

HIGH SPEED STEELS

Application Segments

Cutting Tools

Automotive

Available Product Variants

Long Products*

Plates

* Presented data refer exclusively to long products. Please observe the detailed explanations at the end of the data sheet (pdf).

Product Description

BÖHLER S690 MICROCLEAN – "The simple one"

The tough high-speed steel for challenging machining and cold forming.

Process Melting

Powder metallurgy

Properties

- > Toughness & Ductility : very high
- > Wear Resistance : good
- > Compressive strength : good
- > Edge Stability : good
- > Grindability : high
- > Hot Hardness (red hardness) : good

Applications

- > Motorsport industry
- > End Mills
- > Special Cutting Tools
- > Broaches and Reamers
- > Fine Blanking, Stamping, Blanking
- > Cold Forming / Coining
- > Powder Pressing

Technical data

Material designation	
~HS6-5-4	EN
~M4	AISI

Chemical composition (wt. %)

C	Cr	Mo	V	W
1.44	4	5	4	5.5

Material characteristics

	Compressive strength	Grindability	Red hardness	Toughness	Wear resistance	Edge Stability
BÖHLER S690 MICROCLEAN	★★★	★★★	★★	★★★★★	★★★	★★
BÖHLER S290 MICROCLEAN	★★★★★	★	★★★★	★★	★★★★★	★★★★
BÖHLER S390 MICROCLEAN	★★★★★	★★★	★★★★	★★★★★	★★★★★	★★★★★
BÖHLER S393 MICROCLEAN	★★★★★	★★★	★★★★	★★★★★	★★★★★	★★★★★
BÖHLER S590 MICROCLEAN	★★★★★	★★★	★★★★	★★★	★★★	★★★
BÖHLER S790 MICROCLEAN	★★★	★★★	★★	★★★★★	★★	★★★
BÖHLER S792 MICROCLEAN	★★★	★★★	★★	★★★★★	★★	★★★
BÖHLER S793 MICROCLEAN	★★★	★★★	★★★★	★★★	★★★	★★★

Delivery condition

Annealed

Hardness (HB)	max. 280 drawn execution max. 300 HB
Tensile Strength (MPa)	max. 1,020

Heat treatment

Annealing

Temperature	770 to 840 °C	Slow cooling in furnace.
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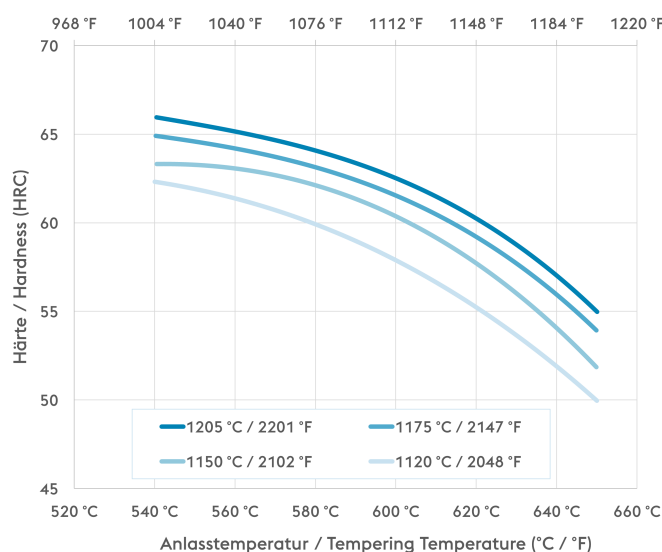
Stress relieving

Temperature	600 to 650 °C	Slow cooling furnace. To relieve stresses set up by extensive machining or in tools of intricate shape. After through heating, hold in neutral atmosphere for 1 to 2 hours.
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Hardening and Tempering

Temperature	1,100 to 1,200 °C	Salt bath, vacuum Preheating: 1st stage ~ 500 °C (930 °F), 2nd stage ~ 850 °C (1560 °F), 3rd stage ~1050 °C (1920 °F) Austenitising: 1100 - 1200 °C (2010 °F - 2230 °F), holding time after complete heating 80 seconds, maximum 150 seconds, to avoid material damage due to overheating. Quenching: oil, warm bath (500 - 550 °C (930 °F - 1020 °F)), gas
Temperature	540 to 570 °C	Slow heating to tempering temperature immediately after austenitising. Holding time in the furnace 1 hour per 20 mm material thickness (at least 1 hour) Slow cooling to room temperature between each tempering step 3 tempering cycles recommended Hardness see tempering chart

Tempering Chart



Holding time 3 x 2 hours
Specimen size: square 25 mm

Tempering Chart

Physical Properties

Temperature (°C)	20
Density (kg/dm ³)	8.1
Thermal conductivity (W/(m.K))	20
Specific heat (kJ/kg K)	0.46
Spec. electrical resistance (Ohm.mm ² /m)	0.53
Modulus of elasticity (10 ³ N/mm ²)	217

Thermal Expansions between 20°C | 68°F and ...

Temperature (°C)	100	200	300	400	500	600	700
Thermal expansion (10 ⁻⁶ m/(m.K))	11.5	11.7	12.2	12.4	12.7	13	12.9

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