



AEROSPACE MATERIAL SPECIFICATION

AMS5863™**REV. F**

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Steel, Corrosion Resistant, Sheet, Strip, and Plate
15Cr - 6.5Ni - 0.75Mo - 0.60Cb - 1.5Cu
Solution Heat Treated, Precipitation Hardenable
(Composition similar to UNS S45000)

RATIONALE

AMS5863F prohibits unauthorized exceptions (3.7, 4.4.1, 5.1.1, 8.6), incorporates update of composition (3.1), revises sheet condition (3.2.1), adds pyrometry control (3.3), adds continuous heat treatment option (3.3.1), adds control of strain rate (3.4.1.1.1), requires country of origin (4.4), allows prior revisions (8.5), updates ordering information (8.7), and is the result of a Five-Year Review and update of the specification.

1. SCOPE

1.1 Form

This specification covers a corrosion-resistant steel in the form of sheet, strip, and plate.

1.2 Application

These products have been used typically for parts requiring corrosion resistance and high strength in service up to 700 °F (371 °C), but usage is not limited to such application. Product can be used in the solution heat treated condition and is capable of being precipitation heat treated to tensile strengths as high as 180 ksi (1241 MPa).

1.2.1 Certain design and processing procedures may cause these products to become susceptible to stress-corrosion cracking after precipitation heat treatment; ARP1110 recommends practices to minimize such conditions.

2. APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS

The issue of the following documents in effect on the date of the purchase order forms a part of this specification to the extent specified herein. The supplier may work to a subsequent revision of a document unless a specific document issue is specified. When the referenced document has been cancelled and no superseding document has been specified, the last published issue of that document shall apply.

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2.1 SAE Publications

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AMS2242	Tolerances, Corrosion and Heat Resistant Steel, Iron Alloy, Titanium, and Titanium Alloy Sheet, Strip, and Plate
AMS2248	Chemical Check Analysis Limits, Corrosion and Heat-Resistant Steels and Alloys, Maraging and Other Highly-Alloyed Steels, and Iron Alloys
AMS2371	Quality Assurance Sampling and Testing, Corrosion and Heat-Resistant Steels and Alloys, Wrought Products and Forging Stock
AMS2750	Pyrometry
AMS2807	Identification, Carbon and Low-Alloy Steels, Corrosion and Heat-Resistant Steels and Alloys Sheet, Strip, Plate, and Aircraft Tubing
ARP1110	Minimizing Stress Corrosion Cracking in Wrought Forms of Steels and Corrosion Resistant Steels and Alloys
ARP1917	Clarification of Terms Used in Aerospace Metals Specifications
AS4194	Sheet and Strip Surface Finish Nomenclature

2.2 ASTM Publications

Available from ASTM International, 100 Barr Harbor Drive, P.O. Box C700, West Conshohocken, PA 19428-2959, Tel: 610-832-9585, www.astm.org.

ASTM A370	Mechanical Testing of Steel Products
ASTM A480/A480M	Flat-Rolled Stainless and Heat-Resisting Steel Plate, Sheet, and Strip
ASTM A751	Chemical Analysis of Steel Products
ASTM E140	Hardness Conversion Tables for Metals Relationship Among Brinell Hardness, Vickers Hardness, Rockwell Hardness, Superficial Hardness, Knoop Hardness, Scleroscope Hardness, and Leeb Hardness
ASTM E290	Bend Testing of Material for Ductility

3. TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS

3.1 Composition

Shall conform to the percentages by weight shown in Table 1, determined in accordance with ASTM A751 or by other analytical methods acceptable to purchaser.

Table 1 - Composition

Element	Min	Max
Carbon	--	0.05
Manganese	--	1.00
Silicon	--	1.00
Phosphorus	--	0.030
Sulfur	--	0.030
Chromium	14.00	16.00
Nickel	6.00	7.00
Molybdenum	0.50	1.00
Columbium (Niobium)	8xC	1.00
Copper	1.25	1.75
Tantalum	--	0.05

3.1.1 Check Analysis

Composition variations shall meet the applicable requirements of AMS2248.

3.2 Condition

The product shall be supplied in the following condition:

3.2.1 Sheet and Strip

Hot or cold rolled, solution heat treated, and, unless solution heat treatment is performed in an atmosphere yielding a bright finish, descaled having a surface finish in accordance with ASTM A480/A480M, AS4194, and 3.2.1.1 or 3.2.1.2 as applicable.

3.2.1.1 Sheet

Shall be No. 2D finish.

3.2.1.2 Strip

Shall be No. 1 strip finish.

3.2.2 Plate

Hot rolled, solution heat treated, and descaled.

3.3 Heat Treatment

The product shall be solution heat treated by heating to 1900 °F ± 25 °F (1038 °C ± 14 °C), holding at heat for a time commensurate with section thickness, and cooling as required. Plate over 1.250 inches (31.25 mm) in nominal thickness shall be quenched in a suitable medium. Pyrometry shall be in accordance with AMS2750.

3.3.1 Continuous Heat Treatment

When continuous heat treating is used process parameters (e.g., furnace temperature set points, heat input, travel rate, etc.) for continuous heat treating lines shall be established by the material producer and validated by testing of product to the requirements of 3.4.

3.4 Properties

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

3.4.1 As Solution Heat Treated

3.4.1.1 Tensile Properties

Shall be as shown in Table 2.

3.4.1.1.1 Unless otherwise specified, the strain rate shall be set at 0.005 in/in/min (0.005 mm/mm/min) and maintained within a tolerance of ± 0.002 in/in/min (0.002 mm/mm/min) through 0.2% offset yield strain. The strain rate after yield may be increased to any value up to 0.5 in/in/min (or mm/mm/min) or equivalent crosshead speed as a function of gage length.

Table 2 - Minimum tensile properties

Property	Value
Tensile Strength	125 ksi (862 MPa)
Yield Strength at 0.2% Offset	95 ksi (655 MPa)
Elongation in 2 Inches (50.8 mm) or 4D	4%

3.4.1.2 Hardness

Product 0.010 inch (0.25 mm) and over in nominal thickness should have hardness not higher than 33 HRC, or equivalent (see 8.2), but the product shall not be rejected on the basis of hardness if the tensile properties of 3.4.1.1 are acceptable, determined on specimens taken from the same sample as that with nonconforming hardness or from another sample with similar nonconforming hardness.

3.4.1.3 Bending

Product 0.1874 inch (4.760 mm) and under in nominal thickness shall be tested in accordance with ASTM E290 using specimens prepared nominally 0.75 inch (19.0 mm) in width, with the axis of bend parallel to the direction of rolling, and shall withstand, without cracking, when bending at room temperature through an angle of 180 degrees around a diameter equal to six times the nominal thickness of the product. In case of dispute, results of tests using the guided bend test of ASTM E290 shall govern.

3.4.2 Response to Precipitation Heat Treatment

The product shall conform to the following requirements after being precipitation heat treated by heating to $900^{\circ}\text{F} \pm 15^{\circ}\text{F}$ ($482^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 8^{\circ}\text{C}$), holding at heat for 4 to 8 hours, and cooling in air:

3.4.2.1 Tensile Properties

Shall be as shown in Table 3; requirements apply in both the longitudinal and transverse directions but tests in the transverse direction need be made only on product from which a specimen not less than 2.50 inches (63.5 mm) in length can be taken. Tests in the longitudinal direction are not required on product tested in the transverse direction.

Table 3A - Minimum tensile properties, inch/pound units

Nominal Thickness Inches	Tensile Strength ksi	Yield Strength at 0.2% Offset ksi	Elongation in 2 Inches or 4D %
Up to 0.020, incl	180	170	3
Over 0.020 to 0.062, incl	180	170	4
Over 0.062	180	170	5

Table 3B - Minimum tensile properties, SI units

Nominal Thickness Millimeters	Tensile Strength MPa	Yield Strength at 0.2% Offset MPa	Elongation in 50.8 mm or 4D %
Up to 0.51, incl	1241	1172	3
Over 0.51 to 1.57, incl	1241	1172	4
Over 1.57	1241	1172	5

3.4.2.2 Hardness

Product 0.010 inch (0.25 mm) and over in nominal thickness should have hardness not lower than 40 HRC, or equivalent (see 8.2), but the product shall not be rejected on the basis of hardness if the tensile properties of 3.4.2.1 are acceptable, determined on specimens taken from the same sample as that with nonconforming hardness or from another sample with similar nonconforming hardness.

3.4.3 Response to Other Precipitation Heat Treatment

Properties after precipitation heat treatment at temperatures other than 900 °F ± 15 °F (482 °C ± 8 °C) shall be agreed upon by purchaser and producer.

3.5 Quality

The product, as received by purchaser, shall be uniform in quality and condition, sound, and free from foreign materials and from imperfections detrimental to usage of the product.

3.6 Tolerances

Shall conform to all applicable requirements of AMS2242.

3.7 Exceptions

Any exceptions shall be authorized by the purchaser and reported as in 4.4.1.

4. QUALITY ASSURANCE PROVISIONS

4.1 Responsibility for Inspection

The producer of the product shall supply all samples for producer's tests and shall be responsible for the performance of all required tests. Purchaser reserves the right to sample and to perform any confirmatory testing deemed necessary to ensure that the product conforms to specified requirements.

4.2 Classification of Tests

All technical requirements are acceptance tests and shall be performed on each heat or lot as applicable.