

Security Fasteners Come In all Sizes and Shapes

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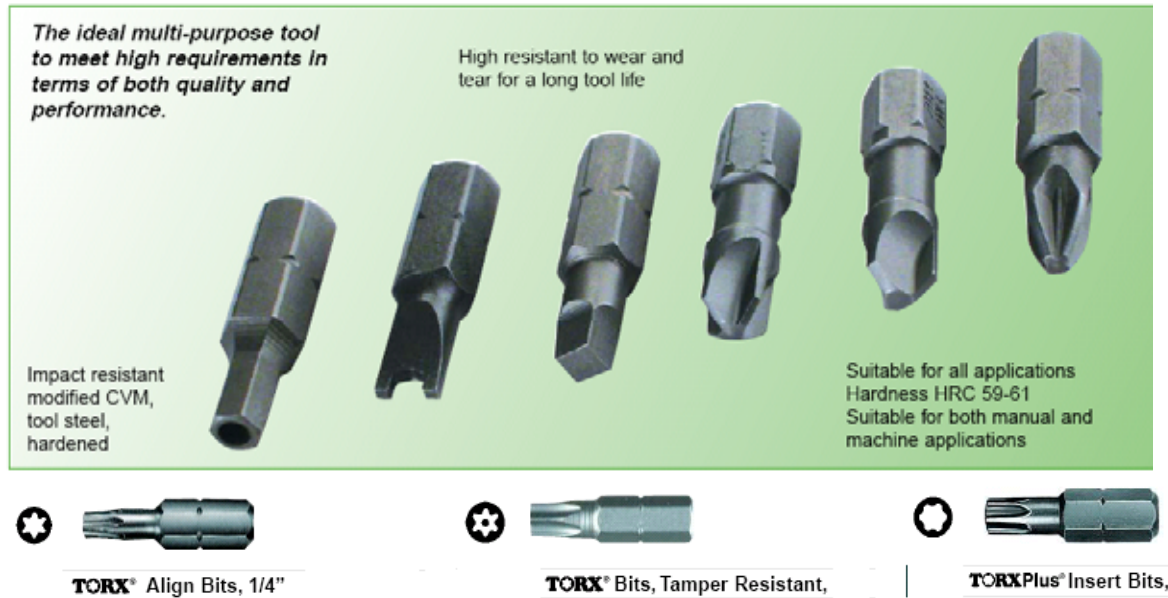
One of the basic premises of security is to keep someone out of where they don't belong. Tamper-proof security fasteners have been designed to keep unauthorized fingers away from sensitive equipment or product. The choice of security-type fastener varies by application, with the size of the fastener running from large to very, very small. Tamper-proof security fasteners vary from manufacturer to manufacturer and product to product.

If you are a dealer, value added reseller, self-maintained user, original equipment manufacturer, or maintenance and repair organization authorized to work on equipment sealed with tamper-proof security fasteners, here are the tools you and your technicians need. Examples of some of the main tamper-proof security fasteners, with a comparison to standard fastener-heads like slotted and Phillips type are below:

-  Slotted
-  Phillips
-  Torx
-  Tamper Resistant Torx
-  Hex/Ball End
-  Tamper Resistant Hex
-  Nut Driver
-  Pozidriv
-  Square
-  Triwing
-  Spanner
-  Torq Set
-  TorxPlus

Tamper-proof security fastener bits are available in SAE or metric sizes and are available in mini-electronic and standard, in ¼ inch hex drive sizes in lengths of 1 inch to 3 inches, or more. The security fastener bits are durable and are made from chrome vanadium tool steel, with a Rockwell hardness range of 59-61HRC, suitable for both machine and hand applications.

The following illustrates a few of the head designs shown above. (Row 1, left to right: tamper resistant hex, spanner, square, Pozidriv, and tri-wing; Row 2, L to R: Torx Align, Torx Tamper Resistant, and TorxPlus.)



TESSCO offers you and your technicians a full range of security fastener drivers from Bondhus, Moody, Wiha, Wireless Solutions, and Xcelite. Here are just a few examples of the tamper proof security drivers and bits to choose from.

- Wireless Solutions offers you a complete set of 32-in-1 Security Driver Set. Your set features thirty-two ¼ inch Hex drive bits in the most commonly used security and standard size bits used by field service technicians. The set is conveniently housed in bit holding block that slips onto the screwdriver shaft. Order [TESSCO Part No. 421640](#).
- Wireless Solutions has a 33-piece Tamper-Proof Bit Set designed for power drivers housed in a bit holding block. Order [TESSCO Part No. 438345](#).
- Choose the 100-piece Master Industrial Kit that includes: slotted, Phillips, Torx, Pozidriv, spanner, tri-wing, metric and SAE Hex, torque set, square recess, spline, metric tamper proof Torx, factional tamper proof Torx, and clutch bits plus driver extensions. Order [TESSCO Part No. 455359](#).
- For electronics technician and engineers, Wireless Solutions features a special 33-piece precision screwdriver set. The set includes metric hex, Torx, and Pozidriv bits, #000, #00, #0 Phillips Bits, 1 mm to 4 mm slotted head bits, and a handle with adjustable shaft that are all housed in a convenient case. Order [TESSCO Part No. 439658](#).
- Choose an expanded 40-piece metric set from Wiha by ordering [TESSCO Part No. 428647](#).
- If you need a precision miniature electronics set that includes JIS-TypeS drivers, then you want to choose the Moody Miniature Blade Set. Order [TESSCO Part No. 458306](#).
- If you don't need a complete set of drivers or are looking for a special one, TESSCO has a complete range of size-specific drivers and ¼ inch Hex Drive bits to meet you needs. Ask your Account Manager for details.