Mass Finishing

High-performance equipment and innovative technologies – productive and cost-effective

Shot Blasting

Customer-oriented equipment technology and intelligent process solutions – long-lasting and energy-efficient

AM Solutions

Comprehensive solutions for additive manufacturing, including 3D post processing equipment

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More than 80 years of experience

15 locations

Over 150 distributors

Over 1,500 employees across the globe

Worldwide Customer Experience Center

More than 15,000 different types of media and compounds

Our technical service – round-the-clock support

Transfer of professional knowledge by certified trainers
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WHAT IS MASS FINISHING?

A mix of media and work pieces, embedded in the work bowl of the machine, is accelerated by vibration, rotation or centrifugal force. This causes the constant “rubbing” of the media against the work pieces resulting in bur removal, surface smoothing and even polishing. The specific equipment utilized for the process, its duration and the type of processing media and compound determines the finishing results.

Mass finishing can be used for work pieces made from a variety of materials:
metal | plastic | wood | real and artificial stone | glass | ceramic | rubber

Mass finishing methods are used for work pieces in practically all manufacturing processes:
Die-casting/injection molding | press forming | cutting | stamping/blanking | embossing | laser cutting | casting | additive manufacturing/3D printing | steel sheets and beams | production tools | etc.

Components after heat treatment: Annealing, hardening | drawing, embossing | forging | roll forming

also after machining: Turning, milling | grinding | electrical discharge machining | bending | laser sintering | powdered metal sintering | fine blanking | etc.
A major strength of the Rösler business approach is that we look at all aspects of a finishing task. The equipment and the processes are individually tailored to the respective finishing requirements, but also to their optimal integration into the customer’s manufacturing operation. Most of the Rösler sales branches have their own Customer Experience Centers (CEC), equipped with the latest finishing equipment.

To investigate the various finishing possibilities, in our CEC we are conducting processing trials with the work pieces of our respective customers.

### Process development and process optimization

**Our all-around approach** guarantees perfect finishing solutions. This includes processing trials, process development, selection of the right machinery and a professional after sales service.

In our CEC, equipped with ultra-modern equipment, we can run practically any mass finishing process.

State-of-the-art physical and chemical measuring equipment represents a vital tool for process development and optimization.

The entire focus of our specialists in the engineering and R & D departments is on developing tailormade finishing solutions.

### Product development and optimization

The enormous depth of the Rösler product range, CEC around the world and our well-equipped laboratory at the Untermerzbach location in Germany are an excellent basis for the development of innovative and cost-efficient products in the field of mass finishing.

All our products, be it consumables, finishing equipment, vibratory motors, process water cleaning centrifuges, as well as work piece handling systems and post processing equipment like dryers, are developed and manufactured in-house. Such a high manufacturing depth is unparalleled in our industry.
MASS FINISHING GUARANTEES
process stability, cost efficiency and a clean environment

Deburring
All kinds of burs on outer contours, as well as in drilled and blind holes, can be minimized or completely removed in a cost effective manner by the right machine and media selection.

Cleaning, de-oiling, degreasing
Contaminations on the work piece surface like lubricants or other pollutants must be removed to allow trouble-free downstream production operations:
- Cleaning of small mass-produced parts: Part-on-part processing
- Combined treatment methods: Simultaneous cleaning, deburring and/or edge breaking

Descaling, pickling
Safe, economic and environmentally friendly removal of scale (oxide layers) from the surface of heat-treated parts with mechanical/chemical pickling methods.

Smoothing, brightening, polishing, RÖSLER Keramo-Finish®
Work pieces from various industries, such as, medical engineering (implants, surgical instruments, etc.), bearings, aerospace turbine components and transmission components, usually require very smooth functional surface finishes or an attractive decorative appearance with very low surface roughness readings (Ra < 0.015 µm, Rz < 0.15 µm, Rk < 0.035 µm). All these methods do not require acidic compounds.

Ball burnishing, pressure deburring, vibro-peening
Polishing media made from steel/stainless steel exert a high pressure on the work pieces.
Smoothing, brightening, polishing, RÖSLER Keramo-Finish®

Elimination of surface flaws, a uniform appearance and the reduction of surface roughness are the ideal pre-conditions for surface coating and plating. Even work pieces with complex shapes made from all kinds of material can be successfully processed.

Edge radiusing
Rounded edges, sometimes with defined radii, are frequently required to ensure the functionality in assembly operations. Edge radiusing is possible with batch operation with relatively short processing times of a few minutes, or continuous feed operation.

Surface grinding
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Chemically accelerated mass finishing (ISF®-REM)
Chemically accelerated mass finishing systems utilizing low pH compounds produce very smooth finishes (for example, Ra < 0.02 µm, Rz < 0.14 µm) on work pieces made from steel.

Antiquing
Surface finishes that look “antique”, jagged edges and smooth finishes are adding value to natural stones like marble, granite, etc. The finishing process brings out natural material characteristics.

Surface finishing of small wooden work pieces
Wooden toys and decorative pieces (for example, made from hard wood) are deburred, their edges rounded and painted. Surface smoothing and the application of paint on different work pieces are achieved with special finishing technologies.
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**ROTARY VIBRATOR**

the universal mass finishing system

The most commonly used machine in mass finishing is the rotary vibrator. This machine type can be used for many applications, has been used thousands of times and offers proven engineering down to the last detail. Either employed as a stand-alone machine or linked with handling systems like work piece loaders and post-treatment equipment (e.g. dryers), rotary vibrators can be quickly developed into fully automatic mass finishing centers.

Rotary vibrator linked with spray washing station, rotary dryer and rotary buffer/storage table
ROTARY VIBRATOR „DL“ UND FBA TURBO/2 - TURBO/2A
mass finishing of delicate work pieces that must not touch each other

In these systems the work pieces are mounted directly to the vibrating work bowl or to special fixtures to prevent part-on-part contact. (FBA Turbo/2A: With mechanical lifting device).
The ideal machine for complex finishing tasks on components with complex shapes:

- Smoothing of pump impellers
- Smoothing of blisks (aerospace)
- High gloss polishing of car and truck wheels made from aluminum
- Smoothing and polishing of orthopedic implants (Hip joints, knee femorals, etc.)

COMBINED WASHING/DRYING SYSTEM WTA

With suitable work pieces (shape, size, fragility) deburring, grinding, polishing, edge radiusing, etc. can also take place without media. The fully automatic system combines the wet finishing process with drying of the work pieces.
LONG RADIUS VIBRATOR
the long processing channel allows batch as well as continuous operation

Because of its compact design and relatively long processing channel the “Long Radius” machine is ideal for directly linking the mass finishing function to manufacturing cells. The continuously arriving work pieces are finished (deburring, edge radiusing, cleaning, etc.) in one pass through the machine in cycle times of up to 16 minutes. This simplifies logistics and reduces inventories. Of course, Long Radius machines can also be used for special finishing tasks in “batch” mode.

ROTOMATIC
continuous feed system with spiral processing channel

Multi Channel vibrators are ideal for continuous work piece processing. Frequently, they are directly linked to presses or machining centers.

Ideal for:
- Processing of delicate work pieces with a significant safety distance to each other to prevent mutual nicking, or
- For bulk processing of high volumes of mass-produced parts.

Processing channel lengths of up to 27 m (90 ft.) allow processing times of up to 30 minutes.
TUB VIBRATOR
for large and heavy work pieces

Tub vibrators allow the processing of large, heavy and bulky work pieces. Delicate work pieces can be mounted on work piece fixtures or processed in individual processing chambers created by dividers. This prevents any part-on-part contact. Greatly varying finishing tasks and work piece dimensions demand a wide spectrum of different machine sizes. Rösler offers machines with usable channel widths of up to 1,600 mm (63") and lengths of 9,000 mm (30 ft.).
LINEAR CONTINUOUS FLOW VIBRATOR
automatic mass finishing

Continuous feed finishing with linear vibrators increases the throughput of mass-produced small parts as well as larger, somewhat delicate work pieces. These machines can be directly connected to manufacturing cells, like presses or equipped with automatic work piece loading equipment. When linked to post-treatment systems, like washing and drying, they offer a high degree of automation requiring very little operator involvement.

Linear continuous flow vibrator linked with loading belt conveyor, rotary dryer and various transport belt conveyors.
Drag finishing technology allows the finishing of midsize work pieces without any part-on-part contact. Mounted to special fixtures the work pieces are “dragged” through a bed of stationary media. Overlapping rotational movements of the work pieces ensure an all-around exposure to the media. The high rotational speed with the resulting high pressure of media against work pieces allows a high metal removal rate with relatively short processing times. Applications include, deburring, surface grinding & smoothing and high gloss polishing.

2 drag finishers with robotic loading/unloading of the work pieces

Robot attaching a work piece to a workstation in the drag finisher
PLUNGE FINISHER
finishing of rotationally symmetric large components

The plunge finishing technology allows the finishing of single, somewhat larger work pieces with diameters of up to 600 mm (24"). A rotating spindle – sometimes with an eccentric or reciprocal movement - moves the work piece through the grinding or polishing medium.
Surf finishing technology also allows for the treatment of work pieces without any part-on-part contact. Multiple spindles, each holding one work piece, or a robot holding the work piece with a clamping device, immerse the work pieces into the rotating processing medium. While the design with multiple spindles limits the work piece movement in the media, the robot-based technology with its nearly unlimited work piece manipulation possibilities allows tackling practically any finishing task irrespective of how complicated it might be.

**SURF-FINISHER**

for finishing of targeted surface areas on a work piece

Surf-Finish center with 2 robotic work stations and a roller conveyor system for staging of the work pieces

Compact Surf-Finisher

Glimpse into the rotating work bowl: Robot-guided work piece
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CENTRIFUGAL DISK FINISHING MACHINE

high performance finishing of mass produced parts

Compared to other mass finishing systems centrifugal disk machines offer a 15 – 20 times higher processing intensity. This results in short processing times and maximum throughput rates. Fully automatic double batch systems or semi-automatic compact units can be individually tailored to any finishing task. The processing possibilities reach from extremely thin parts like prings and washers to substantial work pieces like gear components.

Fully automatic double batch centrifugal disk finishing machine with magnetic separation of the work pieces from the media.

Fully automatic tandem centrifugal disk finishing machine (triple batch system) with work piece loading, spray washing & pre-drying station, rotary dryer and staging system for the finished work pieces.
Automatic single batch centrifugal disk finishing machine linked to a rotary dryer

Semi-automatic compact centrifugal disk finishing machine with built-in separation unit

Semi-automatic compact centrifugal disk finishing machine with external separation unit
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**PRE- AND POST-TREATMENT SYSTEMS**

Industrial washing machines, spray and immersion protection systems

Cleaning, passivation, phosphating, placing a protective oil film on the work pieces and drying can be linked to mass finishing processes as pre-and post-treatment systems. Rösler offers a wide range of treatment systems that can be linked together for fully automatic operation or utilized as stand-alone units.
DRYING WITH DRYING MEDIUM

Rotary vibratory dryer
Rotary vibratory dryers come in different sizes to match the capacity requirements of the different mass finishing machines. Filled with drying medium these units can dry the work pieces continuously in one single pass as well as with batch operation without leaving any residual spots.

Drum dryer
The rotary drum dryers, filled with drying medium, are used for drying work pieces that are cup shaped, not delicate and have relatively large surface areas.

DRYING WITH HOT AIR

Dryers with drying medium are not suitable for drying work pieces with narrow blind openings and small drilled or threaded holes, because drying medium might get lodged in these cavities. For such cases hot air drying systems ensure trouble-free drying operations. By wetting the finished work pieces with de-mineralized water, residual spots on the work piece surface can be largely prevented.

Hot air drying centrifuge
The drying effect in these units is generated by centrifugal force and hot air. They are used for drying complete batches of very small, non-delicate and thin, flat work pieces that tend to stick to each other.

Hot air belt dryer
When it comes to the gentle drying of housings, work pieces with threaded or drilled holes, undercuts or components with critical sealing surface areas, belt dryers are the ideal solution. Placed on a wire mesh belt, the work pieces are passing through an electrically heated drying tunnel.
Hot air rotary vibratory dryer

The work pieces are dried with hot air instead of drying medium by continuously passing through the vibrating processing channel. This dryer type is used for relatively small, non-delicate or cup shaped parts. Even thin, flat components are dried without any residual water spots.

Linear dryer

Delicate, flat work pieces that must not nick each other, for example, polished coin blanks, are passing between two sheets of cloth through an electrically heated tunnel vibrating at low amplitude. The result: No dust, no water spots and no nicked work pieces.

Hot air drum dryer

Work pieces with complex shapes, undercuts and blind and threaded holes are constantly tumbling over each other and dried with hot air without any drying medium.
ENVIRONMENTAL TECHNOLOGY

Process water recycling

Most mass finishing processes can be run with process water recycling systems constantly cleaning the process water and feeding it back into the mass finishing machine. For cleaning of more complex wastewater traditional floc & drop systems are available.

Cleaning of industrial liquids with centrifugal filters

Decades of experience in cleaning mass finishing wastewater contaminated with abrasive fines went into the development of centrifugal cleaning systems for other industrial liquids.

Cleaning and recycling of contaminated liquids from

- Machining centers
- Grinding of glass (spectacle industry)
- Solar/wafer production (grinding, saw cutting)
- Paint booths
- ECM (electrochemical machining)
- High pressure water jet blasting
- Recycling systems for precious materials
- Dewatering of sludge
MEDIA AND COMPOUNDS

In addition to our machine program, we also offer the most comprehensive range of media and compounds in the world. All our consumable products have been developed and produced in-house with „Made in Germany“ quality. With over 80 years of experience in the field of surface finishing we can provide our customers with tailormade processes for new applications and solutions for product improvement and cost reductions.

Stable and repeatable finishing processes are our specialty.

The world's largest range of media and compounds
With around 15,000 products our portfolio of consumables is the largest in the world. It includes ceramic and plastic grinding and polishing media, compounds and process water cleaners. All our consumables can be individually adapted to the needs and requests of our customers.

Quality
Our production complies with the most stringent environmental standards and is subject to strict quality controls per DIN EN ISO 9001 and 50001.

Excellent product availability
Our central warehouse in Germany stocks more than 8,000 tons of media and compounds. In addition, our global network of branches and many of our channel partners maintain warehouses with consumables close to our customers.
THE RÖSLER TOTAL SOLUTION

Vibratory finishing tools

The Rösler group is the global leader in the development and production of mass finishing consumables and equipment. With our broad R & D activities and close proximity to our customers we continuously develop solutions that meet the finishing requirements of our time.

1. Finishing task
   - Work pieces from the customer

2. Process development
   - In-house test centers for:
     - Shot blasting
       - shot blast machine
       - blast media
       - dust collector
     - Mass finishing
       - mass finishing machine
       - grinding & polishing media
       - compounds

3. Engineering
   - Equipment manufacturing, Peripheral equipment, Interlinked systems

4. Customer support
   - Environmental technology
   - Delivery assembly training
   - After-Sales-Service

5. Production at the customer site
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