

# HK ALLOY

# **Description**

Type HK is an iron-chromium-nickel alloy somewhat similar to a wholly austenitic type HH in general characteristics and mechanical properties. HK Alloy is stable austenitic over its entire temperature range of application. The as-cast microstructure consists of an austenite matrix containing massive carbides as scattered islands or networks. After ageing at service temperature, the alloy exhibits a dispersion of fine, granular carbides within the austenitic grains, with subsequent agglomeration if the temperature is high enough.

## **Typical Applications**

- Cast Parts
- Corrosive Environments
- Aircraft Industry
- Cement Industry
- Fertilizer Industry
- Heat Treating Industry
- Ore Refining Industry
- Petrochemical Industry
- Petroleum Industry
- Steel Industry

### **Corrosion Resistance**

HK Alloy has chromium content high enough to ensure good resistance to corrosion by hot gases, in both oxidizing or reducing conditions.

#### **Heat Resistance**

HK Alloy with its high nickel content helps to make HK grade one of the strongest heat resistant casting alloys at temperatures about 1900°F. Accordingly, HK type castings are widely used for stressed parts in structural applications up to 2100°F.

#### **Heat Treatment**

Castings of Type HK alloy are normally supplied in the as-cast condition.

## Welding

Castings can be welded by metal-arc, inert-gas arc, and oxyacetylene gas methods. Metal-arc welding is generally preferred for high temperature applications of this alloy. neither preweld or postweld heat treating is required.

Chemical		С	Mn	P	S	Si	Mo	Cr	Ni
Analysis	HK	0.20-0.60	2.0	0.04	0.04	2.00	0.5	24.0-28.0	18.0-22.0
Max values									

Typical	Yield	Tensile	Elongation	Hardness		Impact	Modulus of
Mechanical	Strength	Strength	% in 2"			Charpy	Elasticity in
Properties-	ksi	ksi		R b	BHN	lb/in³	Tension - ksi
As-Cast	50	75	17	-	170	0.280	27000

Other	Creep Strength 1%	Electrical	Coefficient of	Thermal Conductivity	
	flow 10,000 hours	Resistivity -	Thermal expansion:	BTU/ft. <sup>2</sup> /Hr./°F/ft.	
Properties	at 1400°F -ksi	$\mu\Omega$ .m	μ in./ (in.°F)		
Troperties		At 70°F	32°- 212°F	At 212°F	At 932°F
	8.80	0.90	9.4	7.9	11.8