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INTRODUCING OUR NEW PRODUCT NOMENCLATURE

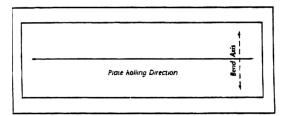
Bisalloy Steels has recently introduced a new product nomenclature. The following table details the grade equivalents.

Note: Only the designation has changed – not the product

Previous Name	New Name				
BISPLATE® 60	BISALLOY® Structural 60 steel				
BISPLATE® 70	BISALLOY® Structural 70 steel				
BISPLATE® 80	BISALLOY® Structural 80 steel				
BISPLATE® 100	BISALLOY® Structural 100 steel				
BISPLATE® 80PV	BISALLOY® Structural 80 Pressure				
	Vessel steel				
BISPLATE® 320	BISALLOY® Wear 320 steel				
BISPLATE® 400	BISALLOY® Wear 400 steel				
BISPLATE® 450	BISALLOY® Wear 450 steel				
New product	BISALLOY® Wear 500XT steel				
BISPLATE® 500	BISALLOY® Wear 500 steel				
BISPLATE® 600	BISALLOY® Wear 600 steel				

BENDING & ROLLING, FORMING, SHEARING & PUNCHING RECOMMENDATIONS

Fig 1a:



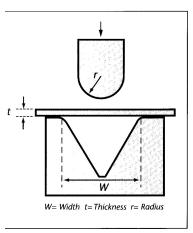
Schematic of transverse bend direction.

Fig 1b:



Schematic of longitudinal bend direction.

Fig 2:



Schematic diagram of brake press bending.

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COLD FORMING

All of the BISALLOY® quenched and tempered steel grades can be cold formed, using brake press bending or plate rolling techniques.

However, with an increase in both hardness and yield stress compared to plain carbon steel grades, suitable consideration of sufficient machine power, plate bending direction and former radii must be made.

In addition, springback allowances should be greater than for plain carbon steel and will depend on the type of forming. Plate edges should be ground smooth, and for thick plates and high hardness grades, the plate edges should be rounded prior to forming.

It is recommended for the high hardness grades that where possible the bend axis be at right angles to the plate rolling direction (transverse bending). For plate 16mm and above in BISALLOY® Wear 500 steel, it is suggested bending be done in the transverse direction only (refer to figure 1a).

Any cold forming work should be completed by an appropriately skilled and qualified person with experience in cold forming in accordance with relevant professional standards and regulations.



MINIMUM FORMER RADII (R) IN MM FOR **COLD FORMING**

Table 1: The minimum former radii for cold rolling or bending of BISALLOY® steel grades (where possible a larger former radii should be used).

(where possible a target former radii should be used).																		
BISALLOY®	Struc	ctural	Struc	Structural Struc		ctural	Structural		Wear		Wear		Wear		Wear		Wear	
STEEL GRADE	60		70		80		100		320/400		450		500XT		500		600	
Bend Direction	Т	L	Т	L	Т	L	Т	L	Т	L	Т	L	Т	L	Т	L	Т	L
Plate Thickness (t)(mm) Bending Forming radius R / Plate Thickness t, (R/t)																		
4	-	-	-	-	2.0	2.5	-	-	2.5	3.0	3.0	3.5	-	-	4.0	4.5		
5	1.0	1.5	1.5	2.0	2.0	2.5	2.5	3.0	2.5	3.0	3.0	3.5	-	-	4.0	4.5	Not generally recommended.	
6	1.0	1.5	1.5	2.0	2.0	2.5	2.5	3.0	3.0	3.5	3.5	4.0	3.5	4.0	4.0	4.5		
8	1.0	1.5	1.5	2.0	2.0	2.5	2.5	3.0	3.0	4.0	3.5	4.5	4.5	4.0	4.5	5.0		
10	1.0	1.5	1.5	2.0	2.0	2.5	2.5	3.0	3.0	4.0	4.0	5.0	4.0	5.0	4.5	5.5	Please contact Bisalloy	
12	1.0	1.5	1.5	2.0	2.0	2.5	2.5	3.0	3.0	4.0	4.0	5.0	4.0	5.0	4.5	5.5		
16	1.5	2.0	1.5	2.0	2.0	2.5	2.5	3.0	3.5	4.5	4.5	5.5	4.5	5.5	5.0	6.0	Technical if bending is required.	
20	1.5	2.0	2.0	2.5	2.5	3.0	3.0	3.5	4.0	5.0	4.5	5.5	4.5	5.5	5.5	6.5		
25	1.5	2.0	2.0	2.5	2.5	3.0	3.0	4.0	4.5	5.5	5.0	6.0	5.0	6.0	5.5	6.5		
32	1.5	2.0	2.5	3.0	3.0	3.5	3.5	4.0	4.5	5.5	5.0	6.0	5.0	6.5	6.0	7.0		
40	2.0	2.5	2.5	3.0	3.0	3.5	3.5	4.0	4.5	5.5	5.0	6.0	-	-	-	-		
50	2.0	2.5	2.5	3.0	3.0	3.5	3.5	4.0	4.5	5.5	5.0	6.0	-	-	-	-		

Notes re: Table 1

- 1. Above values were determined for plate at a temperature of 20°C. If minimum former radii values are to be used, plate temperature should be at least 20°C, maximum 100°C. If forming at a temperature less than 20°C, an increase in former radii is recommended.
- 2. When pressing is being done in a single pass operation, an increase in former radii of minimum 50% must be made.
- Before relying on the information in this table, users are advised to confirm that they are using genuine BISALLOY® steel. There is a possibility that other products have different properties, performance characteristics, and quality standards compared to BISALLOY®, which could make this information unsafe or not applicable.

- T: Transverse Bending Direction (refer to fig 1a). L: Longitudinal Bending Direction (refer to fig 1b).
- When forming using these minimum former radii, flame cut hardened edge (heat affected zone of 1-2mm) should be removed.
- 5. The use of smaller former radii than in the table is not recommended.
- 6. For best cold forming results, ensure adequate lubrication between the plate, die and former.
- Reducing the lowering speed of the press can reduce the likehood of cracking and sudden fracture of the platwe

Table 2: Approximate Bending Force (P) Required for BISALLOY® steel Grades, Compared to Plain Carbon Steel, for a Given Forming Geometry (refer fig 2)

BISALLOY® STEEL GRADE	BENDING FORCE (P)
AS3678 - Grade 250	Р
Structural 60	2.0P
Structural 70	2.4P
Structural 80	2.8P
Structural 100	3.0P
Wear 320	4.0P
Wear 400	5.0P
Wear 450	5.2P
Wear 500/500XT	6.4P

Table 3: Approximate Die Openings (refer fig 2)

BISALLOY® STEEL GRADE	DIE OPENING WIDTH (W/t) RANGE
Structural 60	10 - 12
Structural 70	10 - 12
Structural 80	10 - 12
Structural 100	12 - 16
Wear 320	12 - 16
Wear 400	12 - 16
Wear 450	12 - 16
Wear 500/500XT	14 - 18

These recommendations are based on single step to 90 degree bending.

Table 4: Maximum Thickness for Cold Shearing and Punching

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BISALLOY® STEEL	COLD SHEARING	COLD PUNCHING				
GRADE						
Structural 60	25mm	12mm				
Structural 70	25mm	12mm				
Structural 80	25mm	12mm				
Structural 100	10mm	6mm				
Wear 320	10mm	6mm				
Wear 400	Not recommended					
Wear 450	Not recommended					
Wear 500/500XT	Not recommended					

CAPACITY OF PRESS

All BISALLOY® steel grades have yield and tensile strengths higher than for plain carbon steel.

It is important that the capacity of the machine is suitable, bending press manufacturers provide information on bending loads in relation to V-block opening, plate thickness and steel strength.

Table 2 gives an indication of the approximate bending force required when forming BISALLOY® steel grades, compared to plain carbon steel (e.g. AS3678-Grade 250).

HOT FORMING

Hot forming can be done on BISALLOY® Structural steel grades, however the temperature for these grades must not exceed 570°C.

Hot forming is not recommended for BISALLOY® Wear and BISALLOY® Armour steel grades.

The mechanical properties of BISALLOY® Wear steel will reduce if the steel is heated above 250°C.

SHEARING AND PUNCHING

Shearing and punching of the lower hardness BISALLOY® steel grades can be done successfully, provided a machine of sufficient power and stability is used.

BISALLOY® Structural 60, 70 and 80 steel grades can normally be cold sheared up to 25mm thickness. However, the necessary shearing force is in the order of 2-3 times that required for plain carbon steel grades. The grades of BISALLOY® Wear 400, 450, 500 and 600 steel should not be considered for shearing.

The guillotine blades should be very sharp and set with a clearance of 0.25 to 0.40mm. note, the maximum limiting thickness for cold punching are approximately half the cold shearing values.

These tasks should only be undertaken by an appropriately skilled and qualified person, with experience in shearing and punching, in accordance with relevant professional standards and regulations.



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