

Speeds and Feeds



ISO Material		Parameter	Series Name	Engraving Ball End Mill
			Coating	Uncoated
			Tool Diameter	1/8" Ø
W	Wood	Cutting Speed, V_c	SFM MIN	500
			SFM MAX	800
		Feed per Tooth, f_z	Slotting	0.0015
			Plunge/Ramp	0.00175
			Rough Profile	0.0015
			HEM	0.0015
			Finish	0.00175
	Composites	Cutting Speed, V_c	SFM MIN	300
			SFM MAX	600
		Feed per Tooth, f_z	Slotting	0.0015
			Plunge/Ramp	0.002
			Rough Profile	0.0015
			HEM	0.0015
	Plastics (3.0)	Cutting Speed, V_c	SFM MIN	500
			SFM MAX	800
		Feed per Tooth, f_z	Slotting	0.0015
			Plunge/Ramp	0.00175
			Rough Profile	0.0015
			HEM	0.0015
N	High Si Aluminum (>10%) (2.0)	Cutting Speed, V_c	SFM MIN	500
			SFM MAX	800
		Feed per Tooth, f_z	Slotting	0.0006
			Plunge/Ramp	0.0005
			Rough Profile	0.0005
			HEM	0.0007
	Low Si Aluminum (<10%) (3.0)	Cutting Speed, V_c	SFM MIN	1100
			SFM MAX	1500
		Feed per Tooth, f_z	Slotting	0.0039
			Plunge/Ramp	0.0051
			Rough Profile	0.0039
			HEM	0.0039
	Brass & Copper (3.0)	Cutting Speed, V_c	SFM MIN	400
			SFM MAX	600
		Feed per Tooth, f_z	Slotting	0.0004
			Plunge/Ramp	0.0006
			Rough Profile	0.0004
			HEM	0.0004
	Graphite (3.0)	Cutting Speed, V_c	SFM MIN	500
			SFM MAX	800
		Feed per Tooth, f_z	Slotting	0.0015
			Plunge/Ramp	0.0015
			Rough Profile	0.002
			HEM	0.002

ISO Material		Parameter	Series Name	Engraving Ball End Mill
			Coating	TiAlN
			Tool Diameter	1/8" Ø
P	Steels (1.0)	Cutting Speed, V_c	SFM MIN	200
			SFM MAX	500
		Feed per Tooth, f_z	Slotting	0.0004
			Plunge/Ramp	0.0006
			Rough Profile	0.0004
			HEM	0.0004
M	Stainless Steels (.60)	Cutting Speed, V_c	SFM MIN	130
			SFM MAX	260
		Feed per Tooth, f_z	Slotting	0.0002
			Plunge/Ramp	0.0004
			Rough Profile	0.0002
			HEM	0.0002
K	Cast Iron (1.25)	Cutting Speed, V_c	SFM MIN	250
			SFM MAX	400
		Feed per Tooth, f_z	Slotting	0.0004
			Plunge/Ramp	0.0008
			Rough Profile	0.0004
			HEM	0.0004
S	Super Alloys (Nickel based, Inconel) (.20)	Cutting Speed, V_c	SFM MIN	25
			SFM MAX	115
		Feed per Tooth, f_z	Slotting	0.0002
			Plunge/Ramp	0.0004
			Rough Profile	0.0002
			HEM	0.0002
H	Titanium (.35)	Cutting Speed, V_c	SFM MIN	35
			SFM MAX	330
		Feed per Tooth, f_z	Slotting	0.0002
			Plunge/Ramp	0.0004
			Rough Profile	0.0002
			HEM	0.0002
H	Hardened Steels > 48 RC (.75)	Cutting Speed, V_c	SFM MIN	80
			SFM MAX	130
		Feed per Tooth, f_z	Slotting	0.0005
			Plunge/Ramp	0.0009
			Rough Profile	0.0008
			HEM	0.0008

- 1) Select your material in the ISO colored chart.
- 2) Start with the appropriate feed per tooth, f_z (in) for your application. Start with a middle/average value for cutting speed, V_c (ft/min). Adjust the cutting speeds and/or feed based on your cutting conditions.

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Feed Rate, Per Revolution (in/min)
$v_f = f_n \cdot n$

Feed Rate, Per Tooth (in/min)
$v_f = f_z \cdot n \cdot Z$

Feed Per Revolution (in/rev)
$f_n = \frac{v_f}{n}$

Feed Per Tooth (in)
$f_z = \frac{v_f}{n \cdot Z}$

Cutting Speed (ft/min)
$v_c = \frac{\pi \cdot D_{tool} \cdot n}{12}$

Spindle Speed (rev/min)
$n = \frac{v_c \cdot 12}{\pi \cdot D_{tool}}$

Material Removal Rate (in ³ /min)
$MMR = a_p \cdot a_e \cdot v_f$

Inch

Symbol	Definition	Unit
V_f	Feed rate	in/min
f_n	Feed per revolution	in/rev
f_z	Feed per tooth	in
V_c	Cutting speed	ft/min (SFM)
n	Spindle speed	rev/min (RPM)
D_{tool}	Tool cutting diameter	in
MMR	Material removal rate	(in ³ /min)
a_e	Radial depth of cut	in
a_p	Axial depth of cut	in
Z	Number of teeth/flutes	