## **SmCo: SAMARIUM COBALT**

SmCo magnets (Samarium Cobalt) have also a very strong magnetic field. They tend to resist demagnetization extremely well. Unlike Neodymium magnets, it is also very corrosion resistant. SmCo magnets can operate at higher temperatures up to 300°C and are widely used in applications in which higher operating temperature and higher corrosion and oxidation resistance are crucial. The temperature coefficient of remanence is usually less than  $\pm 0.05\%$ .

Two common compositions of SmCo magnets are SmCo5 and Sm 2Co17. They can be sintered and bonded. Generally, the cost of SmCo magnets is higher than NdFeB magnets. But NdFeB magnets are stronger than SmCo magnets.

Widely used in instruments, watches, generators, transducers, jig, moulds, etc



# **Material Information**

- An alloy compose of SmCo5/Sm2Co17 produce by powder metallurgical method.
- Extremely hard & brittle.
- High demagnetization resistance.
- Excellent anti-corrosion properties.
- More expensive than NdFeB magnets because of limited raw material supply.
- Outstanding thermal stability.

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# **Typical Physical Properties**

| Curie Temperature (°C)                         | 700-800            |
|--|--------------------|
| Maximum Operating Temperature (°C) for Sm2Co17 | 250 for SmCo5, 350 |
| Resistivity (µ ohm.cm)                         | 50-90              |
| Hardness (Hv)                                  | 450-600            |
| Density (g/cm3)                                | 8.0-8.5            |
| Relative Recoil Permeability (µrec)            | 1.10               |
| Saturation Field Strength, kOe (kA/m)          | 37.5 (3000)        |
| Temperature Coefficient of Br (%/°C)           | -0.05 ~ -0.03      |
| Temperature Coefficient of iHc (%/°C)          | -0.25 ~ -0.19      |

# **Dimension Range / Nominal Tolerance of SmCo Magnets**

| RING MAGNET  | OUTER DIA (mm) | INNER DIA (mm) | THICKNESS (mm) |
|--------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Maximum      | 100            | 80             | 50             |
| Minimum      | 2.6            | 1.8            | 0.5            |
| Tolerance    | ±0.1           | ±0.1           | ±0.1           |
|              |                |                |                |
| BLOCK MAGNET | LENGTH (mm)    | WIDTH (mm)     | THICKNESS (mm) |
| Maximum      | 100            | 80             | 50             |
| Minimum      | 2.0            | 1.5            | 0.5            |
| Tolerance    | ±0.1           | ±0.1           | ±0.1           |
|              |                |                |                |
| DISC MAGNET  | DIAMETER (mm)  | THICKNESS (mm) |                |
| Maximum      | 100            | 50             |                |
| Minimum      | 1.2            | 0.5            |                |
| Tolerance    | ±0.1           | ±0.1           |                |



## **Magnetic Properties of SmCo Magnets (Samarium Cobalt)**

| Material                         | Grade | Remanence |           | Coercivity      |          | Intrinsic Coercivity |              | Max. Energy Product |                   |
|----------------------------------|-------|-----------|-----------|-----------------|----------|----------------------|--------------|---------------------|-------------------|
|                                  |       | Br(mT)    | Br(kGs)   | bHc(kA/m)       | bHc(kOe) | iHc<br>(kA/m)        | iHc<br>(kOe) | (BH)max<br>(KJ/m³   | (BH)max<br>(MGOe) |
| SmCo <sub>5</sub>                | \$16  | 750-800   | 7.5-8.0   | 557-637         | 7.0-8.0  | 1989                 | 25           | 111-143             | 14-18             |
|                                  | \$18  | 800-930   | 8.0-9.3   | 597-677         | 7.5-8.5  | 1432                 | 18           | 127-159             | 16-20             |
|                                  | S20   | 850-980   | 8.5-9.8   | 597-677         | 7.5-8.5  | 1273                 | 16           | 143-175             | 18-22             |
|                                  | S24   | 1000      | 10.0      | 680             | 8.5      | 1195                 | 15           | 1 <i>75</i> -190    | 22-24             |
| Sm <sub>2</sub> Co <sub>17</sub> | \$180 | 900-1030  | 9.0-10.3  | 597-677         | 7.5-8.5  | 1194                 | 15           | 12 <i>7</i> -159    | 16-20             |
|                                  | S22A  | 900-1030  | 9.0-10.3  | 613-693         | 7.7-8.7  | 1989                 | 25           | 159-191             | 20-24             |
|                                  | S22B  | 900-1030  | 9.0-10.3  | 613-693         | 7.7-8.7  | 1432                 | 18           | 159-191             | 20-24             |
|                                  | S240  | 980-1080  | 9.8-10.8  | 636-716         | 8.0-9.0  | 1432                 | 18           | 175-207             | 22-26             |
|                                  | S26A  | 1000-1130 | 10.0-11.3 | 676-756         | 8.5-9.5  | 1194                 | 15           | 191-223             | 24-28             |
|                                  | S26B  | 1000-1130 | 10.0-11.3 | 676-756         | 8.5-9.5  | 796                  | 10           | 191-223             | 24-28             |
|                                  | S280  | 1030-1130 | 10.3-11.3 | <i>7</i> 16-796 | 9.0-10.0 | 1432                 | 18           | 207-239             | 26-30             |
|                                  | S270  | 1000-1100 | 10.0-11.0 | 357-516         | 4.5-6.5  | 413                  | 5.2          | 183-223             | 24-28             |
|                                  | \$300 | 1100-1200 | 11.0-12.0 | 438-51 <i>7</i> | 5.5-6.5  | 454                  | 5.7          | 223-255             | 28-32             |

# HARD FERRITE (CERAMIC MAGNETS)

As important parts of magnetic materials, hard ferrite (ceramic) magnets play an important role in electrical, electronic information, car, motorcycle industries etc.

They are also widely used in medical treatment, mining and metallurgy, industrial automation, oil energy and civil industries.

Ceramic magnets are composed of iron oxide, barium and strontium elements. This class of magnets has a higher magnetic flux density, higher coercive force, and higher resistance to demagnetization and oxidation compared to other non-rare earth permanent magnets. The biggest advantage of such magnets is the low cost, which makes the hard ferrite magnets very popular in many permanent magnet applications. Due to their ceramic nature, ferrite magnets are very hard and brittle. Special machining techniques must to be utilized for these magnets. Ceramic or hard ferrite magnets come in discs, cylinders, rings, blocks and arcs and are charcoal grey.

Widely used in electrical appliances, educational instruments, magnetic assemblies, toys etc.



#### **Material Information**

- Produced by powder metallurgical method with chemical composition of Ba/SrO.6 Fe2 O3.
- Relatively brittle & hard.
- Good resistance to demagnetization.
- Excellent corrosion resistance.
- Raw material is readily available and low in cost.
- Good temperature stability.

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- high coercive force and high electric resistance.
- Most widely used permanent magnets.

#### **Typical Physical Properties**

| Curie Temperature (°C)                | 450         |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|
| Maximum Operating Temperature (°C)    | 250         |
| Hardness (Hv)                         | 480-580     |
| Density (g/cm3)                       | 4.8 - 4.9   |
| Relative Recoil Permeability (µrec)   | 1.05 - 1.20 |
| Saturation Field Strength, kOe (kA/m) | 10 (800)    |
| Temperature Coefficient of Br (%/°C)  | -0.2        |
| Temperature Coefficient of iHc (%/°C) | 0.3         |
| Tensile Strength (N/mm)               | <100        |
| Transverse Rupture Strength (N/mm)    | 300         |

