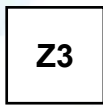
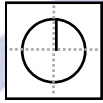


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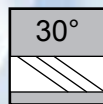
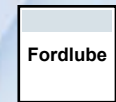
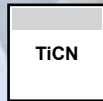


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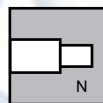
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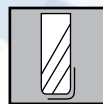
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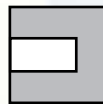
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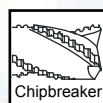
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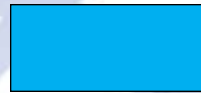
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Workpiece
Material Group



Steels



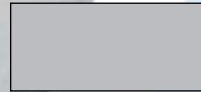
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Cast Iron



Special Alloys



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End Mill Troubleshooting

Problem	Possible Solutions																							
	Rigidity	Increase Inches/tooth	Reduce Inches/tooth	Material	Recutting Chips	Increase Rake Angle	Handling	Runout	Reduce Speed	Increase Speed	Depth of Cut	Fixturing	Coolant	Finish	Dull Tool	Chip Evacuation	Inadequate Number of Flutes	Insufficient Coolant	Plunge Cutting	Reduce Feed	Increase Feed	Tool Holder	Balance Holder & Tool	
Chipping	x		x	x	x		x	x															x	
Chatter	x	x							x		x	x											x	
Built Up Edge		x				x				x			x	x										
Breakage	x		x								x				x	x							x	
Chip Packing																	x	x	x					
Poor Slotting	x	x	x						x		x	x								x				
Premature Wear				x					x	x			x							x	x	x		
Chip Welding			x			x			x				x	x										
Cratering																								x

Formulas

Inch

RPM=SFM x 3.82/Tool Diameter

IPM=RPM x number of teeth x (inches/tooth)

Conversion Inch to Metric

SMM=SFM x .3048

mm/min.= IPM x 25.4

Metric

RPM=SMM x 318.057/Tool Diameter

mm/min.=RPM x number of teeth x (mm/tooth)

Conversion Metric to Inch

SFM=SMM/.3048

IPM= (mm/min.)/25.4

Safety Note

Always wear the appropriate personal protective equipment such as safety glasses and protective clothing when using solid carbide or HSS cutting tools. Machines should be fully guarded. Technical data provided should be considered advisory only as variations may be necessary depending on the particular application.

Series 177/179 Metric

Workpiece Material Group	Examples	Coolant		Slotting		1 x Diameter Axial Depth								
		Air	MMS	25% Axial	50% Axial	Profiling								
						Small Radial Depth				Largest Radial Depth				
		Type	SMM											
Steels	P	Free Machining	•	•	•	150	150	730	685	620	565	500	380	150
		Low Carbon	•	•	•	150	150	730	685	620	565	500	380	150
		Medium Carbon	•	•	•	90	90	335	310	290	260	240	180	90
		Alloy Steels	•	•	•	75	75	150	140	130	130	120	105	75
		High Strength Alloys	•	•	•	75	75	150	140	130	130	120	105	75
		Structural Steels	•	•	•	150	150	730	685	620	565	500	380	150
Stainless Steels	M	Die/Tool Steels	•	•	•	60	60	120	115	115	110	110	90	60
		Free Machining	•	x	o	90	90	150	145	140	135	130	115	90
		Moderate Stainless	•	x	o	75	75	150	115	115	110	105	95	75
		Difficult Stainless	•	x	o	60	60	105	100	95	90	90	75	60
		PH Stainless	•	x	o	40	40	75	75	75	70	70	60	40
		Cobalt Chrome Alloys	•	x	o	45	45	75	75	75	70	70	60	45
Special Alloys	S	Duplex (22%)	•	x	o	40	40	75	75	75	70	70	60	40
		Super Duplex (25%)	•	x	o	30	30	60	60	55	55	50	45	30
		High Temp Alloys	•	x	x	45	45	75	75	75	70	60	55	45
Cast Irons	K	Titanium Alloys	•	x	x	55	55	125	120	115	105	100	80	55
		Gray Cast Iron	•	o	o	120	120	450	430	400	360	335	250	120
		SG Iron	•	o	o	105	105	365	345	320	295	275	215	105
		Ductile Cast Iron	•	o	o	90	90	150	145	140	130	130	115	90
Malleable Iron	•	o	o	90	90	120	115	110	105	105	100	90		

•	Preferred
o	Possible
x	Not Possible

If axial depth is less than the ball diameter, the speed is figured using the effective cutting diameter.

Workpiece Material Group	Examples	Tool Diameter (mm)										
		1	3	4	6	8	10	12	16	18	25	
Steels	P	Free Machining	.005	.010	.017	.025-.040	.033-.053	.040	.066	.066-.083	.078-.088	.088-.129
		Low Carbon										
		Medium Carbon										
		Alloy Steels										
		High Strength Alloys										
		Structural Steels										
Stainless Steels	M	Free Machining	.005	.010	.017	.025-.040	.033-.053	.040	.066	.066-.083	.078-.088	.088-.129
		Moderate Stainless										
		Difficult Stainless										
		PH Stainless										
		Cobalt Chrome Alloys										
		Duplex (22%)										
Special Alloys	S	Titanium Alloys	.002	.005	.020	.012-.020	.017-.027	.017-.033	.025-.040	.025-.043	.027-.045	.030-.050
		High Temp Alloys										
Cast Irons	K	Gray Cast Iron	.005	.010	.017	.017-.040	.025-.055	.038-.071	.045-.083	.060-.088	.071-.099	.060-.127
		SG Iron										
		Ductile Cast Iron										
		Malleable Iron										

Example: Profile Milling

- 1) Select Material from chart.
- 2) Select Tool Size.
- 3) Select feed per tooth.
- 4) Figure percentage of cutter Diameter Radial Cut Depth.
- 5) Select Chip Load Factor for Radial Depth.
- 6) Multiply Chip Load Factor x Feed per Tooth.
- 7) Answer: New Feed per Tooth.
- 8) RPM x New Feed per Tooth x number of Teeth = mm/min (Millimeters per Minute)

Example: Slotting

- 1) Select Material from chart.
- 2) Select Tool Size.
- 3) Select feed per tooth from chart.
- 4) Multiply Feed per Tooth x Number of Teeth x RPM.
- 5) Answer: mm/min (Millimeters per Minute)

Spindle Max.
Should the Calculated Spindle Speed be more than your actual Spindle Max., Use Formula Below:

Calculated Feed x Spindle Max.

Calculated Speed

During Profile Milling less than 50% of the cutter diameter radial depth, the actual chipload at the cutting edge is less than the programmed chip load. Below are Chip Load factors depending on Radial Depth Percentage. Multiply your inches per tooth by the factor before figuring your IPM.

Radial Depth in Percentage of Cutter Diameter	Increase Chip Load Factor
50%	1.00
30%	1.10
20%	1.20
15%	1.40
10%	1.80
5%	2.30
1%	5.00

Series 178 Inch

Workpiece Material Group	Examples	Coolant		1 x Diameter Axial Depth						
				Profiling						
		Air	MMS	Small Radial Depth			Large Radial Depth			
				1% of Dia.	5% of Dia.	10% of Dia.	15% of Dia.	20% of Dia.	30% of Dia.	50% of Dia.
		Max								
		Type		SFM						
Steels	P	Free Machining	● ● ●	2400	2250	2050	1850	1660	1260	500
		Low Carbon	● ● ●	2400	2250	2050	1850	1660	1260	500
		Medium Carbon	● ● ●	1100	1030	950	875	790	620	300
		Alloy Steels	● ● ●	500	480	450	430	400	350	250
		High Strength Alloys	● ● ●	500	480	450	430	400	350	250
		Structural Steels	● ● ●	2400	2250	2050	1850	1660	1260	500
Stainless Steels	M	Die/Tool Steels	● ● ●	400	390	380	370	360	300	200
		Free Machining	● x ○	500	485	460	450	430	380	300
		Moderate Stainless	● x ○	500	390	380	370	360	320	250
		Difficult Stainless	● x ○	350	330	320	300	295	260	200
		PH Stainless	● x ○	250	245	240	235	230	195	125
		Cobalt Chrome Alloys	● x ○	250	245	230	225	215	190	150
Special Alloys	S	Duplex (22%)	● x ○	250	245	230	225	215	185	125
		Super Duplex (25%)	● x ○	200	195	180	180	170	140	100
		High Temp Alloys	● x x	250	240	220	215	200	180	150
Cast Irons	K	Titanium Alloys	● x x	425	400	380	350	325	275	175
		Gray Cast Iron	● ○ ○	1500	1420	1315	1210	1100	860	400
		SG Iron	● ○ ○	1200	1130	1050	980	900	710	350
		Ductile Cast Iron	● ○ ○	500	485	460	450	430	380	300
		Malleable Iron	● ○ ○	400	385	375	360	345	330	300

Spindle Max.
Should the Calculated Spindle Speed be more than your actual Spindle Max., Use Formula Below:

$$\frac{\text{Calculated Feed} \times \text{Spindle Max.}}{\text{Calculated Speed}}$$

● Preferred
○ Possible
x Not Possible

Workpiece Material Group	Examples	Tool Diameter										
		1/16	1/8	3/16	1/4	5/16	3/8	1/2	5/8	3/4	1.0	
		Inches/Tooth										
Steels	P	Free Machining										
		Low Carbon	.0002	.0004	.0007	.0010-.0016	.0013-.0021	.0016-.0026	.0020-.0031	.0026-.0033	.0031-.0035	.0035-.0051
		Medium Carbon										
		Alloy Steels										
		High Strength Alloys										
		Structural Steels										
Stainless Steels	M	Die/Tool Steels										
		Free Machining										
		Moderate Stainless	.0002	.0004	.0007	.0010-.0016	.0012-.0021	.0012-.0026	.0020-.0031	.0020-.0033	.0022-.0035	.0024-.0039
		Difficult Stainless										
		PH Stainless										
		Cobalt Chrome Alloys										
Special Alloys	S	Duplex (22%)										
		Super Duplex (25%)										
Cast Irons	K	Titanium Alloys										
		High Temp Alloys	.0001	.0002	.0008	.0005-.0008	.0007-.0011	.0007-.0013	.0010-.0016	.0010-.0017	.0011-.0018	.0012-.0020
		Gray Cast Iron										
		SG Iron	.0002	.0004	.0007	.0007-.0016	.0010-.0022	.0015-.0028	.0018-.0033	.0024-.0035	.0028-.0039	.0024-.0050
		Ductile Cast Iron										
		Malleable Iron										

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50%	1.00
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20%	1.20
15%	1.40
10%	1.80
5%	2.30
1%	5.00

Example: Profile Milling

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- 2) Select Tool Size.
- 3) Select feed per tooth.
- 4) Figure percentage of cutter Diameter Radial Cut Depth.
- 5) Select Chip Load Factor for Radial Depth.
- 6) Multiply Chip Load Factor x Feed per Tooth.
- 7) Answer: New Feed per Tooth.
- 8) New Feed per Tooth x Number of Teeth x RPM = IPM (Inches per Minute)

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Series 178 Metric

Workpiece Material Group	Examples	Coolant		1 x Diameter Axial Depth								
				Profiling								
		Type	Small Radial Depth =====> Large Radial Depth									
			1% of Dia.	5% of Dia.	10% of Dia.	15% of Dia.	20% of Dia.	30% of Dia.	50% of Dia.			
					SMM							
Steels	P	Free Machining	•	•	•	730	685	620	565	500	380	150
		Low Carbon	•	•	•	730	685	620	565	500	380	150
		Medium Carbon	•	•	•	335	310	290	260	240	180	90
		Alloy Steels	•	•	•	150	140	130	130	120	105	75
		High Strength Alloys	•	•	•	150	140	130	130	120	105	75
		Structural Steels	•	•	•	730	685	620	565	500	380	150
		Die/Tool Steels	•	•	•	120	115	115	110	110	90	60
Stainless Steels	M	Free Machining	•	x	o	150	145	140	135	130	115	90
		Moderate Stainless	•	x	o	150	115	115	110	105	95	75
		Difficult Stainless	•	x	o	105	100	95	90	90	75	60
		PH Stainless	•	x	o	75	75	75	70	70	60	40
		Cobalt Chrome Alloys	•	x	o	75	75	75	70	70	60	45
		Duplex (22%)	•	x	o	75	75	75	70	70	60	40
		Super Duplex (25%)	•	x	o	60	60	55	55	50	45	30
Special Alloys	S	High Temp Alloys	•	x	x	75	75	75	70	60	55	45
		Titanium Alloys	•	x	x	125	120	115	105	100	80	55
Cast Irons	K	Gray Cast Iron	•	o	o	450	430	400	360	335	250	120
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Calculated Speed

• Preferred
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Technical Information

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		Alloy Steels										
		High Strength Alloys										
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		Difficult Stainless										
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		Cobalt Chrome Alloys										
		Duplex (22%)										
		Super Duplex (25%)										
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Cast Irons	K	Gray Cast Iron	.005	.010	.017	.017-.040	.025-.055	.038-.071	.045-.083	.060-.088	.071-.099	.060-.127
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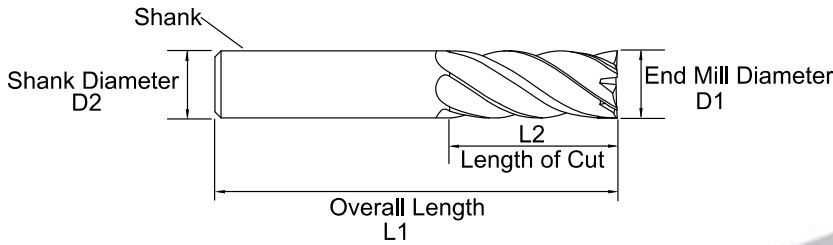
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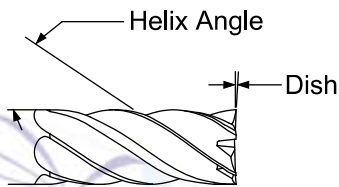
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End Mill Terminology

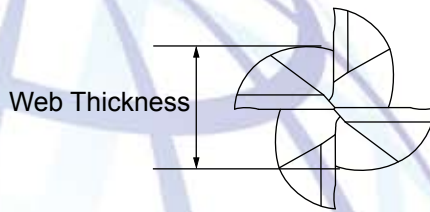


Length of Cut (Flute Length) – Always select the shortest Flute Length possible for your application. By selecting the shortest Flute Length, you can increase rigidity and allow for higher feed rates.

End Mill Diameter – Always select the largest diameter possible for your milling operation. Increasing your diameter by just 10%, can increase your rigidity by 25%.

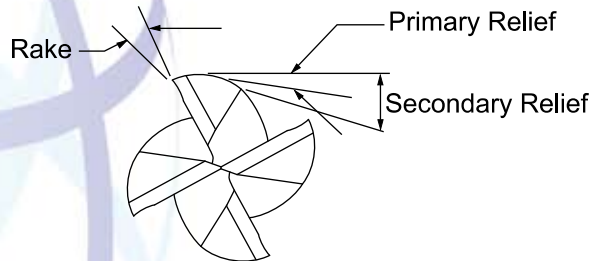


Helix Angle – Varies from 0 to 60 degrees. Higher helix angles can increase the number of teeth in a cut, and help in redirecting cutting forces. This is beneficial in harder to machine materials in particular. Changes in helix angle can also greatly affect the flute form of an end mill, and affect chip evacuation.



Web Thickness – The cross section of the fluting of the end mill. Larger webs allow for more rigidity, while smaller webs allow for better chip evacuation. This feature is highly dependent on the material being machined.

Rake Angle – The measurement of the curvature of the cutting edge in the face of the flute. A high rake angle will cut more aggressively, while a lower rake angle will increase the strength of the cutting edge.



Primary Relief – The clearance directly behind the cutting edge. High primary relief angles will allow for more aggressive milling, while lower relief angles will increase the strength of the cutting edge. The primary relief will also affect the wear on a cutting edge. Lower primary relief angles can tend to develop larger wear lands.