



Speeds & Feeds

Product Notes:

Drill Thread Mills are a fast way to create a threaded hole in a part. Since they use the entire length of cut in a helical interpolation environment, specific machining parameters are needed to avoid deflection and breakage. These tools can be used successfully in non-ferrous materials

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Speeds & Feeds calculations - Threading:

1. Determine the correct SFM and Chip Load (IPT) for the cutter and material
2. Calculate the Speed (RPM) and Linear Feed (IPM)
3. Adjust Linear Feed to account for helical interpolation of internal or external threads
4. Determine correct number of radial passes at full axial depth

Example: Tool #820676 to machine a 7/16-20 internal thread in 6061 Aluminum

1. From Speeds & Feeds chart (next page), SFM is 900 and Chip Load (IPT) is .00147
2. Calculate Speed (RPM) and Linear Feed (IPM)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{RPM} &= (\text{SFM} \times 3.82) / \text{Threading Portion Diameter} \\ &= (900 \times 3.82) / .335 \\ &= 10263 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Linear Feed (IPM)} &= \text{RPM} \times \text{IPT} \times \text{Number of Flutes} \\ &= 10263 \times .00147 \times 3 \\ &= 45.3 \end{aligned}$$

3. Adjust Linear Feed (use Table 1 to determine Major Thread Diameter)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Adj Internal Feed} &= [(\text{Major Thread Dia} - \text{Cutter Dia}) / \text{Major Thread Dia}] \times \text{Linear Feed} \\ &= [(.4375 - .335) / .4375] \times 45.3 \\ &= 10.6 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Adj External Feed} &= [(\text{Major Thread Dia} + \text{Cutter Dia}) / \text{Major Thread Dia}] \times \text{Linear Feed} \\ &= [(.4375 + .335) / .4375] \times 45.3 \\ &= 80 \end{aligned}$$

4. Determine Number of Radial Passes using Table 1

5. Conclusion

In this example, the tool would run at 10263 RPM, 10.6 IPM and make 2 Radial Passes

Setup & Use:

1. Check software and input proper feed values (Linear or Adjusted)
2. Choke up on tool
3. Minimize runout (consider entire system of spindle, collet, holders etc)
4. Minimize all vibration (consider tool holding, work holding, rpm "sweet spot" etc)
5. To break in the tool, reduce feed rates by 75% on the on the first one to two holes
6. Cutter should engage part using an arcing toolpath to avoid shock loading (see Table 2)
7. Climb mill for best finish and tool life (see Table 2)
8. Flush chips with coolant to avoid recutting

Table 1		
Thread Size	Major Thread Diameter	Number of Radial Passes
0-80	0.060	3
1-64	0.073	3
2-56	0.086	3
3-48	0.099	3
4-40	0.112	3
5-40	0.125	3
5-44	0.125	3
6-32	0.138	3
8-32	0.164	3
8-36	0.164	2
10-24	0.190	3
10-28	0.190	2
10-32	0.190	2
12-24	0.216	3
12-28	0.216	2
14-20	0.250	3
14-28	0.250	2
5/16-18	0.312	3
5/16-24	0.312	2
3/8-16	0.375	3
3/8-24	0.375	2
7/16-14	0.437	3
7/16-20	0.437	2
1/2-13	0.500	3
1/2-20	0.500	2
9/16-12	0.562	3
9/16-18	0.562	2
5/8-11	0.625	3
5/8-18	0.625	2
3/4-10	0.750	3
3/4-12	0.750	2
3/4-16	0.750	2
7/8-9	0.875	3
7/8-14	0.875	2
1-8	1.000	3
1-12	1.000	3
1-14	1.000	3
METRIC		
M4.5 x .75	.177 (4.5mm)	2
M5 X .8	.197 (5mm)	2
M6 X .75	.236 (6mm)	2
M6 X 1	.236 (6mm)	2
M8 X .75	.315 (8mm)	2
M8 X 1.25	.315 (8mm)	3
M10 X 1	.394 (10mm)	3
M10 X 1.5	.394 (10mm)	3
M12 X 1	.472 (12mm)	2
M12 X 1.75	.472 (12mm)	3
M14 X 1.5	.551 (14mm)	2
M14 X 2.0	.551 (14mm)	3
M16 X 1	.630 (16mm)	2
M16 X 2.0	.630 (16mm)	3
M18 X 1.5	.709 (18mm)	2
M18 X 2	.709 (18mm)	3
M20 X 2.5	.787 (20mm)	3

Table 2	
<p>INTERNAL, RIGHT HAND THREAD (CLIMB MILLING)</p> <p>Step 1-2: Cutter moves into position Step 2-3: Cutter engages part with arcing tool path while "Z" feeds up from bottom Step 3-4: Cutter moves helically one rotation Step 4-5: Cutter exits part along arcing tool path while maintaining "Z" feed Step 5-6: Cutter returns to center</p>	
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MATERIAL	Hardness: ≤ 28 Rc (≤ 271 HBn)													
	SFM	Operation	Chip Load (IPT) By Cutter Diameter											
			0.047	0.062	0.078	0.093	0.125	0.187	0.250	0.312	0.375	0.500	0.625	0.750
ALUMINUM ALLOYS														
Casting (2xx, 5xx, 7xx, 8xx)	450-700	Drilling	.00024	.00032	.00040	.00048	.00064	.00168	.00225	.00343	.00413	.00550	.00688	.00825
Wrought (1xxx, 2xxx, 3xxx, 5xxx, 6xxx, 7xxx, 8xxx)	600-800	Threading	.00012	.00016	.00020	.00024	.00032	.00067	.00090	.00137	.00165	.00220	.00275	.00330
Casting - 3%-5% Si (3xx, A3xx, C3xx, 4xx, A4xx, B4xx)	450-700	Drilling	.00022	.00029	.00036	.00043	.00058	.00151	.00203	.00309	.00371	.00495	.00619	.00743
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Casting - 12%-16% Si (3xx, A3xx, C3xx, 4xx, A4xx, B4xx)	350-450													
Wrought - 5%-8% Si (4xxx)	600-800	Threading	.00011	.00014	.00018	.00021	.00029	.00061	.00081	.00124	.00149	.00198	.00248	.00297
Wrought - 8%-12% Si (4xxx)	450-650													
MAGNESIUM ALLOYS	900-1200	Drilling	.00024	.00032	.00040	.00048	.00064	.00168	.00225	.00343	.00413	.00550	.00688	.00825
ZINC ALLOYS	480-700	Threading	.00012	.00016	.00020	.00024	.00032	.00067	.00090	.00137	.00165	.00220	.00275	.00330
COPPER ALLOYS														
High Coppers - 90%+ (C1xxxx)	170-300	Drilling	.00023	.00030	.00038	.00046	.00061	.00137	.00183	.00288	.00346	.00461	.00576	.00692
Brass (Copper Zinc alloys, C2xxxx, C3xxxx, C4xxxx, C6400-C69800)	375-625													
Phosphor Bronzes (Copper Tin alloys, C5xxxx)	170-400													
Aluminum Bronzes (Copper Aluminum alloys, C60600-C64200)	375-550													
Silicon Bronzes (Copper Silicon alloys, C64700-C66100)	375-625	Threading	.00012	.00015	.00019	.00023	.00031	.00055	.00073	.00115	.00138	.00184	.00231	.00277
Copper Nickels, Nickel Silvers (Copper Nickel alloys, C7xxxx)	170-400													
Cast Copper Alloys (C83300-C86200, C86400-C87900, C9200-C95800, C97300-C97800, C99400-C99700)	400-700													



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SFM Notes:

Drilling SFMs are on the lower end of the range listed while threading SFMs are on the higher end.

Please note:

All posted speed and feed parameters are suggested starting values that may be increased given optimal setup conditions. SFMs reflect uncoated cutters and may be increased 10% - 15% if coated.

If you require additional information, Harvey Tool has a team of technical experts available to assist you through even the most challenging applications. Please contact us at **800-645-5609** or **tech@harveytool.com**.

WARNING: Cutting tools may shatter under improper use. Government regulations require use of safety glasses and other appropriate safety equipment in the vicinity of use.