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ALUMINUM ALLOY TUBING, SEAMLESS, DRAWN
1.0Mg - 0.60Si - 0.28Cu - 0.20Cr (6061-T6)
Solution and Precipitation Heat Treated

UNS A96061

1. SCOPE:

1.1 Form: This specification covers an aluminum alloy in the form of seamless, drawn tubing.

1.2 Application: Primarily for parts, such as brackets, conduits, and low-pressure liquid lines, requiring high strength at ambient temperatures.

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

2.1 SAE Publications: Available from SAE, 400 Commonwealth Drive, Warrendale, PA 15096.

2.1.1 Aerospace Material Specifications:

AMS 2203 - Tolerances, Aluminum Alloy Drawn Tubing

MAM 2203 - Tolerances, Metric, Aluminum Alloy Drawn Tubing

AMS 2350 - Standards and Test Methods

AMS 2355 - Quality Assurance Sampling and Testing of Aluminum Alloys and Magnesium Alloys, Wrought Products (Except Forging Stock) and Flash Welded Rings

MAM 2355 - Quality Assurance Sampling and Testing of Aluminum Alloys and Magnesium Alloys, Wrought Products (Except Forging Stock) and Flash Welded Rings, Metric (SI) Units

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2.2 ASTM Publications: Available from ASTM, 1916 Race Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103.

ASTM B660 - Packaging/Packing of Aluminum and Magnesium Products

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

2.3.1 Military Specifications:

MIL-H-6088 - Heat Treatment of Aluminum Alloys

3. TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS:

3.1 Composition: Shall conform to the following percentages by weight, determined in accordance with AMS 2355 or MAM 2355:

| | min | max |
|-------------------------|-----------|------|
| Magnesium | 0.8 | 1.2 |
| Silicon | 0.40 | 0.8 |
| Copper | 0.15 | 0.40 |
| Chromium | 0.04 | 0.35 |
| Iron | -- | 0.7 |
| Zinc | -- | 0.25 |
| Manganese | -- | 0.15 |
| Titanium | -- | 0.15 |
| Other Impurities, each | -- | 0.05 |
| Other Impurities, total | -- | 0.15 |
| Aluminum | remainder | |

3.2 Condition: Solution and precipitation heat treated in accordance with MIL-H-6088.

3.3 Properties: Tubing shall conform to the following requirements, determined in accordance with AMS 2355 or MAM 2355:

3.3.1 Tensile Properties: Shall be as specified in Table I and 3.3.1.1.

TABLE I

| Nominal Wall Thickness Inch | Tensile Strength psi, min | Yield Strength at 0.2% Offset psi, min | Elongation in 2 Inches %, min | |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------|--|-------------------------------------|--------------|
| | | | Strip | Full Section |
| 0.025 to 0.049, incl | 42,000 | 35,000 | 8 | 10 |
| Over 0.049 to 0.259, incl | 42,000 | 35,000 | 10 | 12 |
| Over 0.259 to 0.500, incl | 42,000 | 35,000 | 12 | 14 |

TABLE I (SI)

| Nominal Wall Thickness Millimetres | Tensile Strength MPa, min | Yield Strength at 0.2% Offset MPa, min | Elongation in 50.8 mm | |
|--|---------------------------------|--|--------------------------|--------------|
| | | | Strip %, min | Full Section |
| 0.64 to 1.24, incl | 290 | 241 | 8 | 10 |
| Over 1.24 to 6.58, incl | 290 | 241 | 10 | 12 |
| Over 6.58 to 12.70, incl | 290 | 241 | 12 | 14 |

3.3.1.1 Tensile property requirements for tubing under 0.025 inch (0.64 mm) or over 0.500 inch (12.70 mm) in nominal wall thickness shall be as agreed upon by purchaser and vendor.

3.3.2 Flattening: Tubing having nominal wall thickness less than 10% of the nominal OD shall withstand, without cracking, flattening sideways under a load applied gradually at room temperature until the outside dimension under load is equal to eight times the nominal wall thickness.

3.3.2.1 If tubing does not pass the flattening test of 3.3.2, a section of tube not less than 1/2 inch (13 mm) in length and embracing one-third to one-half the circumference of the tube shall withstand, without cracking, bending at room temperature through an angle of 180 degrees around a diameter equal to six times the nominal wall thickness of the tubing with axis of bend parallel to axis of tube and with inside of tube on inside of bend.

3.4 Quality: Tubing, 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 tubing.

3.4.1 Detrimental imperfections include, but are not limited to, any cracks, splits, seams, inclusions, or severe cross-hatching (surface breaks) that cannot be removed by light hand sanding, using 180 grit or finer sandpaper.

3.5 Tolerances: Shall conform to all applicable requirements of AMS 2203 or MAM 2203.

4. QUALITY ASSURANCE PROVISIONS:

4.1 Responsibility for Inspection: The vendor of tubing shall supply all samples for vendor's tests 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 sample and to perform any confirmatory testing deemed necessary to ensure that the tubing conforms to the requirements of this specification.

4.2 Classification of Tests:

4.2.1 Acceptance Tests: Tests to determine conformance to requirements for composition (3.1), tensile properties (3.3.1), quality (3.4), and tolerances (3.5) are classified as acceptance tests and shall be performed on each lot.

4.2.2 Periodic Tests: Tests to determine conformance to requirements for flattening (3.3.2) are classified as periodic tests and shall be performed at a frequency selected by the vendor unless frequency of testing is specified by purchaser.

4.3 Sampling: Shall be in accordance with AMS 2355 or MAM 2355.

4.4 Reports:

4.4.1 The vendor of tubing shall furnish with each shipment a report stating that the tubing conforms to the chemical composition and other technical requirements of this specification. This report shall include the purchase order number, lot number, AMS 4082L, size, and quantity.

4.4.2 The vendor of finished or semi-finished parts shall furnish with each shipment a report showing the purchase order number, AMS 4082L, contractor or other direct supplier of tubing, part number, and quantity. When tubing for making parts is produced or purchased by the parts vendor, that vendor shall inspect each lot of tubing to determine conformance to the requirements of this specification and shall include in the report either a statement that the tubing conforms or copies of laboratory reports showing the results of tests to determine conformance.

4.5 Resampling and Retesting: Shall be in accordance with AMS 2355 or MAM 2355.

5. PREPARATION FOR DELIVERY:

5.1 Identification: Tubing shall be identified as follows:

5.1.1 Straight Tubes 0.029 Inch (0.74 mm) and Over in Wall Thickness and 0.500 Inch (12.70 mm) and Over in OD, Minor Axis, or Least Width of Flat Surface: Shall be marked in a row of characters recurring at intervals not greater than 3 feet (914 mm) with the alloy number and temper, AMS 4082 or applicable Federal specification designation, and manufacturer's identification. The characters shall be of such size as to be legible, shall be applied using a suitable marking fluid, and shall be sufficiently stable to withstand normal handling. The markings shall have no deleterious effect on the tubing or its performance.

5.1.2 Straight Tubes Under 0.029 Inch (0.74 mm) in Wall Thickness or Under 0.500 Inch (12.70 mm) in OD, Minor Axis, or Least Width of Flat Surface: Shall be securely bundled, boxed, or secured on lifts and identified by two durable tags marked with the information of 5.1.1 and attached, not farther than 2 feet (610 mm) from each end, to the tubes in each bundle, box, or lift.