

PRODUCT CODE	SY 18 43C
FINENESS	750 (18K)
COLOR	LIGHT YELLOW



Brief description

Master alloy for 18K yellow gold casting. Gold produced with SY 18 43C has a light-yellow shade. This alloy is suitable for casting in open or closed systems, with or without wax setting of precious stones. The hardness of gold produced with SY 18 43C can be increased with heat treatment.

Suitable applications

Plates&Sheets	Solid Chains	Hollow Chains	Soldered Tubes	CNC Works	Open Casting	Closed Casting	Wax Setting
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Proprieties

Silver Quantity	43%	Amount of silver contained in the alloy (%)
Density	15.1	(g/cm ³)
Melting Range	825-865	Solidus - Liquidus (°C)
Hardness	140-250	Annealed - Hardened (HV)

Mould casting

Put first the alloy in the crucible and cover it with pure gold. Heat the metal 50-100°C more than Liquidus temperature, while protecting the melting with a reducing flame or protective atmosphere. Heat the mould at 150-200°C and, when the melting temperature is reached, stir the metal and pour it in the mould; after casting, open the mould and cool the metal immediately.

Continuous casting

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Mechanical work

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Annealing

Heat the metal in protective atmosphere at 620°C for 10-30min (depending on the quantity), then quickly cool it in a solution of 90% water and 10% alcohol or in warm water (≈40°C).

Hardening

Heat the metal in protective atmosphere at 275°C for 1-3 hours, then let it cool slowly in protective atmosphere until room temperature is reached.

Casting

Flasks' temperature should be between 500-700°C, based on casted items' size and models' intricacy. It is preferable to pre-melt the alloy with gold before casting. Casting temperature is 50-100°C higher than the liquidus temperature. After casting wait 15-20 min before cooling the metal in warm water (≈40°C). In case of casting with stones, wait 30-45 min.

Pickling

Sulfuric acid (H₂SO₄) at 10% concentration and 50-60°C can be used to remove surface oxide. Rinse with attention the metal after pickling.

Scraps reuse

Up to 50% scraps can be added to the melting. Always pay attention to the cleanliness of the scraps, de-greasing and pickling before adding them to new metal is suggested.