



Standard Specification for Aluminum-Alloy Sand Castings¹

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^{ε1} NOTE—Table 1 was updated in February 2015 to include footnotes E, F, and G.

1. Scope*

1.1 This specification² covers aluminum-alloy sand castings designated as shown in Table 1.

1.2 This specification is for aluminum-alloy sand castings used in general purpose applications. It may not address the mechanical properties, integrity testing, and verification required for highly loaded or safety critical applications.

1.3 Alloy and temper designations are in accordance with ANSI H35.1/H35.1M. Unified Numbering System alloy designations are in accordance with Practice E527.

1.4 Unless the order specifies the “M” specification designation, the material shall be furnished to the inch-pound units.

1.5 For acceptance criteria for inclusion of new aluminum and aluminum alloys and their properties in this specification, see Annex A1 and Annex A2.

1.6 The values stated in either SI units or inch-pound units are to be regarded separately as standard. The values stated in each system may not be exact equivalents; therefore, each system shall be used independently of the other. Combining values from the two systems may result in nonconformance with the standard.

1.7 *This standard does not purport to address all of the safety concerns, if any, associated with its use. It is the responsibility of the user of this standard to establish appropriate safety and health practices and determine the applicability of regulatory limitations prior to use.*

2. Referenced Documents

2.1 The following documents of the issue in effect on date of material purchase form a part of this specification to the extent referenced herein:

2.2 ASTM Standards:³

- B179 Specification for Aluminum Alloys in Ingot and Molten Forms for Castings from All Casting Processes
- B275 Practice for Codification of Certain Zinc, Tin and Lead Die Castings
- B557 Test Methods for Tension Testing Wrought and Cast Aluminum- and Magnesium-Alloy Products
- B557M Test Methods for Tension Testing Wrought and Cast Aluminum- and Magnesium-Alloy Products (Metric)
- B660 Practices for Packaging/Packing of Aluminum and Magnesium Products
- B881 Terminology Relating to Aluminum- and Magnesium-Alloy Products
- B985 Practice for Sampling Aluminum Ingots, Billets, Castings and Finished or Semi-Finished Wrought Aluminum Products for Compositional Analysis
- B917/B917M Practice for Heat Treatment of Aluminum-Alloy Castings from All Processes
- D3951 Practice for Commercial Packaging
- E29 Practice for Using Significant Digits in Test Data to Determine Conformance with Specifications
- E34 Test Methods for Chemical Analysis of Aluminum and Aluminum-Base Alloys
- E94 Guide for Radiographic Examination
- E155 Reference Radiographs for Inspection of Aluminum and Magnesium Castings
- E165 Practice for Liquid Penetrant Examination for General Industry
- E527 Practice for Numbering Metals and Alloys in the Unified Numbering System (UNS)
- E607 Test Method for Atomic Emission Spectrometric Analysis Aluminum Alloys by the Point to Plane Technique Nitrogen Atmosphere (Withdrawn 2011)⁴
- E716 Practices for Sampling and Sample Preparation of Aluminum and Aluminum Alloys for Determination of

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² For ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code applications see related Specification SB-26/SB-26M in Section II of that Code.

³ For referenced ASTM standards, visit the ASTM website, www.astm.org, or contact ASTM Customer Service at service@astm.org. For *Annual Book of ASTM Standards* volume information, refer to the standard’s Document Summary page on the ASTM website.

⁴ The last approved version of this historical standard is referenced on www.astm.org.

*A Summary of Changes section appears at the end of this standard

TABLE 1 Chemical Composition Limits

NOTE 1—When single units are shown, these indicate the maximum amounts permitted.

NOTE 2—Analysis shall be made for the elements for which limits are shown in this table.

NOTE 3—The following applies to all specified limits in this table: For purposes of determining conformance to these limits, an observed value or a calculated value obtained from analysis shall be rounded to the nearest unit in the last right-hand place of figures used in expressing the specified limit in accordance with the rounding method of Practice E29.

Alloy		Composition, (Values in Weight Percent)											Others ^F	
ANSI ^E	UNS	Aluminum	Silicon	Iron	Copper	Man-ganese	Magne-sium	Chromium	Nickel	Zinc	Tin	Titanium	Each	Total ^G
201.0	A02010	remainder	0.10	0.15	4.0–5.2	0.20–0.50	0.15–0.55	...	...	...	...	0.15–0.35	0.05 ^A	0.10
204.0	A02040	remainder	0.20	0.35	4.2–5.0	0.10	0.15–0.35	...	0.05	0.10	0.05	0.15–0.30	0.05	0.15
242.0	A02420	remainder	0.7	1.0	3.7–4.5	0.35	1.2–1.8	0.25	1.7–2.3	0.35	...	0.25	0.05	0.15
A242.0	A12420	remainder	0.6	0.8	3.7–4.5	0.10	1.2–1.7	0.15–0.25	1.8–2.3	0.10	...	0.07–0.20	0.05	0.15
295.0	A02950	remainder	0.7–1.5	1.0	4.0–5.0	0.35	0.03	...	...	0.35	...	0.25	0.05	0.15
319.0	A03190	remainder	5.5–6.5	1.0	3.0–4.0	0.50	0.10	...	0.35	1.0	...	0.25	...	0.50
328.0	A03280	remainder	7.5–8.5	1.0	1.0–2.0	0.20–0.6	0.20–0.6	0.35	0.25	1.5	...	0.25	...	0.50
355.0	A03550	remainder	4.5–5.5	0.6 ^B	1.0–1.5	0.50 ^B	0.40–0.6	0.25	...	0.35	...	0.25	0.05	0.15
C355.0	A33550	remainder	4.5–5.5	0.20	1.0–1.5	0.10	0.40–0.6	...	...	0.10	...	0.20	0.05	0.15
356.0	A03560	remainder	6.5–7.5	0.6 ^B	0.25	0.35 ^B	0.20–0.45	...	...	0.35	...	0.25	0.05	0.15
A356.0	A13560	remainder	6.5–7.5	0.20	0.20	0.10	0.25–0.45	...	...	0.10	...	0.20	0.05	0.15
443.0	A04430	remainder	4.5–6.0	0.8	0.6	0.50	0.05	0.25	...	0.50	...	0.25	...	0.35
B443.0	A24430	remainder	4.5–6.0	0.8	0.15	0.35	0.05	...	...	0.35	...	0.25	0.05	0.15
512.0	A05120	remainder	1.4–2.2	0.6	0.35	0.8	3.5–4.5	0.25	...	0.35	...	0.25	0.05	0.15
514.0	A05140	remainder	0.35	0.50	0.15	0.35	3.5–4.5	...	...	0.15	...	0.25	0.05	0.15
520.0	A05200	remainder	0.25	0.30	0.25	0.15	9.5–10.6	...	...	0.15	...	0.25	0.05	0.15
535.0	A05350	remainder	0.15	0.15	0.05	0.10–0.25	6.2–7.5	...	...	...	...	0.10–0.25	0.05 ^C	0.15
705.0	A07050	remainder	0.20	0.8	0.20	0.40–0.6	1.4–1.8	0.20–0.40	...	2.7–3.3	...	0.25	0.05	0.15
707.0	A07070	remainder	0.20	0.8	0.20	0.40–0.6	1.8–2.4	0.20–0.40	...	4.0–4.5	...	0.25	0.05	0.15
710.0 ^D	A07100	remainder	0.15	0.50	0.35–0.65	0.05	0.6–0.8	...	...	6.0–7.0	...	0.25	0.05	0.15
712.0 ^D	A07120	remainder	0.30	0.50	0.25	0.10	0.50–0.65	0.40–0.6	...	5.0–6.5	...	0.15–0.25	0.05	0.20
713.0	A07130	remainder	0.25	1.1	0.40–1.0	0.6	0.20–0.50	0.35	0.15	7.0–8.0	...	0.25	0.10	0.25
771.0	A07710	remainder	0.15	0.15	0.10	0.10	0.8–1.0	0.06–0.20	...	6.5–7.5	...	0.10–0.20	0.05	0.15
850.0	A08500	remainder	0.7	0.7	0.7–1.3	0.10	0.10	...	0.7–1.3	...	5.5–7.0	0.20	...	0.30
851.0 ^D	A08510	remainder	2.0–3.0	0.7	0.7–1.3	0.10	0.10	...	0.30–0.7	...	5.5–7.0	0.20	...	0.30
852.0 ^D	A08520	remainder	0.40	0.7	1.7–2.3	0.10	0.6–0.9	...	0.9–1.5	...	5.5–7.0	0.20	...	0.30

^A Contains silver 0.40–1.0 %.

^B If iron exceeds 0.45 %, manganese content shall not be less than one half of the iron content.

^C Contains beryllium 0.003–0.007 %, boron 0.005 % max.

^D 710.0 formerly A712.0, 712.0 formerly D712.0, 851.0 formerly A850.0, 852.0 formerly B850.0.

^E ASTM alloy designations are recorded in Practice B275.

^F "Others" includes listed elements for which no specific limit is shown as well as unlisted metallic elements. The producer may analyze samples for trace elements not specified in the specification. However, such analysis is not required and may not cover all metallic "Others" elements. Should any analysis by the producer or the purchaser establish that an "Others" element exceeds the limit of "Each" or that the aggregate of several "Others" elements exceeds the limit of "Total," the material shall be considered nonconforming.

^G Other Elements–Total shall be the sum of unspecified metallic elements 0.010 % or more, rounded to the second decimal before determining the sum.

Chemical Composition by Spectrochemical Analysis

E1251 Test Method for Analysis of Aluminum and Aluminum Alloys by Spark Atomic Emission Spectrometry

E2422 Digital Reference Images for Inspection of Aluminum Castings

IEEE/ASTM SI 10 Standard for Use of the International System of Units (SI): The Modern Metric System

2.3 *AMS Standard*.⁵

AMS 2771 Heat Treatment of Aluminum Alloy Castings

2.4 *American National Standards*.⁶

H35.1/H35.1(M) Alloy and Temper Designation System for Aluminum

2.5 *Military Standards*.⁷

MIL-STD-129 Marking for Shipment and Storage

MIL-STD-276 Impregnation of Porous Nonferrous Metal Castings

NAVSEA Technical Publication S9074-AR-GIB-010/278

2.6 *Federal Standard*.⁷

Fed. Std. No. 123 Marking for Shipment (Civil Agencies)

2.7 *Other Standards*.⁸

EN 14242 Aluminum and Aluminum Alloys — Chemical Analysis — Inductively Coupled Plasma Optical Emission Spectral Analysis

⁵ Available from Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE), 400 Commonwealth Dr., Warrendale, PA 15096-0001, <http://www.sae.org>.

⁶ Available from Aluminum Association, Inc., 1525 Wilson Blvd., Suite 600, Arlington, VA 22209, <http://www.aluminum.org/bookstore>.

⁷ Available from Standardization Documents Order Desk, DODSSP, Bldg. 4, Section D, 700 Robbins Ave., Philadelphia, PA 19111-5098, <http://www.dodssp.daps.mil>.

⁸ Available from European Committee for Standardization (CEN), 36 rue de Stassart, B-1050, Brussels, Belgium, <http://www.cenorm.be>.

3. Terminology

3.1 *Definitions*—Refer to Terminology **B881** for definitions of product terms used in this specification.

3.2 *sand casting*—a metal object produced by pouring molten metal into a sand mold and allowing it to solidify.

4. Ordering Information

4.1 Orders for material under this specification shall include the following information (**1.4** and **1.5**):

4.1.1 This specification designation (which includes the number, year, and revision letter, if applicable),

NOTE 1—For inch-pound application, specify Specification B26 and for metric application specify Specification B26M. Do not mix units.

4.1.2 The quantity in either pieces or pounds [kilograms],

4.1.3 Alloy (Section **7** and **Table 1**),

4.1.4 Temper (Section **10** and **Table 2**), and

4.1.5 Applicable drawing or part number,

TABLE 2 Tensile Requirements^A (Inch-Pound Units)

NOTE 1—For purposes of determining conformance with this specification, each value for tensile strength and yield strength shall be rounded to the nearest 0.1 ksi and each value for elongation shall be rounded to the nearest 0.5 %, both in accordance with the rounding method of Practice **E29**.

Alloy		Temper ^B	Tensile Strength, min, ksi	Yield Strength (0.2 % offset), min, ksi	Elongation in 2 in. or 4 x diameter, min, %	Typical Brinell Hard- ness, ^C 500 kgf, 10 mm
ANSI ^D	UNS					
201.0	A02010	T7	60.0	50.0	3.0	...
204.0	A02040	T4	45.0	28.0	6.0	...
242.0	A02420	O ^E	23.0	F	F	70
		T61	32.0	20.0	F	105
A242.0	A12420	T75	29.0	F	1.0	75
295.0	A02950	T4	29.0	13.0	6.0	60
		T6	32.0	20.0	3.0	75
		T62	36.0	28.0	F	95
		T7	29.0	16.0	3.0	70
319.0	A03190	F	23.0	13.0	1.5	70
		T5	25.0	F	F	80
		T6	31.0	20.0	1.5	80
328.0	A03280	F	25.0	14.0	1.0	60
		T6	34.0	21.0	1.0	80
355.0	A03550	T6	32.0	20.0	2.0	80
		T51	25.0	18.0	F	65
		T71	30.0	22.0	F	75
C355.0	A33550	T6	36.0	25.0	2.5	...
356.0	A03560	F	19.0	9.5	2.0	55
		T6	30.0	20.0	3.0	70
		T7	31.0	F	F	75
		T51	23.0	16.0	F	60
		T71	25.0	18.0	3.0	60
A356.0	A13560	T6	34.0	24.0	3.5	80
		T61	35.0	26.0	1.0	...
443.0	A04430	F	17.0	7.0	3.0	40
B443.0	A24430	F	17.0	6.0	3.0	40
512.0	A05120	F	17.0	10.0	...	50
514.0	A05140	F	22.0	9.0	6.0	50
520.0	A05200	T4	42.0	22.0	12.0	75
535.0	A05350	F	35.0	18.0	9.0	70
705.0	A07050	T5	30.0	17.0 ^G	5.0	65
707.0	A07070	T7	37.0	30.0 ^G	1.0	80
710.0 ^H	A07100	T5	32.0	20.0	2.0	75
712.0 ^H	A07120	T5	34.0	25.0 ^G	4.0	75
713.0	A07130	T5	32.0	22.0	3.0	75
771.0	A07710	T5	42.0	38.0	1.5	100
		T51	32.0	27.0	3.0	85
		T52	36.0	30.0	1.5	85
		T6	42.0	35.0	5.0	90
		T71	48.0	45.0	2.0	120
850.0	A08500	T5	16.0	F	5.0	45
851.0 ^H	A08510	T5	17.0	F	3.0	45
852.0 ^H	A08520	T5	24.0	18.0	F	60

^A If agreed upon between the manufacturer and the purchaser, other mechanical properties may be obtained by other heat treatments such as annealing, aging, or stress relieving.

^B Refer to ANSI H35.1/H35.1M, or both, for description of tempers.

^C For information only, not required for acceptance.

^D ASTM alloy designations are recorded in Practice **B275**.

^E Formerly designated as 222.0-T2 and 242.0-T21.

^F Not required.

^G Yield strength to be determined only when specified in the contract or purchase order.

^H 710.0 formerly A712.0, 712.0 formerly D712.0, 851.0 formerly A850.0, 852.0 formerly B850.0.