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## Silicon Nitride

Light weight ceramic material balls, they provide very good mechanical/hardness properties and corrosion resistance. They are auto lubricant materials and good electric insulators. Excellent resistance to thermal shocks. Manufactured according to ASTM F 2094 Class II standards.

## Field of application

Special bearings, high-speed bearings, vacuum pumps, compressors, centrifugal pumps, shafts/mandril, recirculating balls, flow meters, measurement instruments. They are used in aerospace and military industry.

## Corrosion resistance

Excellent corrosion resistance in all almost corrosive environments, apart from acids (except sulphuric acid) and basic solutions at high concentrations.

Material

| Technical name | Alternative Name | Abbreviation | \% Oxide |
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| Silicon Nitride | Nierite | Si 3 N 4 | $90,0-95,0$ |

Physical / mechanical / thermal / electrical / magnetic characteristics

| Characteristic | Symbol | Unit | Type | Note | Value |
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| Density | $\delta$ | $\mathrm{g} / \mathrm{cm}^{3}$ | Physical | Environmental temp. | 3,26 |
| Modulus of elasticity | E | GPa | Mechanical |  | 300 |
| Friction coefficient | $\mu$ | - | Mechanical | Environmental temp. | 0,10 |
| Spezific heat | C | $\mathrm{J} / \mathrm{kg}^{*} \mathrm{~K}$ | Thermal | Environmental temp. | 740 |
| Coefficient of linear thermal expansion | $\alpha$ | $10^{-6} /{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | Thermal | $\left(\Delta \mathrm{T}=0-100^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)$ | 3,4 |
| Thermal conductivity | $\lambda$ | $\mathrm{W} /\left(\mathrm{m}^{*} \mathrm{~K}\right)$ | Thermal | Environmental temp. | 23,0 |
| Volume restisivity | $\rho$ | $\Omega^{*} \mathrm{~m}$ | Electrical | - | $>10^{13}$ |
| Relative magnetic permeability | $\mu$ | - | Mechanical | Diamagnetic | $<\sim 1$ |

Technical characteristics

| Characteristic | Type | Unit | Value | Unit | Value |
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| Hardness | Mechanical | HV | $1250-1700$ | - | - |
| Ultimate compressive strength | Mechanical | MPa | $2100-2600$ | psi $^{*} 10^{3}$ | $334-580$ |
| Operating temperature | Thermal | ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | $-100-1600$ | ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ | $32-2192$ |

Available with

| Diameter $\min / \max (\mathrm{mm})$ | Diameter $\min / \max (\mathrm{in})$ | Precision grade |
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| $0,400-200,000$ | $1 / 64-8$ | $\mathrm{G} 3 / 5 / 10 / 16 / 20 / 24 / 28 / 40 / 60 / 100$ |

