

# RLP40 radio transmission lathe probe



## Flexible

probing solution



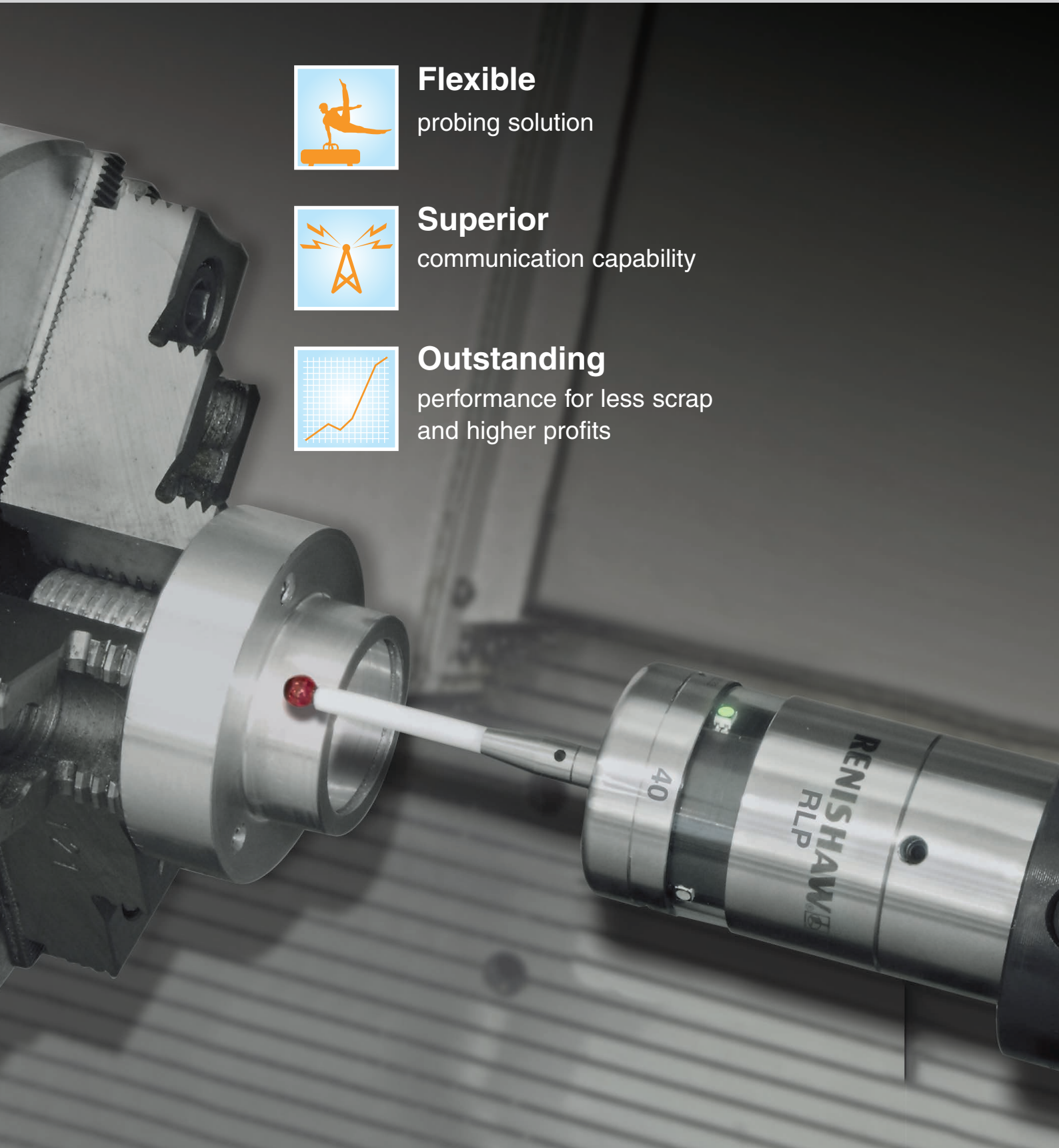
## Superior

communication capability



## Outstanding

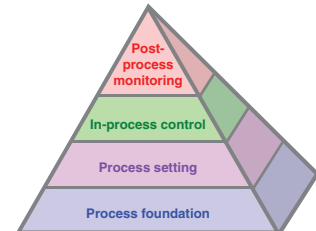
performance for less scrap  
and higher profits



# RLP40 – innovative process control

## Tackle process variation at source, and reap the rewards

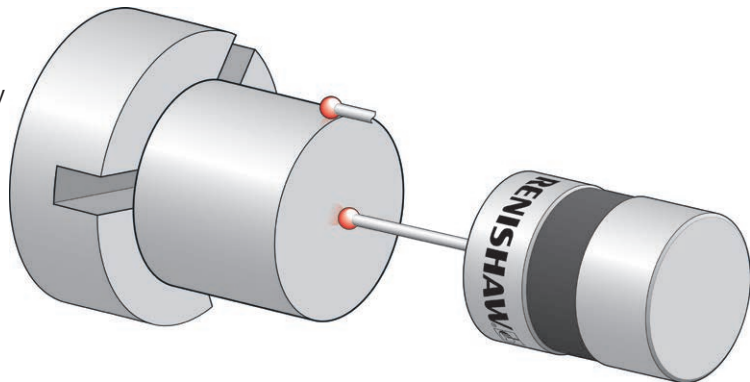
The higher the degree of human involvement in the manufacturing process, the higher the risk for error. Automated in-process measurement using Renishaw probes can help **eliminate the risk**. The Renishaw RLP40 radio probe system can facilitate the following measures for enhanced management of your production leading to an **increase in your profits**.



## Process setting

Automated on-machine measurement of component position and alignment.

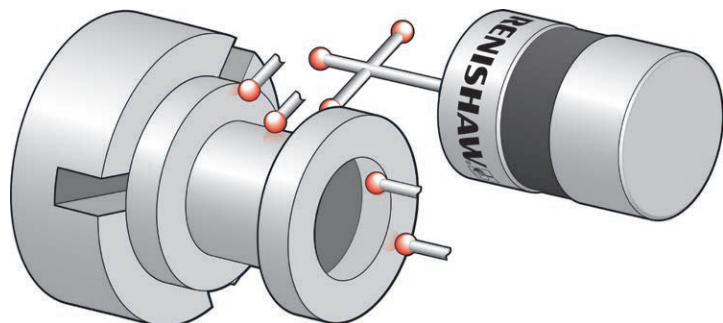
- Introduce new processes quickly and respond to new customer needs
- Eliminate manual setting errors and data entry
- Set up faster, improve quality and reduce scrap



## In-process control

Automated measurement of roughed and finished multi-axis features.

- Improve process capability and traceability
- Compensate for environmental and machine conditions
- Reduce non-productive time and scrap
- Increase productivity and profits

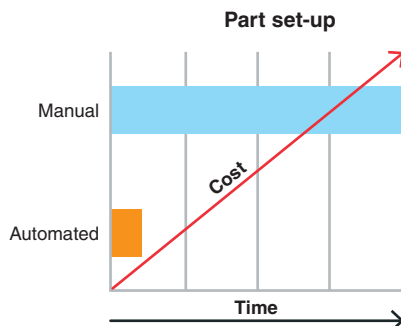


## Probing pays...

Machine tools that are optimised to cut more metal, more reliably and more accurately will quickly **maximise productivity, profits and your competitive edge.**



Automated part setting with the Renishaw RLP40 probe is up to 10 times faster than manual methods, which means immediate and **significant cost savings.**



Scrap and rework reduce productivity and profits. The Renishaw RLP40 probe helps guarantee “right first time” parts which means **reduced waste and increased profits.**

### RLP40 key features

- Ultra compact design with radio transmission for all sizes of turning centres
- Kinematic design — proven and patented
- Trigger Logic™ for quick and easy set-up
- Delivers interference free transmission through the use of frequency hopping spread spectrum (FHSS)
- Globally recognised 2.4 GHz waveband — compliant with radio regulations in all major markets

### ... the Renishaw way

Renishaw, an established world leader in metrology solutions invented the touch-trigger probe in the 1970s.

Decades of customer focus and investment in development, coupled with our own manufacturing experience enables us to provide **innovative** and **exceptional products** that are unmatched for technical excellence and performance.



### Customer comment

*“It gives us consistency and takes out the chance of human error. Scrap reduction is not even an issue we have to consider.”*

**Tom Forsyth, Mekall**

# RLP40 – ultra compact, robust and proven technology

The world's first touch-trigger probe was based on a kinematic resistive principle. Today the basis of this proven design continues to play an invaluable role in part set-up, measurement and process control. This has firmly established Renishaw as a world leader in the design, manufacture and support of dimensional measurement products.

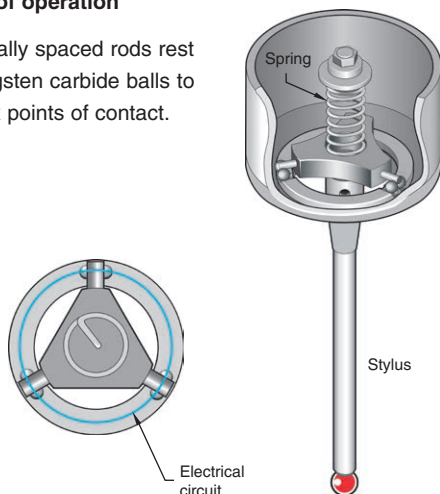
Renishaw is trusted and its products chosen by the world's leading machine builders and the majority of end-users.



The world's first touch-trigger probe

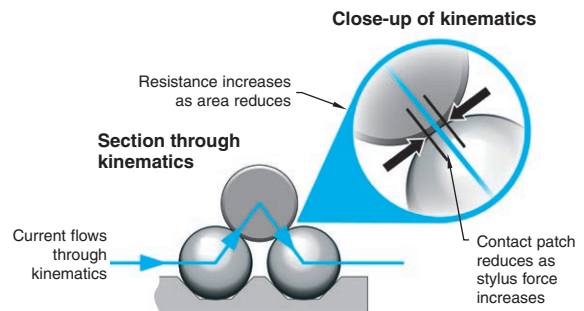
## Principle of operation

Three equally spaced rods rest on six tungsten carbide balls to provide six points of contact.



Under load of the spring, contact patches are created between the balls and the rods through which the electrical current flows. Upon making contact with (touching) a workpiece, the force translated through the stylus moves the balls and rods apart thus reducing the size of the contact patches and increasing their electrical resistance.

When a defined threshold is reached the probe is triggered.



Repeatable electrical triggering and mechanical reseating of the mechanism are critical to this process and fundamental to reliable metrology.

## The solution for all turning centres

Specially sealed to withstand the extreme environments of lathes and turning centres, the RLP40 is built to the highest of standards and offers a truly unrivalled combination of size, accuracy, reliability and robustness that enables users to:

- Benefit from probing in a multi-spindle environment where line of sight between probe and interface is not guaranteed
- Access previously difficult to reach workpiece areas such as small recesses and awkward features
- Easily retrofit to existing machines

## Advantages

- Proven Renishaw technology
- Robust in the harshest environment
- Reliable measurement
- Long service life
- Fast to install
- Easy to use

## Key benefits

- Reduced set-up and calibration time
- More time for machining
- Improved process control and quality
- Reduced rework, concessions and scrap
- Increased automation and reduced operator intervention
- Increased payback and profits
- Greater competitive edge and business opportunity

## RLP40 and radio machine interface (RMI or RMI-Q) optimised for reliable and safe operation

### The benefits of FHSS

In addition to its high performance optical systems Renishaw offers a reliable radio solution for larger machines and/or installations where line-of-sight applications are not possible.

Frequency hopping spread spectrum (FHSS) is a robust and proven technology, that enables devices to jump from channel to channel.

Unlike other protocols which may require manual intervention, Renishaw's products will continue to work as other devices such as Wi-Fi, Bluetooth and microwave enter the same environment.

Operating within the recognised 2.4 GHz frequency band, RMI-Q is compliant with radio regulations in all major markets. It is the preferred choice of many leading machine builders and experienced users.



### Ease of use and reliability

Unique to Renishaw, Trigger Logic™ is a simple method enabling the user to quickly adjust probe mode settings for specific applications.

Constructed from the highest grade materials, Renishaw probes are robust and reliable in the harshest environments including shock, vibration, temperature extremes and even continual liquid immersion.



### Engineered for superior performance

Through the optimisation of transmission and power, RMI-Q partnered with Renishaw's radio transmission probes provides high operational integrity, long battery life and the superior capabilities required in demanding machine shop environments.

- Multiple Renishaw radio probes will reliably co-exist in machine shops of any size
- Combine up to four second generation\* probes and/or tool setters with a single RMI-Q
- Negligible interference from other radio sources ensures consistent and reliable performance
- Does not require a carefully managed radio/wireless environment
- Renishaw probes work with widely available "off-the-shelf" batteries

\* Second generation radio probes are easily identified by a 'Q' symbol on the probe body.

## About Renishaw

Renishaw is an established world leader in engineering technologies, with a strong history of innovation in product development and manufacturing. Since its formation in 1973, the company has supplied leading-edge products that increase process productivity, improve product quality and deliver cost-effective automation solutions.

A worldwide network of subsidiary companies and distributors provides exceptional service and support for its customers.

### Products include:

- Additive manufacturing, vacuum casting, and injection moulding technologies for design, prototyping, and production applications
- Advanced material technologies with a variety of applications in multiple fields
- Dental CAD/CAM scanning and milling systems and supply of dental structures
- Encoder systems for high accuracy linear, angle and rotary position feedback
- Fixturing for CMMs (co-ordinate measuring machines) and gauging systems
- Gauging systems for comparative measurement of machined parts
- High speed laser measurement and surveying systems for use in extreme environments
- Laser and ballbar systems for performance measurement and calibration of machines
- Medical devices for neurosurgical applications
- Probe systems and software for job set-up, tool setting and inspection on CNC machine tools
- Raman spectroscopy systems for non-destructive material analysis
- Sensor systems and software for measurement on CMMs
- Styli for CMM and machine tool probe applications

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