



# GEAR MILLING

For Gear, Spline & Rack Manufacturing



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## Advanced Technologies for Gear, Spline and Rack Manufacturing

### The VARDEX Gear Milling Concept

- Advanced milling tools with multi-flute indexable carbide grade inserts for super fast machining.
- Offering a competitive alternative to the traditional Hob system.
- Tailor-made inserts and holders designed per customer application, with the exact required profile shape (evolvent, involute or any other profile) to be transferred to the component.

### New Clamping System

New stopper technology for guaranteed radial and axial run out

Stoppers are pre-assembled on the toolholder and remain intact when changing inserts



### Gear Milling System Advantages

#### Super Fast Machining

- At least 50% less machining cycle time over other methods
- Carbide inserts with full profile designed for single pass machining

#### Long Tool Life

- Tough sub-micron grade coated inserts with up to 3 cutting edges

#### High Accuracy & Quality Machining

- No need for additional machining
- High quality surface finish

#### Economical Solution

- Absolute Price/Performance advantage over existing technology

#### High Precision Machining

- Gears: Up to Class 7 according to DIN 3962, or Class 11 according to ANSI 390.03
- Involute Splines: According to DIN 5480 or ANSI B92.1
- Straight sided Splines: According to ISO 14-1982

#### Simplified Machining

- Easy set-up and use on standard 3.5 axis CNC milling machines

## Major Applications

### GEAR



The VARDEX Gear milling tools are suitable for machining both straight and helical teeth covering modules from 0.5-6.0mm or DP 128.0-4.0.



### SPLINE



The VARDEX Spline milling tools are suitable for machining both involute or straight-sided profiles, covering modules from 0.5-6.0mm or DP 48/96 - 4/8.



### RACK



The VARDEX Rack milling tools are suitable for covering modules from 0.5-6.0mm or DP 128.0-4.0.



Gears, Splines and Racks can be machined with either Shell Mills, End Mills or Disc Mills.



End Mill



Shell Mill



Disc Mill

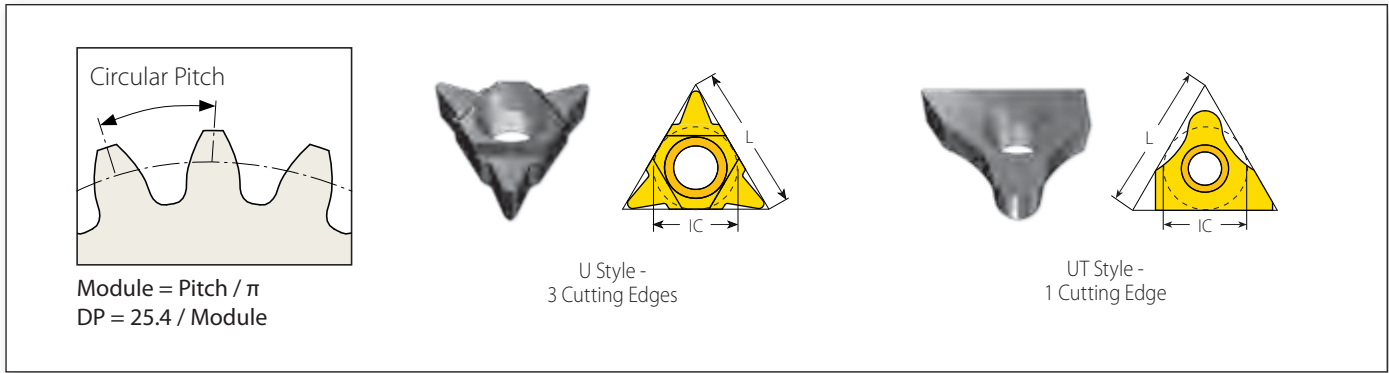


U Style  
3 Cutting Edges



UT Style  
1 Cutting Edge



# Gear Milling Inserts



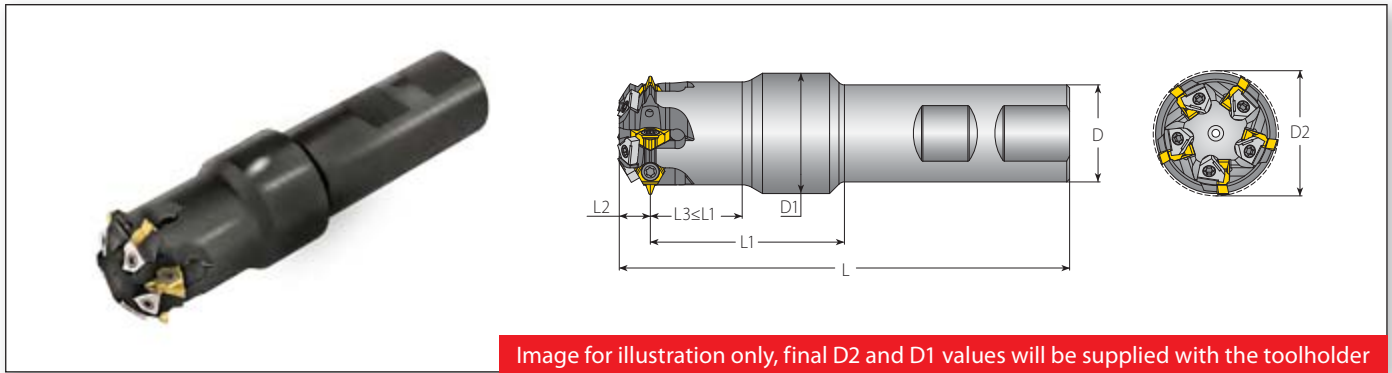
## VARDEX Gear Milling Machining Concept

Based on the required customer application, VARDEX designs and supplies tailor-made inserts to suit a **specific and single Module / DP** as well as the exact number of teeth used on the component.

## Inserts for Gear, Rack and Spline Applications

Application	Module	Diametrical Pitch (DP)	Insert Size	L	Cutting Edges	Toolholder	Page
Gear 	0.5-1.0	26-52	1/4"U	11	3	GME5N 100W125-197-2U 215/... GMD12N D335-100-2U 215/...	5,9
	1.0-1.5	17-26	3/8"U	16	3	GME5N 125W142-315-3U 215/... GMS7N D189-075-3U 215/... GMD12N D354-100-3U 215/...	5,6,9
Rack 	1.75-2.0	13-16	1/2"U	22	3	GMS7N D275-100-4U 215/...	7
	3.0-3.5	7.5-9	1/2"UT	22	1	GMS6S D335-100-4UT 215/...	7
	2.25-2.75	9.5-12	5/8"U	27	3	GMS6N D315-100-5U 215/...	8
	3.5-6	4.5-7	5/8"UT	27	1	GMS5S D315-100-5UT 215/...	8
Spline 	0.5-1.25	48/96; 40/80; 32/64; 24/48	1/4"U	11	3	GME5N 100W125-197-2U 215/... GMD12N D335-100-2U 215/...	5,9
	1.5-2.0	20/40; 16/32	3/8"U	16	3	GME5N 125W142-315-3U 215/... GMS7N D189-075-3U 215/... GMD12N D354-100-3U 215/...	5,6,9
	2.0-3.0	12/24; 10/20; 8/16	1/2"U	22	3	GMS7N D275-100-4U 215/...	7
	4.0-5.0	6/12; 5/10	1/2"UT	22	1	GMS6S D335-100-4UT 215/...	7
	3.0-4.0	8/16; 6/12	5/8"U	27	3	GMS6N D315-100-5U 215/...	8
	5.0-8.0	5/10; 4/8	5/8"UT	27	1	GMS5S D315-100-5UT 215/...	8

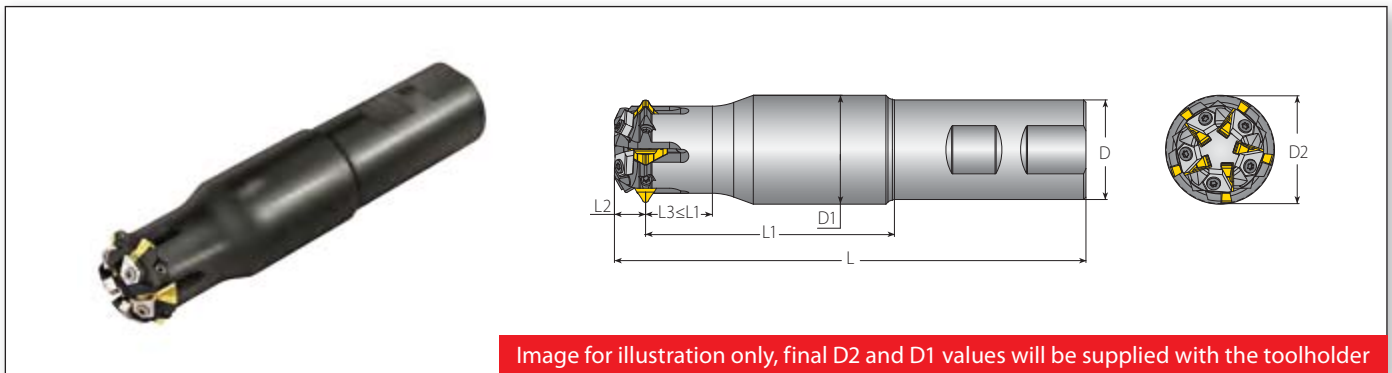
## Toolholder - Weldon Shank for IC 1/4"U



### For Gear, Rack and Spline

Insert Size	Insert Cutting Edges	Ordering Code	Dimensions inch						No. of Flutes	Spare Parts							
			L	L1	D	D1 (max)	D2 (ref)	*L2 (ref)		Z	Insert Screw	Insert Torx Key	Stopper	Stopper Screw	Stopper Key		
IC																	
1/4"U	3	GME5N 100W125-197-2U 215/...	4.65	1.97	1.00	1.18	1.25	.31	5	SN2T (70036)	HK2T (70227)	5LST (70013)	SN5LTR (72007)	K7T (70026)			

## Toolholder - Weldon Shank for IC 3/8"U



### For Gear, Rack and Spline

Insert Size	Insert Cutting Edges	Ordering Code	Dimensions inch						No. of Flutes	Spare Parts							
			L	L1	D	D1 (max)	D2 (ref)	*L2 (ref)		Z	Insert Screw	Insert Torx+ Key	Stopper	Stopper Screw	Stopper Key		
IC																	
3/8"U	3	GME5N 125W142-315-3U 215/...	5.9	3.15	1.25	1.37	1.42	.39	5	SR3FIP8 (80973)	KIP8 (70231)	2TM1ST (70016)	M3x7.5 (70029)	KIP8 (70231)			

Note: Customized toolholders are available upon request.

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# Toolholder - Shell Mill for IC 3/8"U

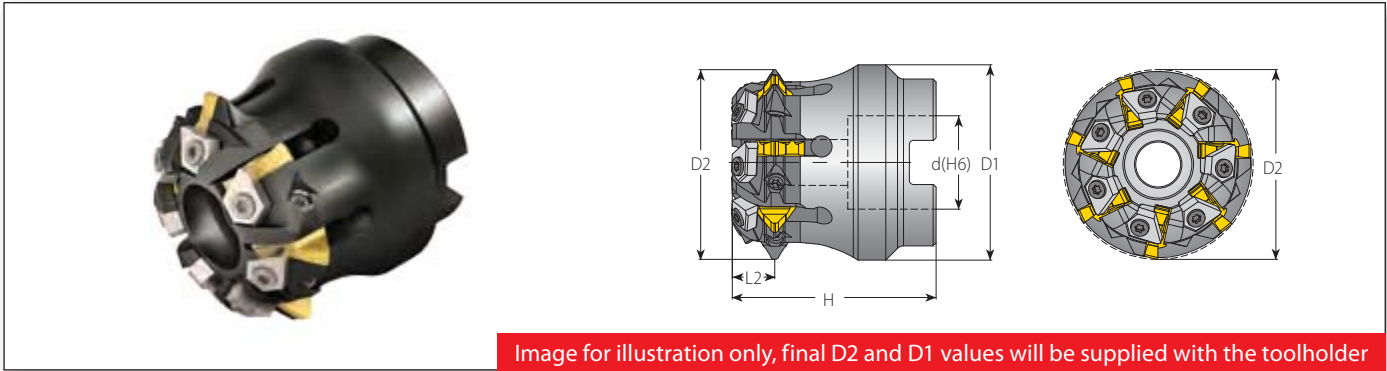


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## For Gear, Rack and Spline

### Spare Parts

Insert Size	Insert Cutting Edges	Ordering Code	Dimensions inch							Spare Parts							
			D1 (max)	D2 (ref)	d (H6)	H	*L2 (ref)	Z	Insert Screw	Insert Torx + Key	Stopper	Stopper Screw	Stopper Key	Holder Screw			
IC																	
3/8"U	3	GMS7N D189-075-3U 215/...	1.8	1.89	.75	1.89	.39	7	SR3FIP8 (80973)	KIP8 (70231)	2TM1ST (70016)	M3x7.5 (70029)	KIP8 (70231)	3/8-24x1.5 (70264)			

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## Toolholder - Shell Mill for IC 1/2"U

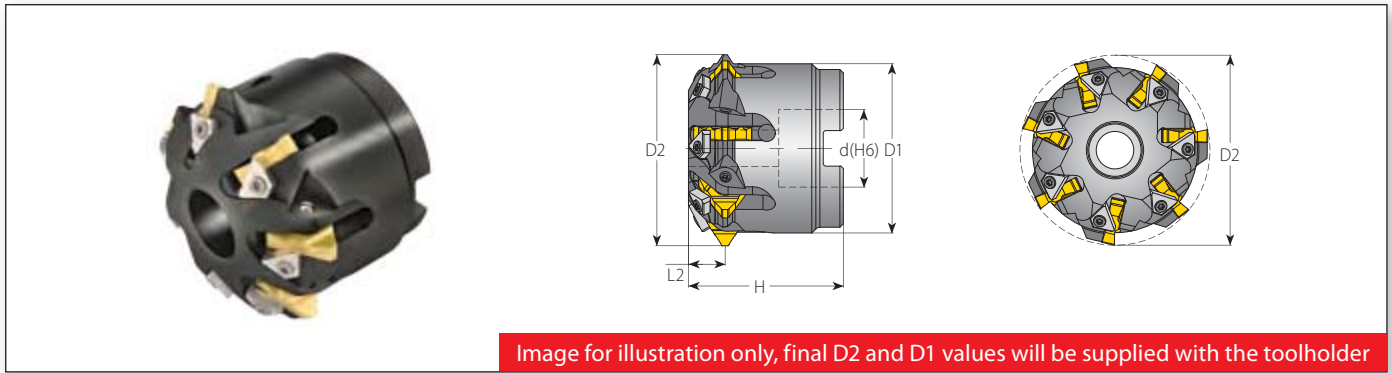


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### For Gear, Rack and Spline

Insert Size	Insert Cutting Edges	Ordering Code	Dimensions inch							No. of Flutes	Spare Parts			
			D1 (max)	D2 (ref)	d (H6)	H	*L2 (ref)	Z	Insert Screw		Insert Torx + Key	Stopper	Stopper Screw	Stopper Key
1/2"U	3	GMS7N D275-100-4U 215/...	2.7	2.75	1.00	2.05	.5	7	SR3FIP8 (80973)	KIP8 (70231)	2TM2ST (70023)	M3x7.5 (70029)	KIP8 (70231)	1/2-20x1.5 (70224)

## Toolholder - Shell Mill for IC 1/2" UT

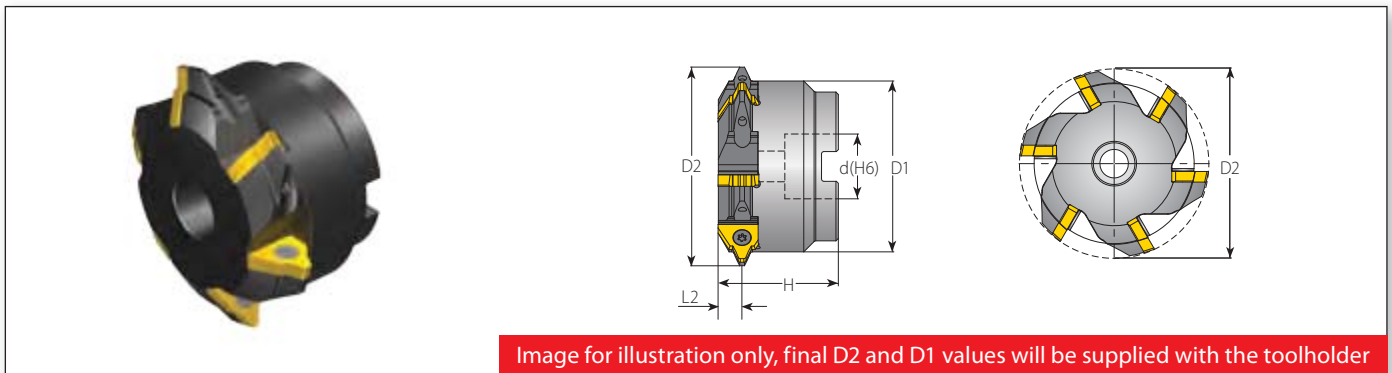


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### For Gear, Rack and Spline

Insert Size	Insert Cutting Edges	Ordering Code	Dimensions inch							No. of Flutes	Spare Parts		
			D1 (max)	D2 (ref)	d (H6)	H	*L2 (ref)	Z	Insert Screw		Insert Torx + Key	Holder Screw	
1/2"UT	1	GMS6S D335-100-4UT 215/...	3.27	3.35	1.00	1.97	.40	6	SN4T (70039)	HK4T (70241)	1/2x20x1.5 (70224)		

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## Toolholder - Shell Mill for IC 5/8"U

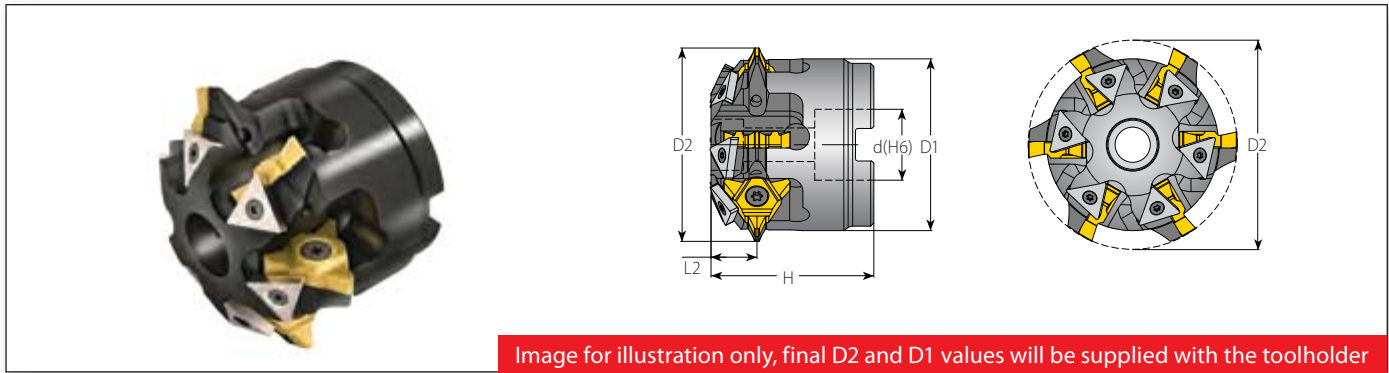


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### For Gear, Rack and Spline

Insert Size	Insert Cutting Edges	Ordering Code	Dimensions inch						No. of Flutes	Spare Parts								
			D1 (max)	D2 (ref)	d (H6)	H	*L2 (ref)	Z		Insert Screw	Insert Torx + Key	Stopper	Stopper Screw	Stopper Key	Holder Screw			
IC																		
5/8"U	3	GMS6N D315-100-5U 215/...	3.1	3.15	1.00	2.36	.69	6	SN2T (70036)	HK5T (70229)	3ST (70027)	SN3TM (70236)	K3T (70021)	1/2-20x1.5 (70224)				

## Toolholder - Shell Mill for IC 5/8"UT

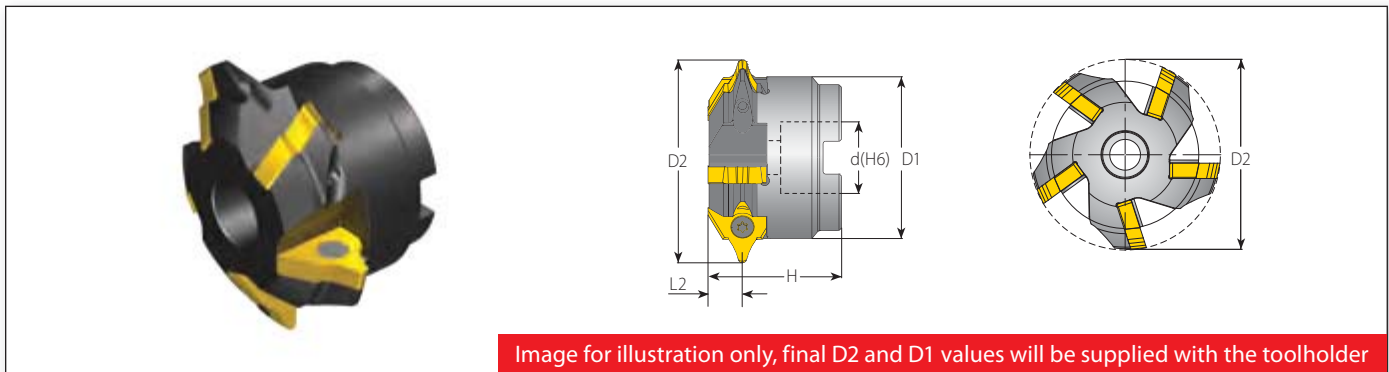


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### For Gear, Rack and Spline

Insert Size	Insert Cutting Edges	Ordering Code	Dimensions inch						No. of Flutes	Spare Parts			
			D1 (max)	D2 (ref)	d (H6)	H	*L2 (ref)	Z		Insert Screw	Insert Torx + Key	Holder Screw	
IC													
5/8"UT	1	GMS5S D315-100-5UT 215/...	3.07	3.15	1.00	1.97	.39	5	SN5TM (70041)	HK5T (70229)	1/2-20x1.5 (70224)		

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## Gear Milling Toolholder - Disc Mill for IC 1/4"U

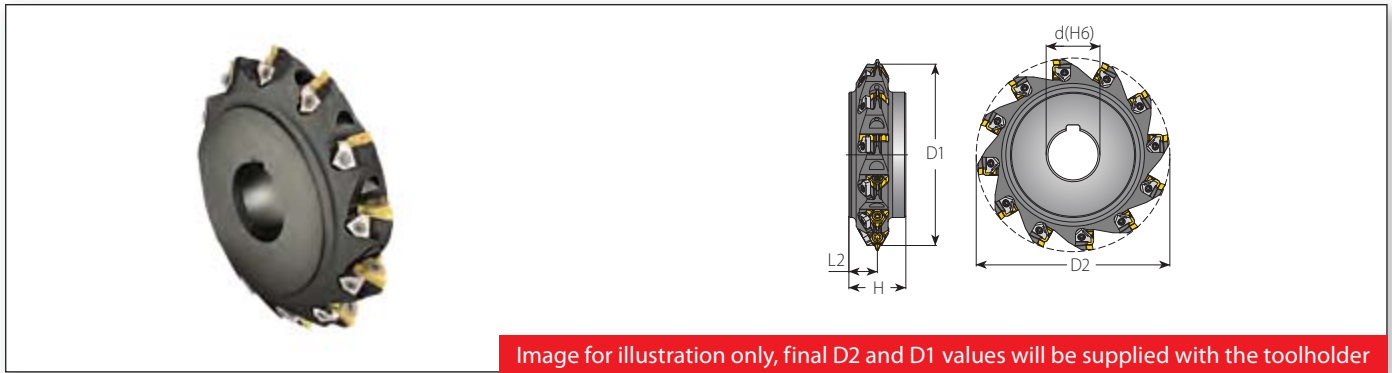


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### For Gear, Rack and Spline

Insert Size	Insert Cutting Edges	Ordering Code	Dimensions inch							No. of Flutes	Spare Parts				
			D1 (max)	D2 (ref)	d (H6)	H	*L2 (ref)	Z	Insert Screw		Insert Torx + Key	Stopper	Stopper Screw	Stopper Key	
IC			D1 (max)	D2 (ref)	d (H6)	H	*L2 (ref)	Z							
1/4"U	3	GMD12N D335-100-2U 215/...	3.3	3.35	1.00	.98	.49	12	SN2T (70036)	HK2T (70227)	5LST (70013)	SN5LTR (72007)	K7T (70026)		

## Gear Milling Toolholder - Disc Mill for IC 3/8"U



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### For Gear, Rack and Spline

Insert Size	Insert Cutting Edges	Ordering Code	Dimensions inch							No. of Flutes	Spare Parts				
			D1 (max)	D2 (ref)	d (H6)	H	*L2 (ref)	Z	Insert Screw		Insert Torx + Key	Stopper	Stopper Screw	Stopper Key	
IC			D1 (max)	D2 (ref)	d (H6)	H	*L2 (ref)	Z							
3/8"U	3	GMD12N D354-100-3U 215/...	3.5	3.54	1.00	.98	.49	12	SR3FIP8 (80973)	KIP8 (70231)	2TM2ST (70023)	M3x7.5 (70029)	KIP8 (70231)		

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## Recommended Grades, Cutting Speeds Vc [ft/min] and Feed f [inch/tooth]

Material Group	Vardex No.	Material	Hardness Brinell HB	Vc [ft/min]		Feed f [inch/tooth]
				VBX		
<b>P</b> Steel	1	Unalloyed steel	Low carbon (C=0.1-0.25%)	125	328 - 689	.0079 - .0126
	2		Medium carbon (C=0.25-0.55%)	150	328 - 590	.0079 - .0126
	3		High Carbon (C=0.55-0.85%)	170	328 - 558	.0060 - .0090
	4	Low alloy steel (alloying elements ≤5%)	Non hardened	180	197 - 295	.0067 - .011
	5		Hardened	275	262 - 492	.0060 - .011
	6		Hardened	350	230 - 459	.0060 - .0098
	7	High alloy steel (alloying elements >5%)	Annealed	200	197 - 426	.0060 - .0087
	8		Hardened	325	227 - 361	.0051 - .0083
	9	Cast steel	Low alloy (alloying elements <5%)	200	328 - 558	.0060 - .0087
	10		High alloy (alloying elements >5%)	225	230 - 394	.0047 - .0087
<b>M</b> Stainless Steel	11	Stainless steel Ferritic	Non hardened	200	328 - 558	.0060 - .0087
	12		Hardened	330	328 - 558	.0063 - .0091
	13	Stainless steel Austenitic	Austenitic	180	230 - 460	.0060 - .0098
	14		Super Austenitic	200	230 - 460	.0047 - .0079
	15	Stainless steel Cast Ferritic	Non hardened	200	230 - 460	.0063 - .0094
	16		Hardened	330	230 - 460	.0047 - .0079
	17	Stainless steel Cast austenitic	Austenitic	200	230 - 394	.0060 - .0087
	18		Hardened	330	230 - 394	.0047 - .0079
<b>K</b> Cast Iron	28	Malleable Cast iron	Ferritic (short chips)	130	197 - 426	.0063 - .0095
	29		Pearlitic (long chips)	230	197 - 394	.0060 - .0087
	30	Grey cast iron	Low tensile strength	180	197 - 426	.0060 - .0087
	31		High tensile strength	260	197 - 328	.0060 - .0087
	32	Nodular SG iron	Ferritic	160	197 - 410	.0039 - .0079
	33		Pearlitic	260	164 - 295	.0060 - .0087
<b>N(K)</b> Non-Ferrous Metals	34	Aluminium alloys Wrought	Non aging	60	328 - 820	.0118 - .0197
	35		Aged	100	328 - 590	.011 - .0197
	36	Aluminium alloys	Cast	75	492 - 1312	.011 - .0197
	37		Cast & aged	90	492 - 918	.0098 - .0157
	38	Aluminium alloys	Cast Si 13-22%	130	262 - 492	.011 - .0197
	39	Copper and Copper alloys	Brass	90	394 - 689	.0118 - .0197
	40		Bronze and non leaded copper	100	394 - 689	.011 - .0197
	<b>S(M)</b> Heat Resistant Material	19	High temperature alloys	Annealed (Iron based)	200	66 - 148
20		Aged (Iron based)		280	66 - 98	.0028 - .0051
21		Annealed (Nickel or Cobalt based)		250	49 - 66	.0031 - .0059
22		Aged (Nickel or Cobalt based)		350	33 - 49	.0031 - .0059
23		Titanium alloys	Pure 99.5 Ti	400Rm	230 - 459	.0028 - .0051
24			α+β alloys	1050Rm	66 - 164	.0028 - .0051
<b>H(K)</b> Hardened Material	25	Extra hard steel	Hardened & tempered	45-50HRC	49 - 148	.002 - .0047
	26			51-55HRC*	49 - 131	.002 - .0047

\* Note: Special tools, which are not listed in this catalog, are required for extra hard steel (51-55HRC).

### Grades

Grade	Application
<b>VBX</b>	TiCN coated carbide grade. Excellent grade for <b>general use</b> .

Other grades are available upon request.

U Style



UT Style

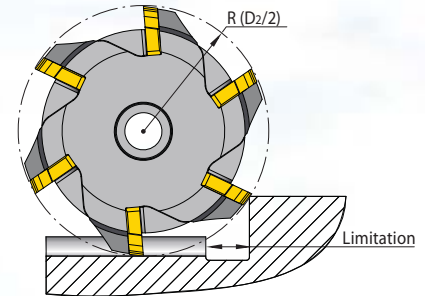


# GEAR MILLING Request Form\*

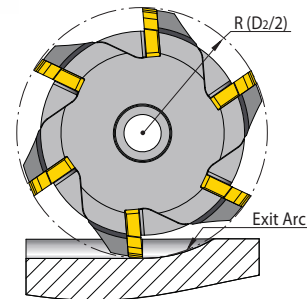
\* Please submit a completed version of this form with each request (a drawing is recommended).  
 For Rack, Straight Spline, Worm or other special forms, a drawing **must** be supplied with all relevant dimensions!

## Basic Dimensions

- 1 | Gear / Spline Standard \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 | Class of Accuracy \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 | Module (M) / Diametrical Pitch (DP) \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 | Number of Teeth \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 | Pressure Angle \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 | Helix Angle \_\_\_\_\_
- 7 | Direction of Helix (RH/LH) \_\_\_\_\_
- 8 | Pitch Diameter (REF) \_\_\_\_\_
- 9 | Major Diameter Max: \_\_\_\_\_ Min: \_\_\_\_\_
- 10 | Minor Diameter Max: \_\_\_\_\_ Min: \_\_\_\_\_
- 11 | Form Diameter (For Spline only) \_\_\_\_\_
- 12 | Fillet Radius \_\_\_\_\_
- 13 | Root Type (For Spline only)  Fillet Root  Flat Root



Tool Radius (R) < Tool Exit Limitation



Tool Radius (R) < Exit Arc

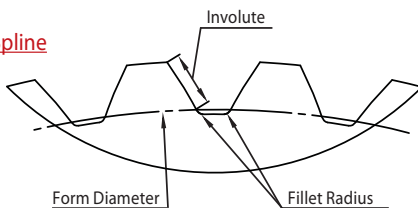
One of the following must be supplied:

- 14a | Measurement Over Pins Ø: \_\_\_\_\_ Max: \_\_\_\_\_ Min: \_\_\_\_\_
- 14b | Tangent Length Over (N) Teeth N: \_\_\_\_\_ Max: \_\_\_\_\_ Min: \_\_\_\_\_
- 14c | Actual - Tooth Thickness Max: \_\_\_\_\_ Min: \_\_\_\_\_

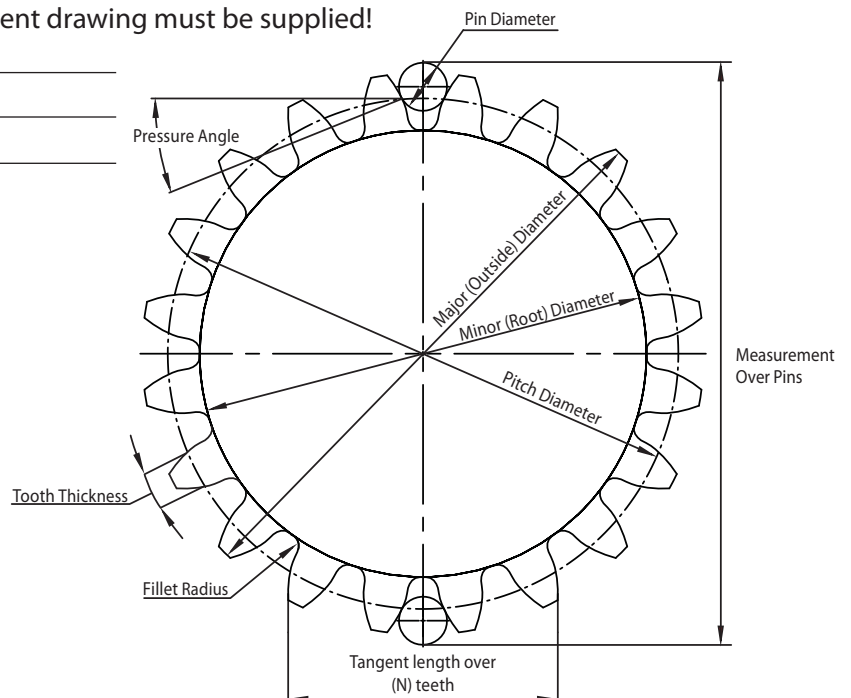
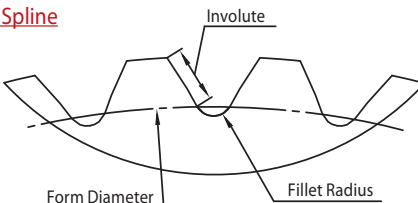
## Additional Information

- 15 | For Tool Exit Limitation, a detailed component drawing must be supplied!
- 16 | Exit Arc Radius (R) \_\_\_\_\_
- 17 | Material Hardness (During machining) \_\_\_\_\_
- 18 | Material Designation \_\_\_\_\_

### Flat Root Spline



### Fillet Root Spline





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