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## HYTAC Syntactic Foam Machining Guide



HYTAC materials are generally easy to machine, frequently requiring no extra polish or surface preparation. Following the guidelines listed below will improve surface quality of the finished plug and ensure consistency in plug performance.

Cutter Type	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Solid Carbide.</li> <li>• <b>2 Flute, Plastic Cutting Tools</b></li> <li>• <b>SHARP TOOLS</b> are required. Syntactic foams are abrasive. Check cutting edges and monitor plug surface for evidence of dull tooling.</li> </ul>																																																																																										
Speed and Feed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Varies by tool geometry and size.</li> <li>• Use <b>“Chip Load”</b> (the measurement of thickness of material removed by each cutting edge during a cut) from tooling manufacturer to develop feed rate.</li> <li>• Calculate Feed Rate (inches/minute) using the formula: <b>Feed Rate = Chip Load x Spindle RPM x # of flutes.</b></li> <li>• For CMT supplied tools from this guide, the following feed rate calculations apply:</li> </ul> <p>Number shown in <b>bold</b> is feed rate in millimeters/minute.</p> <table border="1" style="margin-left: auto; margin-right: auto;"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th colspan="8" style="text-align: center;"><i>Spindle RPM</i></th> </tr> <tr> <th></th> <th>2500</th> <th>5000</th> <th>7500</th> <th>10000</th> <th>12,500</th> <th>15000</th> <th>17,500</th> <th>20,000</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;"><i>0.002</i></td> <td><b>250</b></td> <td><b>500</b></td> <td><b>750</b></td> <td><b>1000</b></td> <td><b>1250</b></td> <td><b>1500</b></td> <td><b>1750</b></td> <td><b>2000</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;"><i>0.003</i></td> <td><b>300</b></td> <td><b>600</b></td> <td><b>900</b></td> <td><b>1200</b></td> <td><b>1500</b></td> <td><b>1800</b></td> <td><b>2100</b></td> <td><b>2400</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;"><i>0.0035</i></td> <td><b>350</b></td> <td><b>700</b></td> <td><b>1050</b></td> <td><b>1400</b></td> <td><b>1750</b></td> <td><b>2100</b></td> <td><b>2450</b></td> <td><b>2800</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;"><i>0.004</i></td> <td><b>400</b></td> <td><b>800</b></td> <td><b>1200</b></td> <td><b>1600</b></td> <td><b>2000</b></td> <td><b>2400</b></td> <td><b>2800</b></td> <td><b>3200</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;"><i>0.005</i></td> <td><b>450</b></td> <td><b>900</b></td> <td><b>1350</b></td> <td><b>1800</b></td> <td><b>2250</b></td> <td><b>2700</b></td> <td><b>3150</b></td> <td><b>3600</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;"><i>0.006</i></td> <td><b>500</b></td> <td><b>1000</b></td> <td><b>1500</b></td> <td><b>2000</b></td> <td><b>2500</b></td> <td><b>3000</b></td> <td><b>3500</b></td> <td><b>4000</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;"><i>0.007</i></td> <td><b>1000</b></td> <td><b>2000</b></td> <td><b>3000</b></td> <td><b>4000</b></td> <td><b>5000</b></td> <td><b>6000</b></td> <td><b>7000</b></td> <td><b>8000</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;"><i>0.009</i></td> <td><b>1500</b></td> <td><b>3000</b></td> <td><b>4500</b></td> <td><b>6000</b></td> <td><b>7500</b></td> <td><b>9000</b></td> <td><b>10500</b></td> <td><b>12000</b></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		<i>Spindle RPM</i>									2500	5000	7500	10000	12,500	15000	17,500	20,000	<i>0.002</i>	<b>250</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>750</b>	<b>1000</b>	<b>1250</b>	<b>1500</b>	<b>1750</b>	<b>2000</b>	<i>0.003</i>	<b>300</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>900</b>	<b>1200</b>	<b>1500</b>	<b>1800</b>	<b>2100</b>	<b>2400</b>	<i>0.0035</i>	<b>350</b>	<b>700</b>	<b>1050</b>	<b>1400</b>	<b>1750</b>	<b>2100</b>	<b>2450</b>	<b>2800</b>	<i>0.004</i>	<b>400</b>	<b>800</b>	<b>1200</b>	<b>1600</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2400</b>	<b>2800</b>	<b>3200</b>	<i>0.005</i>	<b>450</b>	<b>900</b>	<b>1350</b>	<b>1800</b>	<b>2250</b>	<b>2700</b>	<b>3150</b>	<b>3600</b>	<i>0.006</i>	<b>500</b>	<b>1000</b>	<b>1500</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2500</b>	<b>3000</b>	<b>3500</b>	<b>4000</b>	<i>0.007</i>	<b>1000</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>3000</b>	<b>4000</b>	<b>5000</b>	<b>6000</b>	<b>7000</b>	<b>8000</b>	<i>0.009</i>	<b>1500</b>	<b>3000</b>	<b>4500</b>	<b>6000</b>	<b>7500</b>	<b>9000</b>	<b>10500</b>	<b>12000</b>
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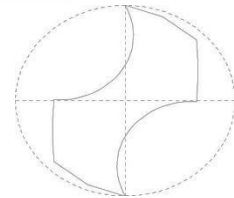
## HYTAC Syntactic Foam Machining Tools

### Double Flute Upcut Spiral

High helix geometry with a special point for upward chip flow, smooth sidewall and improved bottom finish.

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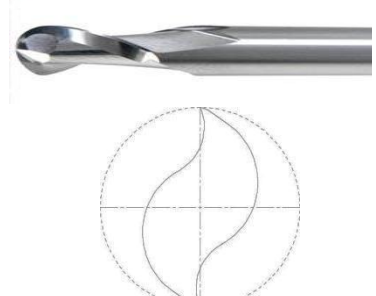
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					<i>Slotting*</i> RDOC <sup>i</sup> = 100% ADOC <sup>ii</sup> = up to 1xD <sup>iii</sup>	<i>Profiling*</i> RDOC <sup>i</sup> = 100% ADOC <sup>ii</sup> = up to 1xD <sup>iii</sup>	<i>Walls*</i> RDOC <sup>i</sup> = below ADOC <sup>ii</sup> = up to 4xD <sup>iii</sup>		<i>Floors*</i> RDOC <sup>i</sup> = 40-65% ADOC <sup>ii</sup> = below	
					Chip load	Chip load	Chip load	RDOC <sup>i</sup>	Chip load	ADOC <sup>ii</sup>
52-742	12mm	35mm	12mm	100mm	.10 - .18mm	.10 - .23mm	.10mm	1mm	.10mm	.4mm
52-744	12mm	45mm	12mm	100mm	.10 - .18	.10 - .23	.10	1	.10	.4
52-746	12mm	55mm	12mm	100mm	.10 - .18	.10 - .23	.10	1	.10	.4
52-752	16mm	45mm	16mm	120mm	.10 - .20	.10 - .25	.10	1	.10	.5
52-754	16mm	55mm	16mm	120mm	.10 - .20	.10 - .25	.10	1	.10	.5
52-764	20mm	65mm	20mm	125mm	.10 - .20	.10 - .25	.13	1.3	.13	.5


<sup>i</sup> RDOC: Radial Depth of Cut – the depth of the tool along its radius in the work piece as it makes its cut. Parameters referenced as a percentage (%) mean the tool should engage an amount of material equal to the % specified of the tool diameter. Areas referenced with a specific dimension should engage the dimension listed.

<sup>ii</sup> ADOC: Axial Depth of Cut – the depth of the tool along its axis in the work piece as it makes its cut. Parameters referenced as a percentage (%) mean the amount of material surface cut away will equal the cutting tool diameter at the % specified. Areas referenced with a specific dimension should cut the depth material at the depth dimension listed.


<sup>iii</sup> D: Cutting Diameter of Tool.


## HYTAC Syntactic Foam Machining Tools


<b>High Finish Ball Nose</b>									
<p>3D contouring of HYTAC materials. Unique geometry and highly polished surface result in a smooth surface without tool marks.</p> <p>Conventional cutting is recommended for roughing and finishing with these tools.</p> <p>Contact CGP Europe for price and availability. Other sizes may be available upon request.</p>									
Part #	Cutting Diameter	Flute Length	Shank Diameter	Overall Length	Roughing Parameters*		Finishing Parameters*		
					RDOC <sup>i</sup> = 33% ADOC <sup>ii</sup> = up to 2xD <sup>iii</sup>		Chip load	RDOC <sup>i</sup>	ADOC <sup>ii</sup>
65-280B	3mm	12mm	3mm	64mm	.05 - .10mm		.05mm	.05-.07mm	.13mm
65-285B	6mm	20mm	6mm	76mm	.07 - .13		.07	.05 - .09	.25
65-290B	8mm	25mm	8mm	76mm	.07 - .15		.10	.01 - .15	.25
65-295B	10mm	30mm	10mm	76mm	.07 - .18		.10	.10 - .15	.38

<b>Tapered Ball Nose</b>											
<p>Available with a variety of taper angles and optimized geometry to produce a good edge finish.</p> <p>Contact CGP Europe for price and availability. Other sizes may be available upon request.</p>											
Part #	Cutting Diameter	Flute Length	Shank Diameter	Overall Length	Flutes	Angle per Side	Radius	Slotting Parameters*		Profiling Parameters*	
								RDOC <sup>i</sup> = 100%		RDOC <sup>i</sup> = 100%	
								Chip load	Chip load		
77-102M	3mm	39mm	6mm	76mm	3	1°	1.6mm	.05 - .09mm	.07mm		
77-104M	3mm	25mm	6mm	76mm	3	3°	1.6mm	.07 - .10	.25		
77-112M	6mm	50mm	12mm	100mm	2	3°	3.2mm	.07 - .10	.13		
77-114M	6mm	35mm	12mm	100mm	2	5°	3.2mm	.10 - .13	.15		

## HYTAC Syntactic Foam Machining Tool Prices

<b>Double Flute Upcut Spiral</b>		High helix with special point geometry for upward chip flow, smooth sidewall and improved bottom finish.								
	Part #	Cutting Diameter	Flute Length	Shank	OAL	Flutes	Export Pricing	Quantity Requested		
	52-742	12mm	35mm	12mm	100mm	2	€ 116	_____		
	52-744	12mm	45mm	12mm	100mm	2	€ 122	_____		
	52-746	12mm	55mm	12mm	100mm	2	€ 130	_____		
	52-752	16mm	45mm	16mm	120mm	2	€ 170	_____		
	52-754	16mm	55mm	16mm	120mm	2	€ 174	_____		
	52-764	20mm	65mm	20mm	125mm	2	€ 232	_____		

<b>High Finish Ballnose</b>		For 3D contouring of HYTAC materials. Unique geometry and highly polished surface in a solid carbide tool.								
	Part #	Cutting Diameter	Flute Length	Shank	OAL	Flutes	Export Pricing	Quantity Requested		
	65-280B	3mm	12mm	3mm	64mm	2	€ 68	_____		
	65-285B	6mm	20mm	6mm	76mm	2	€ 90	_____		
	65-290B	8mm	25mm	8mm	76mm	2	€ 99	_____		
	65-295B	10mm	30mm	10mm	76mm	2	€ 128	_____		

<b>Tapered Ball Nose</b>		Available with a variety of taper angles and optimized geometry to produce a good edge finish in a wide variety of materials.								
	Part #	Cutting Diameter	Flute Length	Shank	OAL	Flutes	Angle Per Side	Radius	Export Pricing	Quantity Requested
	77-102M	3mm	39mm	6mm	76mm	3	1	1.6mm	€ 74	_____
	77-104M	3mm	25mm	6mm	76mm	3	3	1.6mm	€ 65	_____
	77-112M	6mm	50mm	12mm	100mm	2	3	3.2mm	€ 98	_____
	77-114M	6mm	35mm	12mm	100mm	2	5	3.2mm	€ 96	_____