## S7 Mold Quality® Characteristics: Superior Machinability

Grade	Hardness HB (after annealing)
SUPER 7 MQ®	187-223
A2	201-229
D2	217-255
H11	207-235
H13	192-229

Source: ASTM Specialty Handbook®/Tool Materials

Compared to annealed standard steels for plastic molding applications, SUPER 7 MQ® has the lowest hardness among the grades listed. That feature makes S7 MQ® better than other steels for machinability.

## **Benefits of Superior Machinability**

- Increases tool life
- Reduces machine and personnel time invested in the mold