

# HIGH SPEED STEELS

## Application Segments

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Cutting Tools

## Available Product Variants

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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

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### **BÖHLER S590 MICROCLEAN – "The expert"**

High-speed steel manufactured in a powder metallurgy process, with good hot hardness, compressive strength, and wear resistance. PM technology gives it good toughness and excellent workability, such as the best machinability.

## Process Melting

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Powder metallurgy

## Properties

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

## Applications

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- > Blades for Sawing Machines
- > Fine Blanking, Stamping, Blanking
- > Rolling
- > Broaches and Reamers
- > Gear Cutting, Shaving and Shaping Tools
- > Shearing / Machine Knives
- > End Mills
- > Powder Pressing
- > Twist Drills and Taps

## Technical data

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Material designation		Standards	
1.3244	SEL	4957	EN ISO
HS6-5-3-8	EN		

**Chemical composition (wt. %)**

C	Cr	Mo	V	W	Co
1.29	4.2	5	3	6.3	8.4

**Material characteristics**

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

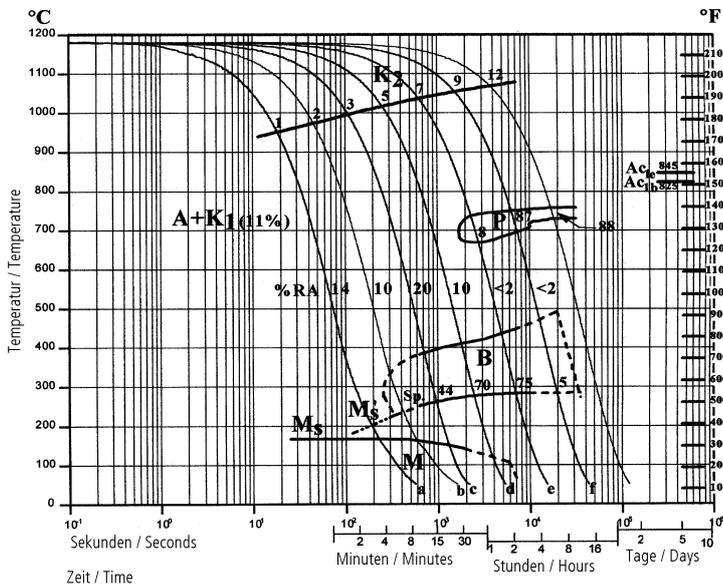
**Delivery condition**

<b>Annealed</b>	
Hardness (HB)	max. 300

**Heat treatment**

<b>Annealing</b>		
Temperature	870 to 900 °C	The steel needs to be protected against decarburization.    Through heating of the material is followed by controlled, slow furnace cooling at a maximum cooling rate of 10°C (50°F) per hour, down to approx. 700°C (1292°F).    Final cooling in air.
<b>Stress relieving</b>		
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.
<b>Hardening and Tempering</b>		
Temperature	1,075 to 1,180 °C	Salt bath, vacuum    Preheating: 1st stage ~ 500 °C, 2nd stage ~ 850 °C, 3rd stage ~1050 °C (for higher austenitising temperature)    Austenitising: for cutting applications at higher austenitising temperatures (>1100 °C), holding time after complete heating 80 seconds, maximum 150 seconds, to avoid material damage due to overtime.    Austenitising: for cold work applications at lower austenitising temperatures (<1100°C). Holding time after complete heating 15 to 30 min    Quenching: oil, warm bath (500 - 550 °C), gas.
Temperature	540 to 570 °C	Slow heating to tempering temperature immediately after austenitising.    Dwell time in the furnace 1 hour per 20 mm material thickness (at least 1 hour)    Slow cooling to room temperature    3 tempering cycles recommended    Hardness see tempering chart

Continuous cooling CCT curves

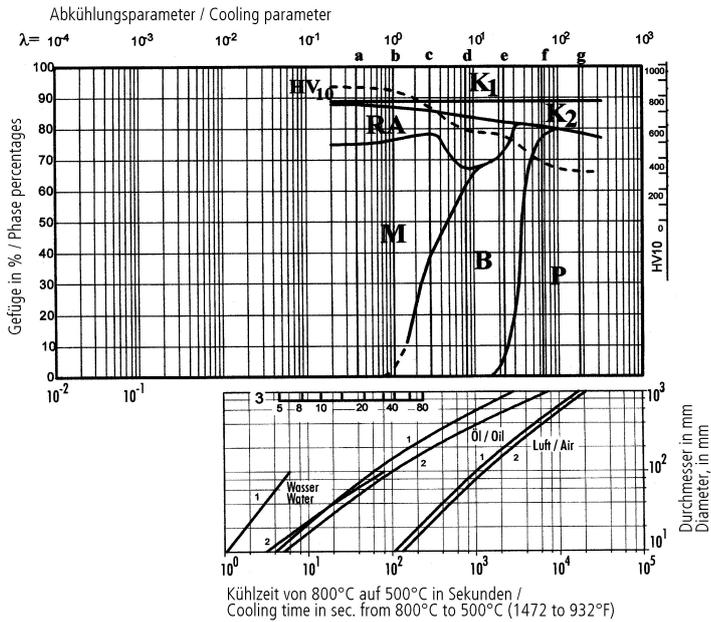


Austenitising temperature: 1180°C (2156°F)  
Holding time: 180 seconds

A....Austenite  
B....Bainite  
K....Carbide  
P....Pearlite  
M....Martensite  
RA...Retained Austenite

Sample	$\lambda$	HV10	Sample	$\lambda$	HV10
a	0,4	870	e	23,0	549
b	1,1	845	f	65,0	384
c	3,0	740	g	180,0	325
d	8,0	592			

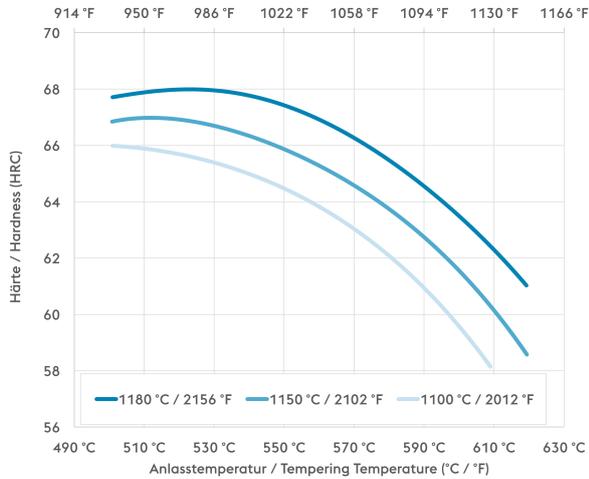
Quantitative phase diagram



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1....Edge or Face  
2....Core  
3....Jominy test: distance from quenched end

### Tempering Chart



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

### Physical Properties

Temperature (°C)	20
Density (kg/dm <sup>3</sup> )	8.05
Thermal conductivity (W/(m.K))	22
Specific heat (kJ/kg K)	0.42
Spec. electrical resistance (Ohm.mm <sup>2</sup> /m)	0.61
Modulus of elasticity (10 <sup>3</sup> N/mm <sup>2</sup> )	240

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

Temperature (°C)	100	200	300	400	500	600	700
Thermal expansion (10 <sup>-6</sup> m/(m.K))	10	10.5	10.8	11.2	11.3	11.4	11.6

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