7 D	5 D	3 D	7 D	3 D	7 D	5 D	5 D	2.5 D
Full Thread	0.42 < G ≤ 0.55	7 D	5 D	3 D	7 D	3 D	7 D	5 D	5 D	2.5 D
	D-Fir	10.5 D	7.5 D	3 D	7 D	3 D	10.5 D	7.5 D	5 D	2.5 D

- According to ICC-ESR-3178 and ICC-EDR-3179
- Tabulated values listed above must prevent splitting in wood. Shall splitting be observed a design professional must be consulted immediately.
- Within a row, fasteners may be staggered up to 2·D to further reduce the potential for splitting. "D" is the major diameter of the fastener.
- All connection design must meet all the relevant requirements of the Notes to the Designer section.
- If pre-drilling is implemented, the spacing and edge distance requirements for lag screws as per NDS 2018 may apply.

## Geometry Requirements in CLT for ASSY® Screws



**Fasteners in Plane Surface** 

Fasteners in Narrow Edge

Table S.1.2, CLT Connection Geometry Requirements without Pre-drilling

CLT Plane	End Distance		Edge D	Distance	Spacing Between Fasteners in a Row	Spacing Between Rows	
	a <sub>L</sub>	а	e <sub>L</sub>	е	S <sub>P</sub>	S <sub>Q</sub>	
Fasteners in Plane Surface	6 D	6 D	6 D	2.5 D	4 D	2.5 D	
Fasteners in Narrow Edge	12 D	7 D	6 D	3 D	10 D	4 D	

- Spacing, end and edge distance requirements in the above tables were veified in testing.
- 2. The listed values are applicable when the CLT panel tickness is at least  $10 \cdot D$ .
- 3. The minimum penetration depth of the screw into the narrow face of the panel should be at least 10·D. D is the major diameter of the fastener.
- All connection design must meet all the relevant requirements of the Notes to the Designer section.
- If pre-drilling is implemented, the spacing and edge distance requirements for lag screws as per NDS 2018 may apply.