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# Standard Specification for Copper-Alloy Plate and Sheet for Pressure Vessels, Condensers, and Heat Exchangers<sup>1</sup>

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## 1. Scope\*

1.1 This specification<sup>2</sup> establishes the requirements for copper-alloy plate, sheet, and circles cut from plate and sheet for pressure vessels, condensers, and heat exchangers. The following alloys are covered:

Copper Alloy	Previously Used Designation
C36500	Leaded Muntz Metal
C44300	Admiralty, Arsenical
C44400	Admiralty, Antimonial
C44500	Admiralty, Phosphorized
C46400	Naval Brass, Uninhibited
C46500	Naval Brass, Arsenical
C61300	Aluminum Bronze
C61400	Aluminum Bronze D
C63000	10 % Aluminum-Nickel Bronze
C63200	9 % Aluminum-Nickel Bronze
C70600	90-10 Copper Nickel
C70620	90-10 Copper Nickel-(modified for welding)
C71500	70-30 Copper Nickel
C71520	70-30 Copper Nickel-(modified for welding)
C72200	...

1.2 *Units*—The values stated in either inch-pound units or SI units are to be regarded separately as standard. Within the text, SI units are shown in brackets. 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 non-conformance with the standard.

1.3 *This international standard was developed in accordance with internationally recognized principles on standardization established in the Decision on Principles for the Development of International Standards, Guides and Recommendations issued by the World Trade Organization Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT) Committee.*

<sup>1</sup> This specification is under the jurisdiction of ASTM Committee B05 on Copper and Copper Alloys and is the direct responsibility of Subcommittee B05.01 on Plate, Sheet, and Strip.

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<sup>2</sup> For ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code applications, see related Specification SB-171 in Section II of that Code.

## 2. Referenced Documents

### 2.1 ASTM Standards:<sup>3</sup>

**B248** Specification for General Requirements for Wrought Copper and Copper-Alloy Plate, Sheet, Strip, and Rolled Bar

**B248M** Specification for General Requirements for Wrought Copper and Copper-Alloy Plate, Sheet, Strip, and Rolled Bar (Metric)

**B846** Terminology for Copper and Copper Alloys

**E8/E8M** Test Methods for Tension Testing of Metallic Materials

**E29** Practice for Using Significant Digits in Test Data to Determine Conformance with Specifications

**E54** Test Methods for Chemical Analysis of Special Brasses and Bronzes (Withdrawn 2002)<sup>4</sup>

**E62** Test Methods for Chemical Analysis of Copper and Copper Alloys (Photometric Methods) (Withdrawn 2010)<sup>4</sup>

**E255** Practice for Sampling Copper and Copper Alloys for the Determination of Chemical Composition

**E478** Test Methods for Chemical Analysis of Copper Alloys

**E527** Practice for Numbering Metals and Alloys in the Unified Numbering System (UNS)

## 3. Terminology

3.1 For definitions of terms related to copper and copper alloys, refer to Terminology **B846**.

## 4. Ordering Information

4.1 Include the following specified choices when placing orders for product under this specification, as applicable:

4.1.1 ASTM designation and year of issue;

4.1.2 Whether inch-pound or SI units are applicable (see 1.2);

4.1.3 Copper [Alloy] UNS. No. (see Section 6, Table 1);

<sup>3</sup> 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.

<sup>4</sup> 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 Requirements**

Copper Alloy UNS No. <sup>A</sup>	Composition, % max (Unless Shown as a Range)									
	Copper, incl Silver	Tin	Nickel, incl Cobalt	Manganese, max	Lead	Iron	Zinc	Aluminum	Chromium	Other Named Elements
C36500	58.0-61.0 <sup>B</sup>	0.25	...	...	0.25-0.7	0.15	remainder	...	...	...
C44300	70.0-73.0 <sup>B</sup>	0.8-1.2	...	...	0.07	0.06	remainder	...	...	0.02-0.06 As
C44400	70.0-73.0 <sup>B</sup>	0.8-1.2	...	...	0.07	0.06	remainder	...	...	0.02-0.10 Sb
C44500	70.0-73.0 <sup>B</sup>	0.8-1.2	...	...	0.07	0.06	remainder	...	...	0.02-0.10 P
C46400	59.0-62.0 <sup>B</sup>	0.50-1.0	...	...	0.20	0.10	remainder	...	...	...
C46500	59.0-62.0 <sup>B</sup>	0.50-1.0	...	...	0.20	0.10	remainder	...	...	0.02-0.06 As
C61300 <sup>C</sup>	remainder	0.20-0.50	0.15	0.20	0.01	2.0-3.0	0.10 <sup>D</sup>	6.0-7.5	...	0.10 Si 0.015 P
C61400	remainder	...	...	1.0	0.01	1.5-3.5	0.20	6.0-8.0	...	0.015 P
C63000	remainder	0.20	4.0-5.5	1.5	...	2.0-4.0	0.30	9.0-11.0	...	0.25 Si
C63200	remainder	...	4.0-4.8 <sup>E</sup>	1.2-2.0	0.02	3.5-4.3 <sup>E</sup>	...	8.7-9.5	...	0.10 Si
C70600	remainder	...	9.0-11.0	1.0	0.05 <sup>D</sup>	1.0-1.8	1.0 <sup>D</sup>	...	...	...
C70620	86.5 min	...	9.0-11.0	1.0	0.02	1.0-1.8	0.50	...	...	0.05 C 0.02 P 0.02 S
C71500	remainder	...	29.0-33.0	1.0	0.05 <sup>D</sup>	0.40-1.0	1.0 <sup>D</sup>	...	...	...
C71520	65.0 min	...	29.0-33.0	1.0	0.02	0.40-1.0	0.50	...	...	0.05 C 0.02 P 0.02 S
C72200	remainder	...	15.0-18.0	1.0	0.05 <sup>D</sup>	0.50-1.0	1.0 <sup>D</sup>	...	0.30-0.70	0.03 Si 0.03 Ti <sup>D</sup>

<sup>A</sup> Designation established in accordance with Practice E527.

<sup>B</sup> Not including silver.

<sup>C</sup> When the product is for subsequent welding applications, and is so specified by the purchaser, chromium shall be 0.05 % max, cadmium 0.05 % max, zirconium 0.05 % max and zinc 0.05 % max.

<sup>D</sup> When the product is for subsequent welding applications, and is so specified by the purchaser, zinc shall be 0.50 % max, lead 0.02 % max, phosphorus 0.02 % max, sulfur 0.02 % max, and carbon 0.05 % max.

<sup>E</sup> Iron content shall not exceed the nickel content.

4.1.4 Whether the alloy ordered will be used in applications requiring it to be welded (see Table 1, footnotes C and D for UNS Nos. C61300 and C72200, respectively, and UNS Nos. C70620 and C71520 in place of UNS Nos. C70600 and C71500);

4.1.5 Whether plate is to be machined (see 9.1.3);

4.1.6 How tolerance is specified (Table 2, footnote A); and

4.1.7 Weight (total for each size).

4.2 The following options are available but may not be included unless specified at the time of placing the order, when required.

4.2.1 Certification, if required (Section 17);

4.2.2 Test report, if required (Section 18);

4.2.3 Special marking, if required (Section 20);

4.2.4 Whether yield strength 0.2 % offset is required;

4.2.5 Heat identification or traceability details (5.1.2); and  
4.2.6 Source inspection (15.2).

## 5. Materials and Manufacture

### 5.1 Material:

5.1.1 The material of manufacture shall be cast cake of the Copper Alloy UNS No. specified in the purchase order of such purity and soundness as to be suitable for processing into the products prescribed herein.

5.1.2 When specified in the contract or purchase order that heat identification or traceability is required, the purchaser shall specify the details desired.

NOTE 1—Due to the discontinuous nature of the processing of castings into wrought products, it is not always practical to identify a specific casting analysis with a specific quantity of finished material.

**TABLE 2 Thickness Tolerances**

Thickness, in. [mm]	Thickness Tolerances, Plus and Minus, <sup>A,B</sup> in. [mm] for Diameters or Widths			
	36 in. [1000 mm] or Under, incl	Over 36 to 60 in. [1000 to 1500 mm], incl	Over 60 to 96 in. [1500 to 2500 mm], incl	Over 96 to 132 in. [2500 to 3500 mm], incl
Over 0.125 to 0.250 [3.0 to 6.0 mm], incl	0.010 [0.25]	0.012 [0.30]	0.022 [0.56]	0.028 [0.71]
Over 0.250 to 0.500 [6.0 to 12.0 mm], incl	0.025 [0.64]	0.027 [0.69]	0.029 [0.74]	0.031 [0.79]
Over 0.500 to 0.750 [12.0 to 19.0 mm], incl	0.028 [0.71]	0.030 [0.76]	0.032 [0.81]	0.035 [0.89]
Over 0.750 to 1.000 [19.0 to 25.0 mm], incl	0.033 [0.84]	0.035 [0.89]	0.037 [0.94]	0.040 [1.0]
Over 1.000 to 1.500 [25.0 to 38.0], incl	0.038 [0.97]	0.040 [1.0]	0.042 [1.1]	0.045 [1.1]
Over 1.500 to 1.750 [38.0 to 44.0 mm], incl	0.043 [1.1]	0.045 [1.1]	0.047 [1.2]	0.050 [1.3]
Over 1.750 to 2.000 [44.0 to 50.0 mm], incl	0.050 [1.3]	0.055 [1.4]	0.062 [1.6]	0.065 [1.7]
Over 2.000 to 5.000 [50.0 to 127 mm], incl	0.058 [1.5]	0.062 [1.6]	0.065 [1.7]	...

<sup>A</sup> When tolerances are specified as all plus or all minus, double the values given.

<sup>B</sup> See 9.1.2 for specific alloys with a difference tolerance.

### 5.2 Manufacture:

5.2.1 The product shall be manufactured by such hot working, cold working, and annealing processes as to produce a uniform wrought structure in the finished product.

5.2.2 The product shall be hot or cold worked to the finished size, and subsequently annealed, when required, to meet the temper properties specified.

## 6. Chemical Composition

6.1 The materials shall conform to the chemical compositional requirements specified in **Table 1** for the copper [alloy] UNS designations specified in the ordering information.

6.2 These composition limits do not preclude the presence of other elements. By agreement between the manufacturer and purchaser, limits may be established and analysis required for unnamed elements.

6.3 For the alloys listed below, zinc is listed as “remainder,” either copper or zinc, respectively, may be taken as the difference between the sum of all the elements analyzed and 100 %. When all the elements in **Table 1** are analyzed their sum shall be as shown below:

Copper Alloy UNS No.	Copper Plus Named Elements, % min
C36500	99.6
C44300	99.6
C44400	99.6
C44500	99.6
C46400	99.6
C46500	99.6

6.3.1 For the alloys listed below, copper may be taken as the difference between the sum of all the elements and 100 %. When all of the elements in **Table 1** are analyzed, their sum shall be as shown below:

Copper Alloy UNS No.	Copper Plus Named Elements, % min
C61300	99.8
C61400	99.5
C63000	99.5
C63200	99.5
C70600	99.5
C70620	99.5
C71520	99.5
C71500	99.5
C72200	99.8

## 7. Temper

7.1 The standard tempers for products described in this specification are given in **Table 3**.

7.1.1 As Hot Rolled Temper M20.

7.1.2 As Hot Forged-Air Cooled M10.

7.1.3 Hot Forged and Annealed O20.

7.1.4 Hot Rolled and Annealed O25.

7.1.5 Products manufactured for *ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code* applications must be certified to the O25 or O20 temper.

7.1.6 Products manufactured for other than *ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code* applications may be produced in either the M20, M10, O20, or O25 temper.

## 8. Mechanical Property Requirements

### 8.1 Tensile Strength Requirements:

8.1.1 Product furnished under this specification shall conform to the mechanical property requirements prescribed in **Table 3**, when tested in accordance with Test Methods **E8/E8M**.

8.1.2 Acceptance or rejection shall be based upon the **8.1.1** mechanical properties.

**TABLE 3 Tensile Requirements—M20, M10, O20, and O25 Tempers**

Copper Alloy UNS No.	Thickness, in. [mm]	Tensile Strength, min, ksi <sup>A</sup> [MPa]	Yield Strength, <sup>B</sup> min, ksi <sup>A</sup> [MPa]	Yield Strength 0.2 % Offset, min, ksi <sup>A</sup> [MPa]	Elongation in 2 in. [50.0 mm], min, %
C36500	2 [50.0] and under	50 [345]	20 [140]	20 [140]	35 [35]
	over 2 to 3.5 [50.0 to 100.0], incl	45 [310]	15 [105]	15 [105]	35 [35]
	over 3.5 to 5 [100.0 to 140.0], incl	40 [275]	12 [85]	12 [85]	35 [35]
C44300, C44400, and C44500	4 [100.0] and under	45 [310]	15 [105]	15 [105]	35 [35]
C46400, C46500	3 [80.0] and under	50 [345]	20 [140]	20 [140]	35 [35]
	over 3 to 5 [80.0 to 140.0], incl	50 [345]	18 [125]	18 [125]	35 [35]
C61300	2 [50.0] and under	75 [515]	37 [255]	36 [250]	30 [30]
	over 2 to 3 [50.0 to 80.0], incl	70 [485]	30 [205]	28 [195]	35 [35]
	over 3 to 5 [80.0 to 140.0], incl	65 [450]	28 [195]	26 [180]	35 [35]
C61400	2 [50.0] and under	70 [485]	30 [205]	28 [195]	35 [35]
	over 2 to 5 [50.0 to 140.0], incl	65 [450]	28 [195]	26 [180]	35 [35]
C63000 and C63200	2 [50.0] and under	90 [620]	36 [250]	34 [235]	10 [10]
	over 2 to 3.5 [50.0 to 100.0], incl	85 [585]	33 [230]	31 [215]	10 [10]
	over 3.5 to 5.0 [100.0 to 140.0], incl	80 [550]	30 [205]	28 [195]	10 [10]
C70600 and C70620	2.5 [60.0] and under	40 [275]	15 [105]	15 [105]	30 [30]
	over 2.5 to 5 [60.0 to 140.0], incl	40 [275]	15 [105]	15 [105]	30 [30]
C71500 and C71520	2.5 [60.0] and under	50 [345]	20 [140]	20 [140]	30 [30]
	over 2.5 to 5 [60.0 to 140.0], incl	45 [310]	18 [125]	18 [125]	30 [30]
C72200	2.5 [60.0] and under	42 [290]	16 [110]	16 [110]	35 [35]

<sup>A</sup> ksi = 1000 psi.

<sup>B</sup> Yield strength is measured at 0.5 % extension under load (that is, 0.01 in. [0.254 mm] in a gage length of 2 in. [50.0 mm]).

## 9. Dimensions, Mass, and Permissible Variations

### 9.1 Thickness:

9.1.1 The thickness tolerances for plates of Copper Alloy UNS Nos. C36500, C44300, C44400, C44500, C46400, and C46500 shall be as prescribed in [Table 2](#).

9.1.2 The thickness tolerances for plates of Copper Alloy UNS Nos. C61300, C61400, C63000, C63200, C71500, C70620, C71520, and C72200 shall be 25 % greater than those prescribed in [Table 2](#).

9.1.3 If plates are machined, the thickness tolerances shall apply to the machined portion only.

9.1.4 Closer thickness tolerances than those prescribed in [Table 2](#) can be furnished by surface machining. This is a special product and is subject to agreement between the manufacturer and the purchaser. This special product shall apply only when specified by the purchaser in the contract or order.

9.1.5 Unless otherwise agreed to by the manufacturer and the purchaser, the thickness of plate to this specification shall be determined by measuring along the length of the plate up to a distance of 7 in. [180 mm] from the edge.

9.2 *Diameters, Lengths, or Widths*—The diameters, lengths, or widths of plates shall be not less than those specified. The diameters, lengths, or widths of plates may exceed those specified by the amounts shown in [Table 4](#).

NOTE 2—For the purpose of determining conformance with the dimensional requirements prescribed in this specification, any measured value outside the specified limiting values for any dimension may be cause for rejection.

9.3 *Flatness*—The flatness tolerances of individual plates shall not exceed those prescribed in [Table 5](#). The tolerances shown are the total permissible variations for plates as ordered, and do not apply to the 7 in. [180 mm] marginal area at the edge of the plate. Inspection for flatness shall be made by placing the plate on a flat surfaced table with the side marked “Straight Side” up, applying a 72 in. [2 m] straightedge when the size permits, or a shorter one equal to the dimensions to be inspected, and measuring the depth of arc between the straight-edge and the plate.

9.4 *Plate and Sheet Lot Weight for Pressure Vessels*—When plate or sheet of Copper Alloy UNS Nos. C70600, C70620, C71500, C71520, or C72200 are ordered for pressure vessels exclusively, the maximum lot weight restriction in [Table 6](#) shall apply in addition to the thickness tolerance requirement of [Table 2](#). The weight of each lot of five or more plates or sheets shall not exceed the nominal weight by more than the amount prescribed in [Table 6](#). Plate and sheet of lots of less than five

**TABLE 4 Diameter, Length, or Width Tolerances**

Diameter, Length, or Width in. [mm]	Permissible Excess in Diameter, Length, or Width, in. [mm]
36 [1000] or under	$\frac{3}{64}$ [1.2]
Over 36 to 60 [1000 to 1500], incl	$\frac{1}{16}$ [1.6]
Over 60 to 96 [1500 to 2500], incl	$\frac{3}{32}$ [2.4]
Over 96 to 132 [2500 to 3500], incl	$\frac{7}{64}$ [2.8]

**TABLE 5 Flatness Tolerances**

Copper Alloy UNS No.	Flatness Tolerances (Depth of Arc) Not to Exceed, in. [mm], for Diameters, Lengths, or Widths Shown		
	36 in. [1000 mm] or Under	Over 36 to 60 in. [1000 to 1500 mm], incl	Over 60 to 132 in. [1500 to 3500 mm], incl <sup>A</sup>
C36500, C46400, and C46500	0.050 [1.3]	0.055 [1.4]	0.060 [1.5]
C44300, C44400, and C44500	0.050 [1.3]	0.065 [1.7]	0.075 [1.9]
C61300, C61400, C63000, and C63200	0.060 [1.5]	0.075 [1.9]	0.090 [2.3]
C70600, C71500, C72200, C70620, and C71520	0.060 [1.5]	0.075 [1.9]	0.090 [2.3]

<sup>A</sup> Tolerance applies to any 72 in. [1.83 m] chord.

shall be governed solely by the thickness tolerances of [Table 2](#). For purposes of calculating weights, the densities used shall be as listed in [Table 7](#).

## 10. Workmanship, Finish, and Appearance

10.1 The product shall be free of defects, but blemishes of a nature that do not interfere with the intended application are acceptable.

## 11. Sampling

11.1 The lot size, portion size, and selection of pieces shall be as follows:

11.1.1 *Lot Size*—10 000 lb [4550 kg] or less material of the same mill form, alloy, temper, and thickness, subject to inspection at one time.

11.1.2 *Portion Size*—Four individual sample pieces shall be selected as representative of each lot. If the lot consists of less than four pieces, samples shall be selected so as to be representative of each piece.

11.2 *Chemical Analysis*—A sample for chemical analysis shall be taken and prepared in accordance with [Practice E255](#). Drillings, millings, and so forth, shall be taken in approximately equal weight from each of the sample pieces selected in accordance with [11.1.2](#) and combined into one composite sample. The minimum weight of the composite sample that is to be divided into three equal parts shall be 150 g.

11.2.1 Instead of sampling in accordance with [Practice E255](#), the manufacturer shall have the option of determining conformance to chemical composition by analyzing samples taken at the time castings are poured or samples taken from the semi-finished product. If the manufacturer determines the chemical composition of the material during the course of manufacture, he shall not be required to sample and analyze the finished product. The number of samples taken for determination of chemical composition shall be as follows:

11.2.1.1 When samples are taken at the time the castings are poured, at least one sample shall be taken for each group of castings poured simultaneously from the same source of molten metal.

11.2.1.2 When samples are taken from the semi-finished product, a sample shall be taken to represent each 10 000 lb [4550 kg] or fraction thereof, except that not more than one sample shall be required per piece.

**TABLE 6 Lot Weight Tolerances in Percentage of Theoretical Weight, All Plus Copper Alloy UNS Nos. C70600, C71500, C72200, C71520, and C70620 for Use in Pressure Vessels Exclusively**

Specified Thicknesses, in. [mm]	Permissible Excess in Average Weights of Lots, Expressed in Percentage of Nominal Weights					
	48 in. [1200 mm] and Under in Width	Over 48 to 60 in. [1200 to 1500 mm] in Width, incl	Over 60 to 72 in. [1500 to 1800 mm] in Width, incl	Over 72 to 96 in. [1800 to 2500 mm] in Width, incl	Over 96 to 120 in. [2500 to 3000 mm] in Width, incl	Over 120 to 132 in. [3000 to 3400 mm] in Width, incl
Over 1/8 to 3/16 [3.0 to 5.0], incl	6.5	8	9	11	...	...
Over 3/16 to 1/4 [5.0 to 6.0], incl	6.5	8	9	11	12	...
Over 1/4 to 5/16 [6.0 to 8.0], incl	6.5	7.75	8.75	11	12	13
Over 5/16 to 3/8 [8.0 to 10.0], incl	6.25	7.5	8.5	11	12	13
Over 3/8 to 1/2 [10.0 to 12.0], incl	6	6	8	10	11	12
Over 1/2 to 5/8 [12.0 to 16.0], incl	5.75	6.5	7.5	9	10	11
Over 5/8 to 3/4 [12.0 to 20.0], incl	5.5	6	7	8	9	10
Over 3/4 to 1 [20 to 25.0], incl	5	5	6.25	7	8	9
Over 1 to 2 [25.0 to 50.0], incl	3.5	4	5	6	7	8

**TABLE 7 Densities**

Copper Alloy UNS Nos.	Density lb/in. <sup>3</sup> [g/cm <sup>3</sup> ]
C36500	0.304 [8.41]
C44300, C44400, and C44500	0.308 [8.53]
C46400, C46500	0.304 [8.41]
C61300, C61400	0.285 [7.89]
C63000 and C63200	0.274 [7.58]
C70600, C71500, C72200, C70620, and C71520	0.323 [8.94]

11.2.2 Because of the discontinuous nature of the processing of castings into wrought products, it is not practical to keep specific casting analysis identified with a specific quantity of finished material.

11.2.3 In the event that heat identification or traceability is required, the purchaser shall specify the details desired.

## 12. Number of Tests and Retests

### 12.1 Tests:

12.1.1 *Chemical Analysis*—Chemical composition shall be determined as the per element mean of results from at least two replicate analyses of the sample(s).

12.2 *Other Tests*—For other tests, a specimen shall be taken from two of the sample pieces selected in accordance with 11.1.2. The required tests shall be made on each of the specimens so selected.

### 12.3 Retests:

12.3.1 If any test specimen shows defective machining or develops flaws, it may be discarded and another specimen substituted.

12.3.2 If the percent elongation of any test specimen is less than that specified, and any part of the fracture is outside the middle two-thirds of the gage length, or in a punched or scribed mark within the reduced section, a retest shall be allowed.

12.3.3 If one of the tests made to determine any of the mechanical properties fails to meet a specified limit, this test shall be repeated on two of the remaining pieces selected in accordance with 11.1.2, and the results of both of these tests shall comply with the specified requirements.

12.3.4 When requested by the manufacturer or supplier, a retest shall be permitted when results of tests obtained by the purchaser fail to conform to the requirements of the product specification.

12.3.5 The retest shall be as directed in the product specification for the initial test, except the number of test specimens shall be twice that normally required for the specified test.

12.3.6 If the chemical analysis fails to conform to the specified limits, analysis shall be made on a new composite sample prepared from the pieces selected in accordance with 11.1.2. The results of the retest shall conform with the specified requirements.

12.3.7 All test specimens shall conform to the product specification requirement(s) in retest. Failure to conform shall be cause for rejection.

## 13. Test Methods

13.1 The properties and chemical compositions enumerated in this specification shall, in case of disagreement, be determined in accordance with the following ASTM test methods:

13.1.1 *Tension*—Tensile properties shall be determined in accordance with Test Methods E8/E8M using the specimens shown in Fig. 7 or 8.

13.1.2 *Chemical Analysis*—In cases of disagreement, test methods for chemical analysis shall be subject to agreement between the manufacturer or supplier and the purchaser. The following table is a list of published methods, some of which may no longer be viable, and which, along with others not listed, may be used subject to agreement:

Element	Test Method
Copper	E478
Aluminum	E478
Antimony	E62
Arsenic	E62
Iron	
<1.3 %	E478
>1.3 %	E54
Lead	E478 (AA)
Manganese	E62
Nickel:	
<5 %	E478 (photometric)
>5 %	E478 (gravimetric)
Phosphorus	E62
Silicon	E54 (perchloric acid)
Tin	E478
Zinc	
<2 %	E478 (AA)
>2 %	E478 (titrametric)

NOTE 3—The tension test specimen shall conform to the dimensions shown in Figs. 7 or 8 of Test Methods E8/E8M.



13.2 In case of disagreement, the sulfur content of the alloys covered in this specification shall be determined in accordance with the method given in the annex to Specification B248 or B248M.

13.3 Test method(s) to be followed for the determination of element(s) resulting from contractual or purchase order agreement shall be as agreed upon between the manufacturer or supplier and purchaser.

**14. Significance of Numerical Limits**

14.1 For purposes of determining compliance with the specified limits for requirements of the properties listed in the following table and for dimensional tolerances, an observed or a calculated value shall be rounded as indicated in accordance with the rounding method of Practice E29:

Property	Rounded Unit for Observed or Calculated Value
Chemical composition	nearest unit in the last right hand significant digit used in expressing the limiting value
Tensile strength	nearest ksi [nearest 5 MPa]
Yield strength	nearest ksi [nearest 5 MPa]
Elongation of 5 % and over	nearest 1 %

**15. Inspection**

15.1 The manufacturer shall inspect and make the tests necessary to verify that the product furnished conforms to the requirements of this specification.

15.2 If, in addition, source inspection of the material by the purchaser is agreed upon by the manufacturer and the purchaser as part of the purchase contract, the nature of the facilities needed to satisfy the inspector representing the purchaser that the product is being furnished in accordance with this specification shall be included in the agreement. All tests and the inspection shall be conducted so as not to interfere unnecessarily with the operation of the works.

15.3 When mutually agreed upon, the manufacturer or supplier and the purchaser shall conduct the final inspection simultaneously.

**16. Rejection and Rehearing**

*16.1 Rejection:*

16.1.1 Product that fails to conform to the requirements of this specification when tested by the purchaser or the purchaser’s agent shall be subject to rejection.

16.1.2 Rejection shall be reported to the manufacturer or supplier promptly. In addition, a written notification shall follow.

16.1.3 In case of dissatisfaction with the results of the test upon which the rejection is based, the manufacturer or supplier shall have the option to make claim for a rehearing.

*16.2 Rehearing:*

16.2.1 As a result of product rejection, the manufacturer or supplier shall have the option to make claim for a retest to be conducted by the manufacturer or supplier and the purchaser. Samples of the rejected product shall be taken in accordance with the product specification and subjected to test by both

parties using the test method(s) specified in the product specifications, or alternatively, upon agreement of both parties, an independent laboratory may be selected for the test(s) using the test method(s) specified in the product specification.

**17. Certification**

17.1 When specified on the purchase order or contract, the manufacturer shall furnish to the purchaser a certificate stating that each lot has been sampled, tested, and inspected in accordance with this specification and has met the requirements.

17.2 When material is specified to meet the requirements of ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code, the certification requirements are mandatory.

**18. Test Report**

18.1 When specified in the contract or purchase order, a report of test results shall be furnished.

**19. Product Marking**

19.1 For ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code applications, the name or trademark of the manufacturer and the manufacturer’s lot identification number shall be legibly stamped on each finished plate and sheet in two places not less than 12 in. [300 mm] from the edges. If the plate and sheet are too small to locate the markings in this way, the markings may be placed near the center of the plate and sheet. In case of butt straps, the markings may be placed 12 in. [300 mm] from the end. The plate number and type shall be legibly stamped on each plate and on each test specimen.

**20. Packaging and Package Marking**

20.1 *Packaging*—The product shall be separated by size, composition, and temper, and prepared for shipment in such a manner as to ensure acceptance by common carrier for transportation and to afford protection from the normal hazards of transportation.

*20.2 Package Marking:*

20.2.1 Each shipping unit shall be legibly marked with the purchase order number, metal or alloy designation, temper, size, shape, gross and net weight, and name of supplier. The specification number shall be shown, when specified.

20.2.2 When specified in the contract or purchaser order, the specification number shall be shown, when specified.

**21. Keywords**

21.1 admiralty metal plate and sheet; aluminum bronze plate and sheet; aluminum-nickel bronze plate and sheet; copper nickel plate and sheet; muntz metal plate and sheet; naval brass plate and sheet; plate and sheet for pressure vessels; UNS No. C36500; UNS No. C43300; UNS No. C44400; UNS No. C44500; UNS No. C46400; UNS No. C46500; UNS No. C61300; UNS No. C61400; UNS No. C63000; UNS No. C63200; UNS No. C70600; UNS No. C70620; UNS No. C71500; UNS No. C71520; UNS No. C72200



## SUPPLEMENTARY REQUIREMENTS

The following supplementary requirements shall apply only when specified by the purchaser in the inquiry, contract, or order, for agencies of the U.S. Government.

**S1. Reference Documents**

S1.1 The following documents of the issue in effect on date of material purchase form a part of this specification to the extent herein:

S1.1.1 *ASTM Standard*:<sup>3</sup>

B900 Practice for Packaging of Copper and Copper Alloy Mill Products for U.S. Government Agencies

S1.1.2 *Federal Standards*:<sup>5</sup>

Fed Std 102 Preservation, Packaging and Packing Levels

Fed Std 123 Marking for Shipment (Civil Agencies)

Fed Std 185 Identification Marking of Copper and Copper-Base Alloy Mill Products

S1.1.3 *Military Standard*:<sup>5</sup>

MIL-STD-129 Marking for Shipment and Storage

**S2. Quality Assurance**

S2.1 *Responsibility for Inspection*—Unless otherwise specified in the contract or purchase order, the manufacturer is responsible for the performance of all inspection and test requirements specified. Except as otherwise specified in the contract or purchase order, the manufacturer shall use any suitable facilities for the performance of the inspection and test requirements unless disapproved by the purchaser at the time

<sup>5</sup> Available from DLA Document Services, Building 4/D, 700 Robbins Ave., Philadelphia, PA 19111-5094, <http://quicksearch.dla.mil>.

the order is placed. The purchaser shall have the right to perform any of the inspections or tests set forth when such inspections and tests are deemed necessary to assure that the material conforms to prescribed requirements.

**S3. Identification Marking**

S3.1 All material shall be properly marked for identification in accordance with Fed. Std. 185 except that the ASTM specification number and the alloy number shall be used.

**S4. Preparation for Delivery**S4.1 *Preservation, Packaging, and Packing*:

S4.1.1 *Military Agencies*—The material shall be separated by size, composition, grade, or class and shall be preserved and packaged, Level A or C, and packed, Level A, B, or C, as specified in the contract or purchase order in accordance with the requirements of B900.

S4.1.2 *Civil Agencies*—The requirements of Fed. Std. 102 shall be referenced for definitions of the various levels of packaging protection.

S4.2 *Marking*:

S4.2.1 *Military Agencies*—In addition to any special marking required by the contract or purchase order, marking for shipment shall be in accordance with MIL-STD-129.

S4.2.2 *Civil Agencies*—In addition to any special marking required by the contract or purchase order, marking for shipment shall be in accordance with Fed. Std. 123.

## SUMMARY OF CHANGES

Committee B05 has identified the principal changes to this specification that have been incorporated since the 2012 issue as follows:

(1) Added footnote (B) to **Table 1**.

(2) Changed Sections **1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 12, 15, 16, 17, 19, and 20** to conform to the Standard Guide for Editorial Procedures and Form of Product Specifications for Copper and Copper Alloys.

(3) Added C72200 to Section **21** Keywords.

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