Speeds and Feeds



- 1) Select your material in the ISO colored chart.
- 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.

ISO Material		Parameter	Series Name	Engraving Ball End Mill
			Coating	Uncoated
			Tool Diameter	1/8" Ø
	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
			Finish	0.002
	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
			Finish	0.00175

ISO Material		Parameter	Series Name	Engraving Ball End Mill		
			Coating	Uncoated		
			Tool Diameter	1/8" Ø		
	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		
			Finish	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		
N			Rough Profile	0.0039		
			HEM	0.0039		
			Finish	0.0051		
14	Brass & Copper (3.0)	Cutting Speed, V _c	SFM MIN	400		
			SFM MAX	600		
		Feed per Tooth, fz	Slotting	0.0004		
			Plunge/Ramp	0.0006		
			Rough Profile	0.0004		
			HEM	0.0004		
			Finish	0.0006		
	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		
			Finish	0.002		



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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 (in³/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	(in³/min)
a_e	Radial depth of cut	in
a_p	Axial depth of cut	in
Z	Number of teeth/flutes	