

DE - Brand:

## Special Steel

## PMD M4

### Chemical composition

(Typical analysis in %)

C	Cr	Mo	W	V			
1,35	4,20	4,50	5,80	4,00			

### Steel properties

Powder-metallurgical high-speed steel, fine distributed carbide structure, high compressive strength, excellent toughness, high wear resistance, high thermal stability. The volume of carbides is a little bit higher, compared to PMD23.

### Applications

Cold work tools for punching and cutting, precision blanking tools, cold extrusion and deep drawing dies, coining tools. Also for machining tools like milling cutters, broaches etc.

### Condition of delivery

Soft annealed to max. 260 HB

### Physical properties

Thermal expansion coefficient

$\left[ \frac{10^{-6} \cdot \text{m}}{\text{m} \cdot \text{K}} \right]$	20-100°C	20-200°C	20-300°C	20-400°C
	10,6	11,7	11,9	12,4

Thermal conductivity

$\left[ \frac{\text{W}}{\text{m} \cdot \text{K}} \right]$	20°C	350°C	700°C
	23,5	26,8	26,2

### Heat treatment

Soft annealing

Annealing only in neutral atmosphere

Temperature	Cooling	Hardness
870 - 900°C	furnace	max. 260 HB

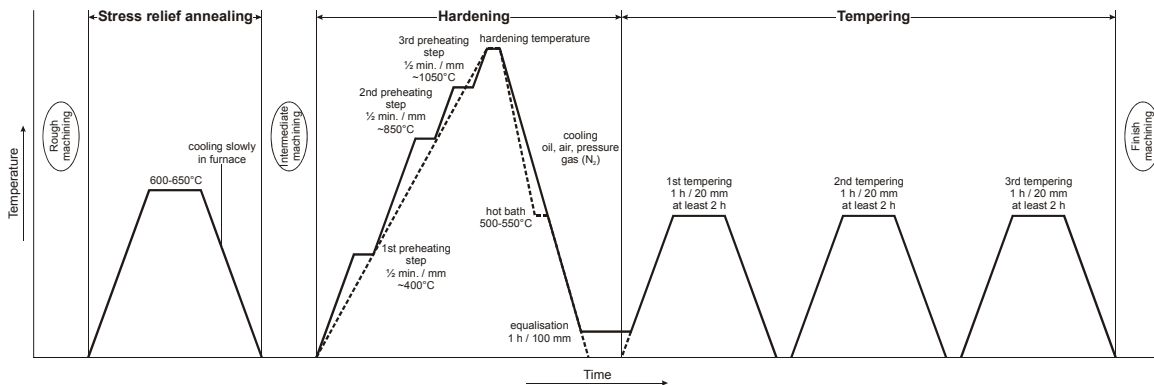
Stress relief annealing

Temperature	Cooling	
600 - 650°C	furnace	

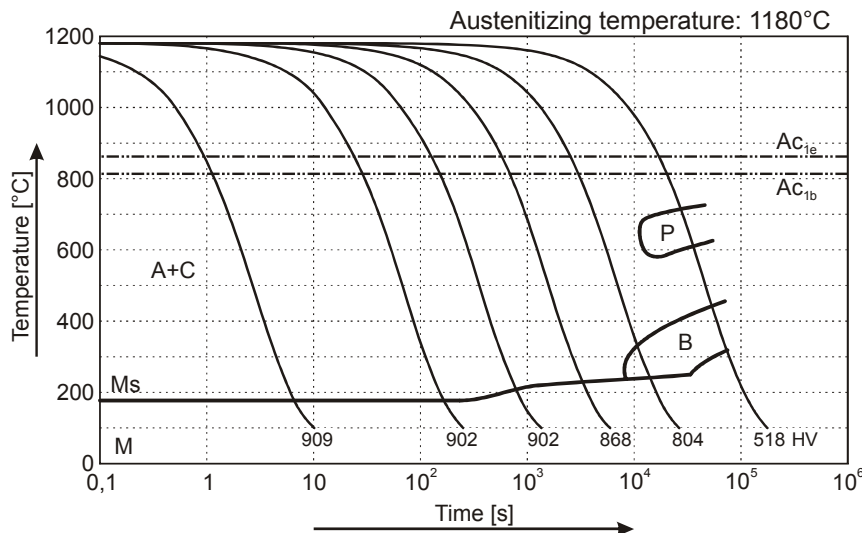
Hardening

Temperature	Cooling	Tempering
1100 - 1200°C	oil, pressure gas (N <sub>2</sub> ), air or hot bath 500 - 550°C	see tempering table

## (PMD M4) Thermal Cycle Diagram



## Continuous Cooling Transformation Diagram (CCT)



## Tempering

DE-Brand PMD M4 has to be tempered minimum three times with 540-560°C in any case.

Reference values for hardness after tempering three times, according to the austenitizing temperature (all datas ±1 HRC).

Tempering temperature	Austenitizing temperature		
	1120°C	1160°C	1200°C
540°C	64,0 HRC	64,5 HRC	65,0 HRC
550°C	63,0 HRC	64,0 HRC	65,0 HRC
560°C	62,0 HRC	63,5 HRC	64,5 HRC
580°C	61,0 HRC	62,0 HRC	63,0 HRC
590°C	59,0 HRC	60,0 HRC	62,0 HRC