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# Application Guide **Rotary Tool Grinding**

# **Grinding wheels for rotary cutting tools.**

**For the development of grinding wheels used  
to manufacture cutting tools.**

Modern cutting tools like drills and milling machines often have complicated geometries with very tight tolerances and high requirements on the surface finish quality. To meet these requirements and be in the position to grind with high quality at low cost, the demands on the grinding machine and especially on the grinding wheels have risen dramatically.

To meet these demands, CNC tool grinding machines must have significantly higher performance and be more stable, flexible and equipped with an efficient cooling system. At the same time, though, this also increases the demands placed on the grinding wheels used.

## **Our products and services**

- Complete product portfolio of high quality tool grinding wheels in Diamond and CBN
- New development of resin bonded Cubitron II tool grinding wheels for HSS
- Competent application consultants at your production site
- Technical cooperation in order to increase productivity
- Calculation of the total cost
- Grinding seminars

# **Typical grinding operations: Tungsten carbide and HSS drills & mills production\***

## **Peel grinding**

Produces the final diameter.

## **Flute grinding**

Flute grinding is the most critical, time consuming and cost intensive operation in manufacturing rotary tools.

## **Gashing**

Creation of a taper along the cutting face to reduce the feed forces.

## **Clearance angle**

Clearance angle reduces the contact area between the rotary tool and the workpiece. The clearance angles provide the tool with a free-cutting property and simultaneously reduce the feed forces when drilling and milling.

## **Relief grinding**

Material is removed directly behind the cutting edge.

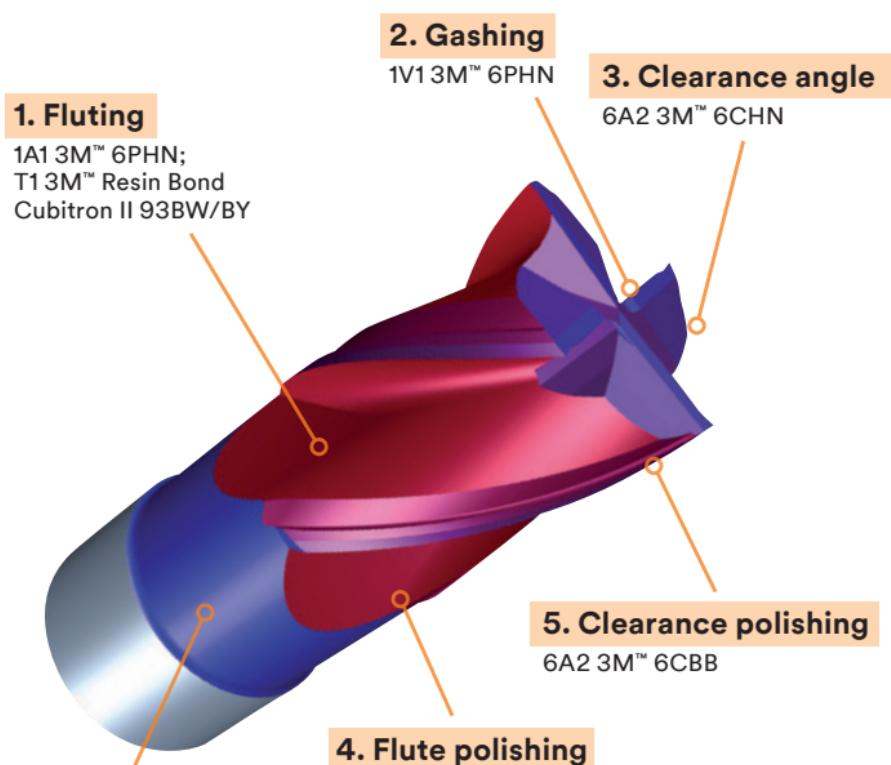
## **Profile roughing/finishing**

## **Flute/Clearance angle polishing**

Polishing is made to increase tool life and quality of the end product, w the drill bit or milling cutters.

\* All recommendations are examples and may have multiple options of wheel geometries and specifications depending on the specific application. Please contact your local 3M dealer for technical recommendations for your specific requirements.

# 3M grinding technologies for drills & mills for your special needs



## 2. Profile roughing

14F1 3M™ 6PHN

## 1. Fluting

1A1 3M™ 6PBP

## 3. Profile finishing

14E1 3M™ 6PMS

## 5. Peel grinding

4M9 3M™ 6PHN

## 4. Clearance angle

11V9 3M™ 6CHN

## 2. Flute grinding

1A1 3M™ 6PHN

## 3. Gashing

1V1 3M™ 6PHN

## 1. Peel grinding

4M9 3M™ 6PHN

## 5. Step relief grinding / clearance angle

1A1 3M™ 6PHN

## 4. Relief grinding

6A2 3M™ 6CBP

# Rotary Tool Grinding

Workpiece	Workpiece Material	Grinding Process	3M™ Grinding Wheel	Product Code	Most Common 3M Bond	3M Diamond Grinding Wheel Specification	Performance Description	Typical Machines
Drill Bits	Tungsten Carbide	Flute Grinding	3M™ Hybrid Bond Diamond Wheel 6PHN	<b>6PHN</b>	NF	D64 - NF	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ideal for fast deep grinding</li> <li>shorter production time</li> <li>reduced production costs</li> <li>high feed rates and large feed increments</li> <li>very good form retention</li> </ul>	Anca, Walter, Haas, Saacke
		Endwork (Clearance Angle, Flank Grinding)	3M™ Hybrid Bond Diamond Wheel 6PBP	<b>6PBP</b>	Q91	D64-B100Q91	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>balanced grinding behavior with universal applicability</li> <li>long service lives possible</li> </ul>	Anca, Walter, Haas, Saacke
		Gashing	3M™ Hybrid Bond Diamond Wheel 6PHN	<b>6PHN</b>	NE	D64-NE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>extreme feed and removal rates when grinding clearance angles and notching</li> </ul>	Anca, Walter, Haas, Saacke
		Polishing	3M™ Resin Bond Diamond Wheel 6CBN	<b>6CBN</b>	NP	D15-NP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>extreme feed and removal rates when grinding clearance angles and notching</li> <li>extremely high flexibility and a brilliant polished finish while enabling minimal material removal at the same time</li> </ul>	Anca, Walter, Haas, Saacke
		Flute Grinding	3M™ Hybrid Bond Diamond Wheel 6PHN	<b>6PHN</b>	NF	D64 - NF	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ideal for fast deep grinding</li> <li>shorter production time</li> <li>reduced production costs</li> <li>high feed rates and large feed increments</li> <li>very good form retention</li> </ul>	Anca, Walter, Haas, Saacke
		Milling Cutters	3M™ Hybrid Bond Diamond Wheel 6PBP	<b>6PBP</b>	Q91	D64-B100Q91	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>balanced grinding behavior with universal applicability</li> <li>long service lives possible</li> </ul>	Anca, Walter, Haas, Saacke
Tungsten Carbide	Endwork (Clearance Angle, Flank Grinding)	Flute Grinding	3M™ Hybrid Bond DIA Wheel 6CHN	<b>6CHN</b>	NE	D64-NE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>extreme feed and removal rates when grinding clearance angles and notching</li> </ul>	Anca, Walter, Haas, Saacke
		Gashing	3M™ Hybrid Bond Diamond Wheel 6PHN	<b>6PHN</b>	NE	D64-NE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>extreme feed and removal rates when grinding clearance angles and notching</li> </ul>	Anca, Walter, Haas, Saacke

# Dressing Wheels

Taps	HSS	Flute Grinding	3M™ Resin Bond Grinding Wheel Cubitron™ II 93BW	<b>93BW</b>	B674	95DA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• significantly higher specific material removal rates <math>Q_w</math></li> <li>• improved cycle time per part</li> <li>• more parts per dressing cycle</li> <li>• reduced dressing amount</li> <li>• minimal risk of burning</li> </ul>	Anca-Junker, Normac
		Gashing	3M™ Resin Bond Grinding Wheel Cubitron™ II 93BY	<b>93BY</b>	B674	93DA		

Type	Dressing Wheel Information	Dressing Wheel Grit Size	Diamond Wheel Grit Size	Diamond Wheel Bond	Grinding Method	Application	Workpiece Material
Vitrified bonded green silicon carbide (SiC)	Harder than $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$ , more aggressive to the diamond particles, more suitable for reprofiling the diamond wheel	120 mesh	>=46	Resin	Metal/Hybrid	All grinding wheels	Tungsten Carbide, Ceramics, Cermets
		320 mesh	<=40	Resin	Metal/Hybrid		Tungsten Carbide, Ceramics



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