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ALUMINUM ALLOY, ROLLED OR FORGED RINGS
5.6Zn - 2.5Mg - 1.6Cu - 0.23Cr (7075-T7351, 7075-T7352)
Solution Heat Treated, Mechanically Stress Relieved, and Precipitation Heat Treated
UNS A97075

1. SCOPE:

1.1 Form:

This specification covers an aluminum alloy in the form of rolled or forged rings.

1.2 Application:

These rings have been used typically for applications requiring a combination of high strength, resistance to stress-corrosion cracking, and good stability during machining, but usage is not limited to such applications.

1.3 Classifications:

Rings are classified by type of mechanical stress relief as follows:

Type 1 - Stress-relieved by stretching (7075-T7351)

Type 2 - Stress-relieved by compression (7075-T7352)

1.3.1 Either type may be supplied, unless a specific type is ordered.

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 publications shall be the issue in effect on the date of the purchase order.

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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 2808 Identification, Forgings

2.2 ASTM Publications:

Available from ASTM, 1916 Race Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103-1187.

ASTM B 594 Ultrasonic Inspection of Aluminum-Alloy Products for Aerospace Applications

ASTM B 660 Packaging/Packing of Aluminum and Magnesium Products

2.3 U.S. Government Publications:

Available from DODSSP, Subscription Services Desk, Building 4D, 700 Robbins Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19111-5094.

MIL-H-6088 Heat Treatment of Aluminum Alloys

3. TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS:

3.1 Composition:

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

TABLE 1 - Composition

| Element | min | max |
|-------------------------|-----------|------|
| Zinc | 5.1 | 6.1 |
| Magnesium | 2.1 | 2.9 |
| Copper | 1.2 | 2.0 |
| Chromium | 0.18 | 0.28 |
| Iron | -- | 0.50 |
| Silicon | -- | 0.40 |
| Manganese | -- | 0.30 |
| Titanium | -- | 0.20 |
| Other Impurities, each | -- | 0.05 |
| Other Impurities, total | -- | 0.15 |
| Aluminum | remainder | |

3.2 Condition:

Rings shall be supplied in the following condition; heat treatments shall be performed in accordance with MIL-H-6088:

- 3.2.1 Type 1: Solution heat treated, stress relieved by stretching to produce a permanent set of 1 to 5%, and precipitation heat treated.
- 3.2.2 Type 2: Solution heat treated, stress relieved by compression to produce a permanent set of 1 to 5%, and precipitation heat treated. During compression, primary forces shall be applied in the axial direction and on individual rings approximating final dimensions.

3.3 Properties:

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Rings shall conform to the following requirements, determined in accordance with AMS 2355 or MAM 2355.

3.3.1 Tensile Properties:

- 3.3.1.1 Rings with OD to Wall Thickness Ratio Less Than 10: Shall be as agreed upon by purchaser and vendor.
- 3.3.1.2 Rings with OD to Wall Thickness Ratio of 10 or Greater: Shall be in accordance with Table 2. Tensile tests are not required in any direction from which a specimen at least 2.50 inches (63.5 mm) in length cannot be obtained.

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

| Nominal Thickness at Time of Heat Treatment Inches (See 3.3.1.2.1) | Specimen Orientation (See 3.3.1.2.2) | Tensile Strength ksi | Yield Strength at 0.2% Offset ksi | Elongation in 4D % |
|--|--|----------------------------|---|--------------------------|
| Up to 3, incl | Tangential | 66.0 | 54.0 | 7 |
| | Axial | 64.0 | 50.0 | 4 |
| | Radial | 61.0 | 50.0 | 3 |
| Over 3 to 4, incl | Tangential | 64.0 | 53.0 | 7 |
| | Axial | 63.0 | 48.0 | 3 |
| | Radial | 60.0 | 48.0 | 2 |
| Over 4 to 5, incl | Tangential | 62.0 | 51.0 | 7 |
| | Axial | 61.0 | 46.0 | 3 |
| | Radial | 58.0 | 46.0 | 2 |
| Over 5 to 6, incl | Tangential | 61.0 | 49.0 | 6 |
| | Axial | 59.0 | 44.0 | 3 |
| | Radial | 57.0 | 44.0 | 2 |

TABLE 2B - Minimum Tensile Properties, SI Units

| Nominal Thickness at Time of Heat Treatment Millimeters (See 3.3.1.2.1) | Specimen Orientation (See 3.3.1.2.2) | Tensile Strength MPa | Yield Strength at 0.2% Offset MPa | Elongation in 4D % |
|---|--|----------------------------|---|--------------------------|
| Up to 76, incl | Tangential | 455 | 372 | 7 |
| | Axial | 441 | 345 | 4 |
| | Radial | 421 | 345 | 3 |
| Over 76 to 102, incl | Tangential | 441 | 365 | 7 |
| | Axial | 434 | 331 | 3 |
| | Radial | 414 | 331 | 2 |
| Over 102 to 127, incl | Tangential | 427 | 352 | 7 |
| | Axial | 421 | 317 | 3 |
| | Radial | 400 | 317 | 2 |
| Over 127 to 152, incl | Tangential | 421 | 338 | 6 |
| | Axial | 407 | 303 | 3 |
| | Radial | 393 | 303 | 2 |

3.3.1.2.1 Thickness is the smaller of the wall thickness (one-half the difference between nominal OD and nominal ID) and height (axial) dimensions.

3.3.1.2.2 Tangential requirements apply to specimens machined with axis of specimen tangential to the ring OD (parallel to the direction of rolling). Axial requirements apply to specimens machined with axis of specimen parallel to the ring axis (long-transverse to the direction of rolling). Radial requirements apply to specimens machined with axis of specimen parallel to the radius of the ring (short-transverse to the direction of rolling). All specimens shall be machined from the core of the ring.

3.3.1.2.3 Elongation requirements do not apply to test specimens having a gage-length diameter less than 0.250 inch (6.35 mm), or located in immediate proximity to an abrupt change in section thickness, or located so that any part of the specimen gage length is located within 0.125 inch (3.18 mm) of the trimmed flash line.

3.3.2 Hardness: Shall be not lower than 130 HB/10/500 or 135 HB/10/1000 (R) (See 8.2).

3.3.3 Stress-Corrosion Resistance: Specimens cut from rings shall meet the conductivity test of 3.3.3.1 and shall exhibit no evidence of stress-corrosion cracking when tested in accordance with 3.3.3.2. The test of 3.3.3.2 need not be performed on rings meeting the requirements of 3.3.3.1.1 and 3.3.3.1.2.

3.3.3.1 Conductivity: Shall be as follows, determined on the surface of the (R) sample (See 4.3.3):

3.3.3.1.1 If the conductivity is 40.0% IACS (International Annealed Copper Standard) (23.2 MS/m) or higher and tangential tensile properties meet specified requirements, the rings are acceptable.

- 3.3.3.1.2 If the conductivity is between 38.0 to 39.9% IACS (22.0 to 23.1 MS/m), if the tangential tensile properties meet the specified requirements, and if the tangential yield strength does not exceed the specified minimum by more than 11.9 ksi (82 MPa), the rings are acceptable.
- 3.3.3.1.3 If the conductivity is between 38.0 to 39.9% IACS (22.0 to 23.1 MS/m) and the tangential yield strength exceeds the specified minimum value by more than 11.9 ksi (82 MPa), the rings shall be given additional precipitation heat treatment. If, after such treatment, the rings meet the requirements of 3.3.1 and 3.3.3.1.1 or 3.3.3.1.2, the rings are acceptable.
- 3.3.3.1.4 If the conductivity is below 38.0% IACS (22.0 MS/m), the rings are not acceptable but may be re-heat treated or given additional precipitation heat treatment to meet the specified requirements.
- 3.3.3.2 Stress-Corrosion Cracking Resistance: Specimens as in 4.3.4 from rings (R) 0.750 inch (19.05 mm) and over in least dimension, shall show no evidence of stress-corrosion cracking when stressed to 75% of the specified minimum tangential yield strength with axis of loading parallel to the axial direction of the ring.

3.4 Quality:

Rings, 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 rings.

- 3.4.1 Each ring shall be ultrasonically inspected in accordance with ASTM B 594 and shall meet the Class A acceptance limits of that specification.

4. QUALITY ASSURANCE PROVISIONS:

4.1 Responsibility for Inspection: (R)

The vendor of rings shall supply all samples for vendor's tests and shall be responsible for performing all required tests. Purchaser reserves the right to sample and to perform any confirmatory testing deemed necessary to ensure that the rings conform to the requirements of this specification.

4.2 Classification of Tests:

- 4.2.1 Acceptance Tests: Tests for composition (3.1), tensile properties (R) (3.3.1), hardness (3.3.2), stress-corrosion resistance (3.3.3), and ultrasonic soundness (3.4.1) are acceptance tests and, except for composition, shall be performed on each lot.

- 4.2.2 Periodic Tests: Tests for stress-corrosion cracking resistance (3.3.3.2) are periodic tests and shall be performed at a frequency selected by the vendor unless frequency of testing is specified by purchaser.

4.3 Sampling and Testing:

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Shall be in accordance with AMS 2355 or MAM 2355 and the following:

4.3.1 Tensile Properties: Except when testing in one or more directions is not required by 3.3.1, tensile specimens in the tangential, axial, and radial directions shall be taken from a ring or ring segment representing the lot. When ring segments are used for testing, the segments shall be cut from a ring which has been solution heat treated and stress-relieved with production rings. Solution heat treated and stress-relieved ring segments shall be included in each precipitation heat treatment furnace load.

4.3.1.1 When requested by purchaser, at least one-half of each ring segment obtained as in 4.3.1 or one-half of each ring prolongation tested shall be submitted to purchaser with the rings represented.

4.3.2 Hardness: Each ring. If hardness of any ring indicates low tensile properties, the ring having the lowest hardness shall be tested for tensile properties.

4.3.3 Electrical Conductivity: Shall be taken on all rings and on each of the tangential tensile specimens required in 4.3.1.

4.3.4 Stress-Corrosion Cracking Resistance: Samples shall be taken from a ring or ring segment representing the lot. Specimens shall be not smaller than a 0.750 inch (19.05 mm) cube.

4.4 Reports:

The vendor of rings shall furnish with each shipment a report stating that the rings conforms to the chemical composition and showing the results of tests on each lot to determine conformance to the other acceptance test requirements and, when performed, to the periodic test requirements. This report shall include the purchase order number, lot number, AMS 4311C, size or part number, and quantity.

4.5 Resampling and Retesting:

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Shall be in accordance with AMS 2355 or MAM 2355 and the following: Retest specimen shall be taken from as close as possible to the same location in the same ring or a second ring from the same lot as was the original unacceptable specimen.

5. PREPARATION FOR DELIVERY:

5.1. Identification:

Shall be in accordance with AMS 2808.