

STAINLESS STEELS FOR SURGICAL INSTRUMENTS

ASTM F899-09

EN	ASTM	MAX HB IN THE ANNEALED CONDITION	HARDENING °C	COOLING	TEMPERING °C	HARDNESS (HRC)
1.4006	410	210	1010	oil / air	260 371 482 538 593	43 43 42 30 24
1.4005	416	262	982	oil	149 260 371 482 538 593	41 39 41 36 31 26
(1.4021)	420	220	1010	warm oil	149 204 260 315 371 427	53 50 48 48 48 48
(1.4028)	420	235	1038	warm oil	149 204 260 315 371 427	52 52 50 50 49 49
(1.4034)	420	262	1038	warm oil	149 204 260 315 371 427	58 55/56 53/54 53/54 54/55 55
1.4057	431	285	1038	oil	260 371 482 593	42 42 45 34
1.4112	440B	285	1038	warm oil	149 204 260 315 371 427	58/59 56/57 53/54 53 54
1.4125	440C	285	1038	warm oil	149 204 260 315 371 427	60 59 57 56 56

It is not recommended that free-machining grades be used for surgical instruments.



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EXAMPLES OF SELECTED STAINLESS STEELS USED FOR SURGICAL INSTRUMENTS

EN	ASTM	CUTTING INSTRUMENTS	NON-CUTTING INSTRUMENTS		
1.4305	303		Pliers, drills, handles, hammers, punches, spreaders, rulers, screws.		
1.4301	304		Cannula, clamps, pliers, holders, retractors, spreaders, aspiration tubes, tendon passers.		
1.4401	316		Cannula, clamps, pliers, holders, retractors, spreaders, aspiration tubes, tendon passers.		
1.4006	410	Chisels, curettes, dissectors, osteotomes, reamers, scissors with inserts.	Clips, elevators, pliers, hemostats, holders, needle holders, punches, spreader, sounds, dilators.		
1.4005	416	Chisels, curettes, dissectors.	Clamps, punches, retractors, skin hooks, spreaders.		
(1.4021) (1.4028) (1.4034)	420 420 420	Chisels, cutters, bone cutting forceps, knives, rongeurs, scalpels, skin punches, conchotomes.	Clamps, elevators pliers, dissectors, retractors, needles.		
1.4057	431		Cheek retractors, insertion wrenches, orthopedic instruments.		
1.4112 1.4125	440B 440C	Chisels, knives, osteotomes, scalpels.	Drills, retractors, spreaders, pliers.		

Stainless steels can be furnished hot-finished, cold-finished, annealed, solution-treated, solution-treated and aged, quenched and tempered.



Surgical curette