

BOBTAIL®

The next step in LockBolt Evolution



The Huck Product Range®

BobTail®

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BobTail® Key Features

- The Huck BobTail® innovative and unique Lockbolt design with no pin-break, no waste material to collect and dispose of or potential corrosion issues post installation
- Consistent clamp will not loosen even under extreme vibration
- Tamper proof one installed cannot easily be removed without specialist tooling
- Unique helical lock-groove
- Maintenance free joints eliminates checking / replacement and ultimately cost reductions
- Installation indicator on collar for visual inspection
- Easy to learn, shock free, low noise installation
- A viable alternative to welding and nuts and bolts engineered for easy installation and long, reliable life. Can be a faster, more cost efficient and safer alternative to traditional welding processes.
- Materials: Steel, Aluminum
- Head Styles:Round, Truss, 90° Flush, Flanged, 98T, Trazier

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Huck[®] BobTail[®]

Huck's Next-Generation, Pintail-Less HuckBolt

Representing the most advanced fastening technology to date, the BobTail[®] delivers the highest level of performance and reliability.

Engineered to meet the challenges of a wide range of assembly applications, BobTail offers safe, quiet, swaged-on installation technology in a unique, pintail-less design. Available in an assortment of sizes, in both Grade 5 and Grade 8. BobTail offers 5 times the fatigue strength of conventional nuts and bolts and unmatched installation speed – often under 2 seconds per fastener.

Its unique no-break-off pintail offers the highest corrosionresistance in its class, while advanced, low-swage technology enables installation with lightweight, ergonomic tools. When you factor in the cost of fasteners with installation and inspection labor, BobTail often provides an overall lower installed cost.

Available Sizes	1/2", 5/8", 3/4", 7/8", 1" 12mm, 14mm, 16mm, 20mm
Materials	Steel
Headstyles	Round, Truss, 90° Flush, Flanged, 98T, Trazier





🗸 No pintail

- ✓ Maintenance Free
- Low overall installed cost
- Superior strength (fatigue)
- Vibration resistance

- Quiet installation
- ✓ No repetitive stress injuries
- No special training or skills required for installation personnel
- Quick visual inspection is all that's needed for a quality-assured joint

Unmatched Speed of Installation



- 1 Pintail-less design means reduced noise, no waste, and improved corrosion resistance.
- 2 Visual evidence of successful installation provided by installation indicator.
- **3** Collar material swaged into the lockgrooves forms a permanent, vibration-resistant connection.
- 4 Low-swage technology allows for faster, lighter, ergonomic tooling with parts that last longer.

For Oversized Holes: To optimize clamp, hardened washers such as ASTM F436, DIN 6916 or EN 14399-6 are recommended for use with oversize holes and slots, along with good bolting practice.



Insert pin into the prepared hole, spin the collar onto the pin.



The installation tool is applied to annular pull grooves. When the tool is activated, a puller in the nose assembly draws the pin into the tool, causing the swaging anvil to press on the collar, drawing up any sheet gap.



At a predetermined force, the anvil begins to swage the collar into the pin's lockgrooves. Continued swaging elongates the collar and pin, developing precise clamp.



When swaging of the collar into the pin lockgrooves is complete, the tool ejects the fastener and releases the puller to complete the sequence.

Quick, Easy Visual Inspection

Combining an advanced fastener design with the latest in easy-to-use, ergonomic installation tooling, the BobTail system delivers a strong connection and sets a new standard for ease of installation.





"Dots" on the BobTail collar indicates a full swage when at least one is crossed by the swage anvil.

BobTail System

Not Just Manufactured. Huck-Engineered

Unlike conventional nuts and bolts, which have gaps on the thread flanks even when tightened, the BobTail system is designed for full metal-to-metal contact around the bolt thread by the collar. An installed BobTail has no gaps and delivers a more secure connection, providing reliability even in the most severe environments.

Increased Life, Decreased Maintenance, Virtually Vibration Proof



Transverse vibration loosens nut and bolt, requiring constant retightening or replacement.

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The swaged Bobtail collar forms over the bolt threads, eliminating the gap and reducing vibration.

BOBTAIL[®] NEXT STEP IN LOCKBOLT EVOLUTION

The Huck BobTail system includes LockBolts and installation tooling that will deliver you benefits beyond anything that Howmet Fastening Systems & Rings Industrial Division has produced before.



Key Benefits

Cycle Installation Speed

Speed of fastener installation has to be seen to be believed with the 1/4 diameter BobTail fastener installing in less than 1 second. The 16mm diameter BobTail fastener installs in 2 seconds, up to twice as fast as any large diameter LockBolt on the market.



No pin-tail or pin-break

No material waste Low installation noise Increased corrosion resistance

High Fatigue Strength Thread Form

Shallow thread and large root radius

Smooth, shock free installation sequence

Eliminates jolts to the operator's arms and hands

Unique helical lock groove (12mm diameter upwards)

Holds pin and collar in place prior to installation

Hardened Pin

Softer collar material flows between lock-grooves

increase fatigue strength

Installation indicator on collar for visual inspection (12mm diameter upwards)

The swage indicators indent when installation is complete



Prior to Installation



After Installation

Combined with all the benefits of using a Huck LockBolt

Permanent, mechanically locked fastener:

Installation process automatically provides fastener values No torque or re-torque required

Unlike conventional nuts and bolts, they will not work loose, even during extreme vibration

Easy visual inspection ensures correct installation



Huck BobTail has gained the prestigious German national technical approval from DIBt.

Convert from other Huck LockBolts to BobTail

If you are currently using Huck C50L or C6L Lockbolts then due to the dimensional and strength similarities it is quick and easy to switch BobTail to gain the extra benefits listed above*.

Consistent Clamp with BobTail



This chart shows nut and bolt clamp scatter is much wider compared to Bobtail, and that once vibration begins, clamp load quickly decays with conventional nuts and bolts, while it holds constant with the Bobtail.

*Some installation tooling adaptation will be needed.

Uninstalled Dimensions



Head Style: Round, Truss Head

Material: Carbon Steel

Other head styles and materials available on request.

Grip Range and Length Table

	Grip Range		6,4mm (1/4")	6,4mm (1/4")	7,9mm (5/16")	7,9mm (5/16")	9,5mm (3/8")	9,5mm (3/8")
Grip Number	From (mm)	to (mm)	D Max (mm)	F Nominal (mm)	D Max (mm)	F Nominal (mm)	D Max (mm)	F Nominal (mm)
1	0.0	4.7	20.7	1.0				
2	0.0	6.4	22.2	1.6				
3	1.6	7.9	23.8	3.2				
4	3.2	9.5	25.4	4.7	29.4	4.7	33.3	4.8
5	4.7	11.1	27.0	6.4				
6	6.4	12.7	28.6	7.9	32.5	7.9	36.5	7.9
8	9.5	15.9	30.2	11.1	35.7	11.1	39.6	11.1
10	12.7	19.1	31.8	14.3	38.9	14.3	42.8	14.3
12	15.9	22.2	33.3	17.4	42.1	17.4	46.0	17.5
14	19.1	25.4	34.9	20.6	45.2	20.6	49.1	20.6
16	22.2	28.6	36.5	23.8	48.4	23.8	52.3	23.8
18	25.4	31.8	38.1	27.0	51.6	27.0	55.5	27.0
20	28.6	34.9	39.7	30.1	54.8	30.1	58.7	30.2

Head and Collar Dimension Table

	Head Dim	nensions	Collar Dimensions			
Diameter (mm)	B Max (mm)	C Max (mm)	K Max (mm)	L Max (mm)		
6.4mm (1/4")	13.6	3.6	13.1	9.7		
7.9mm (5/16")	17.3	4.4	16.3	12.1		
9.5mm (3/8")	20.83	5.3	19.56	14.35		

Installed Dimensions



Installed Information and Max Hole Table

		Minir	num Instal	led Streng	th Values						
Diameter		Class 5.8		Class 8.8				motanea	Jintensions		
(mm)	Clamp (kN)	Tensile (kN)	Shear (kN)	Clamp (kN)	Tensile (kN)	Shear (kN)	R Min (mm)	S Max (mm)	T Min (mm)	U Max (mm)	Max Hole (mm)
6.4mm (1/4")	8.0	13.3	13.6	10.2	16.5	19.1	5.7	13.6	6.6	9.2	7.9
7.9mm (5/16")	12.5	20.5	21.0	18.7	26.7	29.8	7.1	15.2	8.3	11.6	9.9
9.5mm (3/8")	17.9	28.9	30.4	26.6	41.4	42.7	8.8	16.9	9.9	13.8	11.9



Head Style: Flanged

Material: Carbon Steel

Other head styles and materials available on request.

Grip Range and Length Table

	Grip ra	nge	12mm	12mm	14mm	14mm	16mm	16mm	20mm	20mm
Grip Number	From (mm)	to (mm)	D Max (mm)	F Nominal (mm)						
10	5	15	46.1	3.8	49	3.8	52	3.8	60.7	3.8
15	10	20	51.1	3.8	54	3.8	57	3.8	65.7	3.8
20	15	25	56.1	3.8	59	3.8	62	3.8	70.7	3.8
25	20	30	61.1	3.8	64	3.8	67	3.8	75.7	3.8
30	25	35	66.1	3.8	69	3.8	72	3.8	80.7	3.8
35	30	40	71.1	3.8	74	3.8	77	3.8	85.7	3.8
40	35	45	76.1	3.8	79	3.8	82	3.8	90.7	3.8
45	40	50	81.1	3.8	84	3.8	87	3.8	95.7	3.8
50	45	55	86.1	3.8	89	3.8	92	9.5	100.7	3.8
55	50	60	91.1	3.8	94	3.8	97	9.5	105.7	3.8
60	55	65	96.1	3.8	99	3.8	102	9.5	110.7	3.8
65	60	70	101.1	3.8	104	3.8	107	9.5	115.7	9.5
70	65	75	106.1	3.8	109	3.8	112	9.5	120.7	9.5
75	70	80	111.1	3.8	114	9.5	117	9.5	125.7	9.5
80	75	85	116.1	9.5	119	9.5	122	9.5	130.7	9.5

Head and Collar Dimension Table

	Head Dim	nensions	Collar Dimensions			
Diameter (mm)	B Max (mm)	C Max (mm)	K Max (mm)	L Max (mm)		
12mm	25.4	9.6	12.3	17.9		
14mm	30	11.5	14.4	21.5		
16mm	33.8	12.2	16.4	23.7		
20mm	42.4	16	20.5	29.6		

Installed Dimensions



Installed Information and Max Hole Table

	Minii Stre	mum Instal ength Value	led es					
Diameter (mm)	Clamp (kN)	Tensile (kN)	Shear (kN)	R Min (mm)	S Max (mm)	T Min (mm)	U Max (mm)	Max Hole (mm)
12mm	64.9	87.7	65.4	11.1	23.7	13.1	17.3	13.5
14mm	87	120	94	11.2	24.6	15.5	20.2	15.5
16mm	116	163	122	11.2	23.3	17.4	23.1	17.5
20mm	181	255	182	14	26.7	21.8	28.8	22

Uninstalled Dimensions



Head Style: Round

Material: Carbon Steel

Other head styles and materials available on request.

Grip Range and Length Table

	Grip R	ange	12.7mm (1/2")	12.7mm (1/2")	15.9mm (5/8")	15.9mm (5/8")	19.1mm (3/4")	19.1mm (3/4")	22.2mm (7/8")	22.2mm (7/8")	25.4mm (1")	25.4mm (1")
Grip Number	From (mm)	to (mm)	D Max (mm)	F Nominal (mm)	D Max (mm)	F Nominal (mm)						
4	6.4	15.7	48.3	3.8	52.6	3.8	61.8	4.1	68.7	6.4	76.2	6.4
8	12.7	22.1	54.6	3.8	58.9	3.8	68.1	4.1	75.1	6.4	82.6	6.4
12	19.1	28.4	61.0	3.8	65.3	3.8	74.5	4.1	81.4	6.4	88.9	6.4
16	25.4	34.8	67.3	3.8	71.6	3.8	80.8	4.1	87.8	6.4	95.3	6.4
20	31.8	41.1	73.7	3.8	78.0	3.8	87.2	4.1	94.1	6.4	101.6	6.4
24	38.1	47.5	80.0	3.8	84.3	3.8	93.5	4.1	100.5	6.4	108.0	6.4
28	44.5	53.8	86.4	3.8	90.7	3.8	99.9	4.1	106.8	6.4	114.3	6.4
32	50.8	60.2	92.7	3.8	97.0	3.8	106.2	4.1	113.2	12.7	120.7	12.7
36	57.2	66.5	99.1	3.8	103.4	3.8	112.6	4.1	119.5	12.7	127.0	12.7
40	63.5	72.9	105.4	3.8	109.7	3.8	118.9	9.5	125.9	12.7	133.4	12.7
44	69.9	79.2	111.8	3.8	116.1	9.5	125.3	9.5	132.2	12.7	139.7	12.7
48	76.2	85.6	118.1	9.5	122.4	9.5	131.6	9.5	138.6	12.7	146.1	12.7
52	82.6	91.9	124.5	9.5			138.0	9.5	144.9	12.7	152.4	12.7
56	88.9	98.3	130.8	9.5			144.3	9.5	151.3	12.7	158.8	12.7
60	95.3	104.6	137.2	9.5			150.7	9.5	157.6	12.7	165.1	12.7
64	101.6	111.0					157.0	9.5	164.0	12.7	171.5	12.7
68	108.0	117.3					163.4	9.5	170.3	12.7	177.8	12.7
72	114.3	123.7					169.7	9.5	176.7	12.7	184.2	12.7

Head and Collar Dimension Table

	Head Dim	nensions	Collar Dimensions		
Diameter (mm)	B Max (mm)	C Max (mm)	K Max (mm)	L Max (mm)	
12.7mm (1/2")	24.2	8.5	13.2	19.0	
15.9mm (5/8")	30.4	11.0	16.4	23.7	
19.1mm (3/4")	36.6	13.5	19.7	28.3	
22.2mm (7/8")	2.2mm (7/8") 42.3		22.9	33.0	
25.4mm (1")	50.8	16.5	26.2	37.8	

Installed Information and Max Hole Table

	Minimum Installed Strength Values				Installed Dimensions				
Diameter (mm)	Clamp (kN)	Tensile (kN)	Shear (kN)	R Min (mm)	S Max (mm)	T Min (mm)	U Max (mm)	Max Hole (mm)	
12.7mm (1/2")	53.6	75.8	62.3	10.9	23.7	14.4	18.4	14.3	
15.9mm (5/8")	85.4	120.5	100.1	10.9	24.4	18	23.1	17.5	
19.1mm (3/4")	126.3	178.4	144.1	13.6	27.9	21.6	27.7	20.6	
22.2mm (7/8")	174.6	246.7	193.1	15.2	30.3	25.1	32	23.8	
25.4mm (1")	229.1	323.4	251.3	17.4	33.2	29.2	36.9	28.6	

Installed Dimensions



PART NUMBER CONSTRUCTION

Follow the form below to construct a part number for ordering BobTail pins and collars. Refer to the Grip Data chart for grip numbers.

Small Diameter BobTail Pin (6,4 to 9,5mm)

BT (HEAD STYLE) - (MATERIAL) (DIAMETER) - (GRIP NUMBER) (FINISH)

Example: **BT-R8-4GA** is a BobTail LockBolt fastener, Round Head, Carbon Steel grade 5,8, 6,4mm (1/4") Diameter, Grip 4 (3,2 to 9,5mm), Zinc Electroplate.

HeadStyle	Suffix	Material	Suffix	Diameter	Suffix	Finish	Suffix
Round	No Letter	Carbon Steel Grade 5.8	R	6.4mm (1/4″)	8	Zinc Electroplate	GA
Truss Head	98T	Carbon Steel Grade 8.8	BR	7.9mm (5/16″)	10		
				9.5mm (3/8")	12		

Other Headstyles and materials available on request

Large Diameter Imperial BobTail Pin (12,7 to 25,4mm)

BT (HEAD STYLE) - (MATERIAL) (DIAMETER) - (GRIP NUMBER) (FINISH)

Example: **BTR-BR16-4GA** is a BobTail LockBolt fastener, Round Head, Carbon Steel grade 8,8, 12,7mm (1/2") Diameter, Grip 4 (6,4 to 15,7mm), Zinc Electroplate.

HeadStyle	Suffix	Material	Suffix	Diameter	Suffix	Finish	Suffix
Round	R	BR	Carbon Steel Grade 8.8	12.7mm (1/2")	16	Zinc Electroplate	GA
				15.9mm (5'8″)	20		
				19.1mm (3'4")	24		
				22.2mm (7'8")	28		
				25.4mm (1")	32		

Other Headstyles and materials available on request

Small Diameter BobTail Collar (6,4 to 9,5mm) & Large Diameter Imperial BobTail Collar (12,7 to 25,4mm)

BTC (MATERIAL STRENGTH) - (MATERIAL) (DIAMETER) (FINISH)

Example: BTC-R8GAH is a Standard BobTail Collar, Low Carbon Steel, 6,4mm (1/4") Diameter, Zinc Electroplate.

Material Strength Grade	Suffix	Material	Suffix	Diameter	Suffix	Finish	Suffix
Low Carbon Steel	No Number	Carbon Steel	R	6.4mm (1/4")	8	Zinc Electroplate	GAH
Low Carbon Steel	5			7.9mm (5/16")	10		
				9.5mm (3/8")	12		
				12.7mm (1/2")	16	Zinc + Black*	BL*
				15.9mm (5'8″)	20		
				19.1mm (3'4")	24		
				22.2mm (7'8")	28		
				25.4mm (1")	32		

Other collar types and materials available on request. Use suffix 5 collars to match with 8.8 grade pins

* For 12.7mm collar stand finish is GAT (Zinc Electroplate)

Large Diameter Metric BobTail Pin (12 to 20mm)

MBT (HEAD STYLE) - (MATERIAL) (DIAMETER) - (GRIP NUMBER) (FINISH)

Example: **MBT-DT12-10G** is a BobTail LockBolt fastener, Flanged Head, Carbon Steel grade 10.9, 12mm Diameter, Grip 10 (5 to 15mm), Mechnical Zinc.

HeadStyle	Suffix	Material	Suffix	Diameter	Suffix	Finish	Suffix
Flanged	No Letter	Carbon Steel Grade 10.9	DT	12mm	12	Mechanical Zinc	G
				14mm	14		
				16mm	16		
				20mm	20		

Large Diameter Metric BobTail Collar (12 to 20mm)

MBTC - (MATERIAL) (DIAMETER) (FINISH)

Example: MBTC-R16BL is a Standard BobTail Collar, Low Carbon Steel, 16mm Diameter, Zinc + Black.

Material	Suffix	Diameter	Suffix	Finish	Suffix
Low Carbon Steel	R	12mm	12	Zinc + Black	BL
		14mm	14		
		16mm	16		
		20mm	20		

Other collar types and materials available on request

HUCK TOOLING SYSTEMS

There are many different types of installation systems for the BobTail, dependent of fastener diameter, application type and application access. Some of the most popular tools are shown below but this is just part of our BobTail tooling range. Discuss your requirements with our dedicated systems team to find the optimum solution to suit your needs.

To install BobTail the basic tooling requirement is: Installation Tool - Either pneumatic or hydraulic Nose Assembly





The SFBTT series, makes the installation process quicker and easier by reducing the force required to install each fastener. Compact and light weight production tools, these swage forward tools give the operator great flexibility as well as extended reach into difficult areas.

For tight, space-constrained applications the SFBTT8 allows the operator to position their hand at a safe distance from the working structure during installation.

HK34-001/115 (110V AND 230V)



Powerig; available in 110v and 230v - electric, portable design. Can be used will all hydraulic installation tools.

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The Powerig hydraulic Directional Valves plus control circuits, are powered from a 24 Volt DC remote circuit activated by the Tool Trigger.

Huck Installation Tools are connected to the Powerig by means of Pull & Return Hydraulic Hoses and an Electrical Control Cord fitted with connectors. The functions of the Motor/Pump and hydraulic valves are controlled by the Tool Trigger during fastener installation. The Tool Trigger is depressed to start the installation sequence. The Powerig Motor/Pump will start (if it is not already running in

the idle mode), and the Tool Piston/Nose Assembly will move to start the Fastener Installation cycle. Depending on the type of Tool used and the Fastener being installed, the Tool Piston/Nose Assembly will automatically return to their original start positions when the operator releases the Tool Trigger. The Powerig Motor/Pump will then stop once the tool piston is in the fully forward (returned) position.

Installation Gauges



Easy to use ring gauge used to ensure each installation is correct.

BobTail Removal



A quick change of nose assembly from the installation nose to the cutter nose enables removal of BobTail fasteners using the same tooling system.

HOW IT WORKS

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How BobTail Works

Clamp Force or Pre–Load: In the initial stages of the installation process, the tool engages and pulls on the tail of the fastener. The joint is pulled together before the anvil portion of the nose assembly is forced down the collar. This progressively locks (swages) it into the grooves of the harder pin. The pin and swaged collar combine to form the installed fastener.

The squeezing action reduces the diameter of the collar, increasing its length. This in turn stretches the pin, generating a clamp force over the joint.

Shear strength of BobTail fasteners vary according to the material strength and minimal diameter of the fastener. By increasing the diameter or the grade of material, the shear strength of the fastener can be increased.

The tensile strength of BobTail fasteners is dependent on the shear resistance of the collar material and the number of grooves it fills.





BobTail HuckBolts also available in thread-head configuration for limited clearance applications.

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