

AEROSPACE MATERIAL SPECIFICATION

SAE AMS5903

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Steel, Corrosion-Resistant, Sheet, Strip, and Plate
18Cr - 9.0Ni (SAE 30302)
Cold Rolled, 1/4 Hard, 125 ksi (862 MPa) Tensile Strength
(Composition similar to UNS S30200)

RATIONALE

AMS5903B has been reaffirmed to comply with the SAE five-year review policy.

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 in aircraft structural components requiring moderate forming and bending during fabrication and where corrosion resistance up to 800 °F (427 °C) is required, but usage is not limited to such applications.

1.2.1 Mechanical properties specified herein are obtained by cold working (strain hardening) and not by heat treatment. Therefore, the cold-worked product should not be heated to a temperature which adversely affects the mechanical properties or corrosion resistance before, during, or after fabrication.

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.

2.1 SAE Publications

Available from SAE400 Commonwealth Drive, Warrendale, PA 15096-0001, Tel: 877-606-7323 (inside USA and Canada) or 724-776-4970 (outside USA), www.sae.org.

AMS 2242	Tolerances, Corrosion and Heat-Resistant Steel, Iron Alloy, Titanium, and Titanium Alloy Sheet, Strip, and Plate
AMS 2248	Chemical Check Analysis Limits, Corrosion and Heat-Resistant Steels and Alloys, Maraging and Other Highly-Alloyed Steels, and Iron Alloys
AMS 2371	Quality Assurance Sampling and Testing, Corrosion and Heat-Resistant Steels and Alloys, Wrought Products and Forging Stock

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AMS 2807 Identification, Carbon and Low-Alloy Steels, Corrosion and Heat-Resistant Steels and Alloys, Sheet, Strip, Plate, and Aircraft Tubing

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 A 370 Mechanical Testing of Steel Products
ASTM E 290 Semi-Guided Bend Test for Ductility of Metallic Materials
ASTM E 353 Chemical Analysis of Stainless, Heat-Resisting, Maraging, and Other Similar Chromium-Nickel-Iron Alloys
ASTM E 384 Microhardness of Materials

3. TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS

3.1 Composition

Shall conform to the percentages by weight shown in Table 1, determined by wet chemical methods in accordance with ASTM E 353, by spectrochemical methods, or by other analytical methods acceptable to purchaser.

TABLE 1 - COMPOSITION

Element	min	max
Carbon	--	0.15
Manganese	--	2.00
Silicon	--	1.00
Phosphorus	--	0.040
Sulfur	--	0.030
Chromium	17.00	19.00
Nickel	8.00	10.00
Molybdenum	--	0.75
Copper	--	0.75

3.1.1 Check Analysis

Composition variations shall meet the applicable requirements of AMS 2248.

3.2 Condition

The product shall be supplied in the following condition:

3.2.1 Sheet and Strip

Solution heat treated, descaled unless solution heat treatment is performed in an atmosphere yielding a bright finish, and cold rolled.

3.2.2 Plate

Solution heat treated, descaled, and cold rolled.

3.3 Properties

The product shall conform to the following requirements; tensile properties and hardness shall be determined in accordance with ASTM A 370:

3.3.1 Tensile Properties

Shall be as shown in Table 2 for product over 0.005 inch (0.13 mm) in nominal thickness.

TABLE 2 - MINIMUM TENSILE PROPERTIES

Property	Value
Tensile Strength	125 ksi (862 MPa)
Yield Strength at 0.2% Offset	75 ksi (517 MPa)
Elongation in 2 Inches (50.8 mm) or 4D Nominal Thickness	
Over 0.005 to 0.030 Inch (Over 0.13 to 0.76 mm), incl	10%
Over 0.030 inch (Over 0.76 mm)	12%

3.3.2 Hardness

Shall be not lower than 25 HRC or 255 HB, or equivalent (See 8.2). Product shall not be rejected on the basis of hardness if the tensile properties of 3.3.1 are acceptable, determined on specimens taken from the same sample as that with nonconforming hardness or from another sample with similar nonconforming hardness.

3.3.2.1 Microhardness testing in accordance with ASTM E 384 may be used for thin gages where superficial hardness testing is impractical.

3.3.3 Bending

Product 0.187-inch (4.75-mm) and under in nominal thickness shall be tested in accordance with ASTM E 290 using a sample prepared nominally 0.75 inch (19.0 mm) in width with its axis of bending parallel to the direction of rolling and shall withstand without cracking when bending at room temperature through the angle and bend diameter shown in Table 3. In case of dispute, the results of tests using the guided bend test of ASTM E 290 shall govern.

TABLE 3 - BENDING

Nominal Thickness Inch	Nominal Thickness Millimeters	Angle deg, min	Bend Factor
Up to 0.050, incl	Up to 1.27, incl	180	1
Over 0.050 to 0.187, incl	Over 1.27 to 4.75, incl	90	2

3.4 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.

3.5 Tolerances

Shall conform to all applicable requirements of AMS 2242.

4. QUALITY ASSURANCE PROVISIONS

4.1 Responsibility for Inspection

The vendor of the product shall supply all samples for vendor'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.

4.3 Sampling and Testing

Shall be in accordance with AMS 2371.

4.4 Reports

The vendor of the product shall furnish with each shipment a report showing the results of tests for composition of each heat and tensile, hardness, and bending properties of each lot, and stating that the product conforms to the other technical requirements. This report shall include the purchase order number, heat and lot numbers, AMS 5903B, size, and quantity.

4.5 Resampling and Retesting

Shall be in accordance with AMS 2371.

5. PREPARATION FOR DELIVERY

5.1 Identification

Shall be in accordance with AMS 2807.

5.2 Packaging

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.

6. ACKNOWLEDGMENT

A vendor shall mention this specification number and its revision letter in all quotations and when acknowledging purchase orders.

7. REJECTIONS

Product not conforming to this specification, or to modifications authorized by purchaser, will be subject to rejection.

8. NOTES

8.1 A change bar (|) located in the left margin is for the convenience of the user in locating areas where technical revisions, not editorial changes, have been made to the previous issue of this specification. An (R) symbol to the left of the document title indicates a complete revision of the specification, including technical revisions. Change bars and (R) are not used in original publications, nor in specifications that contain editorial changes only.

8.2 Hardness conversion tables for metals are presented in ASTM E 140.

8.3 Terms used in AMS are clarified in ARP1917.