CHEMICAL COMPOSITION

| С | Cr | Мо | W | Со | V |
|-------------------|-----|-----|-----|----|--------------------------|
| 0.90* | 4.2 | 5.0 | 6.4 | - | 1.8 |
| * 0.85 for strips | | | | 5 | SAFETY DATA SHEET SDS: A |

* 0.85 for strips

STANDARDS

Europe: HS 6-5-2 USA: AISI M2 Germany: 1.3343 • Sweden: SS 2722

France: AFNOR Z85WDCV6.5.4.2

Japan: JIS SKH51 • UK: BM2

DELIVERY HARDNESS

- Typical soft annealed hardness is 250 HB
- Cold drawn and cold rolled material is typically 10-40 HB harder

DESCRIPTION

EM2 is a medium-alloyed high speed steel which has a good machinability and a good performance and is used in a wide variety of applications.

APPLICATIONS

- Twist drills
- Reamers
- Milling cutters
- Taps & dies
- Broaches
- Knives
- Saws
- Cold work tools

FORM SUPPLIED

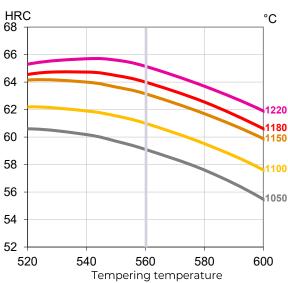
- Drawn wire
- Wire rod
- Round bars
- Flat bars
- Strips
- Sheets
- Discs
- Bi-metal edges
- Square bars

Available surface conditions: drawn, ground, peeled, hot rolled, cold rolled, turned.

HEAT TREATMENT

- Soft annealing in a protective atmosphere at 850-900°C for 3 hours, followed by slow cooling 10°C per hour down to 700°C, then air cooling.
- Stress-relieving at 600°C to 700°C for approximately 2 hours, slow cooling down to 500°C.
- Hardening in a protective atmosphere with preheating in 2 steps at 450-500°C and 850-900°C and austenitising at a temperature suitable for chosen working hardness.
- 2 tempers at 560°C are recommended with at least 1 hour holding time each time.

GUIDELINES FOR HARDENING



Hardness after hardening, quenching and tempering 2x1 hour

| Tool | Hardening | Tempering |
|---------------------------|-------------|-----------|
| Single-edge cutting tools | 1220°C | 560°C |
| Multi-edge cutting tools | 1180-1220°C | 560°C |
| Cold work tools | 1050-1150°C | 560°C |

PROCESSING

E M2 can be worked as follows:

- machining (grinding, turning, milling)
- polishing
- hot forming
- electrical discharge machining
- welding (special procedure including preheating and filler materials of base material composition).

GRINDING

During grinding, local heating of the surface, which can alter the temper, must be avoided. Grinding wheel manufacturers can provide advice on the choice of grinding wheels.

SURFACE TREATMENT

The steel grade is a perfect substrate material for PVD coating. If nitriding is requested, a small diffusion zone is recommended but avoid compound and oxidized layers.

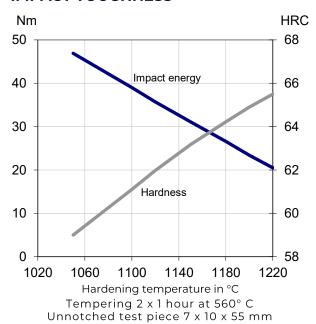


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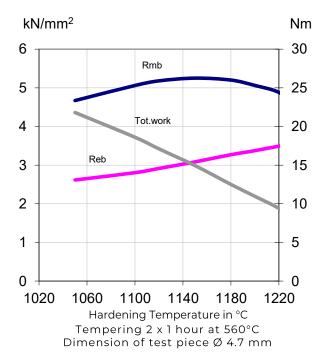
PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

| Temperature | 20°C | 400°C | 600°C |
|--------------------------------|------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Density g /cm³ | 8.1 | 8.1 | 8.0 |
| Modulus of elasticity kN/mm² | 225 | 200 | 180 |
| Thermal expansion ratio per °C | - | 12.1x10 ⁻⁶ | 12.6x10 ⁻⁶ |
| Thermal conductivity W/m°C | 24 | 28 | 27 |
| Specific heat J/kg °C | 420 | 510 | 600 |

IMPACT TOUGHNESS



4-POINT BEND STRENGTH



Rmb = Ultimate bend strength in kN/mm² Reb = Bend yield strength in kN/mm² Tot. work = Total work in Nm

COMPARATIVE PROPERTIES

