Oberste-Beulmann
Edelstähle – Special Steels

Technical Data Sheet	Grade	Code (SEL)	Powder metallurgical High Speed Steel
	OB-PM-S59	-	

Steel properties

OB-PM-S59 is a cobalt-alloyed high-speed steel produced by means of a powder metallurgical process which has a very fine, uniform, segregation-free microstructure and carbide distribution. It possesses good wear resistance, good hot hardness, good compressive strength and good toughness.

OB-PM-S59 is very suitable for nitriding and its homogeneous microstructure also makes it ideal for PVD and CVD coating.

Applications

OB-PM-S59 is particularly suitable for high-performance machining tools such as stamping, punching, blanking, cutting and forming tools (heavy-duty hob cutters, broaches, generating cutters, punches, dies etc.).

Other applications include machining tools for titanium- or nickel-based alloys.

C %	Si %	Mn %	Cr %	Mo %	Ni %	V %	W %	Co %	Other %
1,28	0,50	0,40	4,20	5,00	-	3,00	6,30	8,40	-

Melting	
Density (g/cm³)	8,00
Supply condition	soft annealed
Hardness (HB)	max. 300
Tensile strength (N/mm²)	-
Work hardness (HRC)	63 – 68 (depending on intended use)
Structure	-
Cleanness (DIN 50602)	K1 max. 15

Remarks

Physical properties			20 °C	100 °C	200 °C	300 °C	350 °C	400 °C	500 °C	600 °C	700 °C
Thermal expansion coefficient	10^{-6} * K	(20 °C to ...)	-	10,3	10,5	10,8	-	11,0	11,6	11,9	12,1
Thermal conductivity (W / m * K)	annealed		19,9	21,7	23,7	24,7	-	25,8	26,6	28,0	29,8

Comparison of microstructural properties

Carbide distribution (V = 100:1)		Segregation (V = 50:1)	
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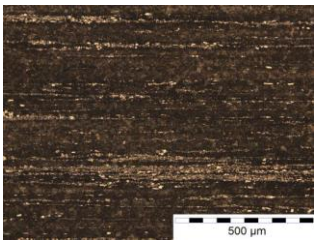

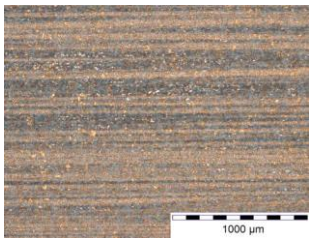

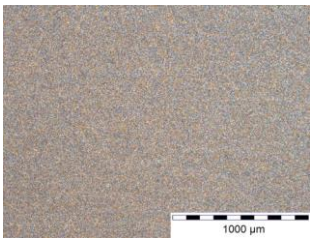

Heat treatment	Temperature (°C)	Cooling	Remarks heat treatment
Stress-relief annealing	ca. 650	Furnace – Air	Stress relief after extensive machining and in case of complex tools. **Holding time:** min. 4 h - controlled furnace cooling to approx. 300 °C, followed by cooling in still air

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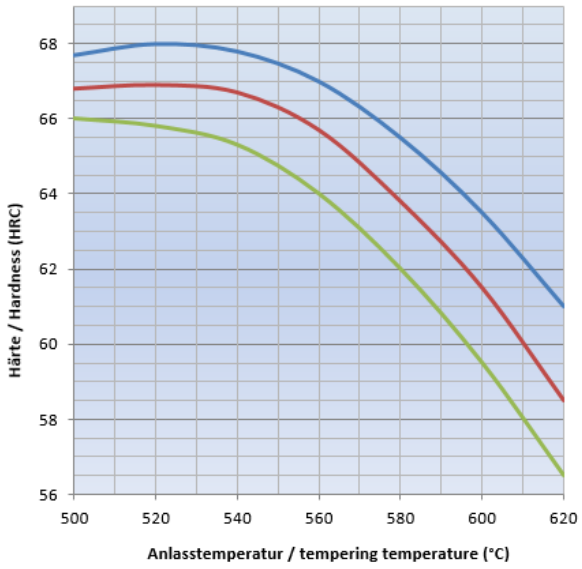
Heat treatment	Temperature (°C)	Cooling	Remarks heat treatment
Hardening	1050 – 1200		Hardening can be carried out under vacuum, in salt bath or in a furnace with a controlled (neutral) atmosphere.
Pre – heating Step 1	450 – 550		
Pre – heating Step 2	850 – 900		*) Essential when high austenitizing temperatures are involved.
Pre – heating Step 3	1050 *)		
Quenching	ca. 550	Hot bath	Quench in hot bath and hold. Followed by slow cooling to lukewarm temperature in the air.
		Vakuum	**Gas pressure:** Dependent on size of part, but min. 4 bar. Then continue cooling to room temperature in still air.

Tempering Chart



Tempering – Hardness (HRC) after tempering (Reference value)

Temperature °C	500	520	540	560	580	600	620
1180	67,5	68,0	67,5	67,0	65,5	63,5	61,0
1150	67,0	67,0	66,5	65,5	64,0	61,5	58,5
1100	66,0	65,5	65,5	64,0	62,0	59,5	56,5

The tempering diagram shows hardness values at different austenitizing and tempering temperatures.

Remarks for tempering

Temper directly after quenching

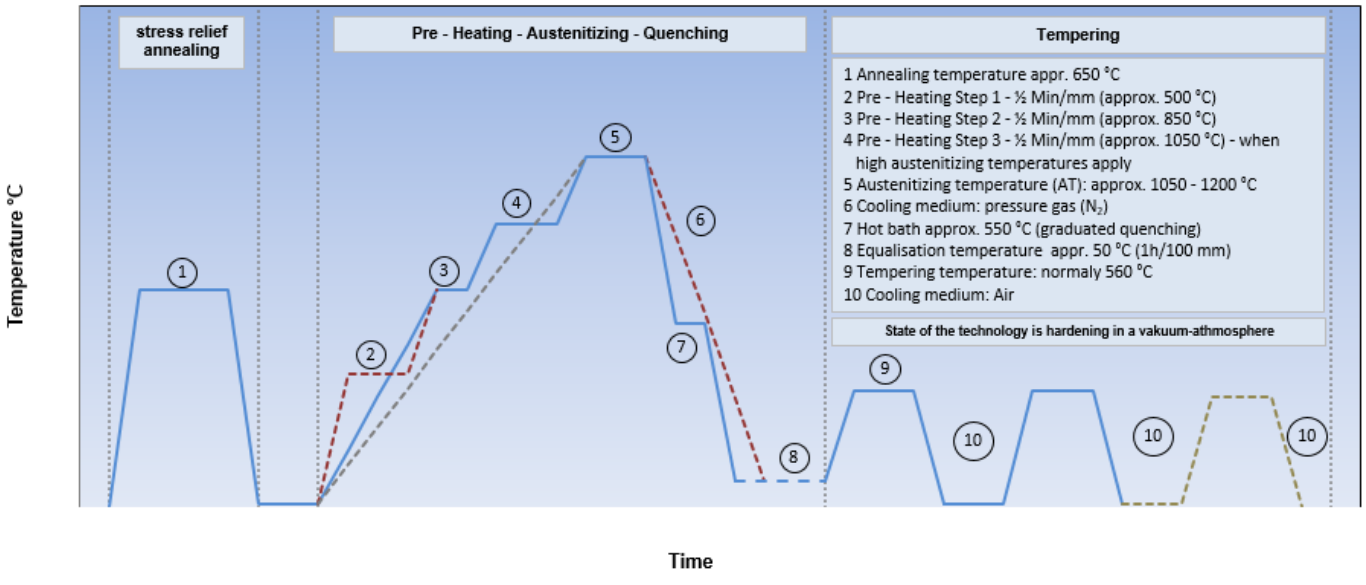
Slow heating to tempering temperature directly after hardening

Holding time in furnace 1 h per 20 mm of workpiece thickness, but min. 2 h

A second tempering cycle (normally at 560 °C) is necessary, a third tempering cycle is recommended

Slow cooling to 50 °C to ensure transformation of residual austenite

Thermal Cycle Diagram (Heat treatment)



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