

# AEROSPACE MATERIAL SPECIFICATION

Cobalt Alloy, High Temperature Brazing Filler Metal  
50Co - 8.0Si - 19Cr - 17Ni - 4.0W - 0.80B  
2050 to 2100 °F (1121 to 1149 °C) Solidus-Liquidus Range

UNS R30040

## 1. SCOPE:

### 1.1 Form:

This specification covers a cobalt alloy in the form of wire, rod, strip, foil, and powder and a viscous mixture (paste) of the powder in a suitable binder.

### 1.2 Application:

This filler metal has been used typically for joining cobalt alloys requiring corrosion and oxidation resistant joints with good strength at elevated temperatures, but usage is not limited to such applications.

## 2. APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS:

The following publications form a part of this specification to the extent specified herein. The applicable issue of referenced publications shall be the issue in effect on the date of the purchase order.

### 2.1 ASTM Publications:

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

ASTM B 214 Sieve Analysis of Granular Metal Powders  
ASTM D 638 Tensile Properties of Plastics  
ASTM D 638M Tensile Properties of Plastics (Metric)  
ASTM E 354 Chemical Analysis of High-Temperature, Electrical, Magnetic, and Other Similar Iron, Nickel, and Cobalt Alloys

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## 2.2 U.S. Government Publications:

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

MIL-STD-2073-1 DOD Materiel, Procedures for Development and Application of Packaging Requirements

## 3. TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS:

## 3.1 Composition:

Shall conform to the percentages by weight shown in Table 1, determined by wet chemical methods in accordance with ASTM E 354, by spectrochemical methods, or by other analytical methods acceptable to purchaser.

TABLE 1 - Composition

Element	min	max
Carbon	0.35	0.45
Silicon	7.50	8.50
Phosphorus	--	0.02
Sulfur	--	0.02
Chromium	18.00	20.00
Nickel	16.00	18.00
Tungsten	3.50	4.50
Boron	0.70	0.90
Iron	--	1.00
Titanium	--	0.05
Aluminum	--	0.05
Zirconium	--	0.05
Selenium	--	0.005 (50 ppm)
Other Elements, each (3.1.1)	--	0.03
Other Elements, total (3.1.1)	--	0.15
Cobalt	remainder	

3.1.1 Determination not required for routine acceptance.

## 3.2 Condition:

The product shall be supplied in the following condition:

3.2.1 Wire, Strip, and Foil: Powder bonded in a suitable binder.

3.2.2 Rod: As cast, with fins and projections removed.

3.2.3 Powder: As fabricated.

3.2.4 Paste: Shall consist of 84 to 90% by weight powder in a suitable binder and, unless otherwise ordered, shall not contain flux.

3.3 Properties:

Filler metal shall conform to the following requirements:

3.3.1 Wire, Strip, and Foil:

3.3.1.1 Burn-Off of Binder: The binder used for bonding powder to form wire, strip, and foil shall burn off, leaving no adherent residue, when the product is heated to 1000 °F (538 °C) or higher.

3.3.1.2 Tensile Strength: Shall be not lower than 360 psi (2482 kPa), determined in accordance with ASTM D 638 or ASTM D 638M, Speed B.

3.3.1.3 Metallic Content: The ratio of volume of powder to volume of plastic binder shall be the largest possible consistent with the requirements of 3.3.1.1 and 3.3.1.2.

3.3.2 Rod and Powder: When specified, properties shall be as agreed upon by purchaser and vendor.

3.3.3 Paste:

3.3.3.1 Paste shall have a shelf life of not less than six months; not more than thorough mixing shall be required to restore paste for use during that time.

3.3.3.2 Paste, without flux, shall leave no adherent residue when heated in a protective atmosphere to a temperature higher than 1000 °F (538 °C).

3.4 Quality:

The product, as received by purchaser, shall be uniform in color, quality, and condition and free from foreign materials and from imperfections detrimental to its working qualities. Rod and powder shall have a metallic luster. Wire, strip, and foil shall be clean, sound, smooth, and free from ragged edges, splitting, damaged ends, and other imperfections detrimental to usage of the products.

3.5 Sizes and Tolerances:

The product shall be supplied in the following standard sizes and to the tolerances shown:

3.5.1 Wire:

3.5.1.1 Nominal Diameters: Shall be as shown in Table 2.

TABLE 2 - Standard Diameter Sizes

Inch	Millimeters
0.031	0.79
0.062	1.57
0.125	3.18
0.188	4.78

3.5.1.2 Diameter Tolerances: Shall be  $\pm 0.004$  inch ( $\pm 0.10$  mm).

3.5.2 Rod:

3.5.2.1 Nominal Diameters: Shall be as ordered.

3.5.2.2 Diameter Tolerances: Shall be as shown in Table 3.

TABLE 3 - Diameter Tolerance

Diameter Inch	Diameter Millimeters	Tolerance, % of Diameter
0.031	0.79	$\pm 20$
0.062	1.57	$\pm 15$
0.125	3.18	$\pm 10$
0.188	4.78	$\pm 10$

3.5.2.3 Concentricity: When long lengths are supplied as welded composites of cast lengths, the diameters of the adjacent sections shall be concentric within  $\pm 0.031$  inch ( $\pm 0.79$  mm).

3.5.3 Strip and Foil: When specified, tolerances shall be as agreed upon by purchaser and vendor.

3.5.4 Powder:

3.5.4.1 Mesh Designation: Shall be 140.

3.5.4.2 Powder shall be supplied in accordance with the limits on particle size distribution shown in Table 4, unless some other distribution is specified. Tests shall be in accordance with ASTM B 214.

TABLE 4 - Particle Size Distribution

Mesh Designation	U.S. Standard Sieve
140F	On a No. 100 sieve - 0.5% max
	On a No. 140 sieve - 10% max
	Through a No. 325 sieve - 55% max

#### 4. QUALITY ASSURANCE PROVISIONS:

##### 4.1 Responsibility for Inspection:

The vendor of the product 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 product conforms to the requirements of this specification.

##### 4.2 Classification of Tests:

4.2.1 Acceptance Tests: All technical requirements, other than shelf life of paste (3.3.3.1), are acceptance tests and shall be performed on each lot.

4.2.2 Periodic Tests: Shelf life of paste (3.3.3.1) is a periodic test and shall be performed at a frequency selected by the vendor unless frequency of testing is specified by purchaser.

##### 4.3 Sampling and Testing:

Shall be in accordance with the following:

4.3.1 Composition: One sample shall be taken from each furnace charge except that powder produced from consecutive furnace charges and collected together, without teardown of the atomizing equipment, shall constitute a batch, from which one or more samples shall be taken.

4.3.2 Properties Except Shelf Life of Paste: One sample from each lot.

4.3.2.1 A lot shall be all product, other than powder or paste, which has been tested and found to conform to Table 1, in the same temper and size, and presented for vendor's inspection at one time.

4.3.2.2 A lot of powder shall be a uniform blend of powder produced from one or more furnace charges, except as modified by 4.3.1, each meeting the requirements of Table 1 and presented for vendor's inspection at one time.

4.3.2.3 A lot of paste shall be that paste produced from a single lot of powder, combined with binder from the same manufacturing batch, and presented for vendor's inspection at one time.