

EOS ToolSteel CM55 Material Data Sheet



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EOS ToolSteel CM55 is a cobalt free ultra high strength steel for tooling and engineering solutions. Its alloying elements and moderate carbon content form a strong and stable structure for demanding applications. The properties of this steel make it suitable for cold- and hot-working tools. Producing mechanical engineering and powertrain components is well suited for this steel.

Main Characteristics:

→ Cobalt free

→ High strength and hardness

Stable for use in elevated temperatures

Typical Applications:

Cold working tools

→ Hot working tools

Parts for mechanical engineering

→ Powertrain components

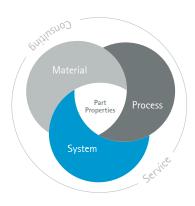
The EOS Quality Triangle

EOS uses an approach that is unique in the AM industry, taking each of the three central technical elements of the production process into account: the system, the material and the process. The data resulting from each combination is assigned a Technology Readiness Level (TRL) which makes the expected performance and production capability of the solution transparent.

EOS incorporates these TRLs into the following two categories:

- → Premium products (TRL 7-9): offer highly validated data, proven capability and reproducible part properties.
- Core products (TRL 3 and 5): enable early customer access to newest technology still under development and are therefore less mature with less data.

All of the data stated in this material data sheet is produced according to EOS Quality Management System and international standards.



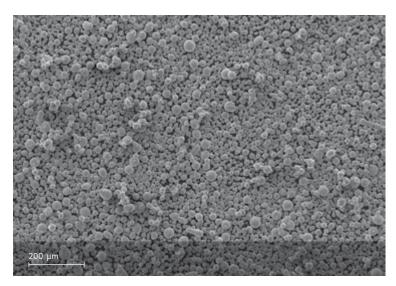
Powder Properties

Powder chemical composition (wt.-%)

| Element | Min. | Max. | | |
|---------|----------|------|--|--|
| Fe | Balance | | | |
| Cr | 5.0 | 8.0 | | |
| Ni | 5.0 | 8.0 | | |
| Мо | 0.5 1.2 | | | |
| Al | 2.0 2.6 | | | |
| V | 0.1 0.25 | | | |
| С | 0.1 | 0.25 | | |

Powder particle size

| Generic particle size | |
|-----------------------|-----------|
| distribution | 5 - 63 μm |



SEM image of powder

EOS ToolSteel CM55 for EOS M 290 | 40/80 μm





| System set-up | EOS M 290 |
|-----------------------|--|
| EOSPAR name | CM55_Ar_040_080_CoreM291 CM55_N2_040_080_CoreM291 |
| Software requirements | EOSPRINT 2.10 or newer EOSYSTEM 2.14 or newer |
| Powder part no. | 9030-0016 |
| Recoater blade | Ceramic |
| Nozzle | EOS grid nozzle |
| Inert gas | Argon or Nitrogen |
| Sieve | 75 µm |

| Additional information | |
|---|---|
| Layer thickness | 40 μm, 80 μm & 40/80 μm Skin |
| Volume rate | 4.1 mm³/s (40 μm), 7.8 mm³/s (80 μm), 4.1 - 7.8 mm³/s (40/80 μm Skin*) |
| Typical dimensional change after heat treatment | +0.2 % |

 $[\]ensuremath{^{*}}\xspace\ensuremath{\text{Volume}}\xspace$ rate depends on the part dimensions and skin thickness.

Chemical and Physical Properties of Parts



Chemical composition of printed parts matches the chemistry of EOS ToolSteel CM55 powder.



| Micrograph etched, heat treated state |
|---------------------------------------|
| Etchant: Oxalic acid |

| Defects | Result | | |
|------------------|----------------------------------|--|--|
| Porosity | 40 μm / 0.07 % 80 μm / 0.12 % | | |
| Density, ISO3369 | ≥ 7.5 g/cm ³ | | |

Typical mechanical properties

| Heat treated to 55 HRC | Yield strength R _{p0.2} [MPa] | Tensile strength $R_{_m}$ [MPa] | Elongation at break A [%] | Modulus of elasticity [GPa] | | |
|------------------------|---|---------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|--|--|
| 40 μm horizontal | 1740 | 2 040 | 4 | | | |
| 40 μm vertical | 1730 | 2 030 | 4 | 220 | | |
| 80 μm horizontal | 1710 | 2 020 | 2.5 | 230 | | |
| 80 μm vertical | 1700 | 2 010 | 2.5 | | | |

Tensile testing as per ISO 6892-1. Modulus of elasticity testing according to EN ISO 6892-1 Method A, Range 1 (0.00007 1/s).

40 µm 80

Heat Treatment

EOS ToolSteel CM55 can be heat treated to different hardness levels by adjusting the aging temperature. Final state of use is achieved by a two step heat treatment. First step is hardening where a strong martensitic microstructure is formed. The final hardness and strength is obtained in an aging treatment where strengthening phases and precipitates form.

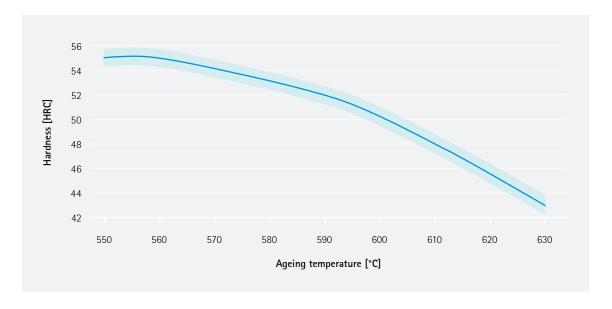
1. Hardening

2 hours in 950 °C measured from the part when thoroughly heated through. Rapid gas cooling or quenching in oil. Cooling to room temperature before aging treatment.

2. Aging

4 hours in 550 °C - 630 °C depending on the desired hardness. Hold time when parts have thoroughly heated through. Air cooling or equivalent cooling rate. Peak strength and hardness is achieved by aging at 550 °C, stated data in this document represents this state. For lower hardness and strength choose aging temperature according to the graph below.

Hardness and Aging Temperature



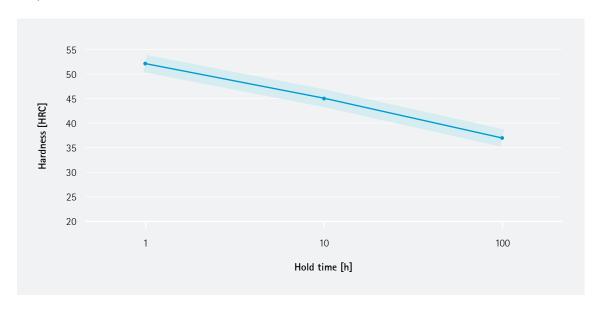
Additional Data

Impact toughness

| Heat treated to 55 HRC | |
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| Typical impact toughness [J] | 5 |



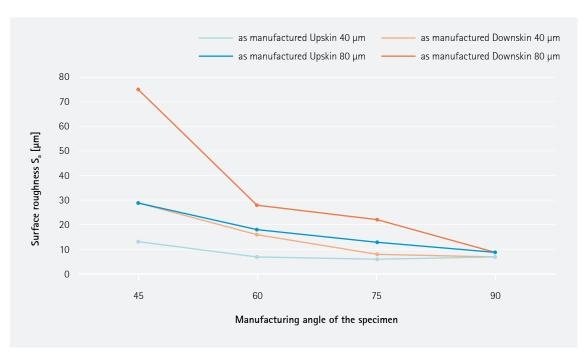
Temper resistance, 600 °C



Coefficient of Thermal Expansion ASTM E228

| Temperature | 25 – 100 °C | 25 – 200 °C | 25 - 300 °C | 25 - 400 °C | 25 - 500 °C | 25 - 600 °C |
|-------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| СТЕ | 10.6*10 ⁻⁶ /K | 11.5*10 ⁻⁶ /K | 12.0*10 ⁻⁶ /K | 12.4*10 ⁻⁶ /K | 12.7*10 ⁻⁶ /K | 13.2*10 ⁻⁶ /K |

Surface Roughness



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