

Polycrystalline diamond (PCD)

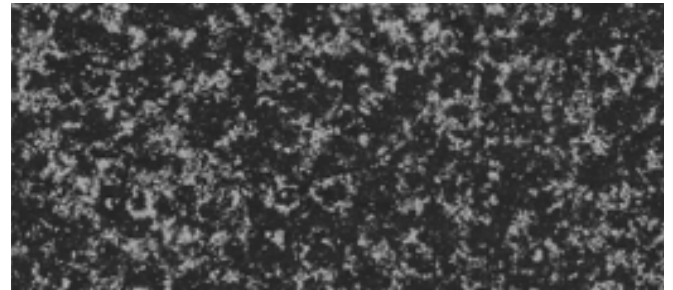
Grade: CTX002

Key material characteristics

- 2 μm diamond grain size
- 13 % cobalt ratio (wt %)
- High chip resistance

Ideal for profile routers and thread cutting tools, can also be used in wear part applications. 2 μ m average grain size with increased cobalt for ease of processing. CTX002 is ideal for complex tools where intensive processing is required.

Typical microstructure



BEC

20 kV

X500 Magnification

50 μm 

	Behaviour in application		Processing characteristics	
Grade Grain size	Chip resistance	Abrasion resistance	Electro-discharge machinability	Grindability
CMX850 0.85 µm				
CTX002 2 µm				
CTB004 4 µm				
CTB010 10 µm				
CTH025 25 µm				
CTM302 2 - 30 µm				

Size and format available

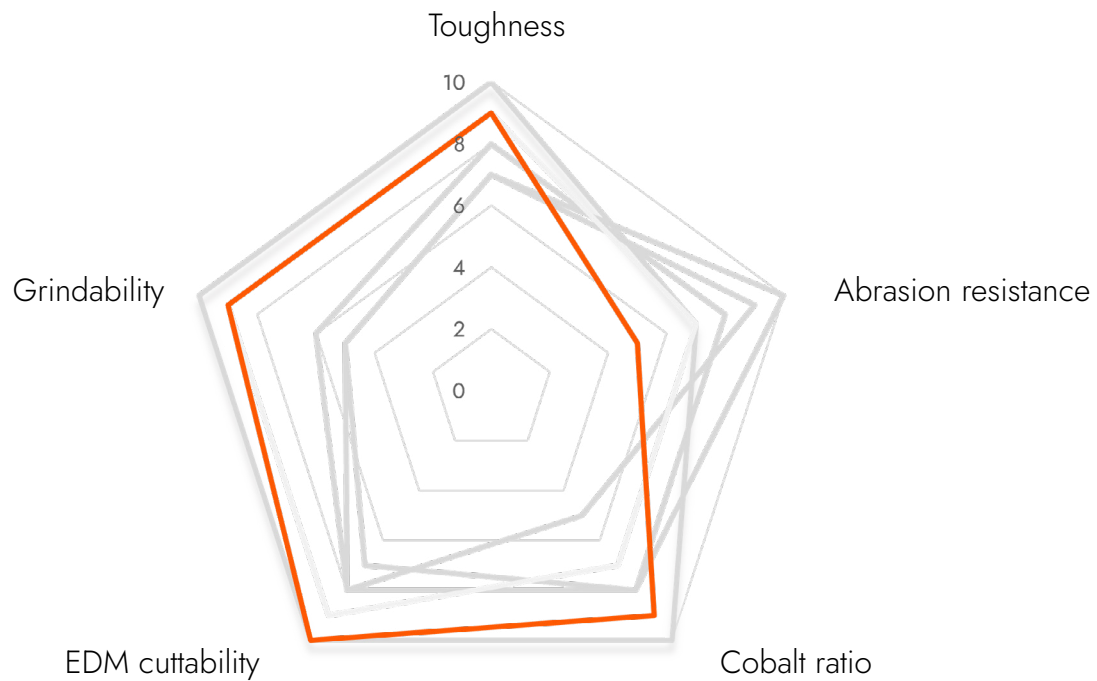
Maximum disc diameter: 76 mm

Maximum PCD certified area: 70 mm

Overall height

PCD layer thickness	0.8	1.0	1.2	1.4	1.6	2.0	3.18	8.0
0.5		✓			✓		✓	

Material characteristics



Physical and metallurgical properties

Property	Measurement	Applicable standard
Transverse rupture strenght characteristic strengh (MPa)	2175	ASTM C1239
Weibull modulus	7.1	
Fracture toughness mean (MPa.m ^{1/2})	9.12	Shetty et al. (1995)
Elastic modulus (GPa)	950	ASTM E494
Poisson's ratio	0.1	
Density (g/cm ³)	4.36	Archimedes principle
Thermal conductivity (W/m/K) at 500 °C	304.3	Calculated from thermal diffusivity, specific heat capacity and density
Knoop hardness (Indentation)(GPa)	45	ASTM C1326-03

	Superior	Advanced	Assured
Polish quality	P+	P1	P2
Overall height tolerance + mm	H+ 0.025	H1 0.05	H2 0.1
PCD layer tolerance + mm	L+ 0.1	L1 0.15	L2 0.2

Range	PCD layer (mm)	Certified area (mm)	Overall height (mm)	Nomenclature	Item number
Advanced	0.5	70	1.6	CTX002 R70-160-05 P1H1L+	176-200-0043-01
Advanced	0.5	70	0.8	CTX002 R70-080-05 P1H1L+	176-200-0052-01
Advanced	0.5	70	1.0	CTX002 R70-100-05 P1H1L+	176-200-0049-01
Advanced	0.5	70	1.2	CTX002 R70-120-05 P1H1L+	176-200-0048-01
Advanced	0.5	70	1.6	CTX002 R70-140-05 P1H1L+	176-200-0054-01
Advanced	0.5	70	2.0	CTX002 R70-200-05 P1H1L+	176-200-0046-01
Advanced	0.5	70	3.18	CTX002 R70-318-05 P1H1L+	176-200-0047-01
Assured	0.5	68	1.6	CTX002 R68-160-05 P2H2L1	176-200-0042-01
Assured	0.5	68	2.0	CTX002 R68-200-05 P2H2L1	176-200-0045-01
Assured	0.5	68	3.18	CTX002 R68-318-05 U1H2L1	176-200-0056-01
Assured	0.5	68	1.6	CTX002 R68-160-05 U1H2L1	176-200-0058-01
Advanced	0.5	60	1.6	CTX002 R60-160-05 P1H1L1	176-200-0044-01



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