Before you start grinding

First steps and checks:

- Check if the grinding wheel is out of balance
- Does the grinding wheel run stably?
- Profile the grinding wheel mounted on the flange
- After that, open up the grinding wheel using the correct conditioning stone
- Align the cooling lubricant nozzles and check their geometry
- Is the cooling lubricant system working properly?

Profile the grinding wheel:

It is essential to dress the grinding wheel to obtain good results. A radial or axial impact of the grinding wheel causes vibrations, which produce a poor cutting edge and surface as a consequence. It is best to profile the grinding wheels externally in a separate profiling machine using silicon carbide grinding wheels.

Recommended dressing parameters:

- Circumferential speed of the grinding wheel:
- Circumferential speed of the silicon carbide grinding wheel: 15-25 m/s
- Oscillation speed:
- Feed increment:

3–5 m/s 15–25 m/s 200–1000 mm/min

0.01–0.07 mm per stroke

Important!

- The grinding wheel should be profiled on the same holder that will be used when grinding
- If possible, profile with cooling
- Marking the periphery of the grinding wheel with a felt-tip pen helps you determine if the entire circumference of the grinding wheel was profiled
- After profiling, the grinding wheel must be sharpened using the recommended conditioning stone



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The correct combination of cutting speed, feed rate, and feed increment are essential in order to fully utilize the performance offered by a grinding wheel. In

Typical grinding processes

addition, the type of machine and its stiffness, the workpiece data, the cooling lubricant, and how the cooling lubricant is supplied need to be considered.

Higher productivity & lower total cost

Primary relief Cut-off Creation of a taper along the Material is removed directly Use of thin cutting grinding wheels to shorten the blanks. cutting face to reduce the feed behind the cutting edge. Generally used when grinding the cut end of the workpiece and when shortening the blank on the end of the shaft. Outside diameter (OD) grinding Produces the final diameter. Secondary relief Produces a slight incline next to Flute grinding the first clearance angle. Flutes are spiral-shaped or straight grooves in the body of the tool. They enable the chips to be drawn off and allow the cooling lubricant to be supplied to the cutting surfaces.

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- Calculation of the total costs

Correct selection of the grinding

Grinding seminars

parameters lead to:

Steps for tool grinding



• Clamping precision

• Grinding operations:

• Determine the position

of the tool in the

grinding machine:

(concentricity):

removed, measure on a measuring machine Depends on previous history (cannot be influenced) Resharpen the flank or cutting faces without influencing the function of the tool Complicated sensing

operations to detect the helix, angular position, exposed length, longer cutter, etc.

End work Produces a small clearance angles on the head of the tool.

Gashing

forces.

If problems arise

Depends on blank (can be influenced) Specifications according to drawing, grinding from the solid, OD grinding, flutes, ... Only necessary to detect the exposed length; possibly detect position of IK holes

Problem	Possible cause	Possible solution
 Clogging of the grinding wheel 	 Poor conditioning 	 Reconditioning the grinding wheel according to application recommendations
	 Low filter performance, poor cooling 	 Adjust cooling optimally for contact zone
	 Cutting speed of the grinding wheel is too high 	 Reduction of the cutting speed of the grinding wheel
	 Feed rate too low or too high 	 Change the feed rate
	 Grinding wheel is too hard 	 Use a softer grinding wheel
 Too much wear on the grinding wheel 	 Insufficient cooling on the contact zone 	 Adjust cooling optimally for contact zone
	 Low cutting speed of the grinding wheel 	 Increasing the cutting speed makes the grinding wheel appear harder
	 Feed rate too high 	 Reduction of the feed rate
	 Grinding wheel is too soft 	 Switch to a harder grinding wheel. Increasing the cutting speed so makes the grinding wheel appear harder
• Overheating of the tool	 Insufficient cooling on the con- tact zone 	 Adjust cooling optimally for contact zone
	 Cutting speed of the grinding wheel is too high 	 Reduction of the cutting speed of the grinding wheel
	 Feed rate too high 	 Reduction of the feed rate
	 Grinding wheel is too hard 	 Switch to a softer grinding wheel. Reducing the cutting speed also makes the grinding wheel appear softer
• Poor surface quality on the workpiece	 Out of balance, concentricity error, vibrations 	 Check the spindle bearing or other machine com- ponents. Test the grinding wheel for imbalances and concentricity
	 Grinding wheel is too coarse- grained 	 Switch to a finer grained grinding wheel
	 Abrasive coating is clogged or covered with lubricant 	 Roughen surface with a sharpening stone
	 Low filter performance, poor cooling 	 Adjust cooling optimally for contact zone
	 Grinding wheel is too soft 	 Switch to a harder or wider grinding wheel. Incre- asing the cutting speed makes the grinding wheel appear harder