

Material specification sheet

Saarstahl - 15Cr3

Material No.:	Former brand name:	International steel grades:
1.7015	EC 60	BS: 523M15 AFNOR: 15C2 SAE: 5015

Material group: Aligned case hardening steel

Chemical composition: (Typical analysis in %)	C	Si	Mn	Cr	other
	0,15	0,25	0,50	0,60	(Pb)

Application: Aligned case hardening steel for parts with a required core tensile strength of 700 - 900 N/mm² and good wear resistance as bushes, piston pins, spindles, camshafts, gears, shafts, pinions steering and gear components. Suitable for direct hardening.

Hot forming and heat treatment:	Forging or hot rolling:	1100 - 850°C
	Normalising:	850 - 880°C/air
	Soft annealing:	650 - 700°C/furnace
	Carburising:	870 - 930°C
	Core hardening:	870 - 900°C/water
	Intermediate annealing:	650 - 700°C
	Case hardening:	770 - 800°C/water
	Tempering:	150 - 180°C

Mechanical Properties:	Soft annealed, +A:	max. 174 HB
	Treated for strength, +TH:	126 - 174 HB
	Treated for ferrite and pearlite structure and hardness range, +FP:	118 - 160 HB
	Case hardness:	min. 59 HRC

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Diameter d [mm]	11	30
0,2% proof stress R_{p0,2} [N/mm²]	min. 550	min. 440
Tensile strength R_m [N/mm²]	1000 - 1300	700 - 900
Fracture elongation A₅ [%]	min. 10	min. 11
Reduction of area Z [%]	min. 35	min. 40
Notch impact energy ISO-V [J]	min. 30	min. 40