

HIGHT STRENGTH FIT SOLUTIONS - Technical Product Sheet

RIFAST® ENM CLINCHING NUT

The innovative clinching nut product line mechanically joined to metal components with high and ultra high strength steels by means of automated insertion technology

> THE RIFAST® SYSTEMS ADVANTAGE

Systems expertise from designing, manufacturing clinch fasteners and automation equipment to consultation and realization in serial production

With over 25 years of expertise as a full system provider RIFAST® is the partner for developing economical solutions for reliable integration of mechanically joined clinch fasteners. The systems approach of clinch fasteners through automation equipment for in-die and off-line operations guarantees the optimal joint connection. The mechanical joining with the RIFAST® staking die designed to the customer component ensures consistent performance values in addition to eliminating thermal influences and distortions observed during welding.

> THE RIFAST® CLINCHING NUT FOR HIGH STRENGTH STEEL ADVANTAGE

Compact, weight-optimized and watertight for high and ultra high strength steels

With its compact, space-saving lightweight design, the RIFAST® clinching nut for high strength steels outperforms in body structures. Whether this is for high and ultra high strength steels or press hardened steels, the clinching nut for high strength steels delivers a flat contact surface for attachment of mating parts (no protrusion on component underside after joining process). Depending on component material and thickness, watertight joining is possible - with no cracks on the functional element. The RIFAST® ENM is the solution for components with wall thicknesses between 1.0 and 2.5 mm.









◀ Application examples RIFAST® ENM i.e. frame parts, crash relevant systems

> TECHNICAL DATA

Thread Sizes	M5, M6, M8			
Strength Grade	10 (DIN EN ISO 898-2)			
Surface Coating	OEM-approved coatings			
RIFAST® Standard	WN 20360 (ENM)			
Tensile Strength	> 600 - 2000 N/mm ²			
Component Materials	High and ultra high strengths steels, press hardened steels			
Automation Equipment	Press, C-Frame (automatic or manual)			
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Push-Out in 1.7 mm (kN) ¹	1.0	1.0	2.0
Torque-Out in 1.7 mm (Nm) ¹	12	12	18

¹ Performance values for reference, derived from destructive testing in a component made out of steel HCT780X with a thickness of 1.7 mm by RIFAST® Application Engineering

Performance values for push-out and torque-out are dependent on the component material, the application thickness and in combination with RIFAST® staking die. Performance values for other component materials and application thickness can be validated through RIFAST® Application Engineering.

MECHANICAL JOINING PROCESS AND CROSS-SECTION



The component is positioned at the insertion position above the staking die. Component has not contact with staking die.

CLAMPING



The tool is closed. The RIFAST® ENM rests on the component above the die. Hereby, the pressure pad of the punching head presses down on the component.

INSERTION



The plunger then presses the RIFAST® ENM into the component. During the insertion operation, it must be ensured that the RIFAST® ENM first lies on the component surface, and is subsequently pressed in.

FINAL STEP



In order to remove the component after the tool has opened again, the component must be raised at least by the height of the die shaping ring.



Cross section RIFAST® ENM clinched in sheet steel CP900 with 2.0 mm wall thickness

