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HI-PERFORMANCE TAPS

(HSS + 5% COBALT)

Hi-Performance taps
last longer than
conventional taps
and are designed to provide
maximum machining
efficiency for high quality and
high volume thread
production.

Hi-Performance taps cut faster than conventional taps. Tests over years have proved that Hi-Performance taps have considerably longer life, even when the taps are run comparatively faster.

Hi-Performance taps are the outcome of special tool geometry. engineered to optimize the benefits of premium steel and specialized coatings like TiN, TiCN, TiALN.

Hi-Performance taps are precision ground on CNC thread grinders for consistent and close thread tolerances.

Hi-Performance taps cut down cycle time and frequency of tool change, thereby decreasing the overall cycle time in CNC machines.





HI-PERFORMANCE THREAD FORMING TAPS

(A DIFFERENT WAY OF PRODUCING INTERNAL THREADS)



These taps are designed for machine tapping in ductile materials. Also known as Cold Forming Taps. Roll Forming Taps or Fluteless Taps. Freecut Tools Hi-Performance Thread Forming Taps have no flutes or cutting edges but have special roll forming lobes with circular lands and short taper leads for through or blind holes. Since the displacement of metal has to be considered, specially calculated pretapping drill sizes are necessary.

For tapping depths, more than twice the tap diameter, roll taps with oil grooves are recommended. These grooves provide a passage for the lubricant and also for the escape of air and oil to avoid a piston effect in blind holes.

Please refer to page No. 50 & 51 for detailed descriptions about Thread Forming Taps.



HI-PERFORMANCE SPIRAL FLUTED TAPS

(FOR BLIND HOLE TAPPING)



Spiral Fluted Taps are designed primarily for machine tapping in blind holes. They are suitable for tapping in soft materials such as aluminium and soft steels, which produces long and stringy chips. The shear action provided by the spiral flutes draws the chip out of the hole, allowing greater depth of threading without chip clogging. Freecut Tools spiral fluted taps are available in low & fast spiral combination. In fast spiral fluted tap (35°) thread length is shorter than thread length in other types of taps.



HI-PERFORMANCE SPIRAL POINTED TAPS

(FOR THROUGH HOLE TAPPING)



Freecut Tools specializes in application taps for various applications. Spiral Point Taps Or Gun Nose Taps with 3-4 threads chamfer is recommended for tapping in through holes. These taps normally push the chips down the hole and are suitable for materials like aluminium, stainless steel, general purpose steel, forged steel etc.



HI-PERFORMANCE TAPS FOR CAST IRON TAPPING



Freecut Tools has developed application taps for Cast Iron Tapping, having a special geometry and thread tolerance which is suitable for tapping in cast iron and also in short chipping S.G. Iron, These taps have chamfer of 2 thread lengths and can be used for both through holes and blind holes.



HI-PERFORMANCE NIB/NUT TAPS FOR NUT TAPPING



Freecut Tools Nib Taps are specially made for automatic tapping of nuts in high speed Nut Tapping Machines in materials like stainless steel etc. These taps have appropriate geometry and flute profile which deliver high quality and consistency in threading. They can also be designed to specific tolerances and applications to suit customers' working conditions.



HI-PERFORMANCE SPECIAL TAPS & THREAD MILLING CUTTERS



In addition to standard range of taps, Freecut Tools also manufactures taps as per drawings, special dimensions & tolerance class on specific request from the customer. Freecut Tools also manufactures Thread Milling Cutters.

New Developments



PM Taps

Powder Metallurgy high speed steel grade is a premium steel engineered for high red hardness, high wear & tear resistantant, tool life, heat resistance, toughness, strength and performance under difficult cutting conditions with higher cutting speed for increased productivity and tool life.

APPLICATIONS:

- (a) Aluminum: Recommended for all types of aluminum alloys.
- (b) Exotic Alloys: Recommended for steel, steel alloy, stainless steel, titanium alloy, nickel, nickel base alloys and other exotic alloys.
- (c) Hard Materials: Recommended for harder (32Rc-45Rc) materials including steel alloys, titanium alloys, nickel base high temperature alloys, stainless steels, tool and mold steels.
- d) Cast Iron: Recommended for all types of grey, ductile and malleable cast iron, Freecut Tools has started manufacturing high performance taps in superior grade powder metallurgy high speed steel. Freecut Tools is now maintaining stock of superior grade powder metallurgy high speed steel taps in all standard sizes, mainly in metric sizes ranging from 3 mm to 14 mm.

These taps are available in the following varieties:

- i. Fluteless Taps for blind & through hole in ductile materials
- ii. Spiral Pointed Taps for through hole application
- iii. C.I. Taps for Cast Iron applications
- iv. Spiral Fluted Taps for blind hole application

We are also manufacturing different varieties in superior powder matellurgy high speed steel for user-specific applications on request.



Carbide Taps

The structure of carbide is very stable with consistent sub-micro grain particles and hard in nature with character, more resistant to abrasion, pressure, heat and material adhesion. Carbide is more brittle, therefore contributory factors to success or failure may comprise of the following: rigid work piece, rigid tapping avoiding shock or undesirable "float" and vibration. Carbide Taps offer a longer / faster and more consistent performance in specific application.

APPLICATION:

- (a) High volume production in materials with abrasive qualities like cast iron, aluminum and silicon alloys (Si > 10%)
- (b) Materials which exhibit high wear characteristics or a "closing" nature composites pure alloys such as tungsten, copper, etc.
- (c) Materials hardened above Rc 40. Steels and "exotic" alloys.
 Freecut Tools has started the manufacture of carbide taps and at the moment is manufacturing different varieties of carbide taps against specific requests from customers.

Through Coolant Taps (T.C.H.)

The Performance of taps with through coolant holes is higher than the same taps used with external lubricantion. This kind of taps allows better evacuation of the chip which is transported away from the cutting area itself. Wear on the cutting edge is reduced, since the cooling effect on the cutting zone is higher than the heat generation. T.C.H. taps give excellent performance while tapping deep blind holes up to 3 xD. The advantages of T.C.H. taps over conventional machine taps are increased tool life, reduction in cycle time, cleaner cut threads, accurate dimensions and increased production with more tapped holes per tool resulting in lower machining cost per part. Lubricant can be oil, emulsion or air pressurized with oil mist. Working pressure of not less than 12 - 15 bar is required.

APPLICATION:

T.C.H. taps are used for a variety of challenging applications involving tough, abrasive materials and are available as follows:

(a) Through Coolant taps with Radial holes: For Through Hole Tapping

(b) Through Coolant taps with Axial hole: For Blind Hole Tapping

Freecut Tools has started manufacturing T.C.H. high performance taps in HSS-E and superior HSSE-PM grade (Powder Metallurgy high speed steel). These taps are available in the following varieties:

- a. Fluteless Taps for blind & through holes in ductile materials.
- Spiral Pointed Taps for through hole application.
- c. C.I. Taps for Cast Iron applications.
- d. Spiral Fluted Taps for Blind hole application.

Freecut Tools at the moment is manufacturing different varieties of T.C.H. taps against specific requests from customers.







Freecut Tools has launched a new range of high performance taps conforming to JIS Standard for customers using taps as per Japanese Industrial Standard Specifications (JIS). The new Freecut Tools JIS taps are available in cutting as well as cold forming taps with general dimensions in accordance with Japanese Standard.

Recognizing the highest standards followed by Japanese automotive manufacturing, Freecut Tools offers the best option to achieve highest standards in tapping application through its range of JIS taps.

With Freecut Tools expertise and excellence in tapping technology, this new range of high quality taps are available in a variety of geometries and styles that will produce threads in a broad range of materials from steel, stainless steel, cast iron, die cast alluminum, non ferrous materials, titanium, titanium alloys, nickel, nickel base alloys and cobalt base alloys with both short-chipping and long-chipping in through or blind hole applications. Freecut Tools also provides JIS taps ideally suited for producing threads in cast iron, as well as abrasive cast iron with vermicular graphite.

Freecut Tools JIS cold forming taps are ideal for the chipless production of internal threads in blind or through holes which has excellent stability, especially with small thread sizes.

Freecut Tools JIS taps are available in sizes ranging from M2 to M20 in metric sizes and No.4 to 1/2" in fractional sizes in straight flute, spiral point, slow and fast spiral flute, CI and fluteless taps. The JIS taps are also available with advanced coatings to suit material and tapping applications.

Freecut Tools JIS taps are also available with an internal coolant lubricant supply in both Axial and Radial holes as per application on request.







SELECTION CHART FOR FREECUT TOOLS HIGH PERFORMANCE TAPS



GUIDANCE CHART FOR TAP SELECTION AS PER APPLICATION

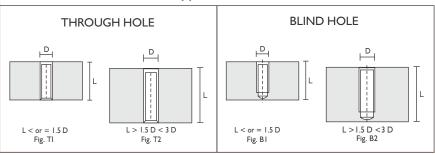
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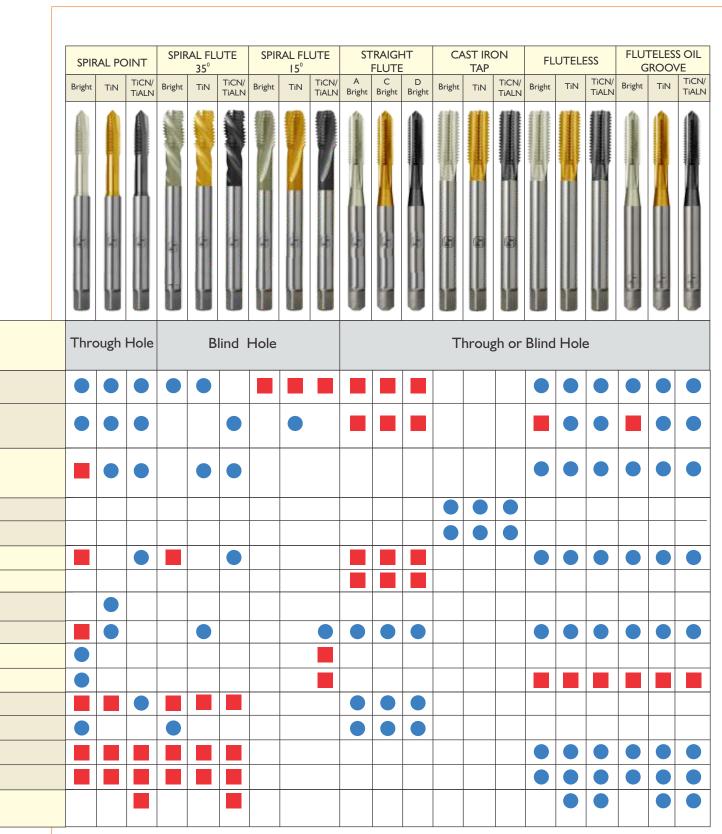
Second Choice

APPLICATION

MATERIAL		HARDNESS	TENSILE STRENGTH	SPEED I	M/Min.	TYPE OF
MATERIAL	-	НВ	N/mm²	BRIGHT	TiN/ TiCN	COOLANT
	Low Alloy Steel, Structural Steel	<200	<700	20	40	Sulphur or chlorinated oil
Steel	Plain Carbon Steel, Alloy Steel & Steels	<250	<850	15	32	Sulphur or chlorinated oil
	With Good Machinability					
Stainless	Free Machining Stainless Steel	<250	<850	8	12	Sulphur or chlorinated oil
Steels	Austenitic Ferritic AISI 304, 316, 321					
Cast Iron	Grey Cast Iron	<150	<700	15	20	Dry, air jet or soluble oil
Cast II off	Malleable Cast Iron	<200	<700	8	15	Soluble oil or chemical-type coolant
Copper &	Soft	<100	<350	12	20	Light base oil
Its Alloys	Hard	<200	<700	25	40	Light base oil
Brass	Short Chipping	<200	<700	30	45	Soluble oil, light duty oil
2. 455	Long Chipping	<200	<700	20	40	Soluble oil, light duty oil
Bronze	Short Chipping	<300	<700	4		Soluble oil, light duty oil
Di Olize	Long Chipping	<200	<700	20	30	Soluble oil, light duty oil
	Short Chipping Si < 10%	<120	<400	20	35	Water soluble or oil /chemical especially for aluminium
Aluminium	Short Chipping Si > 10%	<120	<400	15	30	Water soluble or oil /chemical especially for aluminium
Magnesium	Long Chipping unalloyed	<100	<350	16	30	Oil specially recommended for magnesium
	Medium Chipping Si < 0.5%	<150	<500	30	50	Oil specially recommended for magnesium
Zinc alloys				20	40	Soluble oil

Types of Holes





How to find the right tap?

- I. Material to be machined
- 2. Hole type in which tapping is to be done
 Use above chart for tap selection
 (For Ex. :- For short chipping brass)
 Select the hole type as given below
 (For Ex. :- Blind hole)
 Use above chart for the tap selection
 (For Ex. :- For short chipping brass)
 Select the hole type as given below
 (For Ex. :- Blind hole)
- Thread depth to be produced select the hole type as given below (For Ex. :- blind hole with L > 1.5 D < 3D)
- 4. Thread type required (For Ex. :- "M" metric type of thread)

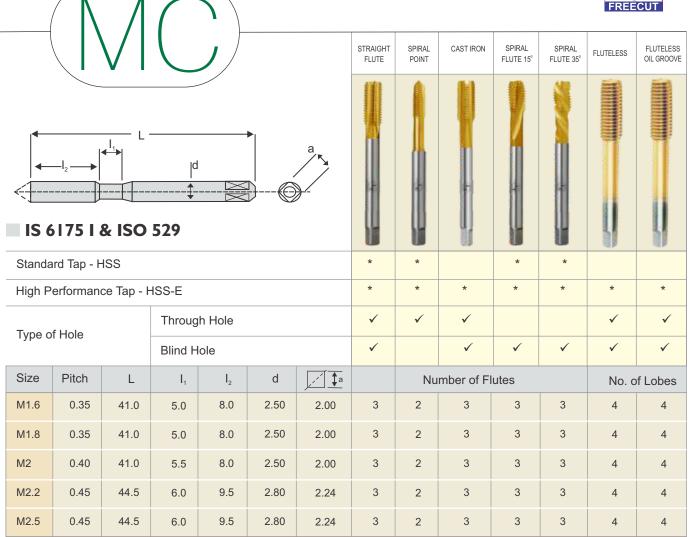
- 5. General tap dimensions required (For Ex.:- IS 6175-III)
- 6. For Thread Forming Tap:
- (a) For Fig. TI & BI Use Fluteless Tap (For Ex.:- L< or = 1.5 D)
- (b) For Fig. T2 & B2 Use Fluteless Oil Groove (For Ex. :- L < 3D)
- 7. For Blind Hole Tapping:
- (a) For Fig. B I Use 15° Spiral Flute (For Ex. :- L < or = 1.5 D)
- (b) For Ex. :- B2 Use 35° Spiral Flute (For Ex.:- L> 1.5 D < 3 D)





PRODUCT RANGE



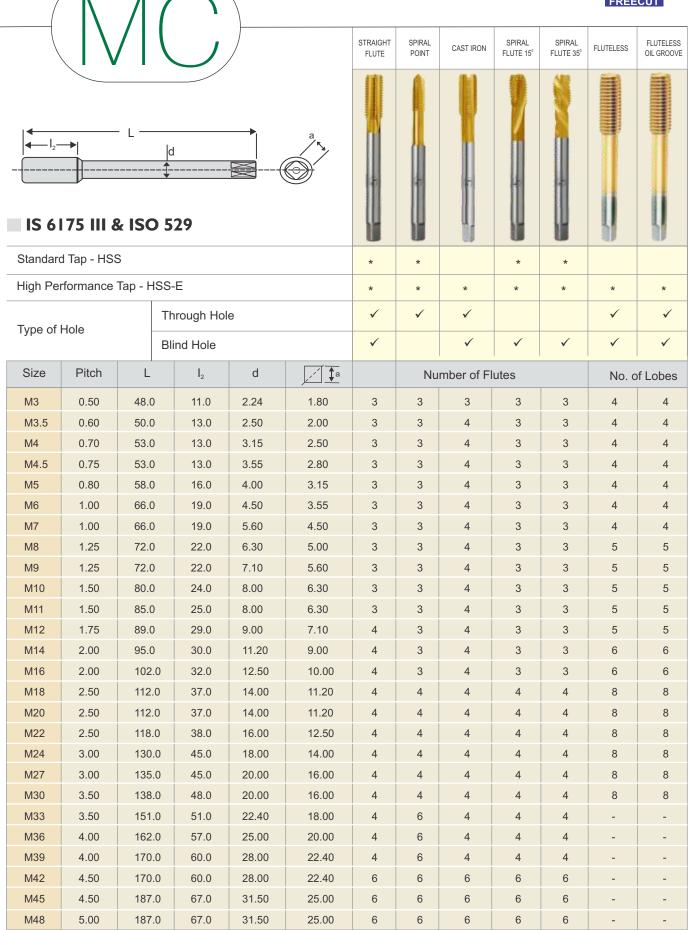


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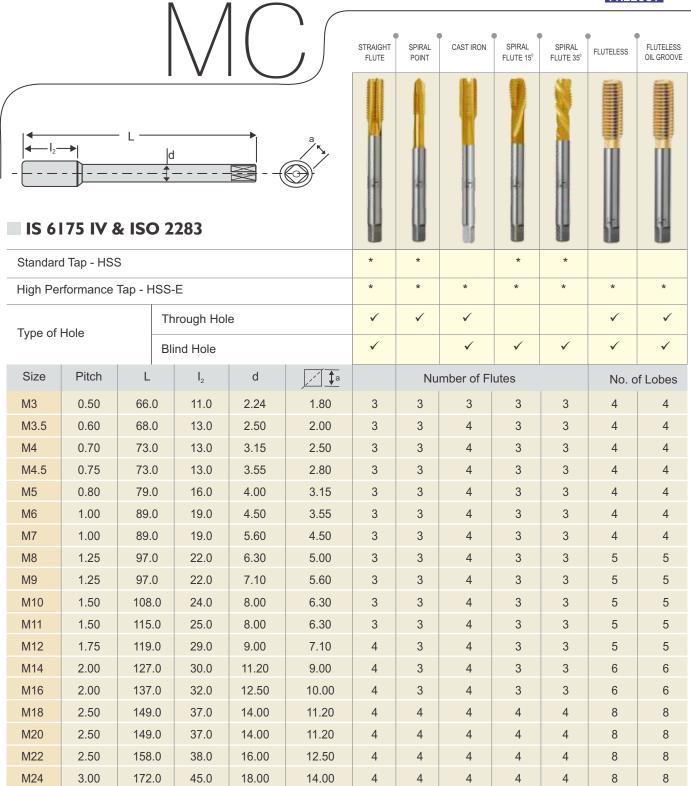
Size	Pitch	L	I ₁		d	↓ a		Nun	nber of FI	utes		No. of Lobes		
M3	0.50	48.0	7.0	11.0	3.15	2.50	3	3	3	3	3	4	4	
M3.5	0.60	50.0	7.0	13.0	3.55	2.80	3	3	4	3	3	4	4	
M4	0.70	53.0	8.0	13.0	4.00	3.15	3	3	4	3	3	4	4	
M4.5	0.75	53.0	8.0	13.0	4.50	3.55	3	3	4	3	3	4	4	
M5	0.80	58.0	9.0	16.0	5.00	4.00	3	3	4	3	3	4	4	
M6	1.00	66.0	11.0	19.0	6.30	5.00	3	3	4	3	3	4	4	
M7	1.00	66.0	11.0	19.0	7.10	5.60	3	3	4	3	3	4	4	
M8	1.25	72.0	13.0	22.0	8.00	6.30	3	3	4	3	3	5	5	
M9	1.25	72.0	14.0	22.0	9.00	7.10	3	3	4	3	3	5	5	
M10	1.50	80.0	15.0	24.0	10.00	8.00	3	3	4	3	3	5	5	

^{*:} Indicates availability in 6H & 6G tolerance class in ready stock.



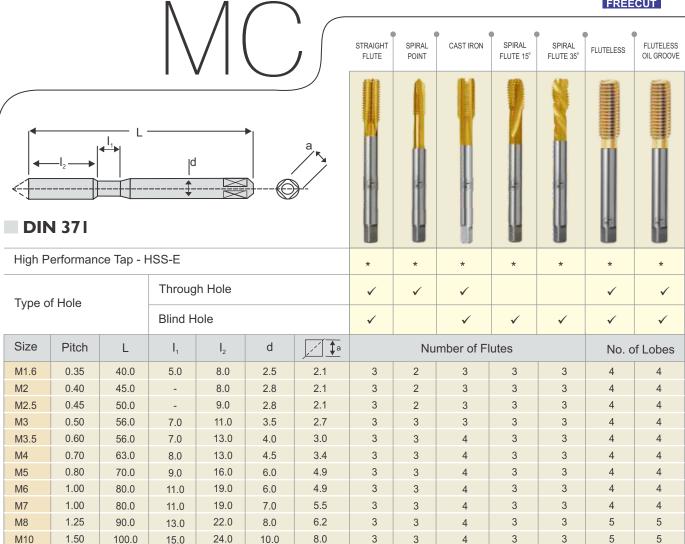


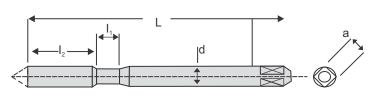




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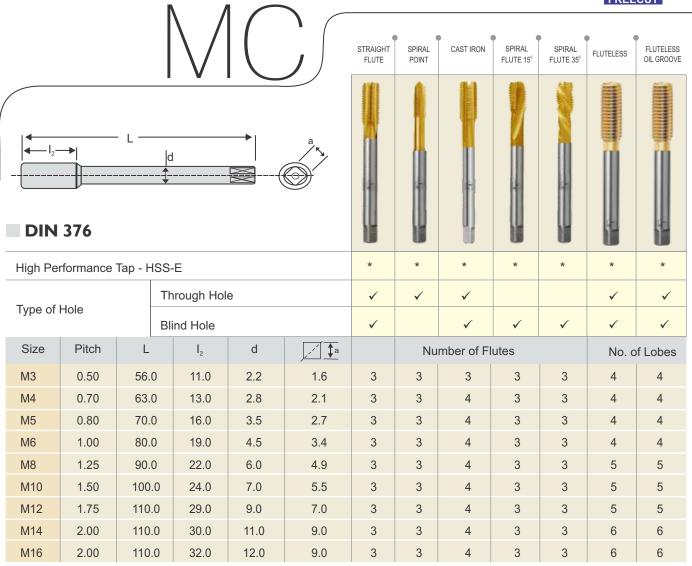
■ DIN 371 EXTRA LONG TAP

100 mm long :- in M3 to M8 120 mm long :- in M4 to M12 150 mm long :- in M5 to M12



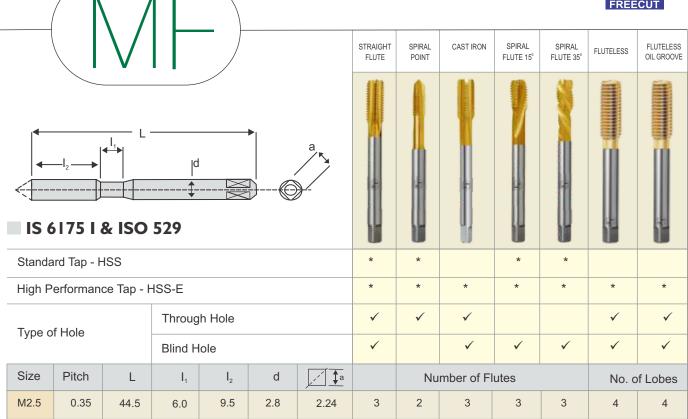
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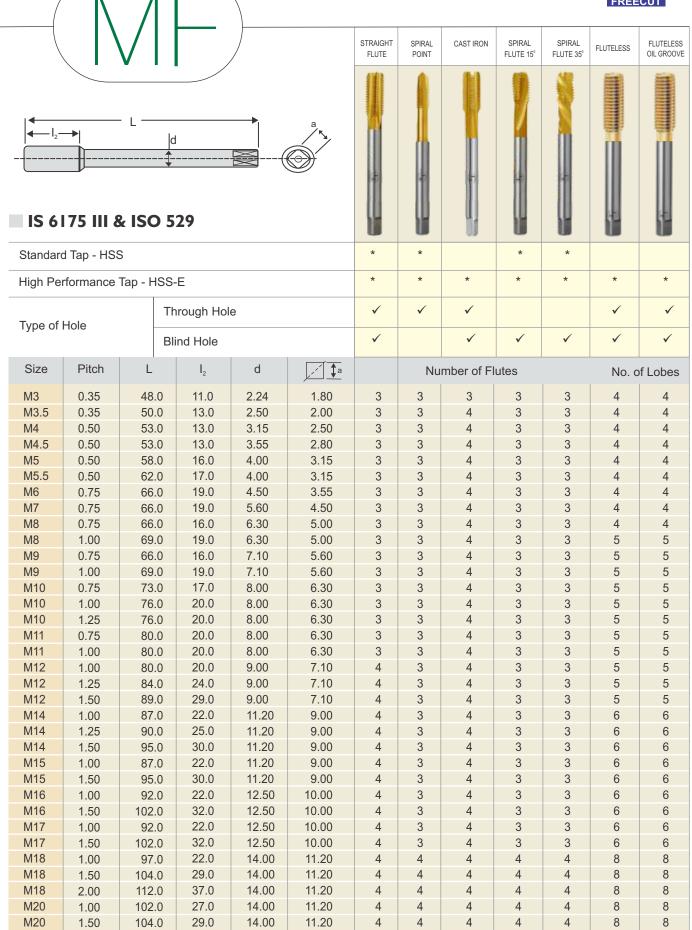


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Size	Pitch	L	I ₁		d	 ↓ a		Num		No. of	Lobes		
M3	0.35	48.0	7.0	11.0	3.15	2.50	3	3	3	3	3	4	4
M3.5	0.35	50.0	7.0	13.0	3.55	2.80	3	3	4	3	3	4	4
M4	0.50	53.0	8.0	13.0	4.00	3.15	3	3	4	3	3	4	4
M4.5	0.50	53.0	8.0	13.0	4.50	3.55	3	3	4	3	3	4	4
M5	0.50	58.0	9.0	16.0	5.00	4.00	3	3	4	3	3	4	4
M5.5	0.50	62.0	9.0	17.0	5.60	4.50	3	3	4	3	3	4	4
M6	0.75	66.0	11.0	19.0	6.30	5.00	3	3	4	3	3	4	4
M7	0.75	66.0	11.0	19.0	7.10	5.60	3	3	4	3	3	4	4
M8	0.75	66.0	13.0	16.0	8.00	6.30	3	3	4	3	3	5	5
M8	1.00	69.0	13.0	19.0	8.00	6.30	3	3	4	3	3	5	5
M9	0.75	66.0	14.0	16.0	9.00	7.10	3	3	4	3	3	5	5
M9	1.00	69.0	14.0	19.0	9.00	7.10	3	3	4	3	3	5	5
M10	0.75	73.0	15.0	17.0	10.00	8.00	3	3	4	3	3	5	5
M10	1.00	76.0	15.0	20.0	10.00	8.00	3	3	4	3	3	5	5
M10	1.25	76.0	15.0	20.0	10.00	8.00	3	3	4	3	3	5	5

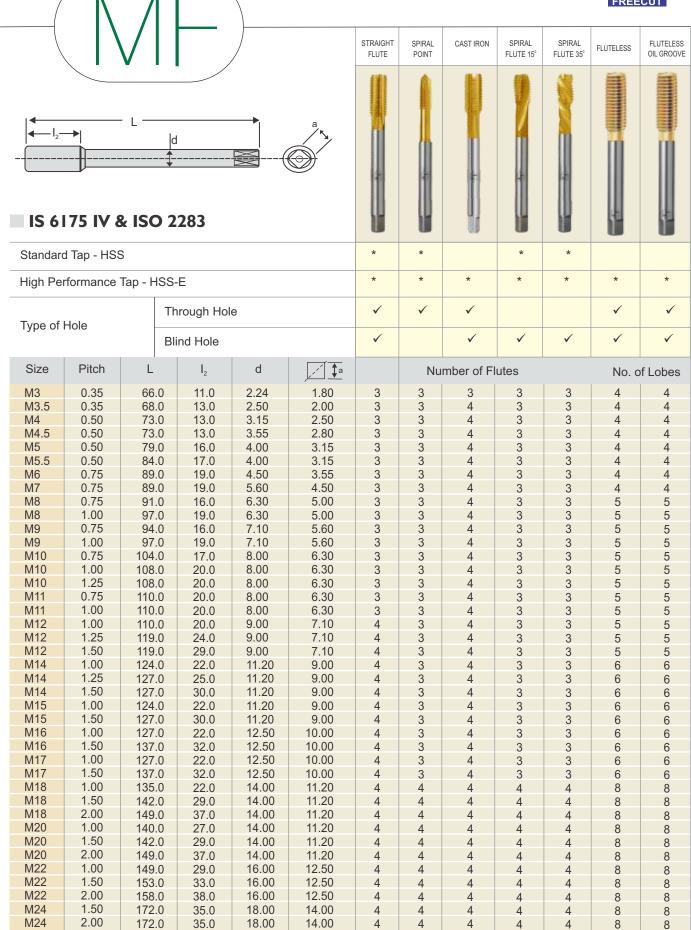
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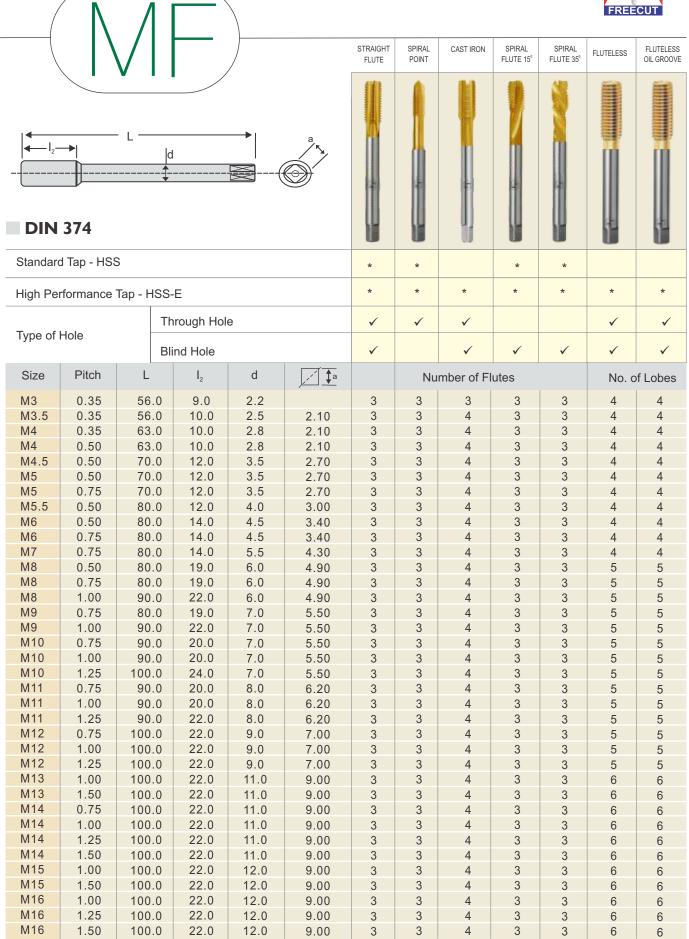
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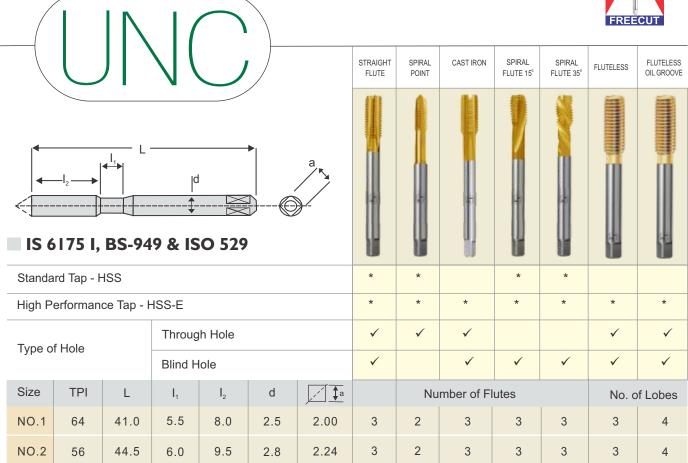
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^{*:} Indicates availability in 6H tolerance class in ready stock.





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Size	TPI	L	I ₁	I ₂	d	1 a		Nun	nber of Fl	utes		No. of	Lobes
NO.3	48	44.5	6.0	9.5	2.80	2.24	3	2	3	3	3	3	4
NO.4	40	48.0	7.0	11.0	3.15	2.50	3	3	3	3	3	3	4
NO.5	40	48.0	7.0	11.0	3.15	2.50	3	3	3	3	3	3	4
NO.6	32	50.0	7.0	13.0	3.55	2.80	3	3	4	3	3	3	4
NO.8	32	53.0	8.0	13.0	4.50	3.55	3	3	4	3	3	3	4
NO.10	24	58.0	9.0	16.0	5.00	4.00	3	3	4	3	3	3	4
NO.12	24	62.0	9.0	17.0	5.60	4.50	3	3	4	3	3	3	4
1/4"	20	66.0	11.0	19.0	6.30	5.00	3	3	4	3	3	3	4
5/16"	18	72.0	13.0	22.0	8.00	6.30	3	3	4	3	3	3	5
3/8"	16	80.0	15.0	24.0	10.00	8.00	3	3	4	3	3	3	5

^{*:} Indicates availability in 2B tolerance class in ready stock.

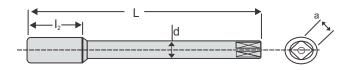


FLUTELESS

FLUTELESS OIL GROOVE

SPIRAL FLUTE 15° SPIRAL FLUTE 35°





■ IS 6175 III, BS-949 & ISO 529

High Per	formance	Tap - HSS-E

Type of Hole

Standard Tap - HSS

+	HSS-E	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	Through Hole	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓
	Blind Hole	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
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STRAIGHT

FLUTE

SPIRAL

POINT

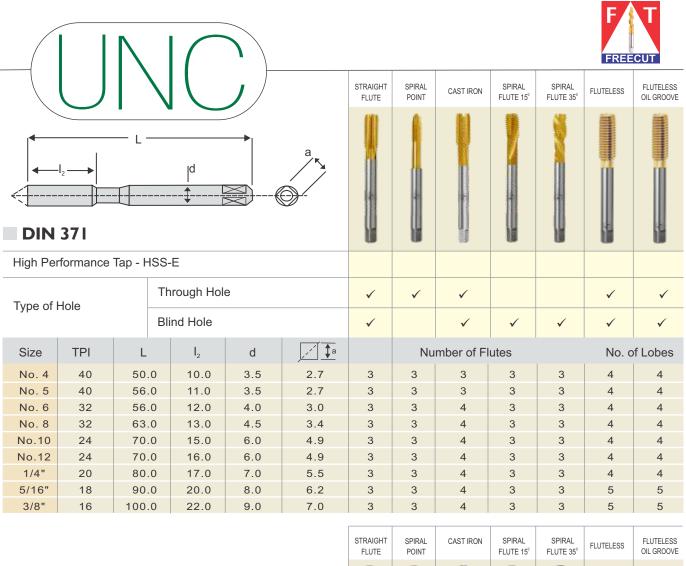
CAST IRON

Size	TPI	L		d	‡ a		Nu	mber of Fl	utes		No. c	of Lobes
7/16"	14	85.0	25.0	8.0	6.30	4	3	4	3	3	5	5
1/2"	13	89.0	29.0	9.0	7.10	4	3	4	3	3	5	5
9/16"	12	95.0	30.0	11.2	9.00	4	3	4	3	3	6	6
5/8"	11	102.0	32.0	12.5	10.00	4	3	4	3	3	6	6
3/4"	10	112.0	37.0	14.0	11.20	4	3	4	3	3	8	8
7/8''	9	118.0	38.0	16.0	12.50	4	4	4	4	4	8	8
1"	8	130.0	45.0	18.0	14.00	4	4	4	4	4	8	8
1.1/8"	7	138.0	48.0	20.0	16.00	4	4	6	4	4	-	-
1.1/4"	7	151.0	51.0	22.4	18.00	4	4	6	4	4	-	-
1.3/8"	6	162.0	57.0	25.0	20.00	6	4	6	4	4	-	-
1.1/2"	6	170.0	60.0	28.0	22.40	6	4	6	4	4	-	-
1.3/4"	5	187.0	67.0	31.5	25.00	6	6	6	6	6	-	-
2"	4.5	200.0	70.0	35.5	28.00	6	6	6	6	6	-	-

■ IS 6175 IV, BS-949 & ISO 2283

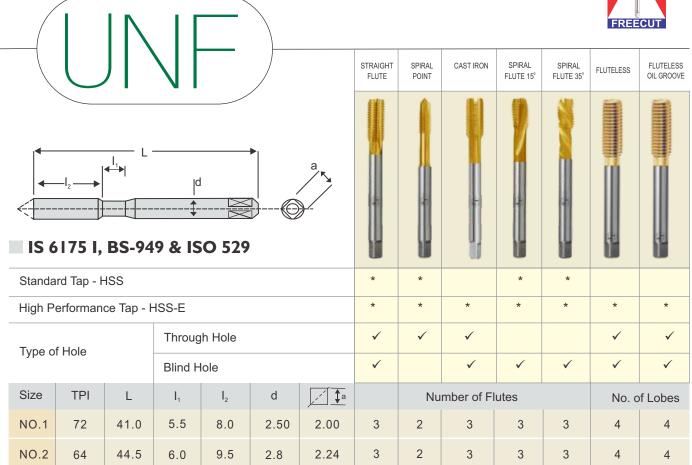
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Size	TPI	L		d	‡ a		Nu	mber of F	utes		No. of Lobes		
No.5	40	66.0	11.0	2.24	1.80	3	3	3	3	3	4	4	
No.6	32	68.0	13.0	2.50	2.00	3	3	4	3	3	4	4	
No.8	32	73.0	13.0	3.15	2.50	3	3	4	3	3	4	4	
No.10	24	79.0	16.0	4.00	3.15	3	3	4	3	3	4	4	
1/4"	20	89.0	19.0	4.50	3.55	3	3	4	3	3	4	4	
5/16"	18	97.0	22.0	6.30	5.00	3	3	4	3	3	5	5	
3/8"	16	108.0	24.0	8.00	6.30	3	3	4	3	3	5	5	
7/16"	14	115.0	25.0	8.00	6.30	4	3	4	3	3	5	5	
1/2"	13	119.0	29.0	9.00	7.10	4	3	4	3	3	5	5	
9/16"	12	127.0	30.0	11.20	9.00	4	3	4	3	3	6	6	
5/8"	11	137.0	32.0	12.50	10.00	4	3	4	3	3	6	6	
3/4"	10	149.0	37.0	14.00	11.20	4	3	4	3	3	6	6	

^{*:} Indicates availability in 2B tolerance class in ready stock upto 1"



						FLUTE	POINT		FLUTE 15°	FLUTE 35°		OIL GROOVE
 ↓ I₂-	376	- L	d		T _x					To the second		
High Per	formance	Тар - Н	SS-E									
Tunn of I	l lala		Through Hol	е		✓	✓	✓			✓	✓
Type of I	поіе		Blind Hole			✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Size	TPI	L		d	↓ a		Nu	mber of F	No. o	f Lobes		
No.4	40	50.	0 10.0	1.8		3	3	3	3	3	4	4
No.5	40	56.	0 11.0	2.2	1.80	3	3	3	3	3	4	4
No.6	32	56.	0 12.0	2.5	2.10	3	3	4	3	3	4	4
No.8	32	63.	0 13.0	2.8	2.10	3	3	4	3	3	4	4
No.10	24	70.		3.5	2.70	3	3	4	3	3	4	4
No.12	24	70.		3.5	2.70	3	3	4	3	3	4	4
1/4"	20	80.	-	4.5	3.40	3	3	4	3	3	4	4
5/16"	18	90.		6.0	4.90	3	3	4	3	3	5	5
3/8"	16	100.	-	7.0	5.50	3	3	4	3	3	5	5
7/16"	14	100.	-	8.0	6.20	3	3	4	3	3	5	5
1/2"	13	110.		9.0	7.00	3	3	4	3	3	5	5
9/16"	12	110.		11.0	9.00	3	3	4	3	3	6	6
5/8"	11	110.		12.0	9.00	3	3	4	3	3	6	6
3/4"	10	125.	0 30.0	14.0	11.00	4	4	4	4	4	8 or 6	8 or 6



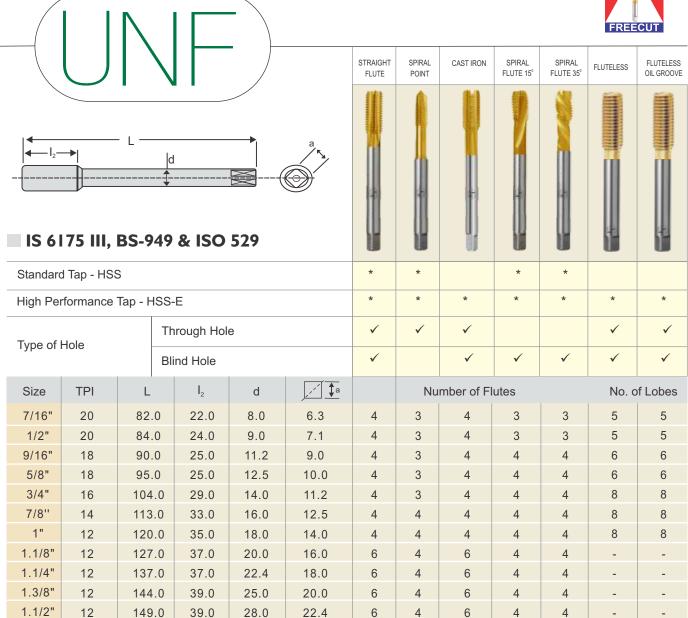


■ IS 6175 II, BS-949 & ISO 529

Size	TPI	L	I ₁		d	↓ a		Nun	nber of FI	utes		No. of Lobes		
NO.3	56	44.5	6.0	9.5	2.8	2.24	3	2	3	3	3	4	4	
NO.4	48	48.0	7.0	11.0	3.15	2.50	3	3	3	3	3	4	4	
NO.5	44	48.0	7.0	11.0	3.15	2.50	3	3	3	3	3	4	4	
NO.6	40	50.0	7.0	13.0	3.55	2.80	3	3	4	3	3	4	4	
NO.8	36	53.0	8.0	13.0	4.50	3.55	3	3	4	3	3	4	4	
NO.10	32	58.0	9.0	16.0	5.00	4.00	3	3	4	3	3	4	4	
NO.12	28	62.0	9.0	17.0	5.60	4.50	3	3	4	3	3	4	4	
1/4"	28	66.0	11.0	19.0	6.30	5.00	3	3	4	3	3	4	4	
5/16"	24	69.0	13.0	19.0	8.00	6.30	3	3	4	3	3	5	5	
3/8"	24	76.0	15.0	20.0	10.00	8.00	3	3	4	3	3	5	5	

^{*:} Indicates availability in 2B tolerance class in ready stock.

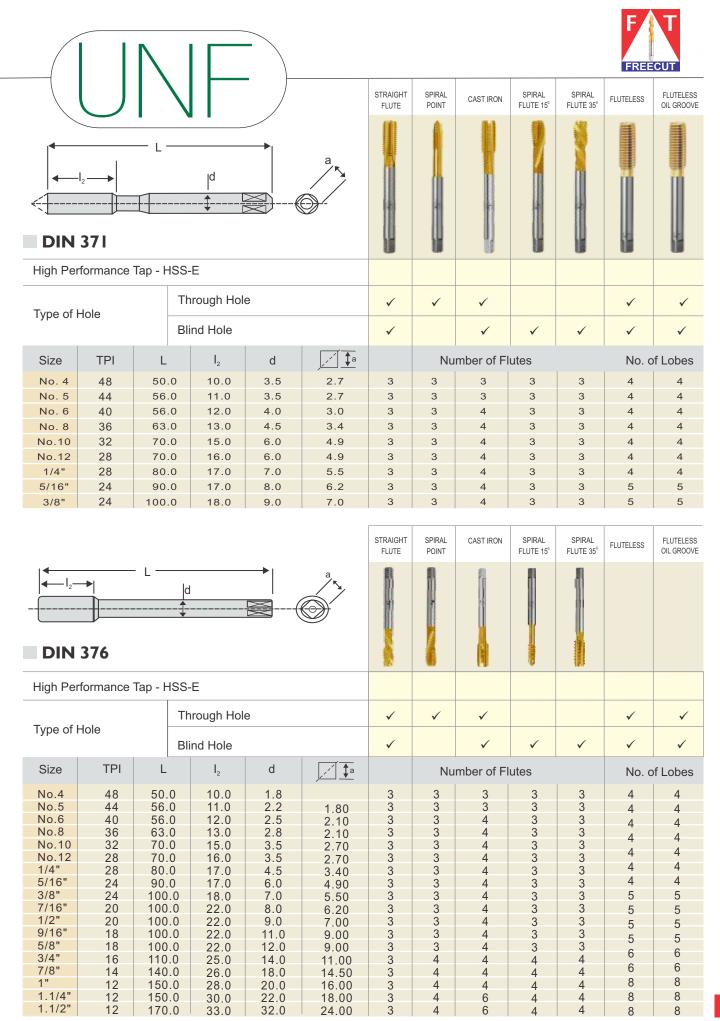




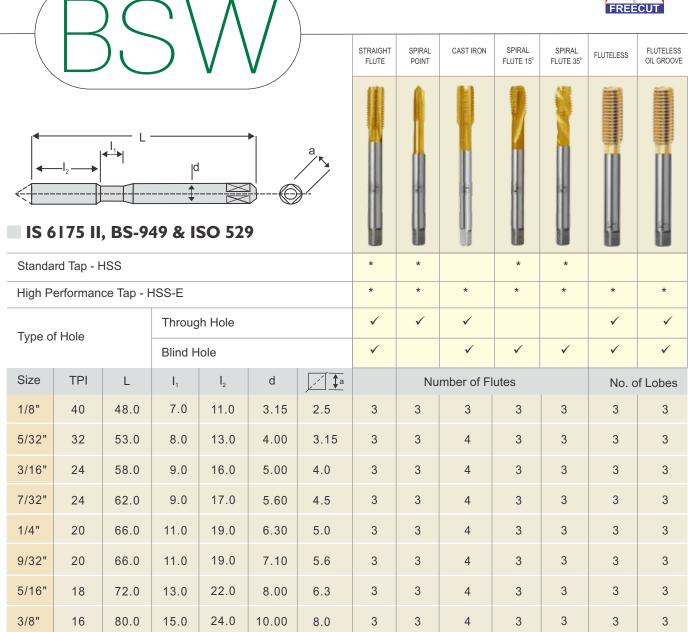
■ IS 6175 IV, BS-949 & ISO 2283

Size	TPI	L		d	↓ a		Nu		No. of Lobes			
No.5	44	66	11	2.24	1.80	3	3	3	3	3	4	4
No.6	40	68	13	2.50	2.00	3	3	4	3	3	4	4
No.8	36	73	13	3.15	2.50	3	3	4	3	3	4	4
No.10	32	79	16	4.00	3.15	3	3	4	3	3	4	4
1/4"	28	89	19	4.50	3.55	3	3	4	3	3	4	4
5/16"	24	97	19	6.30	5.00	3	3	4	3	3	5	5
3/8"	24	108	20	8.00	6.30	3	3	4	3	3	5	5
7/16"	20	110	20	8.00	6.30	4	3	4	3	3	5	5
1/2"	20	119	24	9.00	7.10	4	3	4	3	3	5	5
9/16"	18	127	25	11.20	9.00	4	3	4	4	4	6	6
5/8"	18	137	32	12.50	10.00	4	3	4	4	4	6	6
3/4"	16	142	29	14.00	11.20	4	3	4	4	4	6	6
7/8"	14	153	33	16.00	12.50	4	4	4	4	4	6	6

^{*:} Indicates availability in 2B tolerance class in ready stock upto 1"







^{*:} Indicates availability in ready stock

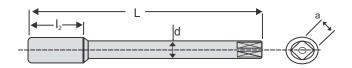


FLUTELESS

FLUTELESS

SPIRAL FLUTE 15° SPIRAL FLUTE 35°





■ IS 6175 III, BS-949 & ISO 529

High	Performance	Iap -	HSS-E

Type of Hole	

Through Hole	✓	✓	✓			✓
Blind Hole	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
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STRAIGHT

FLUTE

SPIRAL

POINT

CAST IRON

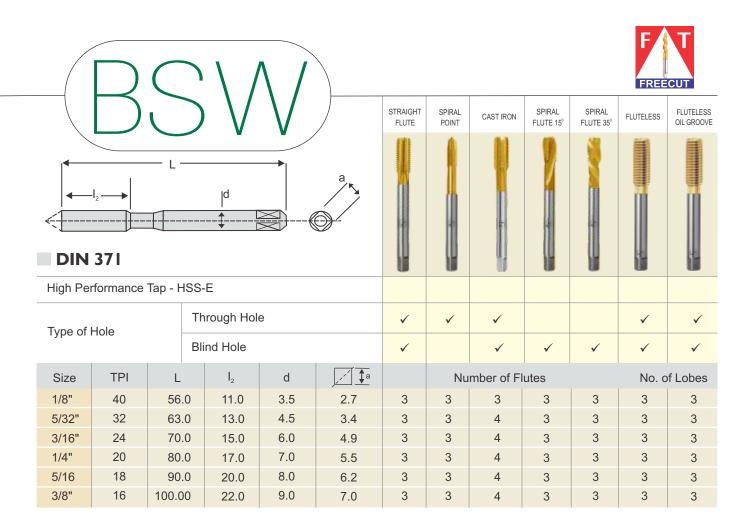
Size	IPI	L	I ₂	d	J ↓ a		Nu	mber of F	lutes		No. o	f Lobes
7/16"	14	85.0	25.0	8.0	6.3	4	3	4	3	3	4	4
1/2"	12	89.0	29.0	9.0	7.1	4	3	4	3	3	4	4
9/16"	12	95.0	30.0	11.2	9.0	4	3	4	3	3	4	4
5/8"	11	102.0	32.0	12.5	10.0	4	3	4	3	3	4	4
11/16"	11	112.0	37.0	14.0	11.2	4	3	4	3	3	4	4
3/4"	10	112.0	37.0	14.0	11.2	4	3	4	3	3	4	4
7/8''	9	118.0	38.0	16.0	12.5	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
1"	8	130.0	45.0	18.0	14.0	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
1.1/8"	7	138.0	48.0	20.0	16.0	4	4	6	4	4	4	4
1.1/4"	7	151.0	51.0	22.4	18.0	4	4	6	4	4	4	4
1.3/8"	6	162.0	57.0	25.0	20.0	6	4	6	4	4	6	6
1.1/2"	6	170.0	60.0	28.0	22.4	6	4	6	4	4	6	6
1.5/8"	5	170.0	60.0	28.0	22.4	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
1.3/4"	5	187.0	67.0	31.5	25.0	6	6	6	6	6	6	6

■ IS 6175 IV, BS-949 & ISO 2283

2" 4.5 200.0 70.0 35.5 28.0

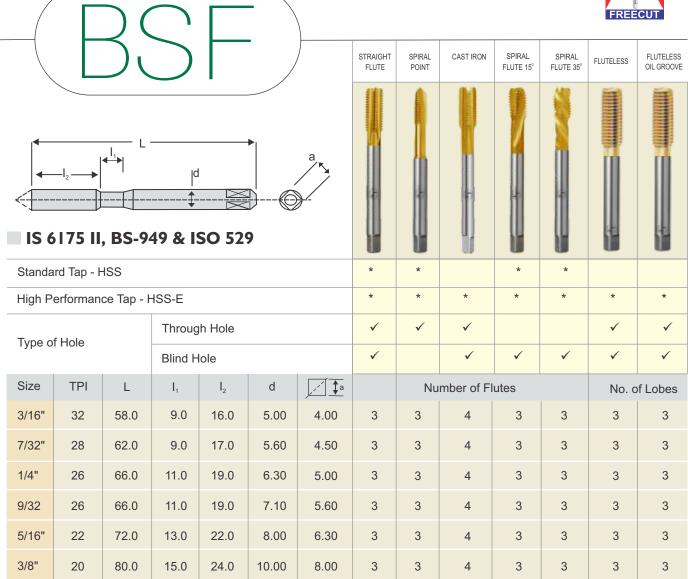
Size	TPI	L		d	↓ a		Nu		No. of Lobes			
3/16"	24	79	16	4.0	3.2	3	3	4	3	3	3	3
1/4"	20	89	19	4.5	3.6	3	3	4	3	3	3	3
5/16"	18	97	22	6.3	5.0	3	3	4	3	3	3	3
3/8"	16	108	24	8.0	6.3	3	3	4	3	3	3	3
7/16"	14	115	25	8.0	6.3	4	3	4	3	3	4	4
1/2"	12	119	29	9.0	7.1	4	3	4	3	3	4	4
9/16"	12	127	30	11.2	9.0	4	3	4	3	3	4	4
5/8"	11	137	32	12.5	10.0	4	3	4	3	3	4	4
11/16"	11	149	37	14.0	11.2	4	3	4	3	3	4	4
3/4"	10	149	37	14.0	11.2	4	3	4	3	3	4	4

^{*:} Indicates availability in ready stock upto 1"



							STRAIGHT FLUTE	SPIRAL POINT	CAST IRON	SPIRAL FLUTE 15°	SPIRAL FLUTE 35°	FLUTELESS	FLUTELESS OIL GROOVE
DIN 376								11		#			
High Performance Tap - HSS-E													
- ()			Th	rough Hol	е		✓	✓	✓			✓	✓
Type of I	Type of Hole Blind Hole						✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Size	PTI	L	I ₂ d					Number of Flutes				No. c	of Lobes
1/4"	20	80	.0	17.0	4.5	3.4	3	3	4	3	3	3	3
5/16	18	90	.0	20.0	6.0	4.9	3	3	4	3	3	3	3
3/8"	16	100	.0	22.0	7.0	5.5	3	3	4	3	3	3	3
7/16"	14	100	.0	22.0	8.0	6.2	4	3	4	3	3	4	4
1/2"	12	110	.0	25.0	9.0	7.0	4	3	4	3	3	4	4
9/16"	12	110	.0	26.0	11.0	9.0	4	3	4	3	3	4	4
5/8"	11	110	.0	27.0	12.0	9.0	4	3	4	3	3	4	4
3/4"	10	125	.0	30.0	14.0	11.0	4	3	4	3	3	4	4
7/8"	9	140	.0	32.0	18.0	14.5	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
1"	8	160	.0	36.0	20.0	16.0	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
1.1/4	7	180	.0	40.0	22.0	18.0	4	4	6	4	4	4	4
1.3/8"	6	200	.0	50.0	28.0	22.0	4	4	6	4	4	4	4
1.1/2"	6	200	.0	50.0	32.0	24.0	4	4	6	4	4	4	4





^{*:} Indicates availability in ready stock



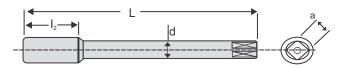
FLUTELESS

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OIL GROOVE

SPIRAL FLUTE 15° SPIRAL FLUTE 35°





■ IS 6175 III, BS-949 & ISO 529

85.0

25.0

8.0

High Performance Tap - HSS-E	

TPI

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Size

7/16"

Standard Tap - HSS

HSS	-E			*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Т	hrough Hol	е		✓	✓	✓			✓	✓
В	lind Hole			✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
	l ₂	d	.∕ ‡a		Nu		No. of Lobes			

STRAIGHT

FLUTE

SPIRAL

POINT

CAST IRON

1/2"	16	89.0	29.0	9.0	7.10	4	3	4	3	3	4	4
9/16"	16	95.0	30.0	11.20	9.00	4	3	4	4	4	4	4
5/8"	14	102.0	32.0	12.50	10.00	4	3	4	4	4	4	4
11/16"	14	112.0	37.0	14.00	11.20	4	3	4	4	4	4	4
3/4"	12	112.0	37.0	14.00	11.20	4	3	4	4	4	4	4
7/8''	11	118.0	38.0	16.00	12.50	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
1"	10	130.0	45.0	18.00	14.00	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
1.1/8"	9	138.0	48.0	20.00	16.00	6	4	6	6	6	6	6
1.1/4"	9	151.0	51.0	22.40	18.00	6	4	6	6	6	6	6
1.3/8"	8	162.0	57.0	25.00	20.00	6	4	6	6	6	6	6
1.1/2"	8	170.0	60.0	28.00	22.40	6	4	6	6	6	6	6
1.5/8"	8	170.0	60.0	28.00	22.40	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
1.3/4"	7	187.0	67.0	31.50	25.00	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
2"	7	200.0	70.0	35.50	28.00	6	6	6	6	6	6	6

6.30

■ IS 6175 IV, BS-949 & ISO 2283

Size	TPI	L		d	‡ a	Number of Flutes				No. of Lobes		
3/16"	32	79.0	16.0	4.00	3.15	3	3	4	3	3	3	3
7/32"	28	84.0	17.0	4.00	3.15	3	3	4	3	3	3	3
1/4"	26	89.0	19.0	4.50	3.55	3	3	4	3	3	3	3
9/32"	26	89.0	19.0	5.60	4.50	3	3	4	3	3	3	3
5/16"	22	97.0	22.0	6.30	5.00	3	3	4	3	3	3	3
3/8"	20	108.0	24.0	8.00	6.30	3	3	4	3	3	3	3
7/16"	18	115.0	25.0	8.00	6.30	4	3	4	3	3	4	4
1/2"	16	119.0	29.0	9.00	7.10	4	3	4	3	3	4	4
9/16"	16	127.0	30.0	11.20	9.00	4	3	4	3	3	4	4
5/8"	14	137.0	32.0	12.50	10.00	4	3	4	3	3	4	4
11/16"	14	149.0	37.0	14.00	11.20	4	3	4	3	3	4	4
3/4"	12	149.0	37.0	14.00	11.20	4	3	4	3	3	4	4

^{*:} Indicates availability in ready stock upto 3/4".



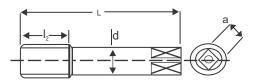
NPS / NPSF

BS 949 & ANSI

Type of Thread: ISO Inch NPS/NPSF Thread

Standard Tap - HSS

High Performance Tap - HSS - E



Size	TPI	L		d	↓ a	No. of Flutes	STD
1/16"	27	53.98	17.46	7.92	5.94	4	ANSI
1/16"	27	53.98	17.46	8.07	6.04	4	BS949
1/8"	27	53.98	19.05	11.10	8.33	4	ANSI
1/8"	27	53.98	19.05	8.07	6.04	4	Bs949
1/4"	18	61.91	26.99	14.28	10.69	4	ANSI
1/4"	18	61.91	26.99	10.89	8.17	4	BS949
3/8"	18	65.09	26.99	17.78	13.48	4	ANSI
3/8"	18	65.09	26.99	13.76	10.31	4	BS949
1/2"	14	79.38	34.93	17.45	13.08	4	ANSI
3/4"	14	82.55	34.93	23.01	17.24	4	ANSI
1"	11.5	95.25	44.45	28.57	21.41	6	ANSI
1 1/4"	11.5	101.60	44.45	33.32	24.99	6	ANSI
1 ½"	11.5	107.95	44.45	38.10	28.57	6	ANSI
2"	11.5	114.30	44.45	47.62	35.71	6	ANSI

^{*}Extra Long 6" NPS/NPSF taps in the range : 1/8" to 3/4" are available in HSS.





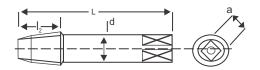
NPT / NPTF)

BS 949 & ANSI

Type of Thread: ISO Inch NPS/NPSF Thread

Standard Tap - HSS

High Performance Tap - HSS - E



Size	TPI	L	l ₂	d	↓ a	No. of Flutes	STD
1/16"	27	53.98	17.46	7.92	5.94	4	ANSI
1/16"	27	53.98	17.46	8.07	6.04	4	BS949
1/8"	27	53.98	19.05	11.10	8.33	4	ANSI
1/8"	27	53.98	19.05	8.07	6.04	4	Bs949
1/4"	18	61.91	26.99	14.28	10.69	4	ANSI
1/4"	18	61.91	26.99	10.89	8.17	4	BS949
3/8"	18	65.09	26.99	17.78	13.48	4	ANSI
3/8"	18	65.09	26.99	13.76	10.31	4	BS949
1/2"	14	79.38	34.93	17.45	13.08	4	ANSI
3/4"	14	82.55	34.93	23.01	17.24	5	ANSI
1"	11.5	95.25	44.45	28.57	21.41	5	ANSI
1 1/4"	11.5	101.60	44.45	33.32	24.99	5	ANSI
1 ½"	11.5	107.95	44.45	38.10	28.57	7	ANSI
2"	11.5	114.30	44.45	47.62	35.71	7	ANSI
2 ½"	8	139.70	65.09	57.15	42.85	8	ANSI
3"	8	152.40	66.68	66.67	49.98	8	ANSI
3 ½"	8	165.10	68.26	71.42	53.54	8	ANSI
4"	8	171.45	69.85	76.20	57.15	10	ANSI

^{*}Extra Long 6" NPT taps in the range : 1/8" to 3/4" are available in HSS & HSS - E.

^{*}Interrupted NPT Taps in the range : 1/4" to 1" are available in HSS & HSS-E.



^{*}NPT taps are available in low (15°) & Fast (35°) Spiral Flute in the range : 1/8" to 3/4" conforming to DIN Standard in HSS-E.



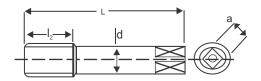
BSP / BSPT

BS 949

Type of Thread: ISO Inch BSP / BSPT Thread

Standard Tap - HSS

High Performance Tap - HSS - E



Size	TPI	L	I ₂	d	↓ a	No. of Flutes	No. of Lobes
1/8"	28	53.97	7.93	8.07	6.04	4	4
1/4"	19	61.91	11.11	10.89	8.17	4	6
3/8"	19	65.09	12.70	13.77	10.31	4	6
1/2"	14	79.37	15.87	17.45	13.08	4	8
5/8"	14	80.96	17.46	20.32	15.24	4	8
3/4"	14	82.55	17.46	23.01	17.24	4	8
1"	11	95.25	20.60	28.57	21.40	4	8
1 1/4"	11	101.60	23.80	33.32	24.99	6	-
1 ½"	11	107.95	25.40	38.10	28.57	6	-
2"	11	114.30	28.57	47.62	35.70	6	-

^{*}Extra Long 6" BSP taps in the range : 1/16" to 3/4" are available in HSS.

*BSPT taps with special geometry for cast iron and marked as "CI" are available in the range : 1.8" to 3/4" conforming to BS-949 standard in HSS-E.



^{*}BSP taps are available in low (15°) & Fast (35°) Spiral Flute in the range : 1/8" to 3/4" conforming to ISO & BS-949 standard in HSS-E.

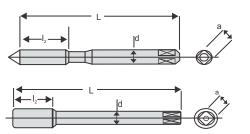
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HELICOIL STI TAF

ISO 2

Type of Thread : ISO 2 STI Thread. Standard Tap - HSS High Performance Tap - HSS - E



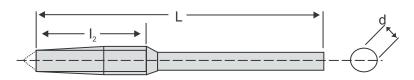
Size	TPI	L	l ₂	d	↓ a	No. of Flutes	No. of Lobes
M 2	0.40	44.5	9.5	2.8	2.24	3	4
M 2.5	0.45	48.0	11.0	3.15	2.50	3	4
M 3	0.50	53.0	13.0	4.0	3.15	3	4
M 3.5	0.60	53.0	13.0	4.5	3.55	3	4
M 4	0.70	58.0	16.0	5.0	4.00	3	4
M 5	0.80	66.0	19.0	6.3	5.00	3	4
M 6	1.00	72.0	22.0	8.0	6.30	3	4
M 7	1.00	72.0	22.0	9.0	7.10	3	5
M 8	1.25	80.0	24.0	10.0	8.00	3	5
M 8	1.00	80.0	24.0	10.0	8.00	3	5
M 9	1.25	85.0	25.0	8.0	6.30	3	5
M 10	1.50	89.0	29.0	9.0	7.10	3	5
M 10	1.25	85.0	25.0	8.0	6.30	3	5
M 10	1.00	85.0	25.0	8.0	6.30	3	5
M 11	1.50	89.0	29.0	9.0	7.10	3	6
M 12	1.75	95.0	30.0	11.2	9.00	3	6
M 12	1.50	95.0	30.0	11.2	9.00	3	6
M 12	1.25	95.0	30.0	11.2	9.00	3	6
M 12	1.00	95.0	30.0	11.2	9.00	3	6
M 14	2.00	102.0	32.0	12.5	10.00	4	6
M 14	1.50	102.0	32.0	12.5	10.00	4	6
M 14	1.25	102.0	32.0	12.5	10.00	4	6
M 14	1.00	102.0	32.0	12.5	10.00	4	6
M 16	2.00	112.0	37.0	14.0	11.20	4	8
M 16	1.50	104.0	29.0	14.0	11.20	4	8
M 18	2.50	118.0	38.0	16.0	12.50	4	8
M 18	2.00	104.0	29.0	14.0	11.20	4	8
M 18	1.50	104.0	29.0	14.0	11.20	4	8
M 20	2.50	118.0	38.0	16.0	12.50	4	8
M 20	2.00	113.0	33.0	16.0	12.50	4	8
M 20	1.50	113.0	33.0	16.0	12.50	4	8
M 22	2.50	130.0	45.0	18.0	14.00	4	8
M 22	2.00	120.0	35.0	18.0	14.00	4	8
M 22	1.50	120.0	35.0	18.0	14.00	4	8
M 24	3.00	138.0	48.0	20.0	16.00	4	8
M 24	2.00	127.0	37.0	20.0	16.00	4	8
M 24	1.50	120.0	35.0	18.0	14.00	4	8



^{*}Helicoil STI taps are available as Hand tap in the range : M2 to M24 in HSS & HSS-E. *Helicoil STI taps are available as Fluteless tap in the range : M3 to M16 in HSS-E.







High Performance Tap - HSS-E

Size	Pitch	L	L_2	d	No. of Flutes
МЗ	0.50	60	13	2.30	3
M4	0.70	60 - 65	18	3.00	3
M5	0.80	65- 70	20	3.80	3
M6	1.00	70 - 75	25	4.50	3
M7	1.00	70 - 75	25	5.50	3 - 5
M8	1.00	77	25	6.40	3 - 5
M8	1.25	77 - 90	32	6.05	3 - 5
M10	1.00	90 - 95	25	8.40	3 - 5
M10	1.25	90 - 95	32	8.10	3 - 5
M10	1.50	90 - 95	38	7.80	3 - 5
M12	1.25	102	32	10.10	3 - 5
M12	1.50	102	38	9.80	3 - 5
M12	1.75	102	44	9.50	3 - 5
M14	1.00	114	25	12.30	3 - 5
M14	1.50	114	38	11.80	3 - 5
M14	2.00	114	50	11.20	3 - 5
M16	1.00	127	25	14.30	3 - 5
M16	1.50	127	38	13.80	3 - 5
M16	2.00	127	50	13.10	3 - 5

Thread Forms: Metric Coarse, Metric Fine, UNC, UNF are standard. Other thread forms like BSW, BSF, BSP etc.

are against special orders.

Range : Metric sizes from 3 mm to 25 mm

Fractional sizes from 1/8" to 1"







TECHNICAL INFORMATION & GUIDELINES



NOMENCLATURE OF THREAD SYMBOLS

S.N	THREAD SYMBOLS	KIND OF THREADS
1	MC	METRIC SCREW THREADS, COARSE SERIES
2	MF	METRIC SCREW THREADS, FINE SERIES
3	UNC	UNIFIED THREAD, COARSE SERIES
4	UNF	UNIFIED THREADS, FINE SERIES
5	BSW	BRITISH STANDARDS WITHWORTH COARSE THREADS
6	BSF	BRITISH STANDARD FINE THREADS
7	BSP	BRITISH STANDARD PIPE PARALLEL THREADS
8	BSPT	BRITISH STANDARD PIPE TAPER THREADS
9	NPT	AMERICAN STANDARD TAPER PIPE THREADS FOR GENERAL USE
10	NPTF	DRYSEAL AMERICAN STANDARD TAPER PIPE THREADS
11	NPS	AMERICAN STANDARD STRAIGHTT PIPE THREADS
12	NPSF	DRYSEAL AMERICAN STANDARD FUEL INTERNAL STRAIGHT PIPE THREADS



STEEL FOR TAPS

The steel extensively used for production of taps is HSS-M2. For high performance taps, the steel normally used is M35 which is marked HSS-E. For critical application, Emkay Tools is also using powder metallurgical grades (ASP-2030 & ASP 2052) and the taps made from these grades are marked PM. The above steel used by Emkay Tools in manufacture of thread cutting tools is procured from the best sources in the industry, carefully selected and subjected to rigorous metallurgical tests throughout heat treatment ensuring a continuously high standard product which satisfies performance demanded by automobile, aerospace and other engineering industries. The high speed steel generally used in the manufacture of Emkay Tools thread cutting tools are as follows.

Grades	Chemical Composition Analysis, %						Characteristics and Applications
	С	Cr	Мо	W	Со	٧	
M2	0.90	4.2	5.0	6.4	-	1.8	Grade for general applications.
M35	0.93	4.2	5.0	6.4	4.8	1.8	Grade for high performance taps.
ASP 2030	1.28	4.2	5.0	6.4	8.5	3.1	PM grade with high cobalt percentage for high performance taps.
ASP 2052	1.6	4.8	2.0	10.5	8.0	5.0	PM grade with high cobalt & high tungsten percentage for high performance taps.
M9V	1.2	4.2	8.5	3.5	-	2.7	Grade with high wear resistance for general applications.



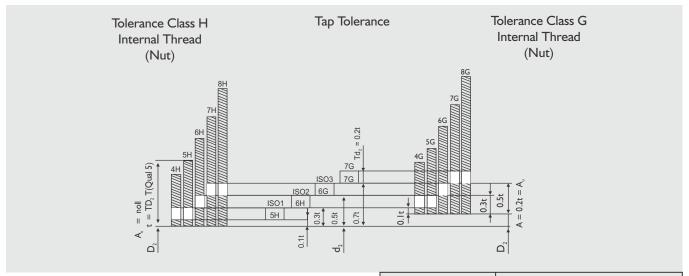
SURFACE COATING

Certain tap applications where additional surface treatment can add appreciably to the life of the tap even while operating at much higher parameters. Listed below are the surface treatments currently available with us:

Coating Composition	Micro Hardness (HV)	Coefficient Of Friction Against steel (Dry)	Maximum Working Temp. in °C	Coating Colour	Purpose	Primary Application
Titanium Nitride(TiN)	2300	0.4	600	Gold Yellow	To rest abrasion and chip welding. Versatile standard coating.	Unalloyed steel, steel < 1000 N/mm²
Titanium Carbonitride (TiCN)	3000	0.4	400	Blue Grey	High wear resistance. enhanced toughness and high hardness.	Unalloyed steel, steel < 1000 N/mm², steel > 1000 N/mm², steel 45 HRC, Aluminum cast alloys, nickel alloys, brass bronze
Multilayer Titanium Aluminum Nitride-TiALN (FUTURA NANO)	3300	0.3- 0.35	900	Violet Grey	High hot hadness and high oxidation resistance.	Cast iron, nickel alloys
DLC	2500	0.1-0.2	350	Black	Very good anti-adhesion properties, low-coefficient of friction and good wear resistance.	Aluminum wrought alloys, Aluminum cast alloys, copper, brass bronze
TiALN+WC/C	3000	0.15 - 0.20	800	Dark Grey	Properties of temperature resistance (TiALN) combined with sliding and lubrication properties (WC/C).	Steel < 1000 N/mm², steel < 1000 N/mm², steel 45 HRC, stainless steel, cast iron, brass, titanium, titanium alloys, bronze
ALCrN (ALCRONA PRO)	3200	0.35	1100	Bright Grey	Very high oxidation resistance and hot hardness.	Cast iron



TOLERANCES FOR SCREWING TAPS & CLASS OF FIT FOR ISO METRIC THREADS



CLASS OF FIT FOR AMERICAN THREADS

(UNC, UNF, NC, NF)

Screw threads are designated by the following classes of fits :-

- (a) IA, 2A and 3A for external threads (bolt).
- (b) IB, 2B and 3B for internal threads (nut).

Application:

Tolera	nce Cla	ss Tap						
ISO	DIN	ANSI BS	Tolerance Class Internal Thread					
ISOI	4H	3B	4H	5H				
ISO2	6H	2B	4G	5G	6H			
ISO3	6G	IB			6G	7H	8H	
-	7G	-				7G	8G	

<u>IA and IB</u>: Fit giving easy and quick assembly even when these threads are dirty or bruised. It is as good as free fit.

2A and 2B: Suited for the vast majority of commercial fasteners, general application etc. It is as good as medium fit.

3A and 3B: No allowance is provided for. This is used when requiring tolerance is closer than 2A and 2B. As good as close fit.

CLASS OF FIT FOR BRITISH THREADS

(BSW, BSF, BA)

Screw threads are designated by the following classes of fits:

Zone I

Zone 2

Zone 3

Zone 4

Application:

Zone 4: They are for the nut taps. This is freer than Zone 3.

Zone 3: For easier and quick assembly, it is a good as free fit.

Zone 2: - Suited for a vast majority of commercial fasteners,

general applications etc. It is as good as medium fit.

Zone I: No allowance is provided for. This is used when requiring

tolerance closer than Zone 2. As good as close fit.



DRILL SELECTION CHART

(FOR THREAD CUTTING AND THREAD FORMING TAP - Metric and Unified Threads)

ISO METRIC COARSE THREAD		IS	ISO METRIC FINE THREAD			U	NIFIED CO	DARSE TH	HREAD	UNIFIED FINE THREAD					
Тар	Pitch	Dril	l Size	Тар		Dril	Il Size	Тар		Dril	l Size	Тар		Drill	Size
Size (mm)	in mm	Thread cutting	Thread forming	Size (mm)	Pitch in mm	Thread cutting	Thread forming	Size (mm)	TPI	Thread cutting	Thread forming	Size (mm)	TPI	Thread cutting	Thread forming
MI.6	0.35	1.25	1.45	M3	0.35	2.65	2.85	No.2	56	1.80	1.97	No.2	64	1.90	2.00
MI.7	0.35	1.35	1.55	M3.5	0.35	3.20	3.30	No.3	48	2.10	2.26	No.3	56	2.10	2.30
MI.8	0.35	1.45	1.65	M4	0.50	3.50	3.80	No.4	40	2.35	2.55	No.4	48	2.40	2.60
M2	0.40	1.60	1.82	M5	0.50	4.50	4.80	No.5	40	2.65	2.87	No.5	44	2.70	2.90
M2.2	0.45	1.75	2.00	M6	0.50	5.50	5.80	No.6	32	2.85	3.15	No.6	40	2.95	3.20
M2.3	0.45	1.90	2.10	M7	0.75	6.30	6.70	No.8	32	3.50	3.80	No.8	36	3.50	3.85
M2.5	0.45	2.05	2.30	M8	0.50	7.50	7.80	No.10	24	3.90	4.30	No.10	32	4.10	4.45
M2.6	0.45	2.10	2.40	M8	1.00	7.00	7.55	No.12	24	4.50	5.00	No.12	28	4.70	5.05
M3	0.50	2.50	2.80	M9	1.00	8.00	8.55	1/4"	20	5.10	5.75	1/4"	28	5.50	5.90
M3.5	0.60	2.90	3.25	MIO	0.75	9.30	9.65	5/16"	18	6.60	7.25	5/16"	24	6.90	7.45
M4	0.70	3.30	3.70	MIO	1.00	9.00	9.55	3/8"	16	8.00	8.75	3/8"	24	8.50	9.00
M5	0.80	4.20	4.65	MI0	1.25	8.80	9.40	7/16"	14	9.40	10.20	7/16"	20	9.90	10.50
M6	1.00	5.00	5.55	MI2	1.00	11.00	11.55	1/2"	13	10.80	11.70	1/2"	20	11.50	12.10
M7	1.00	6.00	6.55	MI2	1.25	10.80	11.40	9/16"	12	12.20	13.30	9/16"	18	12.90	13.60
M8	1.25	6.80	7.40	MI2	1.50	10.50	11.30	5/8"	П	13.50	14.80	5/8"	18	14.50	15.20
M9	1.25	7.80	8.40	MI4	1.00	13.00	13.55	3/4"	10	16.50	18.00	3/4"	16	17.50	18.30
MI0	1.50	8.50	9.30	MI4	1.50	12.50	13.30	7/8"	9	19.50		7/8"	14	20.50	21.40
MI2	1.75	10.30	11.20	MI6	1.00	15.00	15.55	1"	8	22.50		1"	12	23.50	24.40
MI4	2.00	12.00	13.10	MI6	1.50	14.50	15.30	1.1/8"	7	25.00		1.1/8"	12	26.50	
MI6	2.00	14.00	15.10	MI8	1.00	17.00	17.55	1.1/4"	7	28.00		1.1/4"	12	29.50	
MI8	2.50	15.50	16.90	MI8	1.50	16.50	17.30	1.3/8"	6	30.50		1.3/8"	12	33.00	
M20	2.50	17.50	18.90	M20	1.50	18.50	19.30	1.1/2"	6	34.00		1.1/2"	12	36.00	
M22	2.50	19.50	20.89	M22	1.50	20.50	21.33								
M24	3.00	21.00	22.67	M24	1.00	23.00	23.55								
M27	3.00	24.00	25.67	M24	1.50	22.50	23.33								
M30	3.50	26.50	28.45	M25	1.00	24.00	24.55								
M33	3.50	29.50	31.45	M26	1.50	24.50	25.33								
M36	4.00	32.00	34.23	M27	1.50	25.50	26.33								
M39	4.00	35.00	37.23	M28	1.50	26.50	27.33								
M42	4.50	37.50	40.01	M30	1.50	28.50	29.33								
M45	4.50	40.50	43.01	M33	2.00	31.00	32.10								
				M35	1.50	33.50	34.33								
				M36	3.00	33.00	34.67								

Note :- Drill sizes are in mm. For other sizes not in above table, calculate as per given formula (In Metric System)

I) Drill Size for Cutting Tap = Tap Size - Pitch

²⁾ Drill Size for Fluteless Tap = Basic Tap OD - $(0.0068 \times 65 \times Pitch)$ in mm.



DRILL SELECTION CHART

(For Withworth and Pipe Threads)

BSW THREAD						
Tap Size	TPI	Drill Size Thread cutting				
1/16"	60	1.20				
3/32"	48	1.90				
1/8"	40	2.50				
5/32"	32	3.20				
3/16"	24	3.60				
7/32"	24	4.50				
1/4"	20	5.10				
9/32"	20	5.80				
5/16"	18	6.50				
3/8"	16	7.90				
7/16"	14	9.30				
1/2"	12	10.50				
9/16"	12	12.10				
5/8"	Ш	13.50				
11/16"	П	15.10				
3/4"	10	16.25				
7/8"	9	19.25				
15/16"	9	20.60				
I"	8	22.00				
1.1/8"	7	24.75				
1.1/4"	7	28.00				
1.3/8"	6	30.10				
1.1/2"	6	33.50				
1.5/8"	5	35.70				
I 3/4"	5	39.00				

BSF THREAD							
Tap Size	TPI	Drill Size Thread cutting					
3/16"	32	4					
7/32"	28	4.6					
1/4"	26	5.3					
9/32"	26	6					
5/16"	22	6.8					
3/8"	20	8.3					
7/16"	18	9.7					
1/2"	16	11.1					
9/16"	16	12.7					
5/8"	14	14					
11/16"	14	15.5					
3/4"	12	16.75					
7/8"	П	19.75					
15/16"	Ш	21.5					
Ι"	10	22.75					
1.1/8"	9	25.5					
1.1/4"	9	28.5					
1.3/8"	8	31.5					
1.1/2"	8	34.5					
1.5/8"	8	37.7					

	BSP T	HREAD	
Tap Size	TPI	Dril Thread cutting	Thread forming
1/8"	28	8.80	9.30
1/4"	19	11.80	12.50
3/8"	19	15.25	16.00
1/2"	14	19.00	20.10
5/8"	14	21.00	22.10
3/4"	14	24.50	25.50
7/8"	14	28.00	29.20
Ι"	П	30.50	32.10
1.1/4"	П	39.50	
1.1/2"	П	45.00	
1.3/4"	П	51.00	
2"	П	57.00	
2.1/4"	П	63.00	
2.1/2"	П	72.50	
2.3/4"	П	79.00	
3"	П	85.50	

BSPT THREAD							
Tap Size	TPI	Drill Size Thread cutting					
1/8"	28	8.40					
1/4"	19	11.20					
3/8"	19	14.75					
1/2"	14	18.25					
5/8"	14	20.25					
3/4"	14	23.75					
7/8"	14	27.50					
Ι"	Ш	30.00					
1.1/8"	П	34.50					
1.1/4"	П	38.50					
1.3/8"	П	41.00					
1.1/2"	П	44.50					
1.3/4"	Ш	50.00					
2"	П	56.00					
2.1/4"	П	62.00					
2.1/2"	П	71.50					
2.3/4"	П	78.00					
3"	П	84.00					

NPT / NPTF THREAD						
Тар		Drill Size				
Size	TPI	NPT	NPTF			
1.1/6"	27	6.30	6.20			
1/8"	27	8.50	8.40			
1/4"	18	11.00	10.90			
3/8"	18	14.50	14.25			
1/2"	14	18.00	17.75			
3/4"	14	23.00	23.00			
I"	11.1/2	29.00	29.00			
1.1/4"	11.1/2	38.00	37.75			
1.1/2"	11.1/2	44.00	43.75			
2"	11.1/2	56.00	55.75			
2.1/2"	8	67.00	66.50			
3"	8	83.00	82.50			

NPS / NPSF THREAD							
Тар		Drill Size					
Size	TPI	NPS	NPSF				
1/8"	27	9.10	8.70				
1/4"	18	12.00	11.30				
3/8"	18	15.50	14.75				
1/2"	14	19.00	18.25				
3/4"	14	24.50	23.50				
I"	11.1/2	30.50	29.50				
1.1/4"	11.1/2	39.50					
1.1/2"	11.1/2	45.50					
2"	11.1/2	57.50					
2.1/2"	8	69.00					
3"	8	85.00					

Note:- Drill sizes are in mm.



CUTTING SPEED

FORMULA

 $\frac{1000 \times \text{cutting speed (M/min)}}{3.14 \times \text{major dia}}$ Rpm = Rpm =

96.98 x cutting speed (F/min) major dia.

Conversion table from M/min to RPM

110 150	360.9 492.1			35000 47727	23333 31818	17500 23864	14000 19091	11667 15909	11006 15009	10000	8750 11932	90901 8222	7353 10027	7000 9545	5833 7955	5512 7516	5000 6818	4408 6011	4375 5966	3889 5303	3673 5008	3500 4773	3182 4339	
1 001	328.1 36			31818 350	21212 233	15909 175	12727	90901	90001	1606	7955 87	7071 77	6684 73	6364 70	5303 58	5011 55	4545 50	4007 44	3977 43	3535 38	3339 36	3182 35	2893 31	
06	295.3			28636 3	19091 2	14318	11455	9545	9005	8182	7159	6364	9109	5727	4773	4510	4091	3607	3580	3182	3005	2864	2603	
80	262.5			25455	02691	12727	10182	8485	8005	7273	6364	5657	5348	1605	4242	4009	3636	3206	3182	2828	2671	2545	2314	
70	229.7			22273	14848	11136	8909	7424	7004	6364	5568	4949	4679	4455	3712	3508	3182	2805	2784	2475	2337	2227	2025	
09	196.9		G SPEED	16061	12727	9545	7636	6364	6003	5455	4773	4242	4011	3818	3182	3006	2727	2404	2386	2121	2003	6061	1736	
20	164.0		PERIPHERAL CUTTING SPEED	15909	10606	7955	6364	5303	5003	4545	3977	3535	3342	3182	2652	2505	2273	2004	1989	1768	6991	1591	1446	
40	131.2		HERAL	12727	8485	6364	1605	4242	4002	3636	3182	2828	2674	2545	2121	2004	1818	1603	1591	1414	1336	1273	1157	
30	98.4		PERIP	9545	6364	4773	3818	3182	3002	2727	2386	2121	2005	1909	1591	1503	1364	1202	1193	1901	1002	955	898	
25	82.0			4 7955	5303	3977	3182	1 2652	1 2501	3 2273	1989	1768	1/91 /	1591	1326	1253) 1136	1002	5 994	7 884	3 835	5 795	9 723	
20	65.6			6364	4242	3182	2545	2121	2001	1818	1651	141	1337	1273	1901	1002	606	801	795	707	899	, 636	1 579	
15	49.2			4773	3182	2386	6061	1591	1501	1364	1193	1901	1003	955	795	752	682	109	597	530	201	477	434	
01	32.8			3182	2121	1591	1273	1901	1001	606	795	707	899	636	530	501	455	401	398	354	334	318	289	
80	26.2			2545	1691	1273	1018	848	800	727	636	266	535	509	424	401	364	321	318	283	267	255	231	
70	16.4			1591	1901	795	636	530	200	455	398	354	334	318	265	251	227	200	661	177	167	159	145	
L		eter	Inches						8/1				3/16			1/4		5/16			3/8			
Meters/Min	Feet/Min	Tool Diameter	E E	1.00	1.50	2.00	2.50	3.00	3.18	3.50	4.00	4.50	4.76	5.00	9.00	6.35	7.00	7.94	8.00	9.00	9.53	10.00	11.00	

CUTTING SPEED Cont.

Conversion table from M/min to RPM

150	492.1			3977	3758	3671	3409	3340	3182	3006	2983	2807	2734	2652	2505	2386	2169	2148	1989	6061	1879	1768	1591	1491	1404	1326	1256	1193	1901	955
011	360.9			2917	2756	2692	2500	2449	2333	2204	2188	2059	2005	1944	1837	1750	1591	1575	1458	1400	1378	1296	1167	1094	1029	972	921	875	778	700
001	328.1			2652	2505	2448	2273	2227	2121	2004	1989	1872	1822	1768	1670	1691	1446	1432	1326	1273	1253	1178	1901	994	936	884	837	795	707	636
06	295.3			2386	2255	2203	2045	2004	6061	1803	1790	1684	1640	1591	1503	1432	1302	1289	1193	1145	1127	1901	955	895	842	795	754	716	636	573
80	262.5			2121	2004	1958	1818	1781	1691	1603	1591	1497	1458	1414	1336	1273	1157	1146	1901	8101	1002	943	848	795	749	707	670	989	999	509
70	229.7			1856	1754	1713	1591	1559	1485	1403	1392	1310	1276	1237	6911	4111	1012	1002	928	168	877	825	742	969	655	619	286	557	495	445
09	6.961	L L	y EEU	1651	1503	1469	1364	1336	1273	1202	1193	1123	1093	1901	1002	955	898	859	795	764	752	707	989	297	562	530	502	477	424	382
50	164.0		PERIPHERAL COLLING SPEED	1326	1253	1224	1136	1113	1901	1002	994	936	116	884	835	795	723	716	663	636	979	589	530	497	468	442	419	398	354	318
40	131.2	(:KAL CO	1901	1002	626	606	168	848	108	795	749	729	707	899	636	579	573	530	509	105	471	424	398	374	354	335	318	283	255
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25	82.0			663	626	612	268	557	530	501	497	468	456	442	418	398	362	358	331	318	313	295	265	249	234	221	500	661	177	159
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Meters/Min	Feet/Min	Tool Diameter	mm	12.00	12.70	13.00	14.00	14.29	15.00	15.88	16.00	17.00	17.46	18.00	19.05	20.00	22.00	22.22	24.00	25.00	25.40	27.00	30.00	32.00	34.00	36.00	38.00	40.00	45.00	50.00



LUBRICANTS FOR TAPPING

Effect of lubricants on the Cutting Process:-

Heat is generated as a result of the machining operation done in cutting metals. This heat reduces the hardness of the cutting tools. By means of cutting fluids, the impact of the heat thus generated during machining is reduced and the friction between the tool and chips produced in the workpiece is also reduced.

The advantages of using the correct cutting fluid area:

- 1. Longer tool life.
- 2. Greater Production.
- 3. Better size control.
- 4. Smoother and more accurate finish.
- 5. Avoids frequent resharpening of tap.
- 6. More efficient removal of chips.

The best cutting fluid is the one that possesses good lubricating properties in addition to its cooling properties.

Unfortunately, many tap users do not appreciate the important role played by fluids in the tapping operations. The users of tap can take advantage of the services and the recommendations offered by our Application Engineers.

General Suggestions Concerning Do's & Don'ts For Tapping

I. For better thread tolerance control, finish & maximize tap performance:-

- a) The spindle of the tapping machines and the tapping head should be free from run out and play. A simple check should ensure that the spindle is running true.
- b) It is common practice to use a FLOATING HOLDER, which allows the tap to align itself with the drilled hole.
- c) Never tap through a BUSHING because the crest of the tap might get damaged due to contact with the bushing.
- d) Countersinking the hole prior to tapping will facilitate easy entry of the tap, especially in the case of bottoming tap. Countersinking is also helpful when tapping with a fluteless tap.
- e) Care should be taken during reversal of the tap as most of the time, the problem occurs during tap reversal. To some extent the problem can be sorted out by adjusting the feed control and speed while reversing. The tap should not come out with a jerk, this may damage the threads or may affect its finish.
- f) Tapping Holders: Many tapping problems can be eliminated by going for a good reversible tapping attachment which should have features like Torque Control, Self Feed, Auto reverse, Axial Cushioning effect, Radial Float and it should be light in weight.

2. While tapping in punched holes in sheet metals, it often causes bending or loading and the tap may break. When the hole is punched, the metal is flayed out and this will affect while the tap is being reversed.

3. Check list when using Roll Forming Taps:-

- a) Proper selection of the correct drill size for pre-tapped holes.
- b) Countersink or chamfer the hole to avoid the possible deposit of displaced burs at the mouth of the holes.
- c) Use a cutting oil (sulpurized or chlorinated) instead of a coolant.
- d) Coolant concentration in range of 7-9 % (Emulsion Oil) gives better thread finish, closer tolerance threads along with increased tap life.
- e) Surface coated taps are advisable for best result and higher productivity.
- f) For tapping speed, please get our advice depending upon your application.
- g) Torque requirement for Roll Forming Tap is higher than those for Thread Cutting Taps and hence suitable machines should be selected.
- h) While using multi-spindle tapping machine, please check if enough torque is available.
- i) For short blind holes, caution must be exercised so that the tap does not hit the bottom which can result in breakage of tap or chipping-off of threads.

4. Before tapping check the following:-

- a) Check the alignment of the drilled hole and tap.
- b) Check the coolant nozzle positioning in reference to location of drilled hole in the components where tapping is to be done while machine tapping.
- c) Use of correct coolant oil as per material of component to be tapped. In case of machine tapping ensure ample quantity of coolant with right pressure is available for wet tapping. Please get our advice depending upon your application.
- d) Check whether the tap selected is suitable for the required application. Please get our advice depending upon your application.
- e) Proper clamping of component.
- f) Check size of drilled hole. Refer to our Drill Selection Chart for guidance.
- g) Selection of Proper feed & speed as per material for machine tapping. Please get our advice depending upon your application.
- h) Proper countersink / chamfer is provided in the drilled hole which needs to be tapped.
- i) Ensure tap is secured properly & firmly without any run-out.
- j) Ensure spindle is free from run out in the machine used for tapping.
- k) Tap holding device is secured properly with no play.







Problem	Possible Cause	Solution					
	Incorrect tap or tap geometry	Use correct tap for the material to be machined. Use our selection chart. Use taps with longer chamfer. Check tap and guage tolerances.					
	Chip packing	Use spiral point or spiral fluted taps. Reduce number of lutes to provide extra chip room. Use large hole size. If tapping a blind hole, allow a deeper hole where applicable or shorten the thread length required in the tapped hole of the component. Use a proper lubricant.					
	Pretapping hole size is too small	Use our Drill Chart for cutting or fluteless taps as the case may be.					
Oversize thread produced	Cold welding at the flank of the tap	Use new tap. Use coated tap. Optimize lubrication. Reduce tapping speed.					
	Lead of tap or Rake angle of tap not correct	Regrind tap to correct geometry.					
	Cutting speed too high	Reduce cutting speed.					
	Lubrication or coolant supply insufficient	Ensure sufficient, suitable coolant supply and proper concentration of coolant.					
	Operating conditions	Apply proper tapping speed. Correct the alignment of tap and drill hole. Avoid free cutting of either the tap or work piece. Use proper tapping machine with suitable power.					
	Pretapping hole size is too small	Use our Drill Chart for cutting or fluteless taps as the case may be.					
	Chamfer overloaded.	Increase number of threads of chamfer lead.					
	Tap hits bottom of tapping size hole.	Check the hole depth, apply tension / compression tap chuck.					
	Work hardening material	Use coated tap.					
	Lack of or incorrect countersink on the mouth of the hole	Provide proper countersink.					
Tap breakage	Wrong alignment of tap with hole	Check the alignment of tap & drill hole.					
	Lack of lubricant or use of wrong type	Improve the lubricant supply and use a right type.					
	Incorrect tap, tap geometry not suitable for the application	Use the selection chart.					
	Excessive tapping torque	Use a bigger drill size. Try to shorten thread length. Increase cutting angle. Apply a tap with more thread relief and reduced land width. Use spiral pointed or spiral fluted taps as the case may be.					
	Tool condition	Do not leave section on the reground flutes where tapping wear still remains. Regrind tool more frequently.					







Problem	Possible Cause	Solution					
	Tolerance on tap does not correspond to gauge tolerance	Use correct tap for required tolerance.					
Undersize	Incorrect tap	Use correct tap for the material to be machined. Use oversize taps for cutting materials such as copper alloy. aluminium alloys and cast iron. Use oversized taps for cutting tubings which have "Spring Back" action after tapping.					
thread	Tap does not cut accurately	Avoid axial forces during the cutting process.					
	Machine spindle is axially too rigid	Use tension / compression chuck.					
	Left over chips	Increase cutting performance to avoid any left over chips in the hole. Remove the left over chips from the hole for gauge checking.					
	Hole size	Use minimum hole size.					
Oversized internal diameter	Galling	Avoid tapered hole by the use of proper chamfered taps. Check core sharpness of taps. Use coated taps. Use proper cutting lubricants. Ensure proper cutting angles in accordance with the material being. apped.					
	Spiral - fluted taps, if applied with too much pressure for initial tapping	spiral tap requires only light pressure for initial tapping. The tap should be applied within the tension/compression range.					
Thread axially miscut	Spiral pointed taps if applied with too low pressure	Taps with spiral point or left hand spiral require higher axial pressure. Ensure tap operates within the tension compression range.					
	Incorrect rake angle (usually too small)	Re-sharpen the angle.					
	Pretapping hole size is too small	Use our drill chart for cutting or fluteless taps as the case may be.					
	Chips clogging between the flutes	Use a tap with lesser number of flutes.					
	Broken threads on taps	Use a new tap.					
Torn thread or rough	Improper re-sharpening of taps	Re-sharpen the tap or use a new tap.					
in tapped components	Lack of lubricant, or use of wrong type	Use right lubricant with sufficient supply.					
	Chamfer too short	Increase chamfer length.					
	Galling	Use thread relieved taps. Reduced land width. Use surface treated taps. Use proper cutting lubricant. Reduced tapping speed. Obtain proper alignment between tap and work piece.					
Chinaire	Incorrect tap selection	Use a different kind of high speed steel tap. Increase chamfer leng Use spiral flute or spiral point taps as per application					
Chipping	Operating conditions	Apply proper tapping speed. Apply proper lubricant. Use larger drill hole.					







Problem	Possible Cause	Solution					
	Excessive land width	Use correct tap.					
	Lack of lubricant, or use of wrong type	Use proper lubricant with sufficient quantity.					
Overheating	Dull tap	Use new tap or re-sharpen the tap.					
of tap	Excessive flank contact, pitch diameter relief required	Use correct tap					
	Excessive tapping speed	Apply the proper tapping speed					
	Cutting edge geometry not suitable for the application	Use correct tap for the material to be machined.					
	Cutting speed too high	Reduce cutting speed.					
	Insufficient coolant (concentration and supply)	Ensure right type of coolant with required concentration in ample quantity is provided while tapping.					
	Chip congestion	Use suitable tap type.					
Thread surface finish not good	Pretapping hole size is too small	Use our Drill Chart for cutting or fluteless taps as the case may be.					
	Built-up edge	Apply coated taps.					
	Cold welding	Improve coolant supply and increase concentration of coolant if soluble coolant is used.					
	Tap cutting too tightly	Increase rake angle.					
	Tap galling	Face angle on back of land should be increased.					
on reversal	Chip wedged between flutes	Use tap with lesser number of flutes Increase flow of lubricants Use correct tap as per application					
	Pretapping hole size is too small	Use our Drill Chart for cutting or fluteless tap as the case may be					
Tap sticking	Tap lands too wide	Use correct tap.					
or binding	Incorrect cutting face angle	Use correct geometry tap.					
	Lack of lubricant or use of wrong type	Use proper lubricant with sufficient quantity.					
Cutting face breakdown	Incorrect cutting face angle	Use correct geometry as per application					
	Surface hardening of pretapped hole	Check drill for wear					
	Incorrect tap selection	Use specially designed taps for tapping for heat treated materials. Change to a type of high speed steel tap containing vanadium. Use coated taps. Increase chamfer length.					
Tap Life Insufficient	Operating conditions	Reduce tapping speed. Use proper cutting lubricants. Use larger hole size					
	Tools condition	Grind proper cutting angle. Avoid hardness reduction from grinding process.					
	Chip congestion	Use correct tap.					



GUIDE TO THREAD FORMING TAP



(A different way to producing internal threads)

Also known as "Cold Forming Tap" or "Roll Forming Tap". Thread forming tap produces internal threads by an action similar to thread rolling, a novel method of threads by displacement of material rather than by chip removal. These taps have neither flutes nor cutting edges and they are just like a screw. In the end view and cross section, the major and minor diameters follow a contour. The fluteless taps are "screwed" in the pre-drilled work piece with proper feed rate and the thread profile is gradually press formed (please refer to figure).

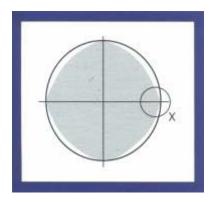






Fig. I

Fig. 2

Fig. 3

It is a chipless technology and any material having ductility co-efficient of 10% or less (tensile strength less than 1000 N/mn^2) can be machined perfectly.

A) ADVANCED OVER CONVENTIONAL THREAD CUTTING TAPS:

- 1. No chips are produces since threads are produced by cold forming process and hence the chance of tap breakage is minimized. (Chip entrapment/clogging has been identified as the major cause for tap breakage and poor quality of threads).
- 2. Easier blind hole tapping because there are no chips to clog or jam at the bottom of the hole, which consequently eliminate tap breakage.
- 3. Strong threads because the grain fibers are not cut but a thread is formed by displacement of material (Refer Fig, 2). The pull test or torque tension tests demonstrate that the threads produced by roll form taps are stronger (by an average of 35\$ more than threads produced by thread cutting taps.)
- 4. Better control of tapped hole size (thread cutting taps may cut over size holes due to excessive downward pressure).
- 5. Better surface finish and absolute accuracy of the thread is guaranteed because of the cold forming.
- 6. No threads pitch errors. Thread cutting taps may cause tearing of threads, which may cause a pitch error while reversing.
- 7. Faster tapping speed and increased productivity (Tapping speed can be more than those recommended for cutting taps).
- 8. Increased tool life due to strong core area.
- 9. Consistency in tapped hole sizes from the first to the last due to continuous forming action and accurate lead.
- 10. Plating failures are reduced because there is no chip to stick at the bottom of blind holes or on the threads.
- 11. The tap has greater rigidity and better strength (Core portion) because there are no flutes and there is less risk of breakage, especially in small sizes resulting in reduction in cost per tapped hole and increased production.
- Application in wide range of materials like aluminium, steel, stainless steel, copper (soft), brass (long chipping), magnesium, zinc alloys etc.

B) EQUIPMENT:

Conventional tapping equipment can be used. Roll forming taps work very well in NC and CNC machines, drill machines, lathes, lead screw tapping equipment and on many standard tapping heads.

C) OIL GROOVES:

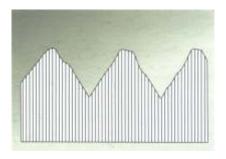
For tapping depths more than two times the tap diameter, roll taps with oil grooves are recommended. These grooves provide a passage for the lubricant and also for the escape of air and oil to avoid a piston effect in blind holes.

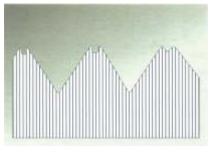
D) HOLESIZE:

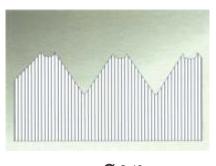
The pretapping hole size required for forming the taps is larger in conventional tapping. Accurate pretapping hole is desirable while tapping with fluteless taps. This size depends on the forming property of the material, desired depth of the thread, stripping strength requirement etc. For the conventional thread cutting tap, the hole size is identical to minor dia of the tapped internal thread. But in case of fluteless tap, the hole size is calculated as per following formula:

 $HOLE SIZE = BASIC TAP OD - (0.0068 \times 65 \times Pitch) in mm.$

The general formula for determining the hole size has been given above but if necessary, fine tuning may be required after performing some actual trials etc., We are giving below profiles of threads formed by M10 \times 1.5 fluteless taps with different hole size.







Ø 9.10

Ø 9.20

Ø 9.40

E) TORQUE:

The torque requirements for forming taps are more than those for cutting taps. The actual torque experienced will vary with the materials to be formed and some experiments may be required, if torque is a limiting factor.

F) THREAD FORMS:

Metric Coarse, Metric Fine, UNC, UNF are in our standard manufacturing range. Other thread forms like BSW, BSF, BSP etc. are against orders.

G) RANGE:

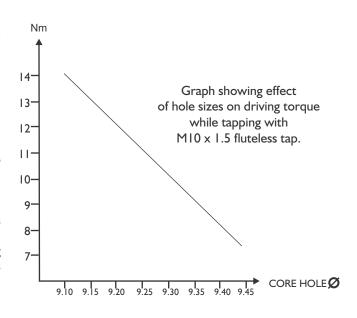
 $1.6 \, \text{mm}$ to $24 \, \text{mm}$ in Metric sizes and 1/8" to 1" in fractional sizes.

H) COATINGS:

Surface coatings like TiN, TiCN, TiALN etc. are available to improve the tools life and suit different work material applications.

I) LUBRICATION:

Proper lubrication is very important in thread forming with flueless taps. Lubrication prevents material from building up on the high points of the thread flanks and ensures that the torque during thread forming process does not increase. Therefore, continuous flow of lubricant is necessary. Oils having presence of graphite such as those used in rolling processes should be preferred.



I) CHECKLIST WHEN USING ROLL FORM TAPS:

- 1. Proper selection of correct drill size for pretapped holes.
- 2. Countersink or chamfer the hole to avoid possible deposit of displaced burs at the mouth of the holes.
- 3. Use a cutting oil (sulphurized or chlorinated) than a coolant.
- 4. Surface coating of taps is advisable for best result and higher productivity.
- 5. Tapping speed Please get our advice, depending upon your application.
- 6. Torque requirement for roll form tap is higher than those for thread cutting taps and hence suitable machines should be selected.
- 7. While using multi-spindle tapping machines, please check if enough torque is available.
- 8. For short blind holes, caution has to be exercised that the tap does not hit at the bottom and break or chips off.



TYPES OF TAP

HAND TAPS

These are straight flute general purpose tools which can be used for both machine or hand tapping. They are generally the most economical tool for use on production runs, but are best on materials that produce chips or where the swarf breaks readily. Where deep holes are to be tapped, in materials which produce stringly swarf, other types of taps may be needed, especially for coarse threads.

Hand taps can be supplied in sets of three; bottom, second and taper leads, or individually.

BOTTOM TAPS: have chamfer (lead) of 1-2 threads, the angle of the lead being around 18 degrees per side. They are used to produce threads close to the bottom of blind holes.

SECOND TAPS: have a lead of 3-5 threads at 8 degrees per side. They are the most popular and can be used for through holes, or blind holes where the thread does not need to go right to the bottom.

TAPER TAPS: have a lead of 7-10 threads at 5 degrees per side. The taper lead distributes the cutting force over a large area, and the taper shape helps the thread to start. They can therefore be used to start a thread prior to use of second or bottom leads, or for through holes.

IMPORTANT NOTE ON TERMINOLOGY: In the U.K. bottom taps are often referred to as 'plugs'. In North America second taps are often referred to as 'plugs;! This can easily lead to confusion. To avoid problems when ordering it is best to use the terms bottom, second and taper.

Another variation is that second taps are sometimes referred to as 'intermediate'. and taper taps can be called 'firsts.'

MACHINE TAPS

Machine taps are so called because they are designed to be run at higher speeds, and need less cutting power than hand taps.

SPIRAL POINT: Also known as 'gun nose' or 'bull nose' or chipdriver. These taps are dimensionally the same as a hand tap, second, but have the cutting face ground back relative to the axis of the tap for the lead portion. This gives the flute a better cutting action, requiring less power, and pushes the cut material forward, allowing free flow of coolant along the flutes to the cutting edge. The flutes are not ground as deeply as for hand taps, giving the tap greater strength. It can therefore be run at higher speeds.

Spiral point taps are ideal for machine tapping of through holes or hand holes where there is enough clearance beyond the threaded portion to accommodate the swarf.

SPIRAL FLUTE: These taps are used to produce a thread close to the bottom of a blind hole and therefore have a very short lead. The right hand spiral cut of the flutes acts to force the swarf away from the cutting teeth to the rear of the flutes and out of the hole. They are better on materials which form long continues stringy swarf, rather than chips. They are also better to tap a thread in a hole where there is a break in the material, e.g. another hole, as the spiral fluting helps the tap to pick up on the other side.

Spiral flute taps can have slow or fast helix angles. Slow spirals are used for non ferrous materials and fast spirals for most other materials. We supply fast spiral as standard.

FLUTELESS: Otherwise known as 'Roll', 'Forming' or Polygon taps. Used for the chipless production of threads in ductile materials such as copper, aluminium or soft brass. As the name implies they do not have flutes but lobes, which contact the work piece to form the thread by extrusion. They are operated at high speeds and are better at maintaining size. As long as all of the correct operating criteria are met, i.e. speed, hole size and lubrication, they have a longer life and less breakages than with other types of machine taps. Because they produce no chips they are very suitable for blind hole tapping

Fluteless taps require different drill sizes and higher operating speeds than conventional taps, see later. They also produce stronger threads.



LONG SHANK TAPS

MACHINE NUT (BS 949): These taps were designed for tapping nuts on machines and have a long thread, shank and square length. The shank diameter is reduced below the thread minor diameter to enable the tap to run through the work piece. This was originally to allow nuts to collect on the shank. For nut production, taper leads were used to distribute the cutting action, but these taps are now generally used as long reach and are supplied also in bottom and second leads.

DIN 376 and **374**: These are European standard taps that are dimensionally different to the standard ISO 529 UK types. They are generally longer and have reduced shanks as do Nut Taps.

Basically DIN 376 are for standard course threads and DIN 374 for fine threads. A third type DIN 371 is available. These have bigger shanks, so are not really classed as long reach. All of these taps are available in the same types as ISO 529, see previous pages.

DIN 376 STRAIGHT FLUTE

DIN 376 SPIRAL POINT (nitrided)

DIN 376 SPIRAL FLUTE

PIPE TAPS

We supply BSP, BSPT and ANP taps to BS 949.

OTHER TYPES

There are many other types of tap available, such as interrupted thread, series, tandem etc, but these are normally for special applications. We would advise you on enquiry should you require anything other than the standard forms listed here. We do stock some taps other than normal standards, as you can see below:-

TRAPEZODIAL TAP

SURFACE COATINGS

While selecting the correct type of tap for a job, the material to be tapped should also be considered. This may determine the surface coating that should be applied to the tap in order to extend its life.

Most taps are supplied with no surface treatment. They are referred to as 'Bright Finish'. These taps are mainly for use on non-ferrous materials or steels that do not cold weld. Bright finish taps are therefore suitable for all hand operations, where speeds are too low for cold welding to occur and for most machine operations.

STEAM TEMPERING & NITRIDING

Nitriding hardens the tap's surface skin and gives a grey/black appearance. It extends tap life when used on abrasive materials such as Copper, Aluminium alloys and Plastics, but it can make the tap brittle and more prone to breakage. Steam Tempering gives a blue / black finish. It causes minute imperfections on the surface of the tap. These cause the tapping lubricant to be retained more readily, reducing friction and the possibility of cold welding. This helps the tap to cope with both mild and stainless steels.

Both above processes are normally only required for Spiral point and spiral flute taps when the work piece material requires them. These taps are known as 'Steam tempered and nitrided' and have a blue/black finish.

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I/4 - 18 NPTF	1/2-28 NEF	#4-40 NC	3/4" - 20 NEF
Interrupted Thread	H3 4 FL.	L.H. Spiral Point	L.H. Hand Tap
5 FL. Taper Pipe x 6"	Plug Tap		
		#8-36 NF	2"-4-1/2 NC
5/16-24 NF	I" -8 NC	Form Tap	Hand Tap
H7 4 FL.	H4 3 FL.		
Bottoming Tap	Spiral Point		



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 - With thread relief to suit specific applications.
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SPIRAL POINTED TAPS

HIGH-VANADIUM STEEL

SPIRAL FLUTED TAPS

48° SIRAL 8° - 10° HOOK





PLUG CHAMFER



SEMI-BOTTOMING STYLE 2-2-1/2 THREAD CHAMFER

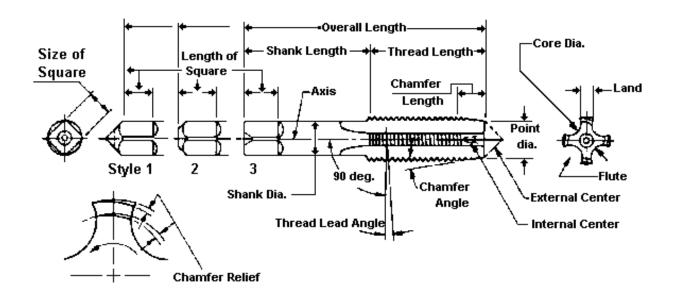


TAP SIZE	TPI	No. OF FLUTES	GRIND LIMITS	STOCK #					
	MACHINE SCREW SIZES								
4	40	2	H2	HPMP90107					
6	32	2	H3	HPMP90111					
6	40	2	H2	HPMP90112					
8	32	3	H3	HPMP90113					
10	24	3	H3	HPMP90115					
10	32	3	H3	HPMP90116					
		FRAC	ΓΙΟΝΑL						
1/4"	20	3	H5	HPMP90130					
1/4"	28	3	H4	HPMP90131					
5/16"	18	3	H5	HPMP90132					
5/16"'	24	3	H4	HPMP90133					
3/8"	16	3	H5	HPMP90134					
3/8"	24	3	H4	HPMP90135					
7/16"	14	3	H5	HPMP90136					
7/16"	20	3	H5	HPMP90137					
1/2"	13	3	H5	HPMP90138					
1/2"	20	3	H5	HPMP90139					
5/8"	- 11	4	H6	HPMP90142					
5/8"	18	4	H5	HPMP90143					
3/4"	10	4	H6	HPMP90146					
3/4"	16	4	H5	HPMP90147					
7/8"	9	4	H6	HPMP90149					
7/8"	14	4	H6	HPMP90150					
Ι"	8	4	H6	HPMP90153					
Ι"	12	4	H6	HPMP90154					

TAP SIZE	TPI	No. OF FLUTES	GRIND LIMITS	STOCK #						
	MACHINE SCREW SIZES									
4	40	3	H2	HPMP70907						
6	32	3	H3	HPMP70911						
8	32	3	H3	HPMP70913						
10	24	3	H3	HPMP70915						
10	32	3	H3	HPMP70916						
	FRACTIONAL									
1/4"	20	3	H5	HPMP70930						
1/4"	28	3	H4	HPMP70931						
5/16"	18	3	H5	HPMP70932						
5/16"	24	3	H4	HPMP70933						
3/8"	16	3	H5	HPMP70934						
3/8"	24	3	H4	HPMP70935						
7/16"	14	3	H5	HPMP70936						
7/16"	20	3	H5	HPMP70937						
1/2"	13	3	H5	HPMP70938						
1/2"	20	3	H5	HPMP70939						
5/8"	11	3	H6	HPMP70942						
5/8"	18	3	H5	HPMP70943						
3/4"	10	3	H6	HPMP70946						
3/4"	16	3	H5	HPMP70947						
7/8"	9	4	H6	HPMP70949						
7/8"	14	4	H6	HPMP70950						
Ι"	8	4	H6	HPMP70953						
Ι"	12	4	H6	HPMP70954						



TAP TERMINOLOGY



CLASSES OF FIT AND TOLERANCES

The various standards of taps give certain allowances or tolerances for manufacture. Taps are generally manufactured to take advantage of these tolerances, so that as they wear their life is extended. The closest tolerances are applied to Class I taps and the most generous to Class 3. Standard, off the shelf taps are manufactured to class 2, which applies to all taps listed in this catalogue, Classes I and 3 can be manufactured to order.

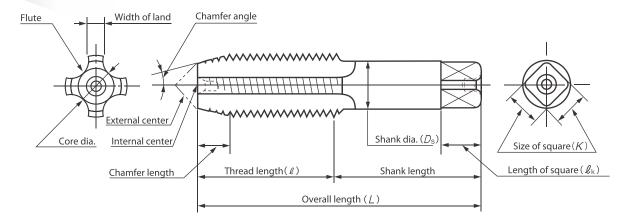
Classes of fit apply to all thread forms :-

- **CLASS I** Produces tapped holes of 4H and 5H fit for Metric threads, 3B fit for American Unified threads and Close fit for Whitworth and BA threads.
- <u>CLASS 2</u> Produces tapped holes of 6H, 4G and 5G for metric threads, 2B for Unified threads and Medium fit for Whitworth and BA threads.
- **CLASS 3** Produces tapped holes of 7H, 8H and 6G for Metric threads, IB for Unified threads and Free fit for Whitworth and BA threads.

Information on tolerances and fits for individual threads is available on request.



Tap Terminology



Angle of Thread: The angle Included between the flanks of the thread, measured in an axial plane.

Back Taper: A slight axial relief of the tap that makes the pitch diameter of the thread near the shank slightly smaller than the pitch diameter of the thread near the chamfered end.

Basic: The theoretical or nominal standard size from which all variations are made.

Chamfer: The tapering of the threads at the front end of each land. Done by cutting away and relieving the crest of the first few teeths, which distributes the cutting action over several teeths. When the tapering amounts to 7 to 10 threads, the tap is called a "taper" tap; 3 to 5 threads is called a "plug" tap; and 1 to 2 threads is called a "bottoming" tap.

Chamfer Relief: The gradual decrease in height of the lands from cutting edge to heel on the chamfered portion. Provides clearance for the cutting action as the tap advances.

Crest: The top surface joining the two flanks of a thread. The crest of an external thread is at its major diameter.

Cutting Face: The leading side of the land in the direction of rotation for cutting, on which the chip impinges.

Dryseal: A pipe threaded fuel connection designed for use where the assembled product must withstand high fluid or gas pressures without the use of a sealing compound. Suitable for both external and internal applications.

Flutes: Longitudinal channels formed in a tap to create cutting edges on the thread profile. Provides chip spaces and cutting fluid passages.

Height of Thread: The distance between the crest and the base of a thread, measured normal to the axis.

Helical Flute: A flute with uniform axial lead and constant helix in a helical path around the axis of a cylindrical tap.

Hook Face : A concave cutting face. Usually specified either as chordal hook or tangenital hook.

Chordal Hook Angle: The angle between the chord passing through the root and crest of a thread at the cutting face and a radial line through the crest at the cutting edge.

Tangential Hook Angle: The angle between a line tangent to a hook cutting face at the cutting edge and a radial line to the same point.

Interrupted Thread: A tap with an odd number of lands. Every other tooth along the thread helix is removed.

Lead: The distance a screw thread advances axially in one complete turn. On a single lead screw or tap, the lead and pitch are identical. On a double lead screw or tap, the lead is twice the pitch, and so on for higher lead screws or taps.

Pitch: The distance from any point on a screw or tap thread to a corresponding point on the next thread, measured parallel to the axis. The pitch equals on divided by the number of threads per inch.

Pitch Diameter: On straight threads, the pitch diameter is the diameter of an imaginary coaxial cylinder. The surface of this cylinder would pass through the threads and the width of the spaces cut by the surface of the cylinder equal. On taper threads, the pitch diameter is the diameter at a given distance from a reference plane perpendicular to the axis of an imaginary coaxial cone. The surface of this cone would pass through the thread profile at points which would make the width of the threads and the width of the spaces cut by the surface of the cone equal.

Rake: Deviation of a straight cutting face of the tooth from a radial line. Positive rake means the crest of the cutting face is angularly advanced ahead of the balance of the face of the tooth. Negative rake means the crest of the cutting face is angularly behind the balance of the face of the tooth. Zero rake means the cutting face is directly on the center line.

Root : The bottom surface joining the flanks of two adjacent threads. The root of an external thread is at its minor diameter. The root of an internal thread is at its major diameter.

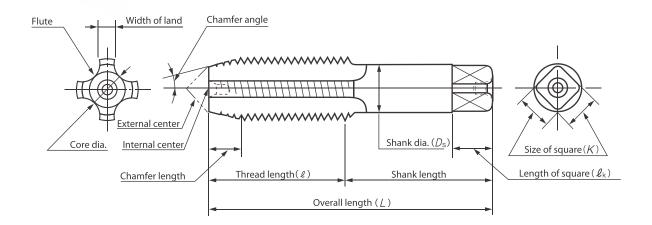
Spiral Point: A supplemental angular fluting cut in the cutting face of the land at the chamfer end. Slightly longer than the chamfer on the tap and the opposite hand to that of rotation. Also known as a "Chip driver".

Threads Per inch: The number of threads in one inch of length.

Thread relief: The clearance produced by removing metal from behind the cutting edge. When the thread angle is relieved from the heel to the cutting edge, it is called an "eccentric" relief. When the thread angle is relieved from the heel to a portion of the land width only, it is called a "con-eccentric" relief.

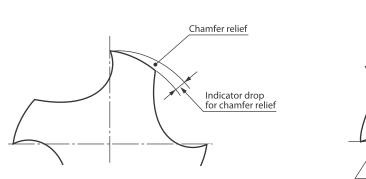


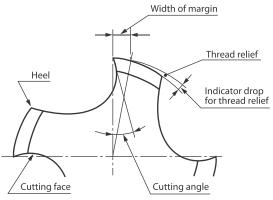
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■Chamfer relief

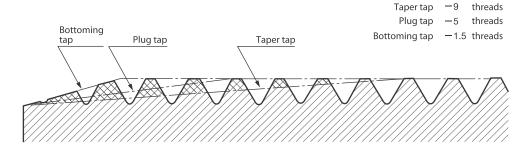
■Thread relief and cutting angle





Edge angle, including chamfer relief, thread relief, cutting angle and others, as well as heat treatment, have important functions affecting workpiece shape, tool life, surface finish of internal screw thread, and so on.

■ Chamfer of hand tap



In general, tap chamfer is the most important part of taps to create internal thread. The function of full thread part of taps is to make a guidance.