## RB 500+ Coupled Roller Shades



RB 500+ Coupled Roller Shades combine aesthetics, engineering, and performance to control glare, maximize energy, and cost savings. From manual to automated, our coupled shade program covers all of your project needs.

## Key Features

- Intermediate bracket and aligner sets connect the shade bands, allowing multiple panels to be driven by a single control
- Proprietary operating system designed and engineered in-house
- Available as chain-operated, crankoperated (fixed and removable), or automated systems
- ADA compliant and meets all Child Safety standards
- Commercially fire retardant fabrics available in highperformance, sustainable, blackout, and acoustical options
- Limited lifetime warranty


## BENEFITS OF COUPLING ROLLER SHADES

## Cost Savings

- The \#1 advantage to coupling automated shades is cost savings
- Couple up to *6 shades, or 30 linear feet of overall width (with the Fine Adjuster), on one motor, requiring fewer motors and controls and reducing the cost of each system substantially
- Coupled systems require less wiring, reducing the cost of an electrician
- Specifying a coupled system may also reduce infrastructure, and installation costs, particularly on larger projects where mounting surfaces/substrates might be challenging (consider the potential hardware/time
 savings when installing into concrete, or steel)
*Will vary by fabric. May be exceeded with engineering approval. Contact your Regional Sales Manager if project requirements fall outside of the recommended number of shades, or overall widths.


## Design \& Performance



- Our proprietary fine-tooth adjustable coupler allows for precise control and alignment of the hembars, providing a clean line along the window wall
- For manual systems, coupling eliminates the need for multiple chains, reducing materials and visual distractions along the glazing
- Coupling reduces light gaps by eliminating the second bracket at each point of banding
- Shades can be recessed into a ceiling pocket, concealed with fascia, or left exposed


## CHALLENGES OF COUPLING SHADES

One of the primary challenges of coupling shades is extending a continuous system across an uneven or out-of-square condition. Hunter Douglas Architectural offers multiple solutions to address this, cut down on installation time, keep panels aligned, and significantly reduce cost in the case of automated systems.

## HUNTER DOUGLAS ARCHITECTURAL COUPLED SHADE PROGRAM

## Fine Adjuster (or Aligner)

- The Fine Adjuster is a proprietary component that allows the installer to quickly and easily align two or more panels of fabric coupled together, ensuring bottom sill fabric alignment
- Allows for up to 15 degrees of angle, suitable either for mounting in conditions off-square without requiring the shimming of brackets, or ideal for slightly segmented/angled windows
- Couple up to *6 shades, or 30 linear feet of overall width
- Allows for quick and easy alignment of adjacent fabric panels, historically a time-consuming and challenging endeavor
- Contributes to the overall aesthetics and longevity of the shades as the clean alignment of the shade panels reduces fraying that can occur when shades overlap

Note: HDA recommends the Fine Adjuster for all coupled shade quotes or orders, manual or automated, except in conditions where you need an angle between 15 and 90-degrees.

If mounting conditions require the Fine Adjuster to span a mullion or similar, an Aligner Set Extension is also available.


## 45 and 90-degree Joint Couplers

- Flexible 45-degree Joint Coupler allows for coupling at angles between 15 and 45 degrees
- Flexible 90-degree Joint Coupler allows for coupling at angles between 45 and 90 degrees (available with the Standard Duty System only)
- Both options allow for the coupling of up to *6 shades, or 240 "
- Note: The flexible coupler does not have the alignment capabilities of the Fine Adjuster

45-degree Joint Coupler


90-degree Joint Coupler (available with the Standard Duty System only)

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