



# AEROSPACE MATERIAL SPECIFICATION

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STEEL BARS AND FORGINGS, CORROSION RESISTANT  
18.5Cr - 10Ni (SAE 30303Se)  
Free-Machining; Swaging or Upsetting

### 1. SCOPE:

- 1.1 Form: This specification covers a free-machining, corrosion-resistant steel in the form of bars, forgings, and forging stock.
- 1.2 Application: Primarily for parts which may be swaged or hot upset during fabrication and on which the amount of machining warrants use of a free-machining grade of steel. Corrosion resistance is similar to that of the standard 18-8 type.

2. APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS: The following publications form a part of this specification to the extent specified herein. The latest issue of Aerospace Material Specifications (AMS) shall apply. The applicable issue of other documents shall be as specified in AMS 2350.

- 2.1 SAE Publications: Available from Society of Automotive Engineers, Inc., 400 Commonwealth Drive, Warrendale, PA 15096.

#### 2.1.1 Aerospace Material Specifications:

AMS 2241 - Tolerances, Corrosion and Heat Resistant Steel, Iron Alloy, Titanium, and Titanium Alloy Bars and Wire  
AMS 2248 - Chemical Check Analysis Limits, Wrought Heat and Corrosion Resistant Steels and Alloys  
AMS 2350 - Standards and Test Methods  
AMS 2371 - Quality Assurance Sampling of Corrosion and Heat Resistant Alloys, Wrought Products Except Forgings  
AMS 2374 - Quality Assurance Sampling of Corrosion and Heat Resistant Steels and Alloys, Forgings and Forging Stock  
AMS 2806 - Identification, Bars, Wire, Mechanical Tubing, and Extrusions, Carbon and Alloy Steels and Heat and Corrosion Resistant Steels and Alloys  
AMS 2808 - Identification, Forgings

- 2.2 ASTM Publications: Available from American Society for Testing and Materials, 1916 Race Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103.

ASTM A370 - Mechanical Testing of Steel Products  
ASTM E353 - Chemical Analysis of Stainless, Heat-Resisting, Maraging, and Other Similar Chromium-Nickel-Iron Alloys

- 2.3 Government Publications: Available from Commanding Officer, Naval Publications and Forms Center, 5801 Tabor Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19120.

#### 2.3.1 Federal Standards:

Federal Test Method Standard No. 151 - Metals; Test Methods

#### 2.3.2 Military Standards:

MIL-STD-163 - Steel Mill Products, Preparation for Shipment and Storage

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### 3. TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS:

- 3.1 Composition: Shall conform to the following percentages by weight, determined by wet chemical methods in accordance with ASTM E353, by spectrographic methods in accordance with Federal Test Method Standard No. 151, Method 112, or by other analytical methods approved by purchaser:

|            | min     | max   |
|------------|---------|-------|
| Carbon     | --      | 0.12  |
| Manganese  | --      | 2.06  |
| Silicon    | --      | 0.70  |
| Phosphorus | 0.11 -  | 0.17  |
| Sulfur     | --      | 0.040 |
| Chromium   | 17.00 - | 20.00 |
| Nickel     | 8.00 -  | 12.00 |
| Selenium   | 0.15 -  | 0.30  |
| Molybdenum | --      | 0.75  |
| Copper     | --      | 0.75  |

- 3.1.1 Check Analysis: Composition variations shall meet the requirements of AMS 2248.

- 3.2 Condition: The product shall be supplied in the following condition:

- 3.2.1 Bars and Forgings: Solution heat treated free from continuous carbide network.

- 3.2.1.1 All hexagons and other bars 2.75 in. (70 mm) and under in nominal diameter or distance between parallel sides shall be cold finished.

- 3.2.1.2 Bars, other than hexagons, over 2.75 in. (70 mm) in nominal diameter or distance between parallel sides shall be hot finished.

- 3.2.2 Forging Stock: As ordered by the forging manufacturer.

- 3.3 Properties: The product shall conform to the following requirements; hardness and tensile testing shall be performed in accordance with ASTM A370:

- 3.3.1 Tensile Properties: Bars shall have tensile properties as follows:

|                       |                                      |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Tensile Strength      | 75,000 - 115,000 psi (517 - 793 MPa) |
| Elongation in 4D, min | 35%                                  |

- 3.3.1.1 Elongation requirements apply only to bars 0.125 in. (3.18 mm) and over in nominal diameter or distance between parallel sides.

- 3.3.2 Hardness: Forgings shall have hardness of 149 - 229 HB or equivalent.

- 3.4 Quality: The product, as received by purchaser, shall be uniform in quality and condition, sound, and, consistent with the type of steel involved, free from foreign materials and from internal and external imperfections detrimental to usage of the product.

- 3.5 Sizes: Except when exact lengths or multiples of exact lengths are ordered, straight bars will be acceptable in mill lengths of 6 - 20 ft (1.8 - 6.1 m) but not more than 10% of any shipment shall be supplied in lengths shorter than 10 ft (3 m).

- 3.6 Tolerances: Unless otherwise specified, tolerances for bars shall conform to all applicable requirements of AMS 2241.

4. QUALITY ASSURANCE PROVISIONS:

4.1 Responsibility for Inspection: The vendor of the product shall supply all samples and shall be responsible for performing all required tests. Results of such tests shall be reported to the purchaser as required by 4.4. Purchaser reserves the right to perform such confirmatory testing as he deems necessary to ensure that the product conforms to the requirements of this specification.

4.2 Classification of Tests: Tests to determine conformance to all technical requirements of this specification are classified as acceptance tests and shall be performed on each lot.

4.3 Sampling: Shall be in accordance with the following:

4.3.1 Bars: AMS 2371.

4.3.2 Forgings and Forging Stock: AMS 2374.

4.4 Reports:

4.4.1 The vendor of the product shall furnish with each shipment three copies of a report showing the results of tests for chemical composition of each heat and the results of tests on each size or part number from each heat for tensile properties of bars and hardness of forgings. This report shall include the purchase order number, heat number, material specification number and its revision letter, size, and quantity from each heat. If forgings are supplied, the part number and the size and melt source of stock used to make the forgings shall also be included.

4.4.2 The vendor of finished or semi-finished parts shall furnish with each shipment three copies of a report showing the purchase order number, material specification number and its revision letter, contractor or other direct supplier of material, part number, and quantity. When material for making parts is produced or purchased by the parts vendor, that vendor shall inspect each lot of material to determine conformance to the requirements of this specification, and shall include in the report a statement that the material conforms, or shall include copies of laboratory reports showing the results of tests to determine conformance.

4.5 Resampling and Retesting: Shall be in accordance with the following:

4.5.1 Bars: AMS 2371.

4.5.2 Forgings and Forging Stock: AMS 2374.

5. PREPARATION FOR DELIVERY:

5.1 Identification: The product shall be identified as follows:

5.1.1 Bars: In accordance with AMS 2806.

5.1.2 Forgings: In accordance with AMS 2808.

5.1.3 Forging Stock: As agreed upon by purchaser and vendor.

5.2 Packaging:

5.2.1 The product shall be prepared for shipment in accordance with commercial practice and in compliance with applicable rules and regulations pertaining to the handling, packaging, and transportation of the product to ensure carrier acceptance and safe delivery. Packaging shall conform to carrier rules and regulations applicable to the mode of transportation.