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18CrNiMo7-6

General Information

18CrNiMo7-6 is a case hardening steel with high toughness. There are a number of variants with high cleanliness requirements. All variants possess tighter composition ranges compared to the standard. One variant is produced with the quality class IQ (isotropic quality). This ensures a very low number of elongated sulphide inclusions which will give more isotropic properties. The high oxidic cleanliness will enable the steel to meet the same high cleanliness demands as for re-melted qualities.

Grade 159A - Variant with low sulphur content and high cleanliness demands

Grade 159B - Variant with controlled sulphur content for consistent machinability and +H hardenability

Grade 159Q - Isotropic properties (IQ) and better fatigue strength due to higher cleanliness levels, and a finer size and distribution of non-metallic inclusions

Grade 159X - Variant with controlled sulphur content for consistent machinability and +H hardenability

Grade 1598 - Variant with increased sulphur content.

Grade 4761(MoCN216) - Low sulphur variant of Imatra

IQ-Steel®

IQ-Steel® is an isotropic quality ultra clean steel optimized for high fatigue strength under multi axial loading.

Similar designations

1.6587, AISI4820, DIN17CrNiMo6, 18CND6, EN ISO 683-17

Chemical composition

Variant	Cast	Weldability		С%	Si %	Mn %	Р%	S %	Cr %	Ni %	Mo %	Cu %
159Q	IC	CEV 0.86 _{max}	Min	0.16	0.20	0.50	-	-	1.60	1.50	0.25	-
		Pcm 0.39 _{max}	Max	0.19	0.35	0.60	0.015	0.002	1.80	1.70	0.35	0.25

Mechanical Properties

Variant	Condition	Format Dimension [m]		Yield strength min [MPa]	Tensile strength [MPa]	Elongation A ₅ [%]	
159Q	+QT	Round bar	30 typical	780	1080-1320	8	
	τųτ	Round bar	63 typical	690	980-1270	8	

Rp_{0.2} * R_{eh}, ** R_{el}

Transformation temperatures

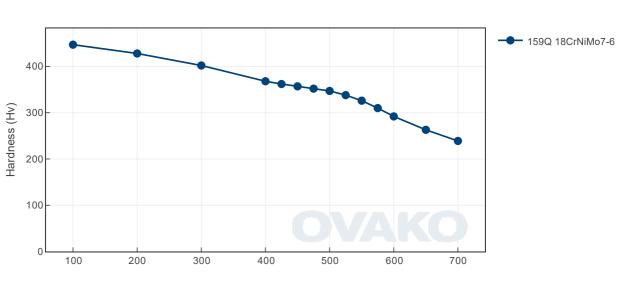
	Temperature °C
MS	410
AC1	726
AC3	833

Heat treatment recommendations

Treatment	Condition	Temperature cycle	Cooling/quenching
Hot forging	+U	800-1200°C	In air
Normalizing	+N	860-890°C	In air
Carburizing	+C	850-930°C Carbon potential see diagram	
Hardening	+QT	840-870°C	In oil
Hardening	+QT	780-830°C Hardening of as-carburized components	In oil

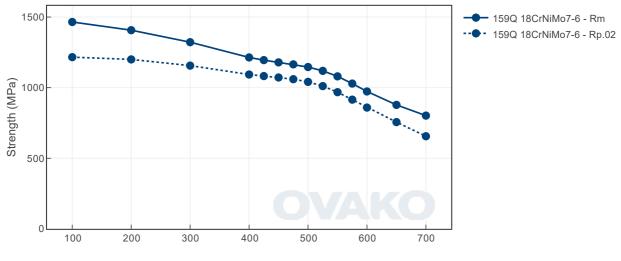
Heat Treatment Guide generated Graphs

The following graphs are generated from a theoretical model. For further info see the Heat treatment guide module. Select a specific grade version for individual display.



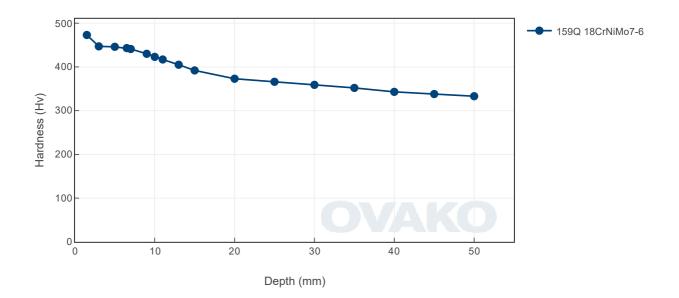
Tempering Diagram (hardness)

Tempering temperature (°C)

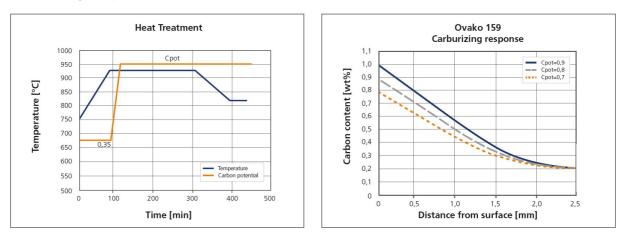


Tempering temperature (°C)

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Carburizing response - Ovako 159



Carburization response for Ovako 159 for the cycles shown in the left figure.

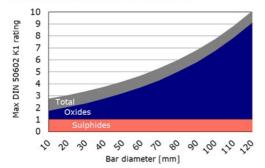
Steel cleanliness

Micro inclusions - steel grade 159X								Macro inclus	lacro inclusions - 159X	
Applied standard	ASTM E	E45			Applied standard	ISO 3763 (Blue fracture)				
Sampling	ASTM A295								Sampling	Statistical sampling on billets
Maximum	А	A B C D								
average limits	Th	He	Th	He	Th	He	Th	He	Limits	<2,5 mm/dm ²
	2.0	1.5	1.5	0.5	0.0	0.0	1.0	1.0		

Micro incl	usions - IQ - steel grade 159Q	Macro inclusions - IQ - 159Q		
Applied standard	DIN 50602 K1	Applied standard	10 MHz UST (Ovako internal procedure)	
Sampling	Six random sample from final product	Sampling	Statistical sampling on billets	
Limits	The limits is dimension dependent. The average rating of six samples should not exeed the limits given in the graph.	Limits	<10 defects/dm3 >0,2 mm FBH	

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Inclusion limits IQ-processed steel



SUSTAINABILITY-ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT DATA

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Further information is found here.

Steel works	Hofors	Smedjebacken	Imatra	
CO2e/kg	120	62	76	

To get the full picture of our products environmental impact we have to look at all of our CO_2 emission sources.

Not only the steel work Scope 1-2 itself, but all operations downstream in our production, heating and heat treatment furnaces etc (full scope 1-2) as well as all the emission from input material, eg. alloys, scope 3.

Steel Grade	Format	_	Scope 1-3 (CO2e kg /1000 kg steel)	Climate compensated Net emission = Scope 3 (CO2e kg /1000 kg steel) Scope 1 - 2 = 0 (compensated)
159	Round bar	+AR	874	475
159	Round bar	+FP	880	482
159	Tube,wall	+AR	919	522
159	Tube,wall	+FP	922	524
4761, MoCN 216	Round bar	+AR	792	489

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Other properties (typical values)

Youngs module (GPa)	Poisson's ratio (-)	Shear module (GPa)	Density (kg/m3)
210	0.3	80	7800
Average CTE 20- 300°C (µm/m°K)	Specific heat capacity 50/100°C (J/kg °K)	Thermal conductivity Ambient temperature (W/m°K)	Electrical resistivityAmbient temperature (μΩm)
12	460 - 480	40 - 45	0.20 - 0.25

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