

SURFACE FINISHES

## TECHNICAL INFORMATION

## **Steam Tempered**

An iron oxide film is created on the tool surface by heat treatment.

This improves the adhesion of the coolant and as a result helps to prevent cold welding of the chip to the tool surface.

## Nitriding

The surface hardness is increased by enriching the surface of the tap with nitrogen. This results in high abrasion resistance and improved anti-friction properties.

## **Titanium Nitride Coating**

Following PVD processing, the tap undergoes titanium nitride vapourdeposition within the vacuum chamber at approx. 500°C. Excellent anti-friction properties and high resistance to wear and abrasion result from the reduced surface roughness and remarkable hardness. TIN coated taps can be employed using cinsiderably faster cutting speeds.



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