

HOT WORK TOOL STEELS

Available Product Variants

Long Products*

Plates

Open Die Forgings

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

Product Description

BÖHLER W300 ISOBLOC is a 5% chromium steel and corresponds to material number 1.2343 (X37CrMoV5-1). Produced via the electroslag remelting process (ESR), this tool steel has very high hot toughness as well as good hot hardness and very good resistance against heat-checkings. The combination of these properties makes it a top performer in high- and low-pressure die casting as well as in closed-die and open-die forging. In addition, this material has very good polishability and is therefore also often used as a molding material for plastic injection molds.

Process Melting

Airmelted + Remelted

Properties

- > Toughness & Ductility : high
- > Wear Resistance : good
- > Machinability : very high
- > Hot Hardness (red hardness) : good
- > Polishability : very high
- > Thermal conductivity : high
- > Micro-cleanliness : high

Applications

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| > High Pressure Die-Casting | > Forging (Hot / Semi-hot) | > Gravity / Low Pressure Die-Casting |
| > Progressive Forging (Hatebur) | > Extrusion | > Fasteners, Bolts, Nuts |
| > General Components for Mechanical Engineering | > Injection Molding | > Press Hardening / Hot Stamping |
| > Rolling | > Shearing / Machine Knives | > Tool Holders (milling, drilling, turning & amp; chucks) |
| > Standard Parts (Molds, Plates, Pins, Punches) | > Screws and Barrels | > Blow Molding |
| > Machine knife (for producers) | > Rolls | > Mechanical Engineering |
| > Hotrunner systems | > Glasfibre reinforced plastics | |



Technical data

Material designation		Standards	
1.2343	SEL	4957	EN ISO
X37CrMoV5-1	EN	G4404	JIS
T20811	UNS	#207	NADCA
H11	AISI		
SKD6	JIS		
D1830	NADCA		

Chemical composition (wt. %)

C	Si	Mn	Cr	Mo	V
0.38	0.90	0.40	5.20	1.30	0.45

Material characteristics

	High temperature strength	High temperature toughness	High temperature wear resistance
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Delivery condition

Annealed

Hardness (HB)	max. 229
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Hardened and Tempered

Hardness (HRC)	40 to 55 bars hardened and tempered (BHT)
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Hardened and Tempered

Hardness (HRC)	30 to 44
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Heat treatment

Annealing

Temperature	750 to 800 °C 1,382 to 1,472 °F	Holding time 6 to 8 hours. Slow, controlled furnace cooling at 10 to 20°C/h (50 to 68 °F/hr) to approx. 600°C (1112°F), further cooling in air.
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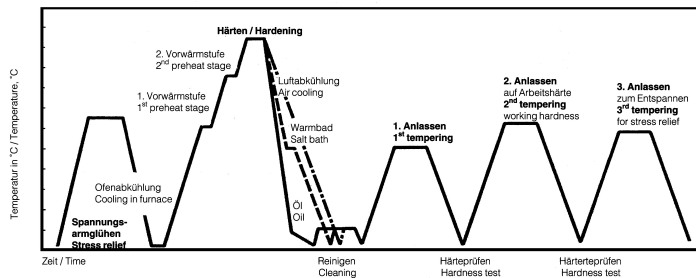
Stress relieving

Temperature	600 to 670 °C 1,112 to 1,238 °F	For stress relief after extensive machining or for complicated tools. Holding time depending on tool size after complete heating 2 - 6 hours in neutral atmosphere. Slow furnace cooling.
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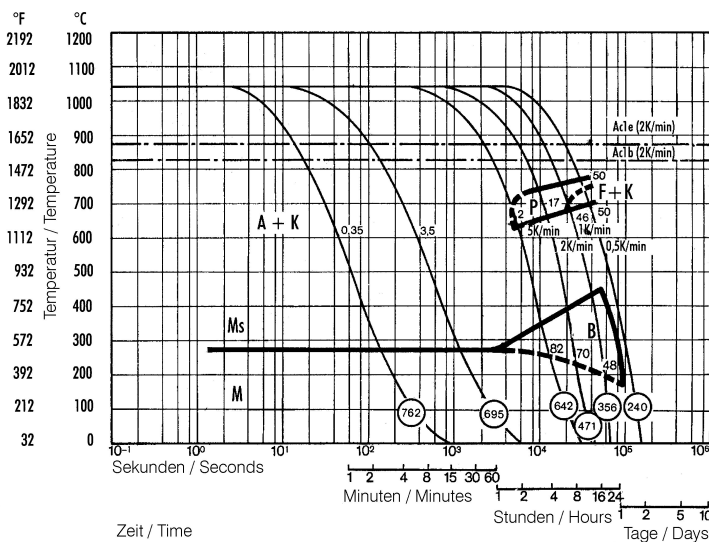
Hardening and Tempering

Temperature	1,000 to 1,030 °C 1,832 to 1,886 °F	(Die casting equipment: 1000 - 1010 °C [1832 - 1850°F]) Holding time after temperature equalization: 15 to 30 minutes; Quenching: Oil, salt bath (500 - 550°C [932-1022°F]), air, vacuum; After hardening, tempering to the desired working hardness (see tempering chart).
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Heat treatment sequence



Continuous cooling CCT curves

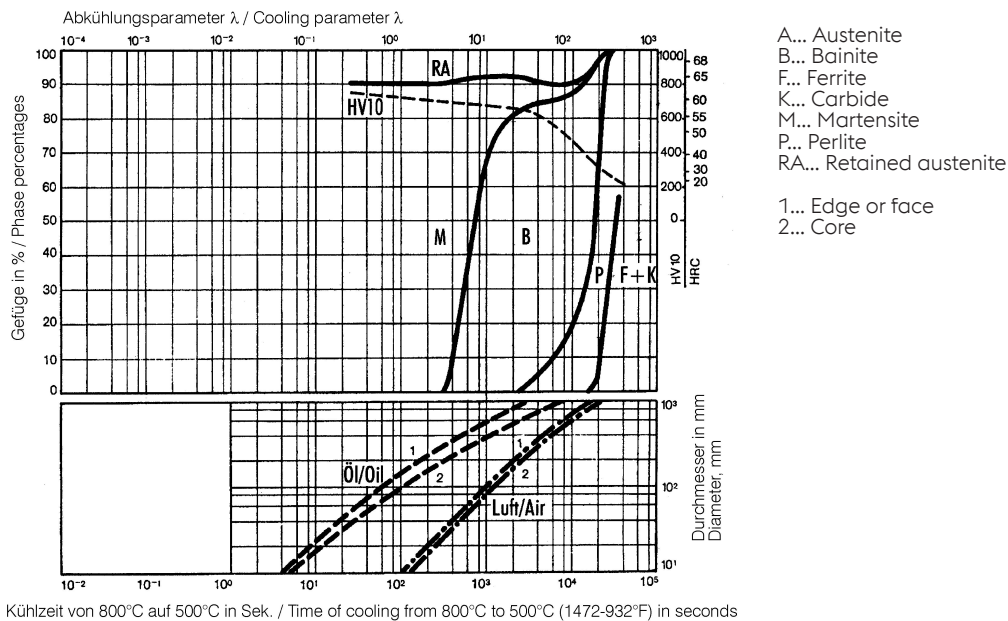


Austenitising temperature: 1030°C (1886°F)
Holding time: 15 minutes

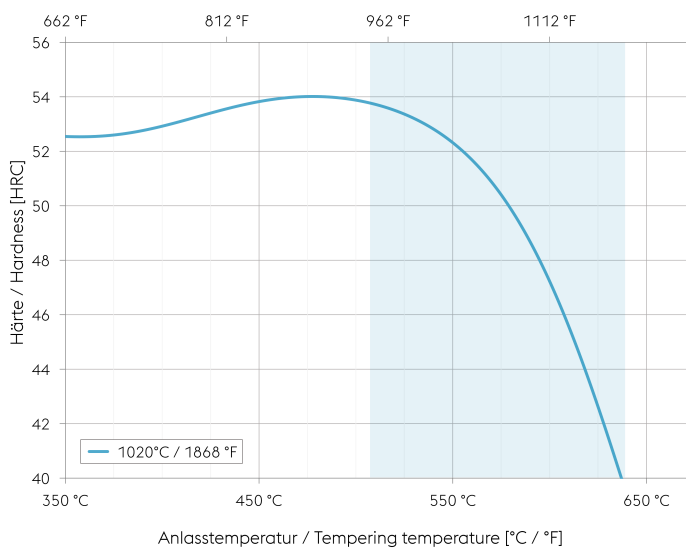
O Vickers hardness
2...46 phase percentages
0.35...3.5 cooling parameter, i.e. duration of cooling from 800 - 500°C (1472-932°F) in s x 10⁻²
5...0.5 K/min cooling rate in K/min in the 800 - 500°C (1472-932°F) range

Numbers in circles = Vickers hardness

Quantitative phase diagram



Tempering chart



Tempering:

Slow heating to tempering temperature immediately after hardening (time in furnace 1 hour for each 0,787 inch (20 mm) of workpiece thickness but at least 2 hours / cooling in air).

It is recommended to temper at least twice.

A third tempering cycle for the purpose of stress relieving may be advantageous.

1st tempering approx. 86°F (30°C) above maximum secondary hardness.

2nd tempering to desired working hardness.

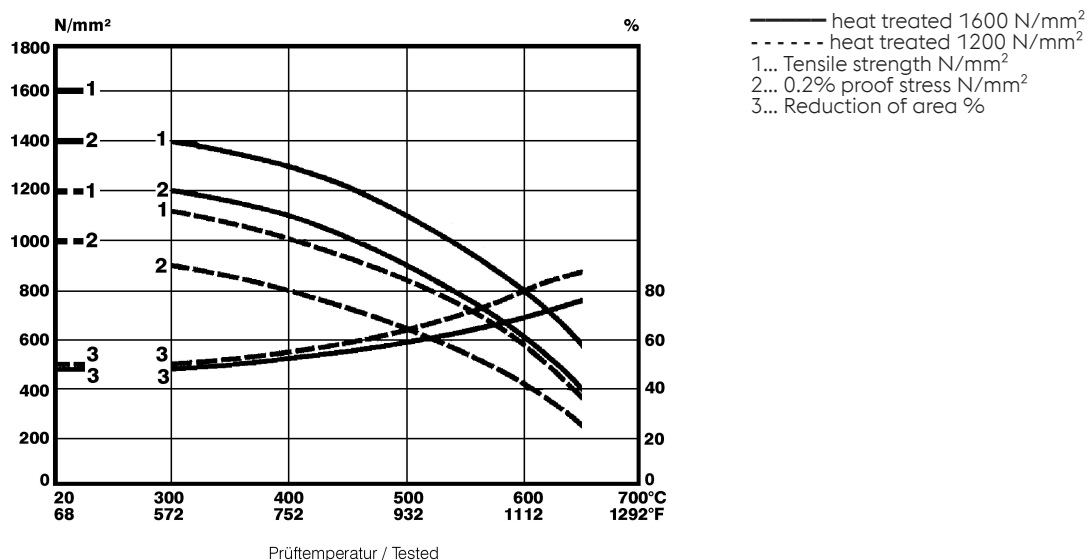
The tempering chart shows average tempered hardness values.

3rd for stress relieving at a temperature 86 to 122°F (30 to 50°C) below highest tempering temperature.

Recommended tempering temperature range is indicated by the blue area in the chart.

Hardening temperature: 1020°C (1868°F)
Specimen size: square 50 mm

Hot strength chart



Physical Properties

Temperature (°C °F)	20 68
Density (kg/dm ³ lb/in ³)	7.8 0.28
Thermal conductivity (W/(m.K) BTU/ft h °F)	24.9 14.39
Specific heat (kJ/kg K BTU/lb °F)	0.46 0.1099
Spec. electrical resistance (Ohm.mm ² /m 10 ⁻⁴ Ohm.inch ² /ft)	0.52 2.46
Modulus of elasticity (10 ³ N/mm ² 10 ³ ksi)	211 30.65

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

Temperature (°C °F)	100 212	200 392	300 572	400 752	500 932	600 1,112
Thermal expansion (10 ⁻⁶ m/(m.K) 10 ⁻⁶ inch/inch. °F)	10.4 5.8	10.7 5.9	11.9 6.6	12.6 7	13.3 7.4	13.6 7.6

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