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E 40 K Superclean – slows down formation of hot cracks effectively

During pressure die casting molten light metal is poured into a previously tempered mould at a tremendous velocity and at high pressure. In the process the mould is exposed to extreme mechanical and simultaneously thermal cyclic load. During the long production phases, fatigue cracks (hot cracks) form sooner or later due to these process-related factors. At the latest when the cracks merge together and chipping occur, they would be transferred to the surface of the die-cast component and result in the failure of the mould. Intelligent lightweight construction in the automotive industry leads among others to an increasing use of die-cast aluminium components also for structural elements. To meet these ever-expanding requirements Deutsche Edelstahlwerke has developed a high-quality special steel with excellent mechanical properties: Thermodur® E 40 K Superclean.

Outstanding material competence for maximum performance and efficiency

The chemical composition of this high-performance steel is precisely adjusted in the modern secondary metallurgic treatment facilities at Deutsche Edelstahlwerke.

Thermodur[®] E 40 K Superclean is treated to achieve an extremely homogeneous structure in both annealed and tempered states by means of an electro-slag remelting process and a special structural treatment.

As a result, Thermodur[®] E 40 K Superclean features the required properties of improved temperature stability combined with high toughness.





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Annealed structure

Tempered structure

Compared to other proven Cr-Mo-V alloyed hot-work steels Thermodur[®] E 40 K Superclean offers the perfect combination of high temperature stability and toughness for highly stressed tools.







Impact bending samples (tempered to 44 - 46 HRC) after testing on a 450J pendulum impact testing machine

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E 40 K SUPERCLEAN

Chemical properties	C Si Mn 0,35 0,30 0,30			S < 0,003	Cr 5,00	Mo 1,75	V 0,80	Additions +		
Steel properties	High toughness combined with improved high-temperature strength, optimum resistance to hot cracking, high hot wear resistance, optimum homogeneity of microstructure and isotropy of mechanical values.									
Physical properties	Coeffici at 45 HF 10 ⁻⁶ m/(i	ent of the RC m • K)	rmal expa	nsion at ° 20 - 100 11,5	C 20 - 200 12,0	20 - 300 12,3	20 - 400 12,6	20 - 500 12,9	20 - 600 13,2	
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Applications	Universally usable hot-work steel thanks to an outstanding combination of temperature stability and toughness, particularly suitable for highly stressed die-casting moulds, extrusion dies and forging dies.									
Heat treatment	Soft annealing °C 750 - 800			Cooling Furnace			Hardness HB max. 230			
	Hardening °C 1020 – 1040			Quenching Air, oil or saltbath			Hardness after quenching HRC 55			
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Test temperature in °C

Hardness in HRC

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