

# AERONAUTICAL MATERIAL SPECIFICATIONS

**AMS 4224**

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ALUMINUM ALLOY CASTINGS, SAND  
4Cu - 2Ni - 2Mg - 0.3Cr - 0.3Mn - 0.1Ti - 0.1V  
Stabilized

1. ACKNOWLEDGMENT: A vendor shall mention this specification number in all quotations and when acknowledging purchase orders.
2. APPLICATION: Primarily for parts operating at temperatures up to 600 F.
3. COMPOSITION:

Copper	3.5 - 4.5
Nickel	1.9 - 2.3
Magnesium	1.8 - 2.3
Chromium	0.20 - 0.40
Manganese	0.15 - 0.45
Titanium	0.06 - 0.20
Vanadium	0.06 - 0.20
Iron	0.40 max
Silicon	0.35 max
Zinc	0.05 max
Other Impurities, each	0.05 max
Other Impurities, total	0.15 max
Aluminum	remainder

4. CONDITION: Stabilization heat treated.

5. TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS:

- 5.1 Casting: Castings shall be produced in lots from metal conforming to Section 3. Metal remelted from previously analyzed ingot may be poured directly into castings. Furnace or ladle additions of small amounts of grain refining elements or alloys are permissible. Unless otherwise agreed upon by purchaser and vendor, molten metal taken from alloying furnaces, with or without additions of foundry operating scrap (gates, sprues, risers, and rejected castings), shall not be poured into castings unless first converted to ingot, analyzed, and remelted or until the composition of a sample taken after the last addition to the melt has been found to conform to Section 3.
  - 5.1.1 A melt shall be the metal withdrawn from a batch furnace charge of 2000 lb or less as melted for pouring castings or, when permitted by the purchaser, a melt shall be 4000 lb or less of metal withdrawn from one continuous furnace in not more than 8 consecutive hours.
  - 5.1.2 A lot shall consist of castings poured from a single melt in not more than 8 consecutive hours.
  - 5.1.3 During melting, the metal shall be heated to not over 1500 F. The metal being poured into the mold shall not exceed a temperature of 1375 F.

5.2 Cast Test Specimens: Tensile test specimens, and chemical analysis specimens when required, shall be cast as follows and, when requested, shall be supplied with the castings.

5.2.1 Tensile Test Specimens: Shall be cast with each lot of castings, shall be standard (0.5 in. diameter at the reduced parallel section), and shall be cast to size in molds made with the regular foundry mix of green sand, without using chills. Metal for the specimens shall be part of the melt which is used for the castings. If the metal for castings is given any treatment, such as fluxing or cooling and reheating, the metal for the specimen shall be a portion of the metal so treated, and during such treatment shall be heated to the same maximum temperature and held for approximately the same length of time as the molten metal for castings. The temperature of the metal during pouring of the specimens shall be not lower than that during pouring of the castings.

5.2.2 Chemical Analysis Specimens: When required by purchaser, shall be cast from each melt and shall be of size and shape agreed upon by purchaser and vendor.

5.3 Heat Treatment: All castings and tensile test specimens representing them shall be heat treated as follows:

5.3.1 Tensile test specimens from each melt, together with production castings, shall be heated uniformly to  $600\text{ F} \pm 10$ , held at heat for not less than 5 hr, and cooled in air. At least one set of tensile test specimens shall be put into a batch-type furnace with each load of castings or into a continuous furnace at intervals of not longer than 3 hours.

5.4 Tensile Properties:

5.4.1 Tensile Test Specimens:

Tensile Strength, psi	24,000 min
Elongation, % in 2 in.	1 min

5.4.2 Specimens Cut from Castings:

5.4.2.1 When tensile properties of actual castings are determined for acceptance, not less than 4, and preferably 10, tensile test specimens shall be cut from thick and thin sections. The average value of all specimens selected shall conform to the following:

Tensile Strength, psi	18,000 min
Elongation (Round Specimens), % in 4D	0.5 min

5.4.2.1.1 Conformance to these requirements may be used as basis for acceptance of castings.

5.4.2.2 When specified on the order, tensile test specimens taken in locations indicated on the drawing, from a casting chosen at random to represent the lot, shall have the properties indicated on the drawing for each specimen.

- 5.4.3 Tensile Properties at 600 F: Material shall be capable of meeting the following requirements. Separately cast tensile test specimens shall be heated to  $600\text{ F} \pm 5$ , held at  $600\text{ F} \pm 5$  for 10 min. before testing, and tested at  $600\text{ F} \pm 5$  at a rate not greater than 0.05 in. per in. per min. up to the yield strength and at a rate of 0.11 - 0.14 in. per in. per min. above the yield strength.

Tensile Strength, psi  
Elongation, % in 2 in.

14,000 min  
4 min

- 5.5 Hardness of Castings: Except at sprues and risers, the castings shall have hardness not lower than Brinell 70 using 500 kg load and 10 mm ball or 1000 kg load and 9/16 in. ball, or not lower than Brinell 75 using 1000 kg load and 10 mm ball.

## 6. QUALITY:

- 6.1 Castings shall be uniform in quality and condition, sound, and free from foreign materials and from internal and external imperfections detrimental to fabrication or to performance of parts. Castings shall have smooth surfaces and shall be well cleaned.
- 6.2 Radiographic and other quality standards shall be as agreed upon by purchaser and vendor.
- 6.3 Unless otherwise specified, castings shall be produced under radiographic control. This shall consist of radiographic examination of castings until proper foundry technique, which will produce castings free from harmful internal imperfections, is established for each part number, and of production castings as necessary to ensure maintenance of satisfactory quality.
- 6.4 Castings shall not be repaired by plugging, welding, or other methods without written permission from purchaser.
- 6.5 Castings shall not be impregnated, chemically treated, or coated to prevent leaking unless specified or allowed by written permission which states the method to be used. Impregnated castings shall be marked IMP.

## 7. REPORTS:

- 7.1 Unless otherwise specified, the vendor of castings shall furnish with each shipment three copies of a report of the results of tensile tests on test specimens from each lot and a statement that the chemical composition of castings conforms to the requirements of this specification. This report shall include the purchase order number, lot number, material specification number, part number, and quantity.