

# SCL60C - July 29, 2024

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## SELF-CENTERING LENS MOUNT FOR 60 mm CAGE SYSTEMS

- ► Compatible with 60 mm Cage Systems
- ► Non-Marring Delrin<sup>®</sup>\* Fingers with Alignment Grooves that Firmly Grip the Edge of the Optic
- Self-Centering, Spring-Actuated Design





SCL60C 60 mm Cage-Compatible Self-Centering Lens Mount



## **OVERVIEW**

#### **Features**

- Spring-Actuated Non-Marring Delrin®\* Fingers Center an Optic Within the Mount
- Alignment Groove on Fingers Firmly Grip the Edge of the Optic
- Holds Optics from Ø0.15" (Ø3.8 mm) to Ø1.77" (Ø45.0 mm)
- Compatible with Thorlabs' 60 mm Cage System
- Designed for Easy Lens Insertion
- Provides Large, Clear Aperture

The three spring-loaded fingers of Thorlabs' 60 mm Cage-Compatible Self-Centering Lens Mount firmly grip optics ranging from Ø0.15" (Ø3.8 mm) to Ø1.77" (Ø45.0 mm) that are no heavier than 1.0 lb. The fingers are easily opened with one hand by pinching the actuator tabs between the thumb and forefinger. The lens is held bewteen the mounting fingers as the actuator tabs are released. The nested ring design centers the optic within a 60 mm Cage System. The mount features four through-holes to accommodate our ER Series Cage Rods and eight 4-40 setscrews to lock them into place. A bottom-located 8-32 (M4) tapped hole also allows for direct fastening to our Ø1/2" Posts.

For post-mounting applications outside of a cage system, or if larger diameter optics up to Ø3.00" (Ø76 mm) need to be accommodated, Thorlabs offers Self-Centering Lens Mounts.

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#### **CAGE OVERVIEW**

# **Cage System Overview**

The Cage Assembly System provides a convenient way to construct large optomechanical systems with an established line of precision-machined building blocks designed for high flexibility and accurate alignment.

## 16 mm, 30 mm, and 60 mm Cage System Standards

Thorlabs offers three standards defined by the center-to-center spacing of the cage assembly rods (see image below). The 16 mm cage, 30 mm cage, and 60 mm cage standards are designed to accommodate Ø1/2", Ø1", and Ø2" optics, respectively. Specialized cage plates that allow smaller optics to be directly inserted into our larger cage systems are also available.

## **Standard Threads**

The flexibility of our Cage Assembly System stems from well-defined mounting and thread standards designed to directly interface with a wide range of specialized products. The three most prevalent thread standards are our SM05 Series (0.535"-40 thread), SM1 Series (1.035"-40 thread), and SM2 Series (2.035"-40 thread), all of which were defined to house the industry's most common optic sizes. Essential building blocks, such as our popular lens tubes, directly interface to these standards.







An example of the standard cage plate measurements determining cage system compatibility.

Standard Cage System Measurements						
Cage System	16 mm	30 mm	60 mm			
Thread Series	SM05	SM1	SM2 60 mm (2.36") 71.1 mm (2.80")			
Rod to Rod Spacing	16 mm (0.63")	30 mm (1.18")				
Total Length	25 mm (0.98")	41 mm (1.60")				

	Cage Components								
Cage Rods	16 mm								
	30 mm	These rods are used to connect cage plates, optic mounts, and other components in the cage system. The SR Series Cage Rods are compatible with our 16 mm cage systems, while the 30 mm and 60 mm cage systems use ER Series Cage Rods.							
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0	16 mm	standard optics or to accommodate the outer profile of our SM Series Lens Tubes, or specialized bores for other components such as							
Cage Plates	30 mm								
	60 mm								
Optic Mounts	16 mm								
	30 mm	Thorlabs offers fixed, kinematic, rotation, and translation mounts specifically designed for our Cage Systems.							
	60 mm								
0	16 mm								
Cage Cubes	30 mm	These cubes are useful for housing larger optical components, such as prisms or mirrors, or optics that need to sit at an angle to the beam path, such as beamsplitters. Our cage cubes are available empty or with pre-mounted optics.							
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Replacement Setscrews		Replacement setscrews are offered for our 16 mm (SS4B013, SS4B025, and SS4B038) and 30 mm (SS4MS5 and SS4MS4) cage systems products.							
Post and Breadboard Mounts and Adapters		Mounting options for cage systems can be found on our Cage System Construction pages. Cage Systems can be mounted either para perpendicular to the table surface.							
Size Adapters		Cage System Size Adapters can be used to integrate components from different cage system and threading standards.							
Specialized		Thorlabs also produces specialized cage components, such as Filter Wheels, a HeNe Laser Mount, and a FiberPort Cage Plate Adapter,							

	Components	allowing a wide range of our products to be integrated into cage-mounted optical systems. Explore our Cage Systems Visual Navigation
	Components	Guide to see the full range of Thorlabs' cage components.

Part Number	Description	Price	Availability
SCL60C/M	Customer Inspired! 60 mm Cage-Compatible Self-Centering Lens Mount, Ø0.15" (Ø3.8 mm) to Ø1.77" (Ø45.0 mm), M4 Tap	\$231.66	Today
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