

# AEROSPACE MATERIAL SPECIFICATION



**AMS 4100C**

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Aluminum Alloy, Alclad, Sheet  
5.7Zn - 2.2Mg - 1.6Cu - 0.22Cr (Alclad 7475-T761)  
Solution and Precipitation Heat Treated

UNS A87475

## 1. SCOPE:

### 1.1 Form:

This specification covers an aluminum alloy in the form of alclad sheet.

### 1.2 Application:

This sheet has been used typically for structural applications requiring material with high strength and resistance to exfoliation-corrosion, moderate fatigue strength, and high fracture toughness, but usage is not limited to such applications.

## 2. APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS:

The issue of the following documents in effect on the date of the purchase order form 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 canceled and no superseding document has been specified, the last published issue of that document shall apply.

### 2.1 SAE Publications:

Available from SAE, 400 Commonwealth Drive, Warrendale, PA 15096-0001.

|          |  |
|----------|--|
| AMS 2355 | Quality Assurance Sampling and Testing, Aluminum Alloys and Magnesium Alloys, Wrought Products, Except Forging Stock, and Rolled, Forged, or Flash Welded Rings                    |
| MAM 2355 | Quality Assurance Sampling and Testing, Aluminum Alloys and Magnesium Alloys, Wrought Products, Except Forging Stock, and Rolled, Forged, or Flash Welded Rings, Metric (SI) Units |
| AMS 2772 | Heat Treatment of Aluminum Alloy Raw Materials   |

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## 2.2 ASTM Publications:

Available from ASTM, 100 Barr Harbor Drive, West Conshohocken, PA 19428-2959.

|                   |  |
|-------------------|--|
| ASTM B 646        | Fracture Toughness Testing of Aluminum Alloys  |
| ASTM B 660        | Packaging/Packing of Aluminum and Magnesium Products                                     |
| ASTM B 666/B 666M | Identification Marking of Aluminum and Magnesium Products                                |
| ASTM E 338        | Sharp-Notch Tension Testing of High-Strength Sheet Materials                             |
| ASTM G 34-72      | Exfoliation Corrosion Susceptibility in 2xxx and 7xxx Series Aluminum Alloys (EXCO Test) |

## 2.3 ANSI Publications:

Available from ANSI, 11 West 42nd Street, New York, NY 10036-8002.

|             |  |
|-------------|--|
| ANSI H35.2  | Dimensional Tolerances for Aluminum Mill Products          |
| ANSI H35.2M | Dimensional Tolerances for Aluminum Mill Products (Metric) |

## 3. TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS:

## 3.1 Composition:

Shall conform to the percentages by weight shown in Table 1, determined in accordance with AMS 2355 or MAM 2355.

TABLE 1A - Composition, Core (7475)

| Element               | min       | max  |
|-----------------------|-----------|------|
| Silicon               | --        | 0.10 |
| Iron                  | --        | 0.12 |
| Copper                | 1.2       | 1.9  |
| Manganese             | --        | 0.06 |
| Magnesium             | 1.9       | 2.6  |
| Chromium              | 0.18      | 0.25 |
| Zinc                  | 5.2       | 6.2  |
| Titanium              | --        | 0.06 |
| Other Elements, each  | --        | 0.05 |
| Other Elements, total | --        | 0.15 |
| Aluminum              | Remainder |      |

TABLE 1B - Composition, Cladding (7072)

| Element               | min       | max  |
|-----------------------|-----------|------|
| Silicon + Iron        | --        | 0.7  |
| Copper                | --        | 0.10 |
| Manganese             | --        | 0.10 |
| Magnesium             | --        | 0.10 |
| Zinc                  | 0.8       | 1.3  |
| Other Elements, Each  | --        | 0.05 |
| Other Elements, Total | --        | 0.15 |
| Aluminum              | Remainder |      |

## 3.2 Condition:

Solution and precipitation heat treated to the T761 temper in accordance with AMS 2772.

## 3.3 Properties:

Sheet 0.040 inch (1.02 mm) and over in nominal thickness shall conform to the following requirements, determined in accordance with AMS 2355 or MAM 2355 on the mill produced product. Tensile properties, and fracture toughness requirements for sheet under 0.040 inch (1.02 mm) in nominal thickness shall be as agreed upon by purchaser and vendor.

## 3.3.1 Long Transverse Tensile Properties: Shall be as shown in Table 2.

TABLE 2A - Minimum Tensile Properties, Inch/Pound Units

| Nominal Thickness<br>Inch | Tensile<br>Strength<br>ksi | Yield Strength<br>at 0.2% Offset<br>ksi | Elongation in<br>2 Inches or<br>4D |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|---|------------------------------------|
| 0.040 to 0.062, incl      | 66.0                       | 55.0                                    | 9                                  |
| Over 0.062 to 0.187, incl | 68.0                       | 57.0                                    | 9                                  |
| Over 0.187 to 0.249, incl | 70.0                       | 60.0                                    | 9                                  |

TABLE 2B - Minimum Tensile Properties, SI Units

| Nominal Thickness<br>Millimeters | Tensile<br>Strength<br>MPa | Yield Strength<br>at 0.2% Offset<br>MPa | Elongation in<br>50.8 mm |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------|---|--------------------------|
| 1.02 to 1.57, incl               | 455                        | 379                                     | 9                        |
| Over 1.57 to 4.75, incl          | 469                        | 393                                     | 9                        |
| Over 4.75 to 6.32, incl          | 483                        | 414                                     | 9                        |

- 3.3.2 Fracture Toughness: Plane-stress fracture toughness,  $K_{Ic}$ , shall be as shown in Table 3 when tested according to ASTM B 646 using recommended 16-inch (40.6 mm) wide specimens.

TABLE 3 - Minimum Fracture Toughness Properties

| Nominal Thickness<br>Inch | Nominal Thickness<br>Millimeters | Specimen<br>Orientation | $K_{Ic}$<br>ksi $\sqrt{\text{in}}$ | $K_{Ic}$<br>MPa $\sqrt{\text{m}}$ |
|---------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 0.040 to 0.125, incl      | 1.02 to 3.18, incl               | T-L                     | 87.0                               | 95.6                              |
| 0.040 to 0.125, incl      | 1.02 to 3.18, incl               | L-T                     | 100.0                              | 110.0                             |
| Over 0.125 to 0.249, incl | Over 3.18 to 6.32, incl          | T-L                     | 80.0                               | 87.9                              |

- 3.3.3 Alternate Testing for Demonstration of Fracture Toughness: When specified, the producer shall guarantee that sheet meets the fracture toughness requirements based on correlation of notch tensile strength/tensile yield strength (NTS/TYS) ratio, determined in accordance with 3.3.3.1 in lieu of fracture toughness testing (3.3.2). Sampling and test requirements, and lot acceptance criteria shall be as agreed upon.
- 3.3.3.1 Notch tensile strength in the long-transverse direction shall be determined in accordance with ASTM E 338 to obtain the NTS/TYS ratio. The values shall be divided by the long-transverse tensile yield strength to obtain the NTS/TYS ratio. Acceptance values for NTS/TYS shall be specified based on evidence of statistical correlation between the NTS/TYS ratio and fracture toughness values (3.3.2) as demonstrated and maintained by the producer.
- 3.3.4 Corrosion Resistance Indicator Test: The cladding shall be removed from the test surface.
- 3.3.4.1 If the electrical conductivity is 39.0% IACS (International Annealed Copper Standard) (22.6 MS/m) or higher and the yield strength does not exceed the specified minimum by 9.0 ksi (62 MPa) or more, the sheet is acceptable.
- 3.3.4.2 If the electrical conductivity is 39.0% IACS (22.6 MS/m) or higher and the yield strength exceeds the specified minimum by 9.0 ksi (62 MPa) or more, or if the conductivity is at least 38.0% IACS (22.0 MS/m) but less than 39.0% IACS (22.6 MS/m) and tensile properties meet specified requirements, sheet shall be given additional precipitation heat treatment and then retested.
- 3.3.4.3 If the electrical conductivity is lower than 38.0% IACS (22.0 MS/m), sheet shall be reheat treated and retested for compliance to all specified properties.
- 3.3.5 Exfoliation Resistance: The cladding shall be removed from the test surface. For sheet 0.100 inch (2.54 mm) or thicker, 10% of the thickness shall be removed by machining one surface. The cladding present on the surface opposite the test surface shall also be removed or masked off.
- 3.3.5.1 Sheet shall not exhibit exfoliation corrosion at, test plane, greater than that illustrated by Photo B, Figure 2, of ASTM G 34-72.
- 3.3.6 Cladding Thickness Per Side: Shall be as shown in Table 4.

TABLE 4 - Average Cladding Thickness

| Nominal Sheet Thickness<br>Inch | Nominal Sheet Thickness<br>Millimeters | Average Cladding Thickness<br>% of Sheet Thickness<br>Nominal | Average Cladding Thickness<br>% of Sheet Thickness<br>Minimum Average |
|---------------------------------|--|---|---|
| Up to 0.062, incl               | Up to 1.57, incl                       | 4.0   | 3.2   |
| Over 0.062 to 0.187, incl       | Over 1.57 to 4.75, incl                | 2.5   | 2.0   |
| Over 0.187 to 0.249, incl       | Over 4.75 to 6.32, incl                | 1.5   | 1.2   |

## 3.4 Quality:

Sheet, 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 sheet.

## 3.5 Tolerances:

Shall conform to all applicable requirements of ANSI H35.2 or ANSI H35.2M.

## 4. QUALITY ASSURANCE PROVISIONS:

## 4.1 Responsibility for Inspection:

The vendor of sheet 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 sheet conforms to the specified requirements.

## 4.2 Classification of Tests:

4.2.1 Acceptance Tests: Composition (3.1), tensile properties (3.3.1), and fracture toughness (3.3.2) or, when specified, alternate testing for demonstration of fracture toughness (3.3.3), corrosion resistance indicator test (3.3.4), and dimensional tolerances (3.5) are acceptance tests and except for composition, shall be performed on each inspection lot.

4.2.2 Periodic Tests: Exfoliation resistance (3.3.5), and cladding thickness (3.3.6) are periodic tests and shall be performed at a frequency selected by the vendor unless frequency of testing is specified by purchaser. When alternate testing for demonstration of fracture toughness is specified (3.3.3) fracture toughness (3.3.2) is a periodic test and shall be performed at a frequency to maintain statistical correlation as selected by the vendor unless frequency of testing is specified by the purchaser.