

**4 Bearing internal clearance**

Table 4.1 Radial internal clearance of needle roller bearings

(Unit:  $\mu\text{m}$ )

Nominal bore diameter d (mm)		C2		CN		C3		C4	
over	incl.	min.	max.	min.	max.	min.	max.	min.	max.
-	10	0	30	10	40	25	55	35	65
10	18	0	30	10	40	25	55	35	65
18	24	0	30	10	40	25	55	35	65
24	30	0	30	10	45	30	65	40	70
30	40	0	35	15	50	35	70	45	80
40	50	5	40	20	55	40	75	55	90
50	65	5	45	20	65	45	90	65	105
65	80	5	55	25	75	55	105	75	125
80	100	10	60	30	80	65	115	90	140
100	120	10	65	35	90	80	135	105	160
120	140	10	75	40	105	90	155	115	180
140	160	15	80	50	115	100	165	130	195
160	180	20	85	60	125	110	175	150	215
180	200	25	95	65	135	125	195	165	235
200	225	30	105	75	150	140	215	180	255
225	250	40	115	90	165	155	230	205	280
250	280	45	125	100	180	175	255	230	310
280	315	50	135	110	195	195	280	255	340
315	355	55	145	125	215	215	305	280	370
355	400	65	160	140	235	245	340	320	415
400	450	70	190	155	275	270	390	355	465

**5 Lubrication**

5.1 Lubrication of rolling bearings

The purpose of bearing lubrication is to prevent direct metallic contact between the various rolling and sliding elements. This is accomplished through the formation of a thin oil (or grease) film on the contact surfaces. However, for rolling bearings, lubrication has the following advantages:

- (1) Friction and wear reduction
- (2) Friction heat dissipation
- (3) Prolonged bearing life
- (4) Prevention of rust
- (5) Protection against harmful elements

In order to achieve the above effects, the most effective lubrication method for the operating conditions must be selected. Also, a good quality, reliable lubricant must be selected. In addition, an effectively designed seating system that prevents the intrusion of damaging elements (Dust, water, etc.) into the bearing interior, removes dust and other impurities from the lubricant and prevents the lubricant from leaking to the outside, is also a requirement. Almost all rolling bearings use either grease or oil lubrication methods, but in some special applications, a solid lubricant such as molybdenum disulfide or graphite may be used.