



## Technical Information: PSB 22

PSB 22 is a cold work tool steel produced by the ESR melting practice.

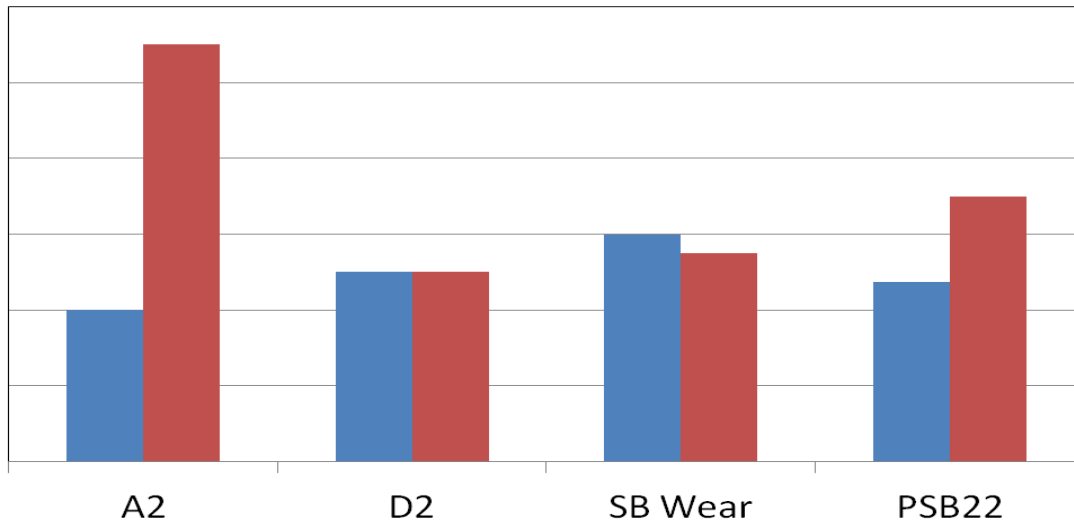
PSB 22 is characterized by an excellent balance of high wear resistance, and high chipping resistance (toughness). PSB 22's high tempering temperatures make it a good substrate for most coatings.

### Typical Chemical Composition

Carbon	1.00%	Chromium	8.00%
Molybdenum	2.10%	Silicon	1.00%
Vanadium	0.30%	Manganese	0.40%

### SBSM Tool Steel Properties Comparison

■ Relative Wear Resistance    ■ Chipping Resistance



### Physical Properties

Modulus of Elasticity.....30 psi x 10<sup>6</sup> .....(207 GPa)  
 Density..... 0.281 lb/in<sup>3</sup>  
 Annealed Hardness.....210-225 Brinell Hardness (BHN)  
 Machinability.....Similar to A2 Tool Steel



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### Heat Treatment

#### Annealing

Heat to 1550°F, hold two hours  
 Slow cool 20°F/hour to 900°F  
 Then air or furnace cool to room temperature

#### Stress Relieving

Performed prior or after machining to minimize distortion in heat treating  
 1100/1200°F, hold two hours  
 then air cool to room temperature

#### Hardening

Salt bath, protective atmosphere, or vacuum furnace equipment preferred.

#### High Heat (Austenitizing)

1875/1900°F for 30 minutes at heat.

#### Quench

Salt bath quench to 1000-1100°F, equalize, then air cool to 150°F .  
 Vacuum or atmosphere quench rate of a minimum 50 degrees F per minute down to 900°F is critical to achieve best heat treat response.  
 Temper immediately following quench when material reaches 150°F or below.

#### Tempering

Minimum 400°F tempering temperature required.  
 Double tempering is required, triple tempering recommended.  
 Air cool to room temperature between tempers.

### Typical Heat Treat Response

Tempering Temp °F °C	Hardening Temp 1875°F 1024°C		Hardening Temp 1900°F 1038°C	
	As Quenched	62/63 HRC		63/64 HRC
400 205	61 HRC		61 HRC	
500 260	60 HRC		60 HRC	
600 315	59 HRC		59 HRC	
700 371	60 HRC		60 HRC	
800 427	61 HRC		61 HRC	
950 510	62 HRC		63 HRC	
1000 538	60 HRC		62 HRC	
1025 552	58 HRC		60 HRC	