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A METHOD OF HEAT TREATING HIGH CHROMIUM CAST FERROUS-BASED ALLOYS AND A WEARING ELEMENT FORMED OF A HIGH CHROMIUM CAST FERROUS BASED ALLOY

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[origin: EP0178894A2] A method of heat treating a component formed of a high-chromium cast ferrous-based alloy consisting of 11-28 wt% chromium, 1 - 3.6 wt% carbon and at least 0.2 wt% molybdenum and/or at least 0.6 wt% tungsten, the remainder (apart from any incidental ingredients and impurities) being iron, said method comprising the steps of:- a) holding said component at a temperature between the solidus temperature of the alloy and 1050 DEG C for a period of time not exceeding 3 days in a non-oxidising atmosphere or vacuum so as to produce a partially spheroidised hard carbide phase in an austenitic matrix throughout the component, and b) quenching the component at a mean rate of from 40 DEG C/min to 3 DEG C/min in the critical temperature range in order to retain the austenitic matrix. Before heat treatment, carbon and chromium form a hard sharp, angular carbide phase and the molybdenum and/or tungsten serves to increase the rate of change in the morphology of the carbide phase during heat treatment from sharp angularity to a partly spheroidised morphology.

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