65-45-12X Ductile Iron

General Description:
65-45-12X is an all-purpose grade of ductile iron available in larger sizes of rounds and rectangles/squares. With medium strength and ductility, 65-45-12X can be a suitable alternative to low and medium carbon steels. A predominantly ferritic matrix allows for it to be machined as opposed to steels and pearlitic irons, and it is appropriate for applications necessitating fatigue strength and ductility.

The microstructure consists of Types I & II nodular graphite as defined in ASTM A247. The matrix is ferrite with approximately 10-50% pearlite. The edge or rim will have a higher nodular count and will be mostly ferrite. Chill carbides will be less than 5% in any field at 100x and will be well dispersed.

Heat Treat Response:
Dura-Bar 65-45-12X can be heat treated by conventional methods. Hardening can be accomplished by heating and quenching the material from 1600° F resulting in Rockwell C hardness up to 50 HRC. Induction and flame hardening can be performed but may require an additional pre-heat treatment to accomplish the desired hardness and microstructure.

Chemical Composition:

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<td>Carbon*</td>
<td>3.40 - 3.90%</td>
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<td>Silicon*</td>
<td>2.30 - 3.10%</td>
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<td>Manganese</td>
<td>0.10 - 0.40%</td>
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<td>0.020% Max</td>
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<td>Phosphorus</td>
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*Carbon and silicon targets are specified for each bar size in order to maintain mechanical properties. Magnesium is added as an inoculant to produce nodular graphite.
Mechanical Properties:

Hardness properties listed are minimum and maximum across the bar. For rectangles and squares the hardness properties will depend on minimum and maximum section thickness and will be supplied on request. This specification conforms to ASTM A536 grade 65-45-12.

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<th>Size Range</th>
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<td>01.000 – 28.000</td>
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Tensile strength of 65-45-12X is determined from a longitudinal test specimen taken from mid-radius of the as-cast bar.

Typical Applications:

**Automotive:**
Gears

**Fluid Power:**
Cylinder blocks, End Caps, Gear Rack Housings, Gerotors, Glands, Manifolds, Pistons, Rotors, Valves

**Glass Mold:**
Bank Molds, Plungers

**Machinery:**
Barrell Rollers, Bushings, Chain Sheave Rollers, Chuck Bodies, Die Blocks, Flywheels, Gear Racks, Gears, Housings, Pile Drivers, Press Rams, Pulleys, Rams, Rotary Tables, Tie Rod Nuts

**Miscellaneous:**
Plunger Pin

**Power Transmission:**
Coupling Hubs, Gears, Pulleys, Sprockets

**Pump and Compressor:**
Gears, Housings, Pistons, Rotary Screws, Rotors

**Transportation:**
Coupling Hubs, Gears, Pulleys, Rail Spacers, Sprockets

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