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ONE STEP AHEAD.

Shell plates, heads and cones from a single source

voestalpine Grobblech is the world's only producer of carbon steel, low-alloyed steel and clad plates with integrated production of heads and cones. Heads and cones can be processed of carbon steel, low-alloyed steel or clad plates. We supply shell plates, heads and cones for pressure vessel manufacture from a single source.

Convincing advantages

- We offer shell plates, heads and cones from a single source
- We offer a wide range of products
- We provide outstanding quality
- We offer a dedicated R&D expertise

Convincing advantages

We offer shell plates, heads and cones from a single source

We offer full service, through providing shell plates as well as heads and cones from a single source. By using the same chemical composition of steel grades for plates, heads and cones from the same source, we are creating special advantages during welding. The technical advice and coordination from one quality and R&D department provides additional benefits. Furthermore, we help our customer to save time and cost by simultaneous completion and shipment of shell plates, heads and cones. The resulting decrease of administrative expenses are another great benefit for our customer.

We offer a wide range of products

We are able to provide our customers with a wide range of high-quality products.

- Hemispherical heads
- Elliptical heads
- Torispherical heads
- Special shapes
- Flat heads
- Dished discs
- Cones
- Chords
- Heads for tank wagons
- Special pressed parts

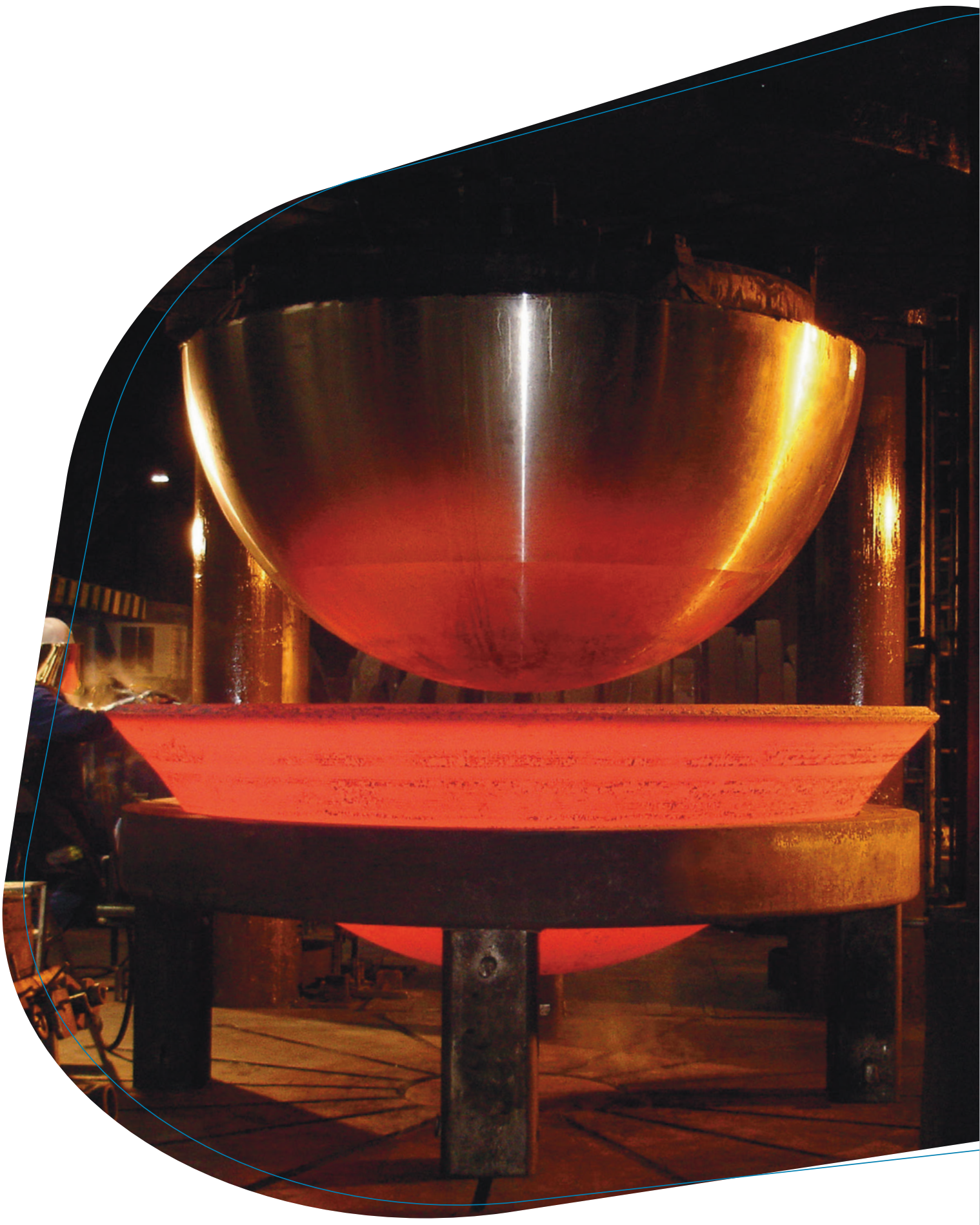
Due to our dedicated R&D expertise we are able to deliver further special shapes and special pressed parts upon request.

We provide outstanding quality

Our shell plates, heads and cones are made with ultra-clean base materials produced exclusively in our own steel plant in Linz. To achieve outstanding quality we exclusively use materials in best condition without any precipitations.

We offer dedicated R&D expertise

Our Research & Development department is a dedicated center of expertise. As we have an independent and fully accredited testing facility on site we can assure first-class technical investigations.
We calculate the pressing tools for hot forming of heads with the finite element method.



Typical fields of application

As reliable partner for heads and cones, our typical fields of applications are the refinery, petrochemical and chemical industry, oil and gas production as well as transport industry, energy industry and power plants.

We deliver heads and cones to the following industries

- Oil and gas industry
- Refineries
- Chemical industry
- Petrochemical industry
- Transport industry
- Power plants
- Energy industry

Our heads and cones are used in

- Coke drums
- Reactors
- Heat exchangers
- Separators
- Columns
- Compressors
- Storage tanks
- Special tank wagons
- Buoyancy tanks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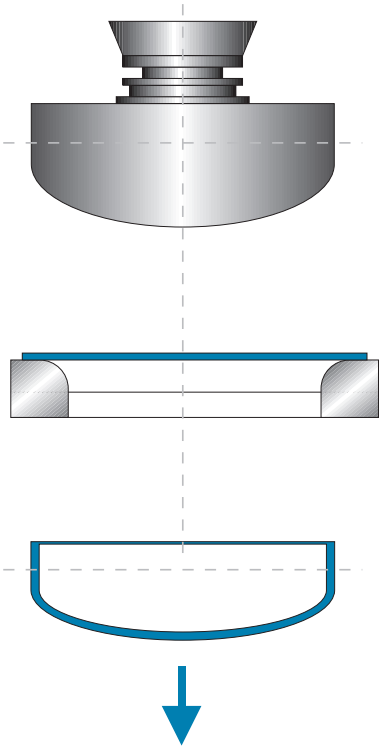
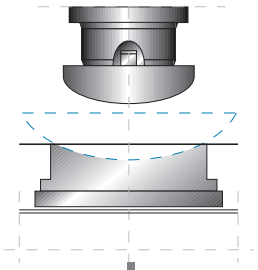
Forming process

The prematerial is rounds cut of heavy plates or roll-bonded clad plates made in-house.

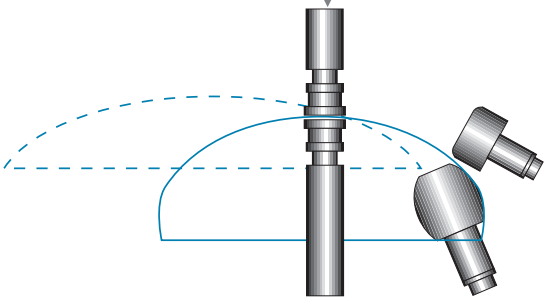
35,000 kN Press

Dishing press





Flanging machine

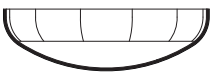


Hot pressed

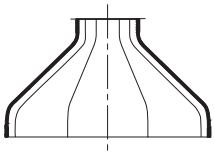
Cold formed

Heads and cones

Single-piece heads:
Diameter: max. 3,400 mm*
Thickness: max. 170 mm



Multi-piece heads:
Diameter: max. 12,000 mm
Thickness: max. 170 mm



Multi-piece cones:
Diameter: max. 12,000 mm
Thickness: max. 170 mm

*From 3,400 - 3,700 mm
with weld seam

Heads

Single-piece heads:
Diameter: max. 6,800 mm*
Thickness: max. 70 mm

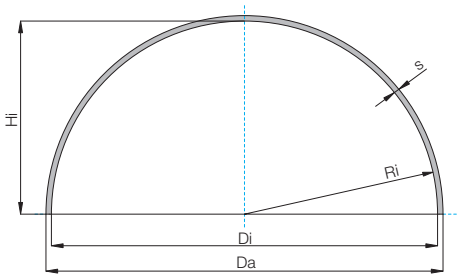
*From 3,400 - 6,800 mm
with weld seam

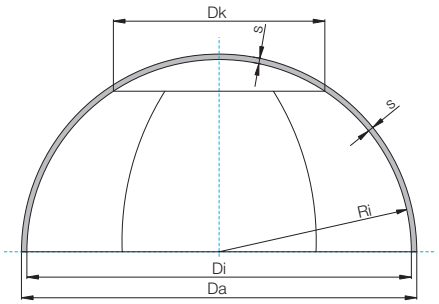
Hemispherical heads

Our hemispherical heads are made of carbon steel or roll-bonded clad plates. We are able to provide a wide range of dimensions. Hemispherical heads which are produced by hot pressing are available as single-piece, single-piece heads with a weld seam and multi-piece heads.

Hemispherical heads with straight flange

Halbkugelböden





	Outside diameter	Wall thickness
Hot pressed single-piece	800 - 2,800 mm	10 - 170 mm
Hot pressed with weld seam	2,800 - 3,400 mm	10 - 170 mm
Hot pressed multi-piece	3,400 - app. 12,000 mm	10 - 170 mm

Further dimensions upon request.

Hemispherical heads with negative straight flange

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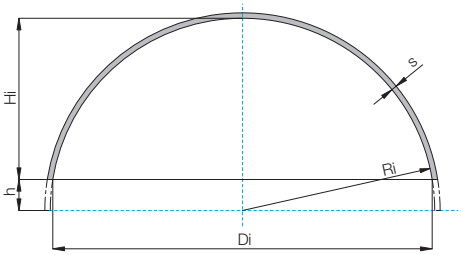
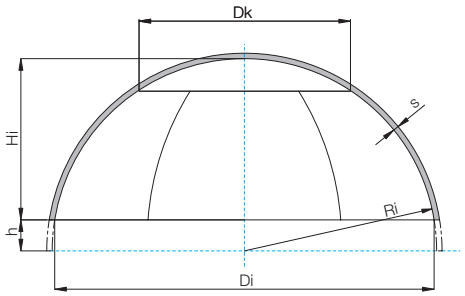
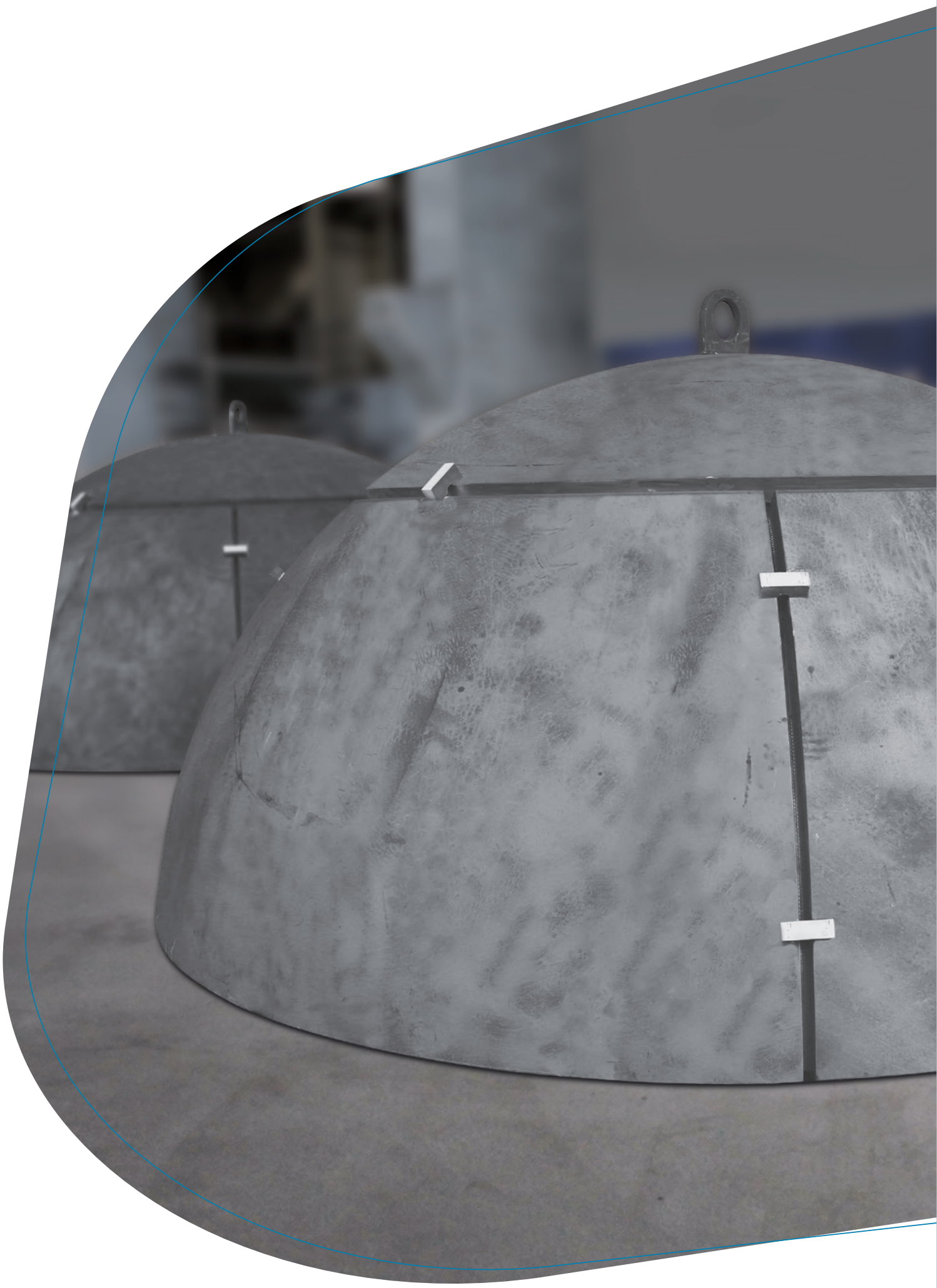




	Outside diameter	Wall thickness
Hot pressed single-piece	800 - 3,000 mm	10 - 170 mm
Hot pressed with weld seam	3,000 - 3,500 mm	10 - 170 mm
Hot pressed multi-piece	3,500 - app. 12,000 mm	10 - 170 mm

Further dimensions upon request.

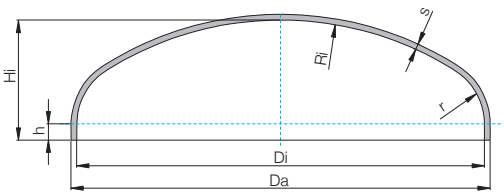
Di inside diameter
Da outside diameter
Hi inside height
h straight flange
Ri dish radius
s minimum wall thickness
Dk crown diameter

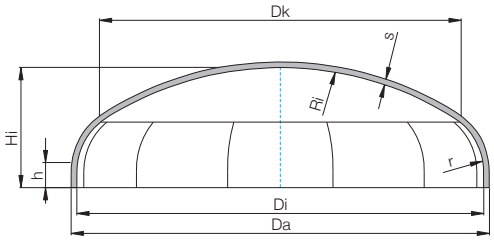


Elliptical heads

We supply elliptical heads made of carbon steel and roll-bonded clad plates. They are available as single-piece, single-piece with a weld seam and multi-piece heads. Single-piece elliptical heads are produced by hot pressing and can be dished and flanged. Multi-piece elliptical heads (crowns and segments) are pressed.

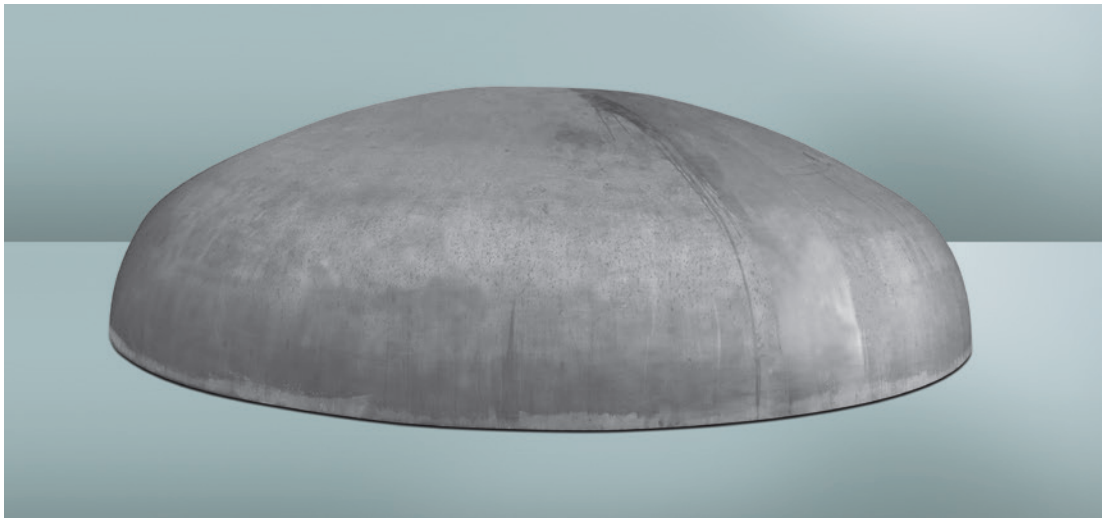
Semi-elliptical heads (2:1)
Elliptical heads (1.9:1)
Korbbogenböden





	Outside diameter	Wall thickness
Hot pressed single-piece	800 - 3,400 mm	10 - 170 mm
Cold formed single-piece	2,000 - 3,600 mm	10 - 70 mm
Hot pressed with weld seam	3,400 - 3,800 mm	10 - 170 mm
Cold formed with weld seam	3,400 - 6,500 mm	10 - 70 mm
Hot pressed multi-piece	4,000 - app. 12,000 mm	10 - 170 mm

Further dimensions upon request.



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Hi inside height
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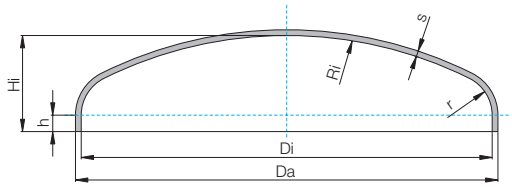
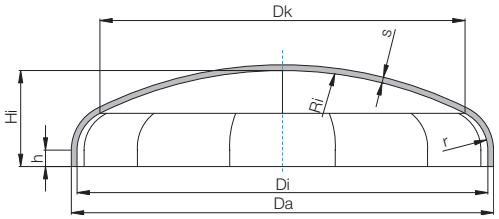
Ri dish radius
r knukle radius
s minimum wall thickness
Dk crown diameter

Torispherical heads

Torispherical heads are made of carbon steel and roll-bonded clad plates. We provide our torispherical heads as single-piece, single-piece with a weld seam and multi-piece heads. Single-piece torispherical heads are produced by hot pressing and can be dished and flanged. Multi-piece heads are produced by hot pressing.

Torispherical heads
Klöpperböden





	Outside diameter	Wall thickness
Hot pressed single-piece	800 - 3,400 mm	10 - 170 mm
Cold formed single-piece	2,000 - 3,700 mm	10 - 70 mm
Hot pressed with weld seam	3,400 - 3,800 mm	10 - 170 mm
Cold formed with weld seam	3,400 - 6,800 mm	10 - 70 mm
Hot pressed multi-piece	4,000 - app. 12,000 mm	10 - 170 mm

Further dimensions upon request.

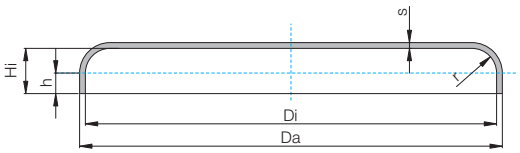
Di inside diameter
Da outside diameter
Hi inside height
h straight flange
Ri dish radius
r knukle radius
s minimum wall thickness
Dk crown diameter

Special shapes

Special shapes are heads with special shapes with radius outside of the norm which are produced by dishing or flanging. Heads with special shapes are available as single-piece, single-piece with weld seam and multi-piece heads. Special shapes are also made of carbon steel or roll-bonded clad plates.

Flat heads

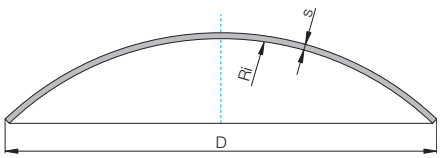
Flat heads are only available as single-piece heads. We supply flat heads made of carbon steel and roll-bonded clad plates.

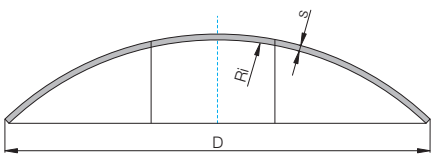


	Outside diameter	Wall thickness
Hot pressed single-piece	800 - 3,800 mm	10 - 170 mm

Dished discs

We supply dished discs made of carbon steel or roll-bonded clad plates. Dished discs are available as multi-piece or single-piece and single-piece with weld seam. Dished discs are produced by hot pressing or cold forming.





Available in 2 parts, 3 parts or 6 parts with segments and crowns

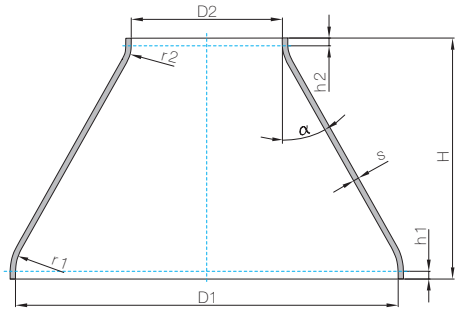
	Outside diameter	Wall thickness
Hot pressed single-piece	800 - 3,800 mm	10 - 170 mm
Cold formed single-piece	2,000 - 4,000 mm	10 - 70 mm
Hot pressed with weld seam	3,800 - 4,400 mm	10 - 170 mm
Cold formed with weld seam	4,000 - 7,200 mm	10 - 70 mm
Hot pressed multi-piece	3,800 - app. 12,000 mm	10 - 170 mm

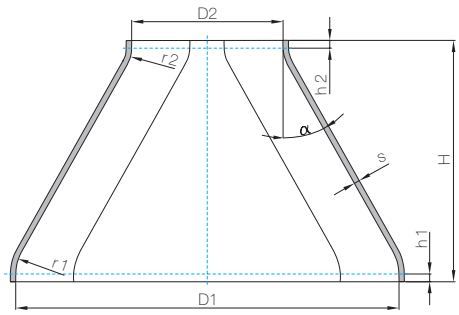
Further dimensions upon request.

Di inside diameter
Da outside diameter
D diameter
Hi inside height
h straight flange
Ri dish radius
r knukle radius
s minimum wall thickness

Cones

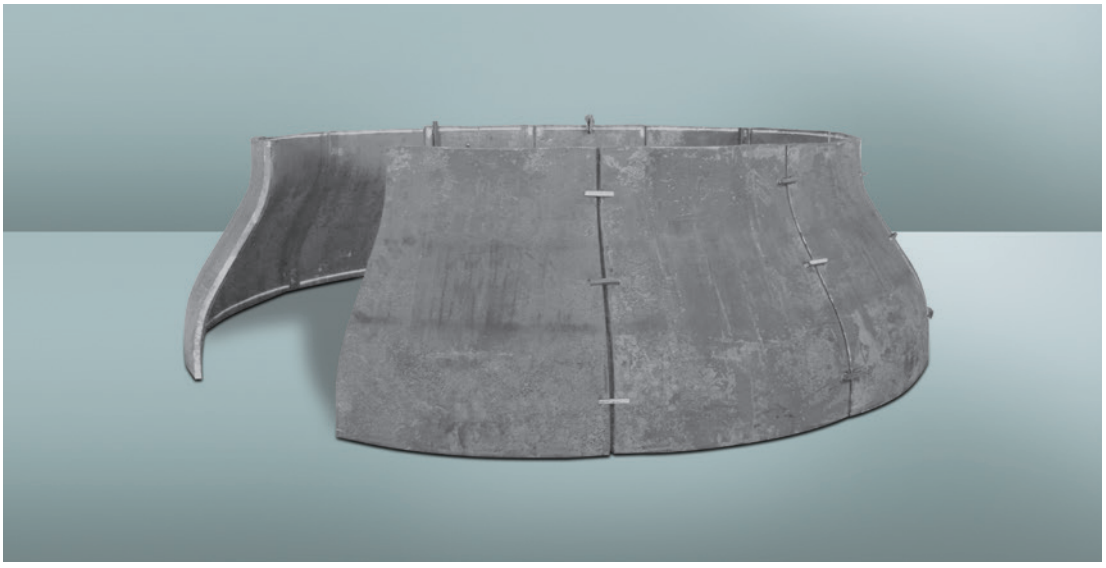
Our cones which are made of carbon steel or roll-bonded clad plates are available as multi-piece cones or single-piece cones with a weld seam. Multi-piece cones consist of crowns and segments which are dished and pressed. Matching of all parts is proven by trial assembly. The dimensions of single-piece cones are always dependent on their height.





	Outside diameter	Wall thickness
Hot pressed with weld seam	1,400 - 3,800 mm	10 - 170 mm
Cold formed with weld seam	2,000 - 6,500 mm	10 - 70 mm
Hot pressed multi-piece	3,800 - app. 12,000 mm	10 - 170 mm

Further dimensions upon request.



D1 inside diameter
D2 inside diameter
H height
h1 flange height
h2 flange height
r1 knukle radius
r2 knukle radius
s minimum wall thickness
α angle

Chords

In a specially designed production process, we manufacture high-strength hot-formed components called chords for jack-up rigs. These offshore platforms are supported by adjustable feet. During ocean transport, the feet are retracted and point upwards. At the designated location, the stands are extended until they reach the sea floor. The chords (half shells) made by voestalpine Grobblech strengthen the gear racks of the adjustable feet and allow safe operation in rough conditions.

The high performance of jack-up rigs in a wide range of applications is reliant on first-class leg material. The chords are high-end products as a result of our extensive expertise and ability to control the entire production process coupled with full-service support.

Dimensions

Thickness	40 - 120 mm
Length	max. 4,200 mm
Outside radius	222 - 335 mm

*Further dimensions upon request.

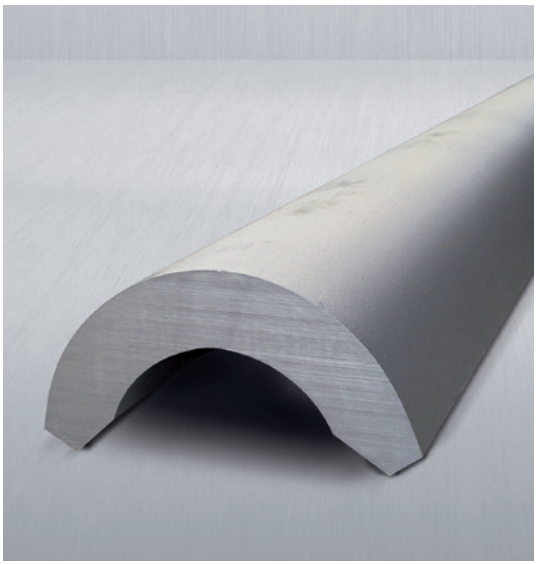
Steel grade

AB	FQ70
NV	F690

Rules of Classification

American Bureau of Shipping	(ABS)
DNV-GL	

We produce chords for all current rig designs. With our in house tool manufacturing we can support customer´s design modifications and supply a tailor-made product.



Heads for tank wagons

LPG (Liquified Petroleum Gas) is transported in tank wagons built of special vessel steels. In Europe we are the main manufacturer providing both shell plates and heads of special steel grade P460 NL2 mod. (increased tensile strength) according to VdTÜV 531.

Products and dimensions

Dimensions for plates:

Thickness	7 - 20 mm
Width	1,500 - 3,800 mm*
Length	max. 18,000 mm
Weight per plate	max. 11.7 mt

Dimensions for heads:

Thickness	7 - 20 mm
Diameter	1,500 - 3,500 mm*

*Further dimensions upon request.

Mechanical properties: Tensile test

Steel grade	Standard	Yield strength $Rp_{0.2}$ min. [MPa] T=20 °C	Tensile strength R_m [MPa] T=20 °C
P460 NL2 mod.	VdTÜV 531	460	630 - 725
P400 NGJ2	NF A 36-215	400	550 - 675
P400 NGJ4	NF A 36-215	390	550 - 670
P440 NJ4	NF A 36-215	440	630 - 725
P460 NJ2	NF A 36-215	460	640 - 725

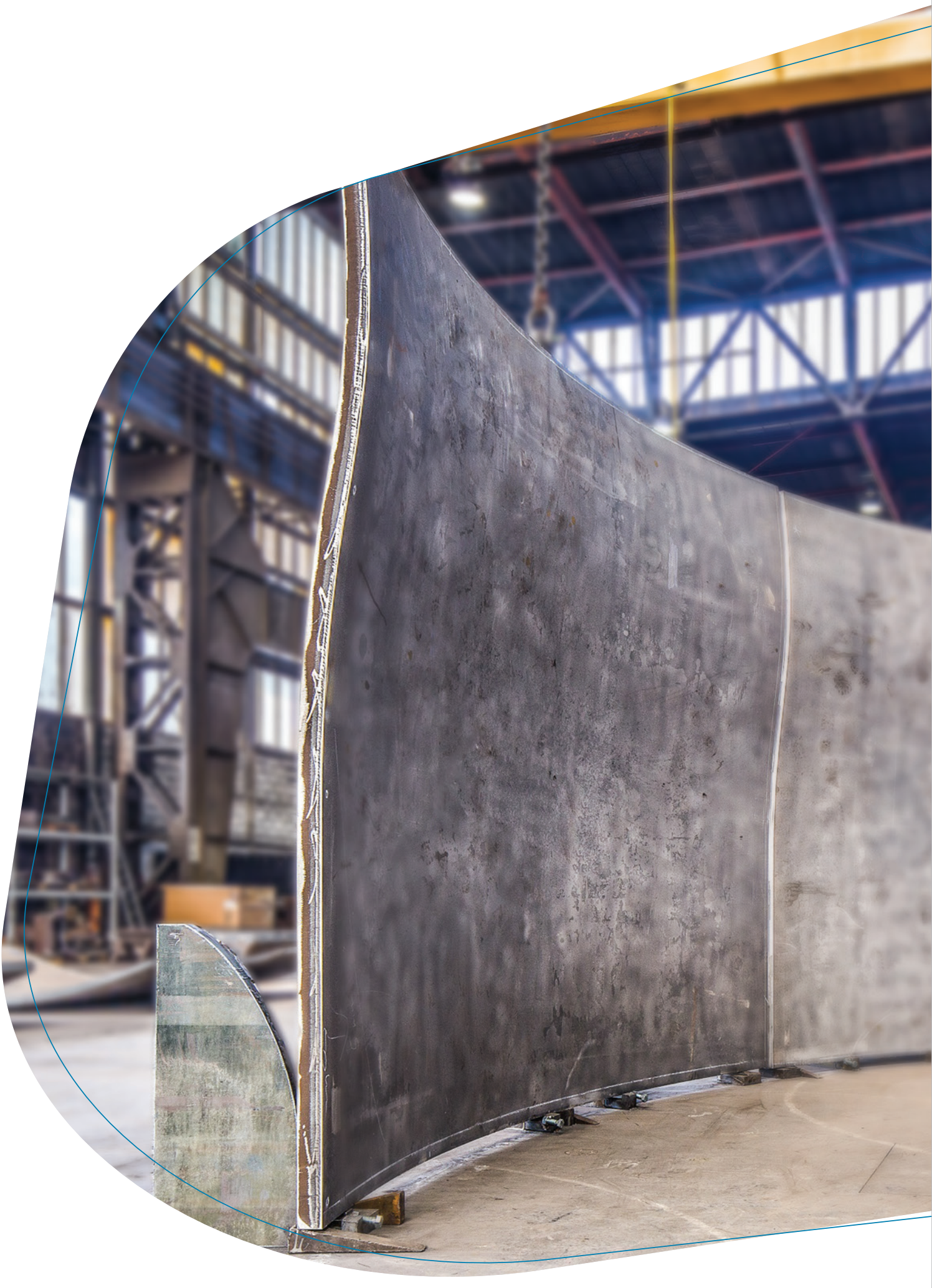
Special pressed parts

Not only heads and cones are our specialty but also special pressed parts as alternative to foundry products with the advantage of the high quality through the entire cross section. We produce special pressed parts by hot or cold pressing with special materials like stainless steel (1.4313) or with current materials. Special pressed parts are not only available in solid materials but also as clad materials, in this case cost savings are a great benefit. We are able to produce special pressed parts with a bend of 45°, 60°, or 90° and with or without edge processing. We provide the service of pre-assembling like for the multi-piece heads. We measure the single special pressed parts as well as the complete assembly by very exact laser technology. The scope of application can be water power plants, tidal power plants, pumps or turbines.

Dimensions

Width	≤ 10,000 mm
Thickness	≤ 100 mm
Length	≤ 3,800 mm

Further dimensions upon request.



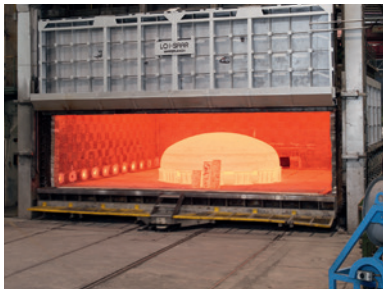
Quality

We produce and deliver our heads and cones as well as our chords out of excellent quality. Further possible treatments like edge preparation for welding or shotblasting for carbon steel heads complete our high-end products.

Heat treatment

Heat treatment is set according to material requirements.
Water quenching can be provided up to a diameter of 6,500 mm.

- Normalized (N)
- Normalized and tempered (N+T)
- Quenched (Q)
- Quenched and tempered (Q+T)

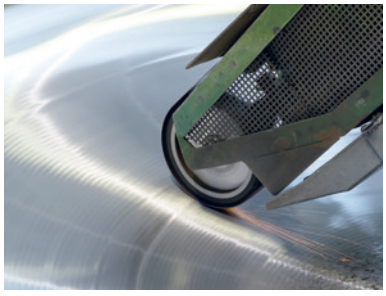


Edge preparation for welding

Edges are flame-cut in preparation for welding according to customer specifications.

Shotblasting for carbon steel heads

Carbon steel heads can be shotblasted to a roughness of SA 2.5.

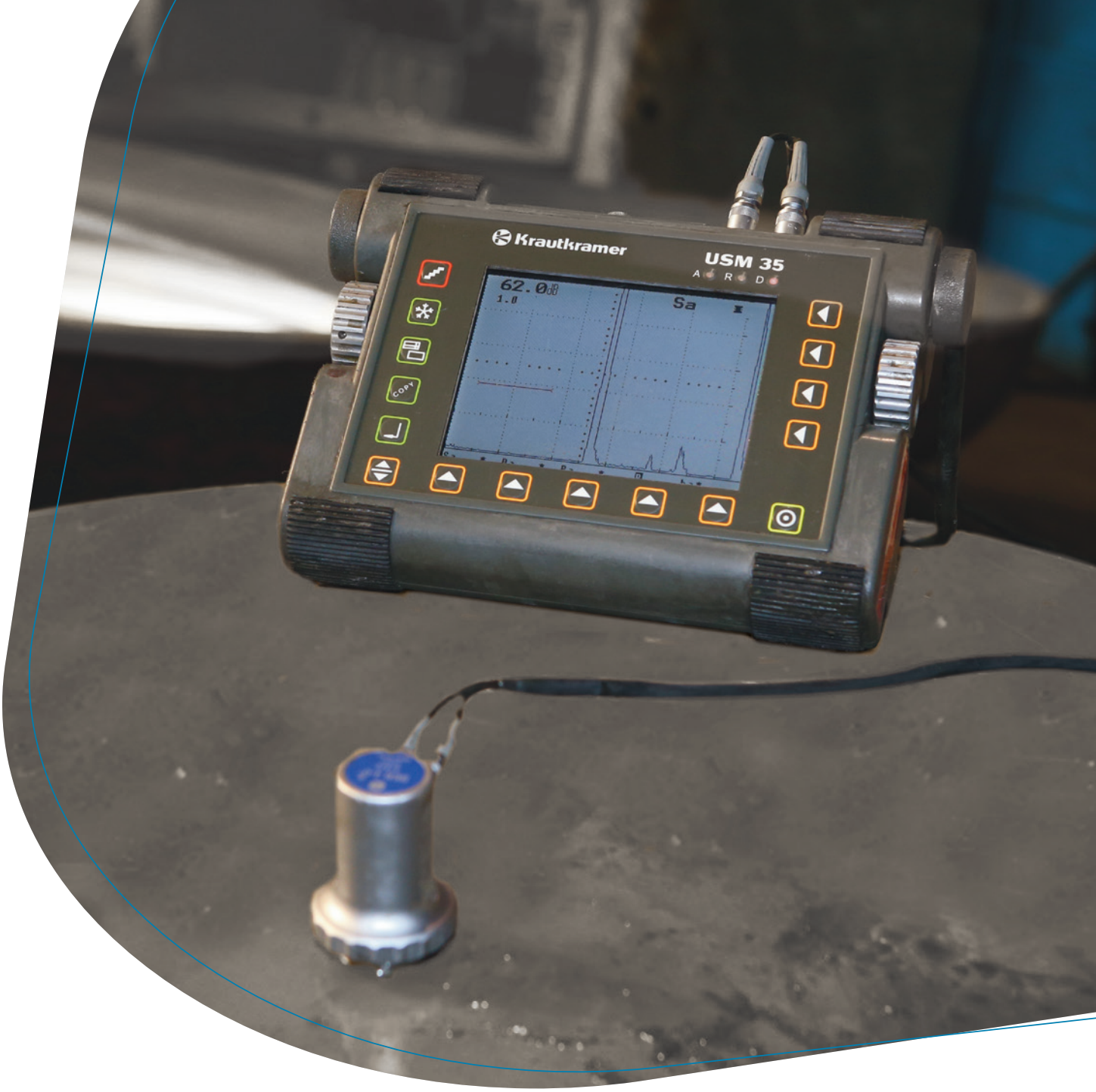


Surface finish for clad heads

The surface of the base material is normally „as rolled“ or shotblasted.
The surface of the clad material is normally ground with a grain size of 60 - 240. Other grain sizes are available on request.
Another option is blasting with glass beads for ferritic-free surface.
The clad surface is protected for transport with a special easily removeable and water-soluble glossy top paint.

Pre-assembly of multi-piece heads

All parts of multi-piece heads and cones are pre-assembled to ensure a perfect match.



Our understanding of quality goes far beyond the product. Through continuous development and investment in plant and production technologies we are always one step ahead.

We have a fully integrated steel plant and are able to bundle our expertise for the benefit of our customers. Our different tools in our production site make it possible to supply various types of heads in outstanding quality. This is what sets us apart.

We see our customers as development partners and provide them with excellent planning and advising quality. The exchange of information with our customers as well as the documentation is a great priority for us.

We are certified by
- Lloyds Register by ISO 9001
- „Verband der Technischen Überwachungsvereine“
- AD Merkblatt W0/TRD 100
- Pressure Equipment Directive PED 97/23/EC

voestalpine Steel Division
We lead the way,
so our partners will be one step ahead.

We talk solutions

That is why we will never be satisfied with excellent product quality alone. Comprehensive services and unlimited dedication to the challenges of our customers are at the core of our philosophy.

Highly specialized and closely linked, the companies of the voestalpine Steel Division have one common goal, which is providing our customers with optimized and individualized packages of benefits.

Progress through R&D

- Continual product and process development
- Innovative solutions for products and processes
- Independent and fully accredited testing facility on-site
- Simulations of material performance of weldability, deformation and edging behavior, fatigue tests and fracture mechanics
- Consultation in the fields of welding and processing

A unique logistics package

- Partnerships with our clients and customers
- Reliable and flexible delivery performance
- Professional project management ensuring successful delivery of complex orders
- Dedicated mill-based project management team for order management from pre-production to post-production to support
- Complete project documentation package (inspection and testing plan, manufacturing specifications, ultrasonic testing procedures)
- Prompt reaction to inquiries
- Web-based customer service center with customer access to order confirmations, invoices, test certificates and order status

A strong partnership

- Close collaboration with our Group companies in order to obtain unique expertise and ensure the technological leadership of our products
- You can find more voestalpine product information at
  - voestalpine Böhler Welding (www.voestalpine.com/welding/group)

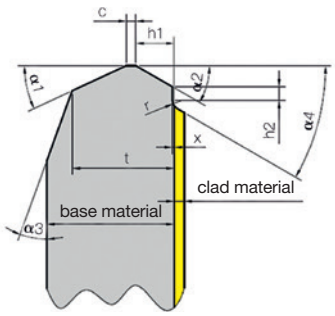
Standards

All our products can be manufactured in compliance with following Standards/Codes	
ASME BPVC Section VIII Division 1	American Rules for Construction of Pressure Vessels (for welded components with ASME U Stamp / MPDR form U-2A)
ASME BPVC Section VIII Division 2	American Rules for Construction of Pressure Vessels – Alternative Rules (for welded components with ASME U2 Stamp / MPDR form A-2)
PED 2014/68/EU	European Pressure Equipment Directive
TPED 2010/35/EU	European Transportable Pressure Equipment Directive
EN 13445	European Standard: Unfired pressure vessels
AD 2000	German codes of practice on pressure Vessels
PD 5500	British specification for unfired, fusion welded pressure vessels
CODAP 2010 Division 1 & 2	French Code for Construction of unfired Pressure Vessels
EN 14025	European Standard: Tanks for the transport of dangerous goods – Metallic pressure tanks – Design and construction
DIN 28011	German Standard: Torispherical heads
DIN 28013	German Standard: Ellipsoidal heads
Other international codes, standards or specifications	ISO 3834-2, NACE, API, ABS, VdTÜV, LR, DNVGL, ADR, RID, IBR, RToD, SELO, …

Shape control by automatic laser measurement

Tolerances

	Single-piece heads and cones	Multi-piece heads and cones
Diameter[1) 2)]	■ acc. to applicable standard ■ voestalpine standard ±0.3 % D	■ acc. to applicable standard ■ voestalpine standard ±0.2 % D
Height[1)]	■ acc. to applicable standard ■ voestalpine standard +1.5 % D/-0, max. 38 mm	■ acc. to applicable standard ■ voestalpine standard +1.5 % D/-0, max. 38 mm
Shape	■ acc. to applicable standard ■ special shapes upon request	■ radius deviation of crown and segments 3 mm/m from the template
Ovality[1)]	■ acc. to applicable standard ■ voestalpine standard 0.5 % D, max. 30 mm	■ acc. to applicable standard ■ voestalpine standard 0.5 % D, max. 30 mm
Flatness	■ voestalpine standard for flat heads 3 mm/m deviation from measuring rod	
Weld gap		■ weld gap ±2 mm
Edge	**tolerances for edge preparation (flame cut & machined)**	
	bevel angle (α1, α2)	±2°
	depth of preparation (h1)	+2/-0 mm
	thickness of root face (c)	±1 mm
	thickness after tapering (t) t > 5 - 10 mm	-0/+1 mm
	t > 10 - 25 mm	-0/+2 mm
	t > 25 mm	-0/+3 mm
	taper angle (α3)	±3°
	root radius for U/DU groove[3)]	±1 mm
	strip back of cladding	
	bevel angle (α4)	±4°
	depth of preparation (h2)	+2/-0 mm
	radius (r)	±1.5 mm
	depth (x)[4)] of removal into carbon steel	+1/-0 mm



[1)] voestalpine standard or other tolerances on request

[2)] Generally the diameter tolerance is measured on the circumference and calculated as D = U/π (D – diameter, U – circumference)

[3)] Possible up to diameter of 2,200 mm

[4] Our standard is 0.5 mm

Steel grades

The heavy plates for heads and cones are made of slabs cast at voestalpine steel mill on-site in Linz.

Range of steel grades
We offer a comprehensive range of steel grades for heads and cones:

- Structural steels and fine-grain steels
- Pressure vessel steels

Structural steels and pressure vessel steels
according to EN 10025-2, EN 10028-2 and EN 10028-3

Standard	Steel grade
EN 10025-2	S235JR
	S355JR
EN 10028-2	P235GH
	P265GH
	P295GH
	P355GH
	16Mo3
	20MnMoNi4-5
	13CrMo4-5
	10CrMo9-10
	12CrMo9-10
	13CrMoV9-10
EN 10028-3	P275 NH
	P275 NL1
	P275 NL2
	P355 NH
	P355 NL1
	P355 NL2
	P460 NH
	P460 NL1
	P460 NL2

Structural steels and pressure vessel steels
according to ASTM, ASME

Standard	Steel grade
ASME, ASTM	A285 Grade C
	A516 Grade 60
	A516 Grade 65
	A516 Grade 70
	A572 Grade 65 Type 1
	A 204 Type A
	A 204 Type B
	A 302 Type B
	A 533 Type B Class 1
	A533 Type B Class 2
	A387 Grade 11 Class 2
	A387 Grade 12 Class 2
	A387 Grade 22 Class 2
	A 542 Type D Class 4

These are the base materials – further materials upon request.

Claddings

Clad heads and cones are made of roll-bonded clad plates made by voestalpine Grobblech.

Below you will find a summary of the most frequently used clad materials for heads and cones. Other clad materials on request.

Claddings

We mainly use

- Ferritic and austenitic stainless steels and heat-resistant steels
- Nickel and nickel-based alloys
- Copper and copper-alloys

Stainless steels and heat-resistant steels

Standard	EN material number	Steel grade
EN 10088	1.4000	X6Cr13
	1.4301	X5CrNi18-10
	1.4306	X2CrNi19-11
	1.4541	X6CrNiTi18-10
	1.4550	X6CrNiNb18-10
	1.4401	X5CrNiMo17-12-2
	1.4404	X2CrNiMo17-12-2
	1.4571	X6CrNiMoTi17-12-2
	1.4432	X2CrNiMo18-14-3
	1.4435	X3CrNiMo17-13-3
	1.4429	X2CrNiMoN17-13-3
	1.4438	X2CrNiMo18-15-4
	1.4439	X2CrNiMoN17-13-5
SEW 470	1.4828	X 15 CrNiSi 20 12

Standard	UNS number	Steel grade
ASTM A240 and ASME SA240	S41008	410S
	S30400	304
	S30403	304L
	S32100	321
	S34700	347
	S31600	316
	S31603	316L
		316L Mod Mo ≥ 2.5
	S31635	316Ti
	S31653	316LN
	-	316LN Mod Mo ≥ 2.5
	S31703	317L
	S31726	3178LMN

Special steels, non-ferrous metals and alloys

ASTM	Type
B 409 UNS N08800	Alloy 800
A 240/A 240M UNS N08904	Alloy 904 L
B 709 UNS N08028	Alloy 28
B 677 UNS N08926	Alloy 926
B 463 UNS N08020	Alloy 20
B 463 UNS N08020	Alloy 20
B 424 UNS N08825	Alloy 825
B 443 UNS N06625	Alloy 625
B 575 UNS N06022	Alloy C 22
B 575 UNS N06455	Alloy C 4
B 575 UNS N10276	Alloy C 276
B 575 UNS N06059	Alloy 59
B 333 UNS N10665	Alloy B 2
B 168 UNS N06600	Alloy 600
B 127 UNS N04400	Alloy 400
B 162 UNS N02200	Alloy 200
B 162 UNS N02201	Alloy 201
B 152 UNS C12200	–
B 171 UNS C70600	Alloy CuNi 90/10
B 171 UNS C71500	Alloy CuNi 70/30

Base materials
We offer the same steel grades as for heads and cones of carbon steels (see page 26). Alternative base materials on request.

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Together with us, you are always one step ahead because we offer more than optimized products made of high-quality material.

- If you are looking for customized solutions, we will be pleased to work with you on the creation of new products and services.
- If you are looking for new ideas on materials, technologies and services, we want to help you find them.
- If you are looking for a fair and reliable partner, you are at the right place. We know that we can only be successful together with our customers when they benefit as much as we do from our partnership.
- Our customers take advantage of the most widely used technology: Two thirds of the steel produced worldwide is made using the LD process, and we're rather proud of that.

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