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Alloy Castings, Corrosion and Heat-Resistant  
66Ni - 29Cu - 4.0Si  
Solution Treated

(Composition similar to UNS N04019)

#### RATIONALE

AMS4893C has been reaffirmed to comply with the SAE five-year review policy.

#### 1. SCOPE

##### 1.1 Form

This specification covers a nickel-copper alloy in the form of castings.

##### 1.2 Application

These castings have been used typically for parts requiring resistance to wear and galling under light-to-medium loads against dissimilar materials of higher hardness, and retention of hot hardness up to 1000 °F (538 °C), and where improved machinability or grinding over that of as-cast material is desired, but usage is not limited to such applications.

#### 2. APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS

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AMS 2175	Castings, Classification and Inspection of
AMS 2694	Repair Welding of Aerospace Castings
AMS 2750	Pyrometry
AMS 2804	Identification, Castings

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ASTM E 10	Brinell Hardness of Metallic Materials
ASTM E 76	Chemical Analysis of Nickel-Copper Alloys
ASTM E 272	Reference Radiographs for High-Strength Copper-Base and Nickel-Copper Alloy Castings
ASTM E 1417	Liquid Penetrant Inspection
ASTM E 1742	Radiographic Examination

## 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 76, by spectrochemical methods or by other analytical methods acceptable to purchaser.

TABLE 1 - COMPOSITION

Element	min	max
Nickel	60.0	--
Copper	27.0	31.0
Silicon	3.5	4.5
Iron	--	2.5
Manganese	--	1.5
Cobalt	--	1.0
Carbon	--	0.25
Sulfur	--	0.015

### 3.2 Condition

Solution heat treated (See 3.5).

#### 3.2.1 Centrifugal Castings

Shall be rough turned and bored.

#### 3.2.2 Sand Castings

Solid round bars shall be rough turned.

### 3.3 Casting

Castings shall be produced in lots from metal conforming to 3.1. A lot shall be all castings produced from one furnace melt or crucible melt. When two or more furnace melts or crucible melts or combination thereof are used to charge a ladle for pouring, the castings therefrom shall constitute a lot. A lot shall be not more than 2000 pounds (907 kg) of castings.

### 3.4 Chemical Analysis Specimens

Shall be cast from each melt and shall be of any convenient size, shape, and form. When chemical analysis specimens are required by purchaser, specimens shall be cast to a size, shape, and form agreed upon by purchaser and vendor.

### 3.5 Heat Treatment

Castings shall be solution heat treated by heating from 1600 to 1650 °F (871 to 899 °C), holding at heat for 1 hour per inch (25 mm) of thickness for sections 1 inch (25 mm) and under plus an additional 1 hour per (25 mm) of cross section over 1 inch (25 mm), rapid furnace cooling to or transferring to another furnace held at 1200 to 1300 °F (649 to 704 °C), holding at heat for 30 minutes or until uniform temperature has been attained, and quenching in low-sulfur oil. For complicated sections, parts should be charged into a furnace which is at a temperature not higher than 600 °F (316 °C). Pyrometry shall be in accordance with AMS 2750.

### 3.6 Response to Heat Treatment

Castings shall conform to the following requirements:

#### 3.6.1 Hardness as Solution Heat Treated

Shall be not higher than 269 HB or equivalent (See 8.4) determined in accordance with ASTM E 10.

#### 3.6.2 Hardness after Precipitation Heat Treatment

Shall be not lower than 302 HB, or equivalent, determined in accordance with ASTM E 10, after being precipitation heat treated by heating to 1100 °F ± 25 (593 °C ± 14), holding at heat for 4 to 6 hours, and air or furnace cooling.

### 3.7 Quality

3.7.1 Castings, 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 castings.

3.7.1.1 Castings shall have smooth surfaces and shall be sufficiently cleaned to permit fluorescent penetrant inspection. Metallic shot or grit shall not be used for final cleaning.

3.7.2 Castings shall be produced under radiographic control. This control shall consist of radiographic examination of castings in accordance with ASTM E 1742 until proper foundry technique, which will produce castings free from harmful internal imperfections, is established for each part number and of production castings as necessary to ensure maintenance of satisfactory quality.

3.7.3 Castings, when specified, shall be subjected to fluorescent penetrant inspection in accordance with ASTM E 1417 or other inspection procedure designated by purchaser.

3.7.4 Acceptance standards for radiographic, fluorescent penetrant, and other quality standards shall be as agreed upon by purchaser and vendor. AMS 2175 may be used to specify acceptance standards (casting grade) and frequency of inspection (casting class).

3.7.4.1 When acceptance standards are not specified, Grade C of AMS 2175 shall apply for each applicable method of inspection.

3.7.5 Castings shall not be repaired by peening, plugging, welding, or other methods without written permission from purchaser.

3.7.5.1 When permitted in writing by purchaser, defects in castings may be removed and the castings repaired by welding in accordance with AMS 2694.

#### 4. QUALITY ASSURANCE PROVISIONS

##### 4.1 Responsibility for Inspection

The vendor of castings 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 castings conform to specified requirements.

##### 4.2 Classification of Tests

###### 4.2.1 Acceptance Tests

Composition (3.1) and hardness of castings as solution treated (3.6.1) are acceptance tests and shall be performed on each heat or lot as applicable.

###### 4.2.2 Periodic Tests

Hardness of castings after precipitation heat treatment (3.6.2) and radiographic soundness 3.7.4 are periodic tests and shall be performed at a frequency selected by the vendor unless frequency of testing is specified by purchaser.

###### 4.2.3 Preproduction Tests

All technical requirements are preproduction tests and shall be performed on sample castings (4.3.2), when a change in control factors occurs (4.4.2.1), and when purchaser deems confirmatory testing to be required.

##### 4.3 Sampling and Testing

The minimum testing performed by vendor shall be in accordance with the following:

4.3.1 One chemical analysis specimen in accordance with 3.4 from each melt or a casting from each lot.

4.3.2 One preproduction casting in accordance with 4.4 shall be tested to the requirements of the casting drawing and to all technical requirements.

##### 4.4 Approval

4.4.1 Sample castings from new or reworked patterns or molds and the casting procedure shall be approved by purchaser before castings for production use are supplied, unless such approval be waived by purchaser.

4.4.2 Vendor shall establish for production of sample castings of each part number, parameters for the process control factors which will produce acceptable castings; these shall constitute the approved casting procedure and shall be used for producing production castings. If necessary to make any change in parameters for the process control factors, vendor shall submit for reapproval a statement of the proposed changes in processing and, when requested, test specimens and/or sample castings. Production castings incorporating the revised operations shall not be shipped prior to receipt of reapproval.

4.4.2.1 Control factors for producing castings include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Type of furnace
- Furnace atmosphere
- Fluxing or deoxidation procedure
- Gating and risering practices
- Metal pouring temperature; variation of  $\pm 50$  °F ( $\pm 10$  °C) from the established limit is permissible
- Mold setup, parting agent, and rotational speed for centrifugal castings
- Solidification and cooling procedures
- Cleaning operations
- Methods of inspection