Gaging systems



EQUAT⊘R[™]

the versatile gauge™

The Renishaw Equator[™] is a versatile alternative to custom gaging, offering inspection of an unprecedented variety of manufactured parts.

Fast, repeatable and versatile

The Equator™ system consists of a highly repeatable, "parallel kinematic" structure machine coupled with a high-power, multi-axis universal controller and digital servo power amplifier. The resultant system is capable of high-speed, comparative gaging for inspection of high-volume manufactured parts, directly on the shop floor. Additionally, the optimized ratio of working envelope (300 mm × 300 mm × 300 mm*) to machine footprint (~ 570 mm × 500 mm), means Equator™ can be set to work in even the most crowded of factory spaces. The lightweight machine, weighing just 55 lbs, requires just single phase power and needs no costly air supply.

Re-configuration of the gaging system to cater for part design changes, or to measure new parts, is possible in a fraction of the time it would take with conventional custom gaging. An operator can switch between parts in seconds, perfect for flexible manufacturing processes or for accepting parts from multiple machines.

Easy to use

The included intuitive MODUS™ Organizer operator frontend software requires little or no training, while on the programmable system the comprehensive MODUS™ Equator™ programming software allows engineers to rapidly create gaging routines for any part – simple or complex, prismatic or free-form – using industry-standard DMIS programming.

Thermally "stable" - for shop floor use

Re-mastering is as swift as measuring a production part and immediately compensates both the machine and the part being measured for temperature variations typical of a shop floor environment.



Integrated stylus changing

Further versatility is offered by the included Equator™-specific stylus changing rack, allowing automated in-cycle changing of SM25 stylus modules. The SM25 modules couple to the industry-standard SP25 CMM probe, allowing Equator™ users to swap the stylus configurations without re-qualifying each time. Up to six stylus combinations can be loaded into the rack at any time. These can be used on a single complex part or with multiple parts of varying geometries.

Traceability to calibrated CMMs

Master parts do not need to be expensive custom parts like a traditional gage; take a production part and measure it on a CMM to establish feature variation from CAD or drawing nominals. The results from any CMM can be configured to be used directly within the Equator™ software.

Effectively, the calibrated absolute accuracy of the CMM can be "extended" onto the shop floor to provide calibrated traceability to Equator™ measurements. With the calibration file loaded into the Equator™ software, measurements made in the Equator™ system can be referred back to the CAD or drawing nominals. This allows true process control with SPC packages.



Machine kit

Includes: Equator™ 300 machine

Equator™ 6-port rack SP25M scanning probe kit Calibration accessory kit Joystick (or 'E-stop' button)

Cables

Controller kit

Includes: Equator™ controller

Intuitive "front-end" software package



Renishaw fixture plates (various options available).



Operator's version

Description	Part number	Price
Equator™ machine with 6-port rack and joystick, controller with Organizer software and M6 threaded fixture plate	A-EQ33-1J10	\$30,505
Equator™ machine with 6-port rack and joystick, controller with Organizer software and ¼ in R&R threaded fixture plate	A-EQ33-1J40	\$30,882
Equator™ machine with 6-port rack and stop button, controller with Organizer software and M6 threaded fixture plate	A-EQ33-1S10	\$31,581
Equator™ machine with 6-port rack and stop button, controller with Organizer software and ¼ in R&R threaded fixture plate	A-EQ33-1S40	\$30,457

Programmer's version

Description	Part number	Price
Equator™ machine with 6-port rack and joystick, controller with Organizer and MODUS™ programming software and M6 threaded fixture plate	A-EQ33-2J10	\$34,084
Equator™ machine with 6-port rack and joystick, controller with Organizer and MODUS™ software and ¼ in B&B threaded fixture plate	A-EQ33-2J40	\$34,347

Extended height Equator™ combination kits

Operator's version

Description	Part number	Price
Extended height Equator™ machine with 6-port rack and joystick with	A-EH33-1J40	\$32,268
Organizer software and ¼ in R&R threaded fixture plate		

Programmer's version

Description	Part number	Price
Extended height Equator™ machine with 6-port rack and joystick with	A-EH33-2J40	\$35,733
Organizer and MODUS™ software and ¼ in R&R threaded fixture plate		

New Renishaw Equator™ 500

Intelligent process control for larger parts with all the benefits of the proven Equator 300 gaging system

The new larger Equator 500 system now enables the gaging of larger parts, with a working volume of 500 mm in diameter and up to 400 mm in height.

Both Equator 300 and 500 gaging systems are accurate between a range of 5 $^{\circ}$ C and 50 $^{\circ}$ C at any rate of temperature change, and are capable of scanning speeds in excess of 200 mm/s.

Every system is compatible with simple-to-use Organizer operator software, EZ-IO software for automation, and IPC (intelligent process control) software for updating tool offsets on CNC machine tools.

Larger measuring volume

The Equator 500 has a gaging volume of 500 mm diameter in the X/Y plane and 250 mm in Z when used with the SM25-2 scanning module. This can be expanded to 400 mm in Z with the SM25-3 scanning module, which allows styli up to 200 mm in length to reach many more features. The base of Equator 500 supports workpiece and fixturing with a total weight limit of 100 kg.

Typical applications include the manufacture of car and truck transmission and engine casings, drive-train parts like conrods and differential housings, suspension castings, pressed parts, valves and pumps.

Accuracy with rapid temperature changes, now over a 45 °C range

Climatic conditions can result in variable daily and seasonal temperature cycles. For example, early in the morning a cold machine shop can increase in temperature due to both external conditions and machinery heating up. The system has been proven to cope with this by re-mastering, meaning that accurate gaging can start as soon as the first part has been produced and continue regardless of how conditions change.





Automatic update of tool offsets directly from Equator 300 and 500 systems

The Equator range is compatible with new IPC software which allows constant monitoring and automatic adjustment of a machining operation, keeping part dimensions close to nominal and well within process control limits. This correction of process drift improves part quality and manufacturing capability, and reduces scrap. The proximity of the Equator gage to the CNC process allows adjustment at the point of manufacture, avoiding time delays or reliance on finished part (tailgate) inspection. An Equator gaging system can be connected to one or multiple CNC machine tool controllers.





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Replacement equipment

Stop button

Joystick kit

Joystick cable only

Button interface

Autochange rack (6 ports)

Rack port inserts for 6 off SH25

Rack set-up tool

Rack port clip for autochange rack alignment

6 required.

MODUS™ Equator™ dongle

Power cables

Part number: P-EQ33-MAINS Price: \$16

Fixturing plate (M6)

Fixturing plate (1/4-20 in)

Fixturing plate (M4)

Part number: PCR-13300300-10-4 **Price:** \$620

Fixturing plate (M8)











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Fixturing plate (single 1/4-20 hole)

Part number: R-PEC-13300300-6 **Price:** \$260

Fixturing plate spacer (50 mm)

Fixturing plate spacer (150 mm)



Optional equipment

Digital I/O box (normally open)

With Automation software.

Additional I/O box only (normally open)

Full 5-sphere calibration artefact only

Extended calibration artefact stem

Gage checker

Cleaning kit

Equator enclosure

Equator enclosure kit

Includes top, base and monitor bracket.

Equator enclosure top unit

Equator enclosure base unit

Equator enclosure monitor bracket

Part number: P-PCO1-0045 Price: \$154

MCU docking port for wired joystick

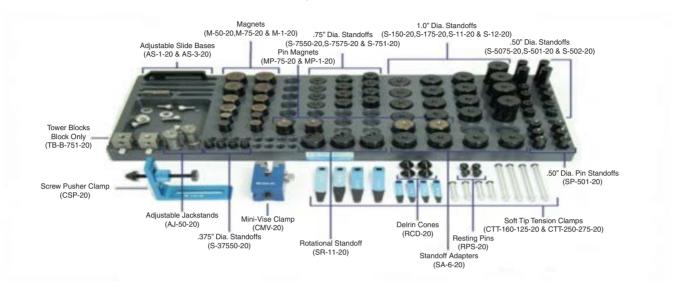


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Fixturing components

R&R component kit FSC-MCR-20 (1/4-20 in)

Part number: FSC-MCR-20 Price: \$2,615



R&R component kit FSC-MCA-20 (1/4-20 in)

Part number: FSC-MCA-20 Price: \$972

R&R component kit FSC-CA-20 (1/4-20 in)

Part number: FSC-CA-20 Price: \$744

Equator probe kit

Equator SP25-2 scanning kit with single calibration sphere



Equator stylus kits

Equator basic stylus kit

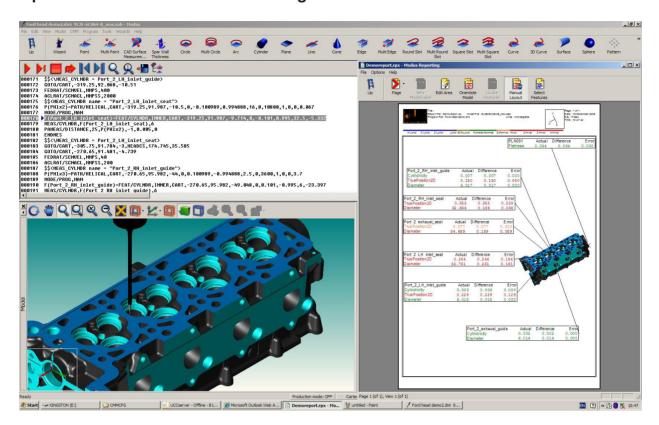
Equator intermediate stylus kit

Equator advanced stylus kit





Equator™ MODUS™ software training



On site training (maximum 4 students)

Description	Part number	Price
Equator™ MODUS™ scanning training (US travel) – 4 days	CS-TRA-ONSI-11-4DAY	\$9,625
Equator™ MODUS™ advanced training (US travel) – 2 days	CS-TRA-ONSI-11-2DAY	\$5,775

Training at Renishaw Inc*

Description	Part number	Price
Equator™ MODUS™ scanning training (US) – 4 days	CS-TRA-INHO-4DAY	\$3,000
Equator™ MODUS™ advanced training (US) – 2 days	CS-TRA-INHO-2DAY	\$1,500

^{*} per student

Equator training block

Equator 2nd year extended warranty

Now available.

Part number: Please ask your Renishaw representative Price: POA

