# Powder Metallurgy High-Speed Steel

# ERASTEEL

ASP<sup>®</sup> 2042 is a Powder Metallurgy High-Speed Steel grade with high hardness and high toughness. It is an upgraded material in particular in applications where standard M42 is traditionally used e.g. for laser-welded bi-metal saws with improve saw performance, thanks to its higher hardness and toughness. It is also recommended for high performance components.

#### STANDARDS

- > EN 10027-1: PMHS 2-9-1-8
- > EN 10027-2: 1.3247
- > ASTM: AISI M42
- > JIS: SKH59

#### **DELIVERY HARDNESS**

- > Typical soft annealed hardness is 270 HB
- > Cold-drawn and cold-rolled material is typically 10-40 HB harder

| CHEMICAL COMPOSITION       | С    | Cr  | Мо  | W   | Со  | V   |
|----------------------------|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Safety datasheet available | 1.08 | 3.8 | 9.4 | 1.6 | 8.0 | 1.2 |

## APPLICATIONS

- > Bandsaws, jig & sabre saws, hole saws
- > High performance components
- > Flat thread rolling dies for screws and bolts
- > Cold forming dies for screws and bolts

#### HEAT TREATMENT

- > Soft annealing in a protective atmosphere at 850-900°C for 3 hours, followed by slow cooling at 10°C/h down to 700°C, then air cooling.
- > Stress-relieving at 600-700°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 austenitizing at a temperature suitable for chosen working hardness. Cooling down to 40-50°C.
- > Tempering at 560°C three times for at least 1 hour each time. Cooling to room temperature < 25°C between temperings.

#### HRC °C 72 70 68 1190 66 1180 1150 64 1100 62 60 58 56 540 560 580 600 °C 520

#### **GUIDELINES FOR HARDENING**

Tempering temperature in °C

Hardness after hardening, quenching and tempering 3 x 1 hour

### FORM SUPPLIED

- > Bi-metal edge wire
- > Round bars
- > Flat bars

#### PROCESSING

ASP® 2042 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 may 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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# PROPERTIES

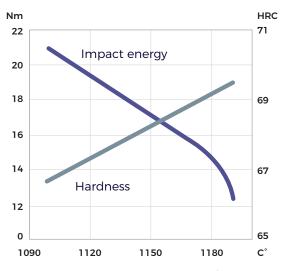
#### PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

| Temperature   | 20°C                      | 400°C                     | 600°C                     |
|---|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Density g/cm <sup>3 (1)</sup>                                   | 8.0                       | 7.9                       | 7.9                       |
| Modulus of elasticity $kN/mm^{2}$ (2)                           | 225<br>33x10 <sup>6</sup> | 200<br>29x10 <sup>6</sup> | 180<br>26x10 <sup>6</sup> |
| Thermal expansion ratio per $^\circ\!C^{\scriptscriptstyle(2)}$ | -                         | 11.5x10 <sup>-6</sup>     | 11.8x10 <sup>-6</sup>     |
| Thermal conductivity W/m°C $^{\scriptscriptstyle (2)}$          | 24                        | 28                        | 27                        |
| Specific heat J/kg°C <sup>(2)</sup>                             | 420                       | 510                       | 600                       |

(1) Soft annealed

(2) Hardened 1180°C and tempered 560°C, 3 x 1 hour

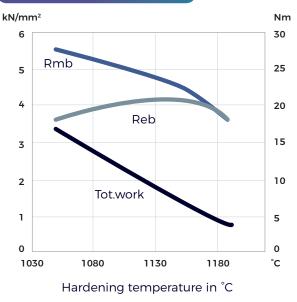
#### **IMPACT TOUGHNESS**



Hardening temperature in °C

Original dimension 9 x 12 mm Tempering 3 x 1 hour at 560° C Unnotched test piece 7 x 10 x 55 mm

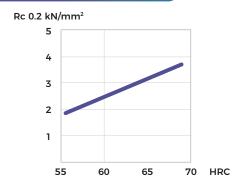




Original dimension Ø 6 mm Tempering 3 x 1 hour at 560°C Dimension of test piece Ø 4.7 mm

Rmb = Ultimate bend strength in kN/mm<sup>2</sup> Reb = Bend yield strength in kN/mm<sup>2</sup> Tot. work = Total work in Nm

#### **COMPRESSION YIELD STRESS**





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