

Recommended cutting speed (m/min) for thread turning inserts

ISO Standard	Material		Condition								
				HBA	BLU	BMA	P25C	MXC	BXC	K20	P30
P	Non-Alloy Steel and Cast Steel, Free Cutting Steel	<0.25%C	Annealed		110-210	120-180	100-180	100-180	70-150		50-130
		≥0.25%C	Annealed								
		<0.55%C	Quenched & Tempered								
		≥0.55%C	Annealed								
			Quenched & Tempered								
	Low Alloy Steel and Cast Steel (less than 5% alloying elements)		Annealed		90-140	80-130	70-120	70-120	60-90		50-80
			Quenched & Tempered								
	High Alloy Steel, Cast Steel, and Tool Steel		Annealed		70-90	60-80	50-60	55-70	50-60		40-50
Quenched & Tempered											
M	Stainless Steel and Cast Steel		Ferritic / Martensitic		110-160	90-130	60-90	60-90	50-80	50-80	
			Martensitic								
			Austenitic								
K	Cast Iron Nodular (GGG)		Ferritic / Pearlitic		120-150	100-130		80-110	60-90		
			Pearlitic								
	Grey Cast Iron (GG)		Ferritic		140-150	120-130		90-100	65-85		
			Pearlitic								
	Malleable Cast Iron		Ferritic		110-140	100-130		80-100	60-85		
Pearlitic											
N	Aluminum-Wrought Alloy		Not Cureable		700-1000			600-800	450-600	600-800	350-500
			Cured								
	Aluminum-Cast, Alloyed	<=12% Si	Not Cureable		280-750			200-550	150-350	200-550	110-300
			Cured								
		>12% Si	High Temperature								
	Copper Alloys	>1% Pb	Free Cutting		190-350			150-250	110-180	150-250	90-150
			Brass								
			Electrolytic Copper								
Non Metallic		Duroplastics, Fiber Plastics					200-300	150-210	100-200	110-150	
		Hard Rubber									
S	High Temp. Alloys, Super Alloys	Fe based	Annealed	20-80	30-65	25-60					
			Cured								
		Ni or Co based	Annealed								
			Cured								
			Cast								
			Alpha +Beta Alloys Cured	30-60	40-50	35-45				35-45	
H	Hardened Steel		Hardened 45-50 HRc	30-60	40-50	35-45					
			Hardened 51-55 HRc								
			Hardened 56-62 HRc								
	Chilled Cast Iron		Cast	20-50	30-40	25-35					
	Cast Iron		Hardened	20-40	20-30	15-25					