EDM Blocks





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Kennametal EDM Blocks

Kennametal is a global supplier of solutions for wear, heat, and corrosion problems, a world-class manufacturer of components, and a service provider to a wide range of industries.

By matching our advanced material solutions and technologies to your applications, we can help you solve your biggest wear problems, avoid costly downtime and catastrophic failures, and achieve significant savings.

EDM Blocks Portfolio:

- All grades are proven in their application.
- Products stocked globally for quick delivery.
- Standard and corrosion-resistant grades.
- 200 standard sizes with custom sizes available upon request.
- Application, metallurgical, and process optimization services.

Expertise in Cemented Tungsten Carbide Metallurgy

Our globally renowned portfolio of grades for metalforming and stamping is based on over 80 years of research and development of tungsten carbide-based materials.

Withstand Extensive EDM

Our latest grades were developed with a proprietary binder system and maintain the hardness and mechanical properties of our conventional grades. They resist the corrosion, pitting, and cracking commonly experienced during electrical discharge machining, especially in thick punches and large die segments.

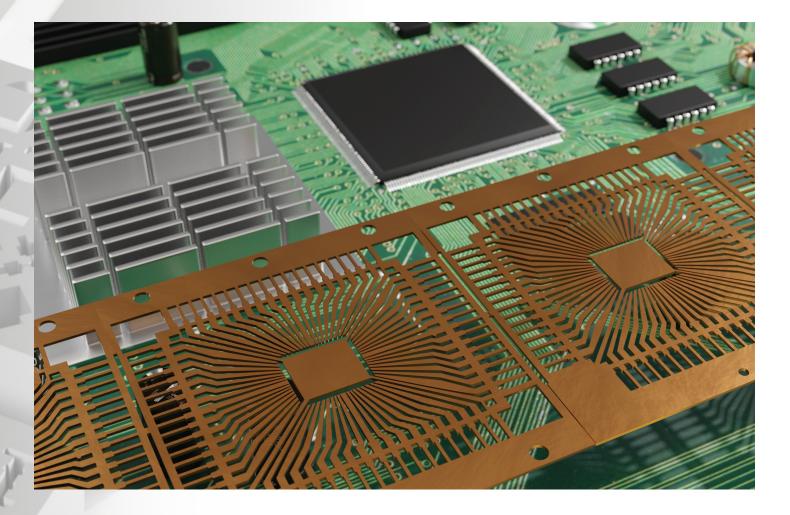






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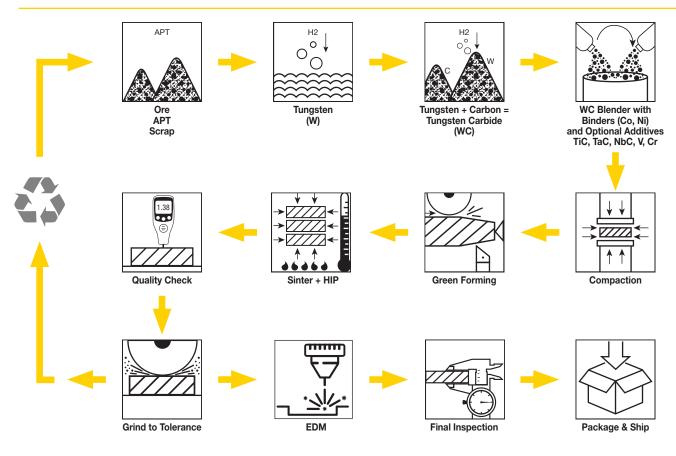
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EDM Block Production Process and Cemented Tungsten Grades



Cemented Tungsten Carbide Grades

We offer a wide variety of carbide grades, including submicron, fine, medium, and coarse-grained tungsten carbides with a mixture of binders and additives to create the right balance of hardness, toughness, abrasion, and corrosion resistance for the application.

Hardness

Hardness is determined by the percentage of binder and the grain size of the tungsten carbide particles. Generally, the more binder, the lower the hardness, and the larger the grains, the lower the hardness.

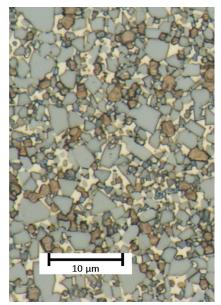
Wear Resistance

Generally, grades with more binder or coarser grains (lower hardness) will have less wear or abrasion resistance. However, there will be an increase in strength. It is always necessary to balance high hardness/high wear resistance with lower hardness/high strength. To test the abrasion or wear resistance of our carbide grades, we typically conduct a dry sand (G65) or slurry tests (B611).

Strength

The amount of binder and the variation in grain size will also affect the impact strength (a shock load) and the fracture toughness (a measure of crack initiation and crack propagation). More binder and/or coarser grains will generally increase the impact strength and the fracture toughness. With submicron grained grades, impact strength and the fracture toughness decrease when compared to coarser grained grades of equal cobalt content; however hardness increases.





Example of Cemented Carbide with Medium-Coarse Grains

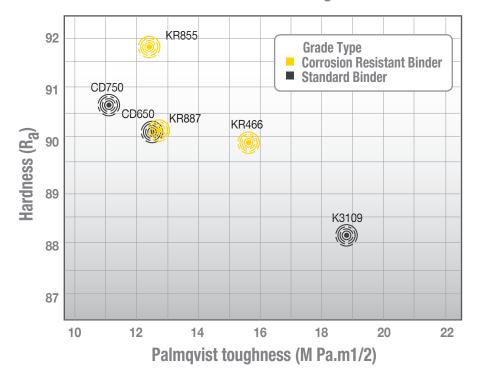


EDM Blocks Grade Properties



			Hardness		Transverse Ru	pture Strength	Fracture Toughness
Kennametal Grade	Binder (%)	Grain Family	HRA	HV30	PSI	MPa	[Palqvist K1c] Mpa*m1/2
KR855	10	submicron	91.8	1580	420500	2900	12.4
KR466	12	medium/fine	90.0	1360	480000	3310	15.6
KR887	15	submicron	90.2	1380	435000	3000	12.7
CD650	15	submicron	90.2	1380	550000	3790	12.5
CD750	15.5	submicron	90.7	1440	625000	4310	11.1
K3109	12.1	coarse	88.2	1160	420000	2895	18.8

NOTE: Made-to-order blocks and pre-forms are available in a variety of grades for specialty applications.



Hardness vs Fracture Toughness





EDM Blocks Grade Descriptions

Unlike other carbide manufacturers, we produce our powders from the raw materials. This guarantees the highest quality tungsten carbide throughout the process and maximizes performance for the end user.



Corrosion Resistant Binder gr	ades optimized fo	or the Wire EDM process
Grade	Description	
KR855		
	Composition:	10% corrosion-resistant binder with submicron grain structure. Very good wear resistance with high edge sharpness but less shock resistance than higher binder grades. Excellent for EDM operations and good in non-ferrous applications.
	Application:	An upgrade to standard 10% submicron grades, KR855 presents ideal wear resistance in high-speed stamping, medium, thin sheets — coining brass (~.010" / 0.25mm thick), can die ironing rings, non-gummy steels, compacting dies, stamping dies for razor blades, lead frames (thin copper ~.030"/0.76mm), annealed copper, and draw dies (300 series stainless steel).
KR466		
	Composition:	12% corrosion-resistant binder with medium/fine-grain structure. Very high strength for medium impact with low wear properties.
	Application:	Light blanking dies - Silicon Steel up to ~.020" / 0.5mm, Medium Blanking - Mild Steel to ~.030" / 0.8mm Lamination dies - silicon steel, Scroll dies, burnishing rolls, backward and forward extrusion dies (light impact).
KR887		
	Composition:	15% corrosion-resistant mixed binder with submicron grain structure for lead frame and connector stamping. Very high strength and excellent wear resistance for medium-impact applications.
	Application:	Stamping dies for razor blades, electronic stamping, lead frame dies, laminations, spring steel stampings, and coining dies (hard metal). Not recommended for stamping thick stainless steel. Use in place of CD650 for difficult to EDM parts, or if corrosive die lubricants are used.

NOTE: Grades shown at 1500x magnification.





EDM Blocks Grade Descriptions

Cobalt binder grades optimize	ed for the Wire ED	M process
Grade	Description	
CD650		
	Composition:	Conventional 15% cobalt binder with submicron grain structure for lead frame and connector stamping. Very high strength and excellent wear resistance for medium-impact applications. Our most popluar grade for general purpose stamping.
	Application:	Stamping dies for razor blades, electronic stamping, lead frame dies, laminations, spring steel stampings, coining dies (hard metal). Not recommended for stamping thick stainless steel.
CD750		
	Composition:	15.5% cobalt binder with ultrafine submicron grain structure for lead frame and connector stamping. Very high strength and excellent wear resistance for low-impact applications.
	Application:	Extremely thin punches or tools with very fine features will benefit from the ultrafine submicron grain structure, which helps to prevent premature corner washout and maintain edge strength. Also, may be used as an upgrade to CD650, due to increased hardness.
K3109		
	Composition:	This 12% Cobalt grade is well suited for high impact stamping and bending applications due to its coarse grain structure and high fracture toughness.
	Application:	Impacting punches, Coining dies, Forming dies, Can die punches, Swaging dies, Cold forming, Back extrusion punches & dies, high-impact extrusion dies, Nail grip dies, Very severe draw dies for .075" thick cold rolled steel, Piercing punches-305 stainless, Works well on gummy steel.

NOTE: Grades shown at 1500x magnification.





EDM Blocks Grade Applications

Tensile Strength	Sheet Metal Thickness (mm)										
(N/mm2)	<0.2	0.2-0.4	0.4-0.8	0.8-1.2	1.2-1.5	1.5-2.0	2.0-3.0	3.0+			
	KFS33	KFS33	KFF24	KR855	KR466	KR466	KR466	*			
< 500	KFF24	KFF24	KR855	KR466	KR887	KR887	KFM67	*			
	KR855	KR855	KR887	KR887				*			
	KFS33	KFS33	KR855	KR466	KR466	KFM67		*			
500 - 1000	KFF24	KFF24	KR466	KR887	KFM67	K3109	K3109	*			
Ĭ	KR855	KR855	KR887		K3109			*			
1000 - 1500	KFF24	KFF24	KR855	KR466	KR466	KFM67	KFM67	*			
	KR855	KR855	KR466	KFM67	KFM67	K3109	K3109	*			
1500 - 2000 -	KR855	KR466	KFM28	KFM28	KFM28	KHC68	KHC68	*			
	KR887	K3109	K3109	K3109	K3109	K3520	K3520	*			
> 2000	KR466	KFM67	K3109	K3520	*	*	*	*			
	KFM67	K3109	K3520	K3520	*	*	*	*			



NOTE: All Kennametal KMSB Standard EDM blocks are individually laser-etched, packaged, and labeled for protection and traceability.





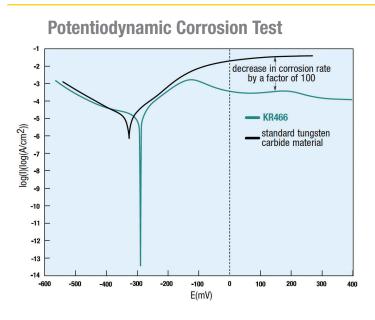
Ready to Meet Your Specific Needs

We have a large selection of conventional and low-corrosion rectangular blanks in stock. Each is sinter-HIP processed and stress-relieved for optimum performance in EDM machining. Blocks are available in standard sizes, which are individually packaged for easy delivery and handling.

Your Best Choice for a World of Extremes

For more than 80 years, we've proven our unparalleled performance and durability levels to a worldwide customer base. We have application specialists always on-hand to ensure you receive the right grade for the job. Our customer service and delivery are second to none. To learn more about how we can substantially boost your productivity — and lower your operating costs — contact your local Kennametal Representative.

Comprehensive Field Testing Demonstrates the Superiority of Kennametal Low-Corrosion EDM Blocks.





Standard solid carbide with multiple cracks on both rough and trim/finish cuts.



Kennametal low-corrosion grade is free of cracks.

Standard tungsten carbide materials surface exposed to EDM*



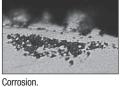
Pitting corrosion on all faces.

Kennametal low-corrosion grade surface exposed to EDM*



No pitting corrosion.

Standard tungsten carbide materials rough cut



Kennametal low-corrosion grade rough cut



No corrosion.







Corrosion originating from the surface layer.

Kennametal low-corrosion grade trim/finish

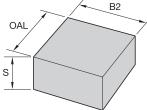


No corrosion detected.



KMSB • 105 X 105mm

- Nominal dimensions are shown in the chart below.
- All blanks are provided with grinding allowance as shown in the tolerance chart.
- Each block is sinter HIP and stress relieved for EDM machining.





Part Number (Material Master) S **B**2 OAL Grade Stock Stock Stock **KR466** catalog number mm Tolerance mm Tolerance mm Tolerance CD650 CD750 **KR887 KR855** KMSB010 1.0 +0.6/+1.25 105 +0.6/+2.5 105 +0.6/+2.5 5205625 5990520 5704684 6306578 KMSB015 1,5 +0.6/+1.25 105 +0.6/+2.5 105 +0.6/+2.5 5205626 6186452 5956612 5594284 5969055 KMSB020 2,0 +0.6/+1.25 105 +0.6/+2.5 105 +0.6/+2.5 5205627 5911311 5704685 KMSB025 5704686 2,5 +0.6/+1.25 +0.6/+2.5 105 +0.6/+2.5 5205628 6099935 5956613 6306579 105 3,0 6111986 5704687 **KMSB030** +0.6/+1.25 105 +0.6/+2.5 105 +0.6/+2.5 5205629 5990601 5969056 KMSB035 6306580 3.5 +0.6/+1.25105 +0.6/+2.5105 +0.6/+2.55205720 6099936 6167690 KMSB040 +0.6/+1.25+0.6/+2.5+0.6/+2.55949572 4.0 105 105 5205721 5952842 6225687 KMSB045 4.5 +0.6/+1.25+0.6/+2.5 105 +0.6/+2.55205722 6101936 6306581 105 5315125 5949573 **KMSB050** +0.6/+1.25+0.6/+2.5105 +0.6/+2.55205723 5952843 6306582 5.0 105 6167761 KMSB055 5,5 +0.6/+1.25 +0.6/+2.5 105 +0.6/+2.5 5205724 6306583 105 6186521 5315126 KMSB060 +0.6/+2.5 +0.6/+2.5 5205725 6.0 +0.6/+1.25105 105 5952844 6167762 -KMSB065 +0.6/+1.25 105 +0.6/+2.5 105 +0.6/+2.5 5205726 6186523 6306584 6.5 5315127 KMSB070 7,0 +0.6/+1.25 105 +0.6/+2.5 105 +0.6/+2.5 5205727 5990602 6306559 6060801 KMSB075 7,5 +0.6/+1.25 105 +0.6/+2.5 105 +0.6/+2.5 5205728 6186524 5315128 6306585 KMSB080 8,0 +0.6/+1.25 105 +0.6/+2.5 105 +0.6/+2.5 5205729 5952845 6306560 6306586 5565815 5572435 KMSB085 8.5 +0.6/+1.25 105 +0.6/+2.5105 +0.6/+2.55205730 6186525 5315129 6306587 **KMSB090** 9,0 +0.6/+1.25 105 +0.6/+2.5 105 +0.6/+2.5 5205731 5990604 5391771 KMSB095 9,5 +0.6/+1.25 105 +0.6/+2.5 105 +0.6/+2.5 5205732 6091876 5315170 6306588 KMSB100 +0.6/+1.5 +0.6/+2.5 +0.6/+2.5 5205733 5564400 6117036 6111985 10.0 105 105 _ KMSB105 10,5 +0.6/+1.5 +0.6/+2.5 105 +0.6/+2.5 5205734 6186526 5315171 105 KMSB110 +0.6/+1.5 +0.6/+2.5 +0.6/+2.5 5205735 6130102 11.0 105 105 --KMSB115 11,5 +0.6/+1.5 105 +0.6/+2.5 105 +0.6/+2.5 5205736 KMSB120 12,0 +0.6/+1.5 105 +0.6/+2.5 105 +0.6/+2.5 5205737 6186527 6306561 6306589 6492292 KMSB125 12,5 +0.6/+1.5 105 +0.6/+2.5 105 +0.6/+2.5 5205738 5315172 6306590 6145462 KMSB130 13,0 +0.6/+1.5 105 +0.6/+2.5 105 +0.6/+2.5 5205739 _ _ _ _ KMSB135 13,5 +0.6/+1.5 105 +0.6/+2.5 105 +0.6/+2.5 5205750 _ -KMSB140 14,0 +0.6/+1.5 105 +0.6/+2.5 105 +0.6/+2.5 5205753 _ 6093699 --KMSB145 14,5 +0.6/+1.5105 +0.6/+2.5105 +0.6/+2.55205754 5315173 KMSB150 15,0 +0.6/+1.5105 +0.6/+2.5 105 +0.6/+2.55205755 6186528 5969057 5416709 6148465 105 KMSB155 15,5 +0.6/+1.5+0.6/+2.5105 +0.6/+2.55205756 _ 5913757 5416710 **KMSB160** 16.0 +0.6/+1.5105 +0.6/+2.5105 +0.6/+2.55205757 _ -**KMSB165** 16.5 +0.6/+1.5105 +0.6/+2.5105 +0.6/+2.55205758 **KMSB170** 17,0 105 +0.6/+2.5 105 +0.6/+2.5 5205759 5416711 +0.6/+1.5---KMSB175 17,5 105 5205760 +0.6/+1.5105 +0.6/+2.5+0.6/+2.5-18,0 **KMSB180** +0.6/+2.5105 5205761 5304431 5416712 +0.6/+1.5105 +0.6/+2.5-_ KMSB185 18,5 105 5205762 +0.6/+1.5105 +0.6/+2.5+0.6/+2.5KMSB190 19,0 105 5205763 6306562 5416713 +0.6/+1.5105 +0.6/+2.5+0.6/+2.5_ -KMSB195 19,5 105 5205764 +0.6/+1.5105 +0.6/+2.5+0.6/+2.5KMSB200 20,0 +0.6/+1.5 105 +0.6/+2.5 105 +0.6/+2.5 5205765 5329043 6225689 5416714 6096163 KMSB205 20,5 +0.6/+1.5 105 +0.6/+2.5 105 +0.6/+2.5 _ 5315174 5623704 _ -



KMSB • 105 X 105mm (continued)

								Part Nu	mber (Material	Master)	
		S		B2	(OAL			Grade		
		Stock		Stock		Stock					
catalog number	mm	Tolerance	mm	Tolerance	mm	Tolerance	CD650	CD750	KR466	KR887	KR855
KMSB210	21,0	+0.6/+1.5	105	+0.6/+2.5	105	+0.6/+2.5	5205766	-	-	5416715	6196560
KMSB220	22,0	+0.6/+1.5	105	+0.6/+2.5	105	+0.6/+2.5	5205767	6187038	-	-	-
KMSB230	23,0	+0.6/+1.5	105	+0.6/+2.5	105	+0.6/+2.5	5205768	5329044	6306563	5416716	-
KMSB240	24,0	+0.6/+1.5	105	+0.6/+2.5	105	+0.6/+2.5	5205769	-	-	-	-
KMSB250	25,0	+0.6/+1.5	105	+0.6/+2.5	105	+0.6/+2.5	5205770	5329045	6084834	5416717	6124337
KMSB255	25,5	+0.6/+1.5	105	+0.6/+2.5	105	+0.6/+2.5	-	-	5315175	6242292	-
KMSB260	26,0	+0.6/+1.5	105	+0.6/+2.5	105	+0.6/+2.5	5205771	6192251	6306564	-	-
KMSB285	28,5	+0.6/+1.5	105	+0.6/+2.5	105	+0.6/+2.5	-	-	6306565	6306591	-
KMSB300	30,0	+0.6/+1.5	105	+0.6/+2.5	105	+0.6/+2.5	5205772	-	6360117	6111987	6051610
KMSB320	32,0	+0.6/+1.5	105	+0.6/+2.5	105	+0.6/+2.5	5205773	-	6306566	5416718	-
KMSB350	35,0	+0.6/+1.5	105	+0.6/+2.5	105	+0.6/+2.5	-	5911270	6084833	6306592	-
KMSB380	38,0	+0.6/+1.5	105	+0.6/+2.5	105	+0.6/+2.5	-	-	6306567	6306593	-
KMSB390	39,0	+0.6/+1.5	105	+0.6/+2.5	105	+0.6/+2.5	-	-	-	5416719	-
KMSB400	40,0	+0.6/+1.5	105	+0.6/+2.5	105	+0.6/+2.5	5205774	-	6360118	6306594	-
KMSB415	41,5	+0.6/+1.5	105	+0.6/+2.5	105	+0.6/+2.5	-	-	6306568	6306595	-
KMSB445	44,5	+0.6/+1.5	105	+0.6/+2.5	105	+0.6/+2.5	-	-	6306569	6306596	-
KMSB450	45,0	+0.6/+1.5	105	+0.6/+2.5	105	+0.6/+2.5	5205775	-	-	5416720	-
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KMSB535	53,5	+0.6/+1.75	105	+0.6/+2.5	105	+0.6/+2.5	-	-	5315176	-	-
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KMSB555	55,5	+0.6/+1.75	105	+0.6/+2.5	105	+0.6/+2.5	-	-	5315177	5416723	-
KMSB570	57,0	+0.6/+1.75	105	+0.6/+2.5	105	+0.6/+2.5	-	-	6306572	6306599	-
KMSB580	58,0	+0.6/+1.75	105	+0.6/+2.5	105	+0.6/+2.5	-	-	-	5416724	-
KMSB600	60,0	+0.6/+1.75	105	+0.6/+2.5	105	+0.6/+2.5	-	-	6306573	5342190	6339549
KMSB605	60,5	+0.6/+1.75	105	+0.6/+2.5	105	+0.6/+2.5	-	-	5315178	5416725	-
KMSB635	63,5	+0.6/+1.75	105	+0.6/+2.5	105	+0.6/+2.5	-	-	5587113	6306600	-
KMSB650	65,0	+0.6/+1.75	105	+0.6/+2.5	105	+0.6/+2.5	-	-	6021416	-	-
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KMSB765	76,5	+0.6/+2	105	+0.6/+2.5	105	+0.6/+2.5	-	-	6306575	6306602	-
KMSB855	85,5	+0.6/+2	105	+0.6/+2.5	105	+0.6/+2.5	-	-	6306576	6306603	-
KMSB890	89,0	+0.6/+2	105	+0.6/+2.5	105	+0.6/+2.5	-	-	6306577	6306604	-





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