

Technical product data sheet

# SELF-PIERCING NUT RIFAST® STM+

## › RIFAST® STM+ · IDEA OF DEVELOPMENT

RIFAST® STM+ is an innovative nut development for material thickness from 2.0 to 3.0 mm. This addition to our RIFAST® Systems product line increases the installation capacity into sheet metal components without a pre-hole.

## › RIFAST® STM+ · DESIGN AND FUNCTION

RIFAST® Systems new STM+ design uses an optimized pilot geometry where the thickness of the pilot is increased to manage the increased stress from self-piercing into thicker sheet metal. Our new STM+ development utilizes our trusted RIFAST® Systems patented self-piercing technology (STM) and improves upon the proven design.



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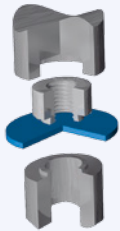
<b>Size range</b>	M5 - M12, 7/16" - 20
<b>Property class</b>	10 (DIN EN ISO 898-2)
<b>Fastener surface coating</b>	OEM approved electro-deposited coatings available from OEM approved suppliers
<b>Metal component thickness</b>	2.0 to 3.0 mm
<b>Metal component tensile strength</b>	$R_m \leq 600 \text{ N/mm}^2$
<b>Installation process</b>	In-die, C-frame, manual work station

<b>Thread size</b>	M10	M12
<b>Push out (kN)*</b>	5.2	5.4
<b>Torque out unsupported (Nm)*</b>	90	106

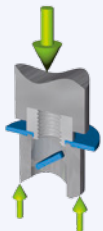
\* as installed in 3.0 mm DC04 steel

Feasibility to be tested for different sheet metal thicknesses and strengths at our application laboratories

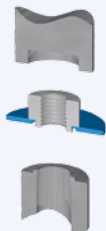
### ▶ RIFAST® · MECHANICAL JOINING PROCESS



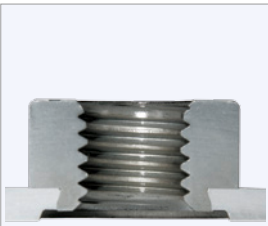
The component is in the piercing position above the sheet metal. The RIFAST® STM+ nut is in the piercing position of the punch.



The insertion operation is started. The punch moves down and the nut pilot contacts the sheet metal to pierce a hole. By means of the staking die and the installation force applied, the RIFAST® STM+ nut is pressed into the component.



The stamping is raised from the sheet metal.



RIFAST® STM+ M10 installed in sheet steel DC04 with 3 mm wall thickness

### ▶ RIFAST® · ONE SYSTEM ENDLESS POSSIBILITIES

RIFAST® is proven to help keep you ahead of the curve with the growing demands on car body production by optimizing functionality while simultaneously lowering both part weight and manufacturing costs. RIFAST® elements are clinched in place. Through the utilization of our in-die or offline automated installation technology, we provide cost-effective assemblies when compared with welded joints. Our RIFAST® System provides joints that yield superior resistance to torsional and pushout forces.

