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NICKEL-COPPER ALLOY TUBING, SEAMLESS, CORROSION RESISTANT
67Ni - 31Cu
Annealed

1. SCOPE:

- 1.1 Form: This specification covers a corrosion-resistant nickel-copper alloy in the form of seamless tubing.
- 1.2 Application: Primarily for fluid lines, such as primer and fuel lines, requiring corrosion resistance with relatively high strength.

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

2.1 SAE Publications: Available from Society of Automotive Engineers, Inc., 400 Commonwealth Drive, Warrendale, PA 15096.

2.1.1 Aerospace Material Specifications:

- AMS 2263 - Tolerances, Nickel, Nickel-Base, and Cobalt-Base Alloy Tubing
- AMS 2269 - Chemical Check Analysis Limits, Wrought Nickel Alloys and Cobalt Alloys
- AMS 2350 - Standards and Test Methods
- AMS 2371 - Quality Assurance Sampling of Corrosion and Heat Resistant Steels and Alloys, Wrought Products Except Forgings and Forging Stock

2.2 ASTM Publications: Available from American Society for Testing and Materials, 1916 Race Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103.

- ASTM E8 - Tension Testing of Metallic Materials
- ASTM E76 - Chemical Analysis of Nickel-Copper Alloys

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

2.3.1 Federal Standards:

Federal Test Method Standard No. 151 - Metals; Test Methods

2.3.2 Military Standards:

MIL-STD-163 - Steel Mill Products, Preparation for Shipment and Storage

3. TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS:

3.1 Composition: Shall conform to the following percentages by weight, determined by wet chemical methods in accordance with ASTM E76, by spectrographic methods in accordance with Federal Test Method Standard No. 151, Method 112, or by other analytical methods approved by purchaser:

		min	max
∅	Nickel + Cobalt	63.0	--
	Copper	28.0	34.0
	Iron	--	2.5
	Manganese	--	2.0
	Cobalt (3.1.1)	--	1.0
	Silicon	--	0.5
	Carbon	--	0.3
	Sulfur	--	0.024

3.1.1 Determination not required for routine acceptance.

∅ 3.1.2 Check Analysis: Composition variations shall meet the requirements of AMS 2269.

3.2 Condition: Cold drawn and annealed.

3.3 Properties: Tubing shall conform to the following requirements:

3.3.1 Tensile Properties: Shall be as follows, determined in accordance with ASTM E8:

Tensile Strength, max	85,000 psi (586 MPa)
Elongation in 2 in. (50 mm) or 4D, min	32%

3.3.2 Flarability: Tubing shall withstand flaring without formation of cracks or other visible defects by being forced, at room temperature, axially with steady pressure over a hardened and polished tapered steel pin having a 74 deg included angle to produce a flare having a permanent expanded OD not less than specified in Table I.

TABLE I

∅	Nominal OD Inches	Expanded OD Inches	Nominal OD Inches	Expanded OD Inches
	0.125	0.224	1.000	1.187
	0.188	0.302	1.250	1.500
	0.250	0.359	1.500	1.721
	0.312	0.421	1.750	2.106
	0.375	0.484	2.000	2.356
	0.500	0.656	2.500	2.856
	0.625	0.781	3.000	3.356
	0.750	0.937		

TABLE I (SI)

Nominal OD Millimetres	Expanded OD Millimetres	Nominal OD Millimetres	Expanded OD Millimetres
3.18	5.69	25.40	30.15
4.78	7.67	31.75	38.10
6.35	9.12	38.10	43.71
7.92	10.69	44.45	53.49
9.52	12.29	50.80	59.84
12.70	16.66	63.50	72.54
15.88	19.84	76.20	85.24
19.05	23.80		

- 3.3.2.1 Tubing with nominal OD between any two standard sizes shown in Table I shall take the same percentage flare as shown for the larger of the two sizes.
- 3.3.2.2 Flarability requirements for tubing having nominal OD less than 0.125 in. (3.18 mm) or greater than 3.000 in. (76.20 mm) shall be as agreed upon by purchaser and vendor.
- 3.3.3 **Pressure Test:** Tubing shall show no bulges, leaks, pinholes, cracks, or other defects when subjected to an internal hydrostatic pressure (P), calculated from the following equation:

$$P = \frac{2St}{D}$$

where, P = Test pressure
 S = 17,500 psi (120,070 KPa)
 t = Minimum wall thickness
 D = Nominal OD

- 3.4 **Quality:** Tubing, as received by purchaser, shall be uniform in quality and condition, sound, and free from foreign materials and from internal and external imperfections detrimental to usage of the tubing.
- 3.5 **Tolerances:** Unless otherwise specified, tolerances shall conform to all applicable requirements of AMS 2263.

4. **QUALITY ASSURANCE PROVISIONS:**

4.1 **Responsibility for Inspection:** The vendor of tubing shall supply all samples 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 perform such confirmatory testing as he deems 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), 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 flarability (3.3.2) and pressure test (3.3.3) 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 2371 and the following:

4.3.1 Specimens for flarability test shall be full tubes or sections cut from tubes. The end of the specimen to be flared shall be cut square, with the cut end smooth and free from burrs, but not rounded.

4.4 Reports:

4.4.1 The vendor of tubing shall furnish with each shipment three copies of a report showing the results of tests for chemical composition of each heat and for tensile properties of each size from each heat and stating that the tubing conforms to the other technical requirements of this specification. This report shall include the purchase order number, heat number, material specification number and its revision letter, size, and quantity.

4.4.2 The vendor of finished or semi-finished parts shall furnish with each shipment three copies of a report showing the purchase order number, material specification number and its revision letter, 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 a statement that the tubing conforms, or shall include copies of laboratory reports showing the results of tests to determine conformance.

∅ 4.5 Resampling and Retesting: Shall be in accordance with AMS 2371.

5. PREPARATION FOR DELIVERY:

5.1 Identification: Tubing shall be identified as follows:

5.1.1 Straight Tubes 0.029 In. (0.74 mm) and Over in Wall Thickness and 0.500 In. (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 ft (914 mm) with AMS 4574C, manufacturer's identification, and nominal wall thickness. The characters shall be of such size as to be clearly legible, shall be applied using a suitable marking fluid, and shall be removable in hot alkaline cleaning solution without rubbing. The markings shall have no deleterious effect on the tubing or its performance and shall be sufficiently stable to withstand normal handling.

∅ 5.1.2 Straight Tubes Under 0.029 In. (0.74 mm) in Wall Thickness or Under 0.500 In. (12.70 mm) in OD, Minor Axis, or Least Width of Flat Surface: Shall be securely bundled and identified by a durable tag marked with the information of 5.1.1 and the nominal OD and attached to each bundle or shall be boxed and the box marked with the same information.

∅ 5.1.3 Coiled Tubing: Shall be securely bundled and identified by a durable tag marked with the purchase order number, AMS 4574C, heat number, nominal OD and wall thickness, and manufacturer's identification and attached to each coil or shall be boxed and the box marked with the same information.

5.2 Packaging:

∅ 5.2.1 Tubing 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 tubing to ensure carrier acceptance and safe delivery. Packaging shall conform to carrier rules and regulations applicable to the mode of transportation.

∅ 5.2.2 For direct U.S. Military procurement, packaging shall be in accordance with MIL-STD-163, Level A or Level C, as specified in the request for procurement. Commercial packaging as in 5.2.1 will be acceptable if it meets the requirements of Level C.