

Design guidelines

For PA11, TPU and ALUMIDE parts produced with Selective Laser Sintering

DESIGN FEATURES

	Walls Recommended wall thickness		
Maximum part dimensions	Minimum thickness [mm]*	Optimum thickness [mm]	Maximum thickness [mm]
100 x 100 x 100 mm 250 x 250 x 250 mm	1.0 1.5	1.5-4.0 2.0-5.0	6.0 8.0

^{*} polishing not possible

		Holes Recommended hole diameter		
000	Maximum part dimensions	Minimum diameter [mm]	Optimum diameter [mm]	Accuracy* diameter [mm]
	100 x 100 x 100 mm	2.5	≥ 3.0	+ 0.10 - 0.40
	250 x 250 x 250 mm	3.0	≥ 3.5	+ 0.10 - 0.40

^{*}valid for nominal sizes between 4 and 50 mm

The	The recommended width of a feature to ensure it will not f		
Maximum part dimensions	Minimum width [mm]	Optimum width [mm]	Maximum width [mm]
100 x 100 x 100 mm	1.5	≥ 2.0	n/a
250 x 250 x 250 mm	2.0	≥ 3.0	n/a

		Channels The recommended channel diameter ²		
	Maximum part dimensions	Minimum diameter [mm]	Optimum diameter [mm]	Maximum diameter [mm]
08	100 x 100 x 100 mm 250 x 250 x 250 mm	4.0 5.0	≥ 4.0 ≥ 5.0	n/a n/a

		Connecting parts: Moving The recommended clearance between two moving parts		
507	Maximum part dimensions	Minimum* clearance [mm]	Optimum** clearance [mm]	Maximum clearance [mm]
	100 x 100 x 100 mm	0.4	0.6-0.8	n/a
	250 x 250 x 250 mm	0.5	0.6-0.8	n/a
			* printed separately	** printed as one
			Connecting parts: Press f	

Maximum part dimensions	Minimum clearance [mm]
100 x 100 x 100 mm	0.2
250 x 250 x 250 mm	0.3

Embossed or engraved details or text The recommended dimensions for features raised or recessed below

Maximum part dimensions 100 x 100 x 100 mm 250 x 250 x 250 mm the model surface

Minimum feature	Optimum feature	Minimum
width/height [mm]	width/height [mm]	font height [mm]
0.5	1.0	5.0
0.5	1.0	5.0

Escape holes The recommended hole diameter to ensure powder free hollow parts



Maximum part dimensions 100 x 100 x 100 mm 250 x 250 x 250 mm

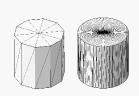
Minimum	Minimum	
diameter [mm]	amount of escape holes	
8.0	2	
8.0	2	

- 1 Maximum feature height to width ratio of 5:1
- 2 Maximum channel length = 100 mm

PART QUALITY

Tolerances Valid for nominal sizes between 10 and 250 mm Linear dimensions XY [mm] Max. part dimensions Dimensions Z [mm] + 0.5% 100 x 100 x 100 mm IT12 [ISO 286-1] or ±0.3% of the longest diagonal 0.3% 0.6% 250 x 250 x 250 mm IT12 [ISO 286-1] or ±0.4% of the longest diagonal 0.3%

* with a minimum of ±0.30 mm



Required data format

Oceanz printing technology uses .STL format, all files are converted to this format

STL conversion Surface deviation [mm] Angle tolerance [°] **Export settings** 0.01 10-20

This guide covers specific details and design rules how to avoid unintended failures when designing for SLS. To avoid print failure, values for each specification must stay within the minimum-maximum range. To guarantee our manufacturing tolerances, your design should meet the optimum values for each specification. Please note that due to the layer by layer production process and the specific design of each individual product values may differ.

If your design contains specific details or features not mentioned in our design rules, or your design exceeds the maximum part dimensions, please contact us, so we can advise you how to obtain required part quality.

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Tolerance grades

ISO 286-1:2010



Table 1 – Values of standard tolerance grades for nominal sizes up to 800 mm, extracted from ISO standard ISO 286-1:2010.

Nomina	l size (mm)	IT12 ^{[1][3]}	IT13 ^{[1][3]}	
Above	Up to and including	Standard tolerance values [mm]	Standard tolerance values [mm]	
-	3	n/a	n/a	
3	6	0.12 ^[2]	0.18 ^[2]	
6	10	0.15 ^[2]	0.22 ^[2]	
10	18	0.18	0.27	
18	30	0.21	0.33	
30	50	0.25	0.39	
50	80	0.30	0.46	
80	120	0.35	0.54	
120	180	0.40	0.63	
180	250	0.46	0.72	
250	315	0.52	0.81	
315	400	0.57	0.89	
400	500	0.63	0.97	
500	630	0.70	1.10	
630	800	0.80	1.25	

- [1] To guarantee IT12 tolerances values, your design should meet the optimum values of the Oceanz design guidelines. For parts that do not meet these values or are larger than 250x250x250 mm IT13 tolerance values can be expected.
- [2] For nominal values between 3 and 10 mm, tolerance values of line 10-18 mm are valid
- [3] Tolerance values in z-direction may slightly differ due to z-growth (technology dependent)

This classification can be compared with ISO 2768-1:1990 for linear dimensions. For parts up to 250x250x250 mm classification 'm' will be valid for linear dimensions of 6 mm and larger. For bigger parts tolerance class 'c' will apply.

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