



# IZOCAST

## TWO-LAYERED INSULATION MATERIAL FOR INSULATION OF FOUNDRY CASTINGS

### basic informations

Two-layer insulating shapes of the “sandwich” design are used in foundries, where it is necessary to increase the metal feeding distance of certain casting place or to extend the solidification time. The blocks are primarily placed on areas where it is necessary to extend solidification time without compromising quality of the surface - we are speaking about the areas that will not be machined any more or that require only a small allowance for machining.

## MAIN ADVANTAGES

### **EXTENSION OF SOLIDIFICATION TIME**

Increase of the metal feeding distance in the necessary points of the casting.

### **WITHOUT ADDITIONAL MACHINING**

Thanks to a special working layer the places, where the IZOCAST products are applied, do not need to be machined any more and cleaned after removal.

### **EASY WORKABILITY**

The blocks can be cut easily and shaped directly on the spot to particular requested dimensions.

## SOPHISTICATED LAYERS

The IZOCAST block consists of two specially designed layers, and each layer is subject to totally different requirements.

### **WORKING LAYER**

This thin, dense, working layer is in contact with the metal. The product is thus conferred excellent resistance to high temperatures, high bulk density and high strength. When the block is taken out, the casting obtains a smooth surface, which no longer requires any cleaning.

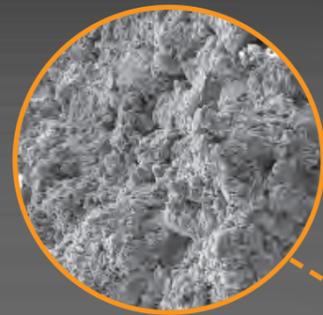
### **INSULATING LAYER**

The insulating layer is characterized by excellent thermal insulation properties: low coefficient of thermal conductivity and low density. When used, it insulates the requested casting zones perfectly.

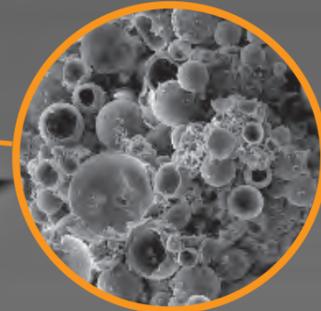


Both layers are interconnected as early as during production and the whole block works under the thermal load, i.e. use, as a single item.

Img. 1: REM, 100×, working layer



Img. 2: REM, 200×, insulating layer



- 1 EASY WORKABILITY**  
 Workers can adjust the shape of the product if necessary, directly on site.
- 2 INCREASE OF THE METAL FEEDING DISTANCE**  
 Thanks to the insulating layer the blocks extend solidification time in appropriate zones. The working layer protects the relevant zone of the casting reliably.
- 3 WITHOUT ADDITIONAL MACHINING**  
 When used, the blocks can be removed easily from the casting; they leave satisfactory casting surface which does not need any further machining!

## PARAMETERS

BRICK		
Bulk density [kg/m <sup>3</sup> ]	1 000	
Cold crushing strength [MPa]	8	
Temperature of application	max. 1 600 °C	
INSULATING LAYER		
Class ASTM C 155-97	group no. 26	
Class ČSN EN 1094-2 (ISO 2245)	140 - 0,75 - L	
Insulation coefficient (f <sub>z</sub> )	1,4	
Bulk density [kg/m <sup>3</sup> ]	900	
Thermal conductivity 20 – 1 600 °C [W/mK]	20 °C	0,271
	400 °C	0,342
	800 °C	0,400
	1 200 °C	0,425
	1 600 °C	0,455
Content of Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	36 %	
Content of Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	2,5 %	
WORKING LAYER		
Apparent porosity [%]	25	
Bulk density [kg/m <sup>3</sup> ]	2 000	
Content of Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	min 36 %	
Content of Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	2,5 %	

- It is not necessary to provide any casting surface allowance
- Modular expansion under a riser is performed by applying various lining strengths

## AVAILABLE SIZES

IZOCAST 65	NF2 250 x 124 x 65 mm
IZOCAST 40	NF2 250 x 124 x 40 mm

If a specific dimension is requested, do not hesitate to contact our sales specialist.

The IZOCAST blocks can be manufactured in a wide range of rectangular formats.



Example of use of the IZOCAST blocks in a foundry: moulding the Francis turbine rotor rim.

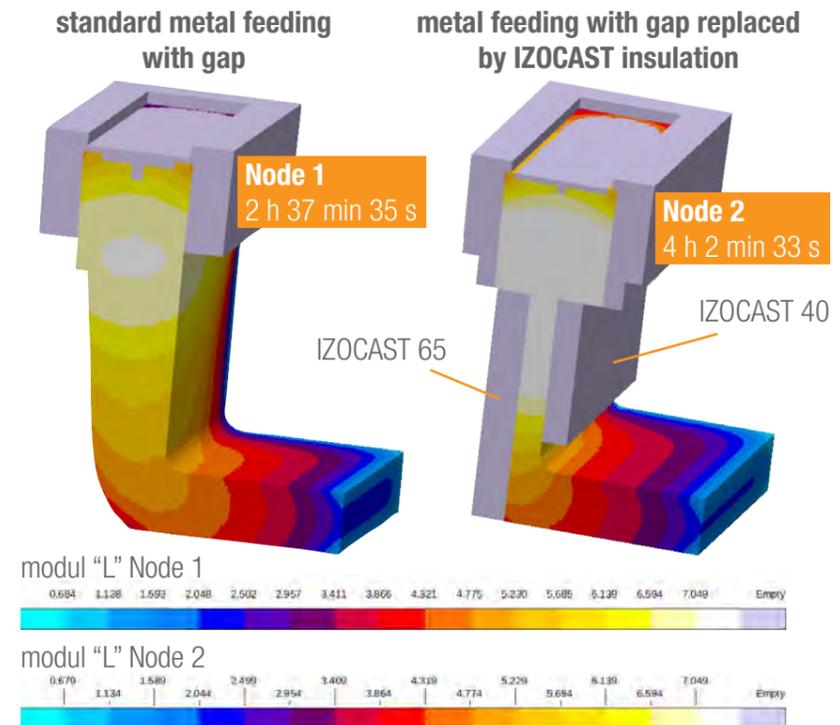
## CASTING TREATMENT

The IZOCAST products can be removed very easily after use; surface of the casting is left smooth and compliant. There is no need of any further machining of exposed zones treated as shown above.



Surface of the casting after removal of conventional insulating blocks and IZOCAST blocks is compared on the Figure above. Examples of use in our customers can be seen on the right. It will be a great pleasure for our sales specialists to present other practical examples.

## SIMULATION – SOLIDIFICATION OF “L” NODES



This simulation shows comparison of solidification of “L-nodes”. Simulation of the same node was used for comparison, where one solution is standard (Node 1) - metal feeding with gap, whilst in the second solution metal feeding with gap is replaced by the IZOCAST insulation (Node 2). Riser tops are insulated by the IZOSPAR 65 mm product. The simulation has been performed by the foundry simulation software Magma.

## EXAMPLES OF USE



IZOCAST blocks during moulding. Casting for the shipping industry.



Unit after casting and demoulding, on which the IZOCAST blocks were used in certain zones.

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