

Increase farm productivity with SKF Agri Hub for tillage discs Relubrication-free, sustainable, cost-effective





A new solution for manufacturers of agriculture attachments

SKF presents its new easy-fit hub solution for agriculture (SKF Agri Hub), with integrated flange and reliable sealing solution for agricultural implements.

Today's market demands increased productivity and respect for the environment. You want to reply to these needs while lowering your management costs and improving your company's ecological profile. Today SKF Agri Hub enables you to do so.

With this new SKF product, downtime for attachment maintenance is significantly reduced, since the hub is relubrication-free.

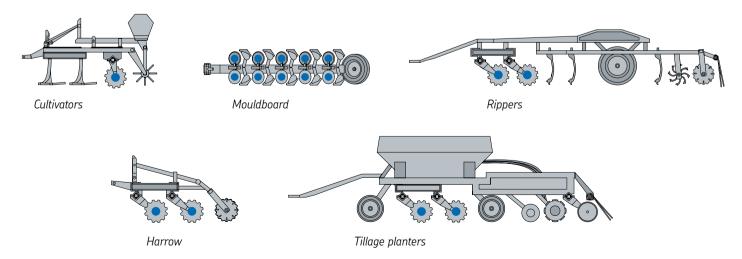


SKF Agri Hub is easy to fit and suitable for a wide range of agricultural machines.

Benefits

- Better sales arguments
 - Increased farm productivity
 - Relubrication-free
 - Environmentally friendly
 - Easy to install / replace
- Cost-effective
- Better market image
- · Better sustainable image

Typical machines





Value added benefits

Farm productivity increased by up to 150 %*

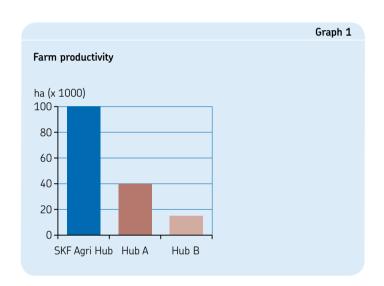
Extensive testing by SKF has shown that early bearing failure due to insufficient sealing performance can be prevented. The SKF sealing solution withstood one of the most severe tests: the "low temperature" tillage trial.

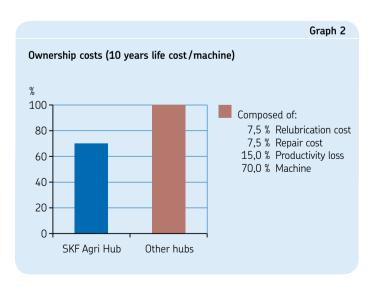
The easy-fit SKF Agri Hub solution seals the unit against string, stones, straw, mud, dust and any kind of fertilizer. During the SKF testing, the reduced bearing failures allowed the farmer to increase productivity by up to 150 % (see **Graph 1**)!

Ownership costs reduced by up to 30 %*

SKF's long-term experience and thorough knowledge of the agricultural industry has led to the development of this reliable, compact solution.

With no more regreasing the sealing solution protects SKF Agri Hub from contamination and reduces the number of breakdowns. Feedback from the SKF testing showed that as much as half an hour of maintenance time could be saved every day (see **Graph 2**).





^{*} All figures and graphs are rounded off and based on SKF testing estimates. Particular savings and results may vary.

Management costs reduced by up to 90 %*

Instead of using several single components the SKF Agri Hub enables you to lower your hub management costs up to 90 %! This is due to the fact that the SKF solution is delivered as a complete integrated unit (see **Graph 3**).

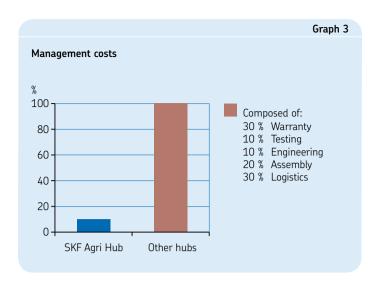
By purchasing the complete hub from SKF profitability rises – no more multiple suppliers for bearings, flanges and seals – no additional warranty, testing, engineering and assembly costs.

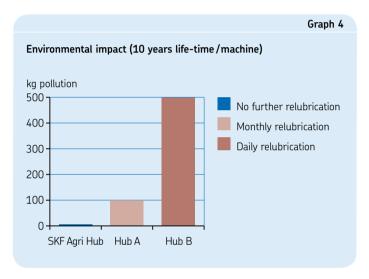
A solution that cares about the environment

The SKF Agri Hub sealing solution protects the environment from pollution reducing lifetime grease leakage. No regreasing need during the service life of the SKF Agri Hub (see **Graph 4**).

Therefore...

Our solution offers manufacturers better sales claims and reduces farmers' costs, while protecting the environment: both reach their objectives, whether short, medium or long-term.





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BeyondZero, increasing positive environmental impact through SKF knowledge.

Testing results



SKF Agri Hub on test in the field.

SKF Agri Hub testing		
3	Passed	Result
Tillage disc field test	V	+ Productivity
Mud tillage test	V	+ Productivity
Low temperature test and start up at -20 °C	V	+ Productivity
Friction test		+ Productivity
Corrosion protection test	/	+ Quality
Water proof test	/	+ Sustainability
Air pressure test	V	+ Sustainability

Based on the SKF tests, the expected performance may be as much 100 000 hectares.



SKF Agri Hub mounted on an independent disc arm.

A farmer's testimony

"My farm requires 40 days tillage a year – 30 in spring to prepare for the maize and 10 in autumn to prepare for the wheat.

With the new solution there is no need to wash and lubricate the discs and I save half an hour a day.

The work is done more quickly and easily. We drive at more than 20 km an hour and I have seen an improvement in the way the land is worked: with the old harrow the top speed was 7 or 8 km an hour.

The old 2,5 metre harrow worked one hectare an hour, the new machine, which is still 2,5 metre covers two and half hectares an hour.

The old 20 disc harrow required a 20 kilo can of grease each year, with this new solution I've eliminated greasing and washing.

In my job I'm in contact with nature every day and I'm pleased that with the new SKF solution I'm not polluting the land with grease anymore."

Application description

Fully integrated unit

The SKF Agri Hub is a fully integrated hub bearing system, greased and sealed for the life of the unit.

These hub units have a flanged outer ring that is pre-drilled and tapped to accommodate a disc. The stationary inner ring is fitted with a threaded stub shaft for easy mounting onto virtually any implement arm.

Main features

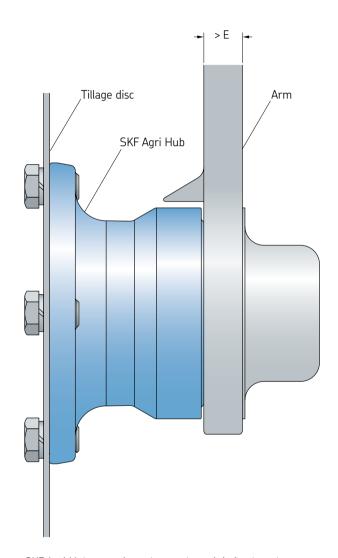
- Anti string system flange shape
- Anti straw, Arizona dust and stones labyrinth
- High performance sealing to prevent water, snow, mud, dust ingress
- High capacity bearing with rigid design to withstand shock loads
- Plating corrosion (CR VI-free) resistant to jet cleaning and fertilizers
- Anti contamination cap for disc replacement

Typical application conditions

- Tractor speed: 5-20 km/h
- Disc speed: 90-350 rpm
- Disc diameter: 300 to 800 mm
- Loading: maximum 3 kN (applied on top of the disc)
- Temperature: -20 to +50 °C (static -50 °C)
- Harsh working conditions: straw, strings, stones, fertilizers, mud, dust, water, snow and jet cleaning

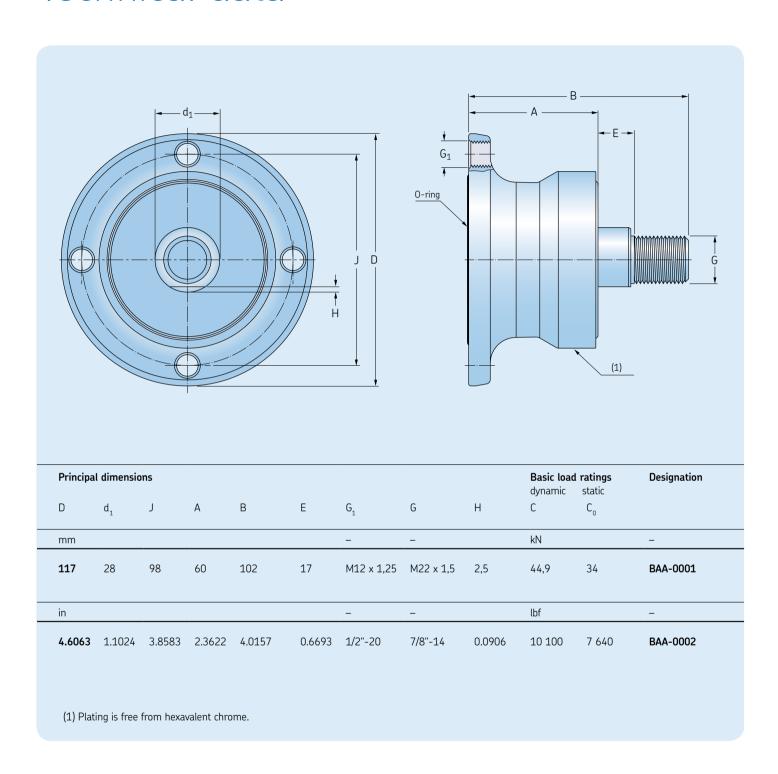
Mounting instructions

- Screws mounting torque: 100 Nm
- Nut torque: 300 Nm
- Self locking nut



SKF Agri Hub mounting scheme: the unit is fixed on the machine arm by means of a shaft and nut. The disc is fixed on the outer ring by means of four screws.

Technical data



For more information about SKF products and solutions for the agricultural industry, contact your SKF representative.



The Power of Knowledge Engineering

Drawing on five areas of competence and application-specific expertise amassed over 100 years, SKF brings innovative solutions to OEMs and production facilities in every major industry worldwide.

These five competence areas include bearings and units, seals, lubrication systems, mechatronics (combining mechanical and electronics into intelligent systems), and a wide range of services, from 3D computer modeling to advanced condition monitoring and reliability systems.

A global presence assures SKF customers uniform quality standards and universal product availability.

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