

**AEROSPACE
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SPECIFICATION**

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Steel, Welding Wire
0.78Cr - 1.8Ni - 0.35Mo - 0.20V (0.33 - 0.38C)
Vacuum Melted, Environment Controlled Packaging

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1. SCOPE:

1.1 Form:

This specification covers a low-alloy steel in the form of welding wire.

1.2 Application:

This wire has been used typically as filler metal for gas-tungsten-arc welding of basis metal of similar composition and quality requiring heat treatment response in the weld joint approximating strength of the basis metal, 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 2259 Chemical Check Analysis Limits, Wrought Low-Alloy and Carbon Steels
AMS 2370 Quality Assurance Sampling and Testing, Carbon and Low-Alloy Steel, Wrought Products and Forging Stock
AMS 2813 Packaging and Marking, Packages of Welding Wire, Standard Method
AMS 2814 Packaging of Welding Wire, Premium Quality
AMS 2816 Identification, Welding Wire, Tab Marking Method

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2.1 (Continued):

AMS 2819 Identification, Welding Wire, Direct Color Code System

ARP1876 Weldability Test for Weld Filler Metal Wire

ARP4926 Alloy Verification and Chemical Composition Inspection of Welding Wire

2.2 ASTM Publications:

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

ASTM E 8 Tension Testing of Metallic Materials

ASTM E 350 Chemical Analysis of Carbon Steel, Low-Alloy Steel, Silicon Electrical Steel, Ingot Iron, and Wrought Iron

ASTM D 2650 Chemical Composition of Gases by Mass Spectrometry

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 350, by spectrographic methods, or by other analytical methods acceptable to purchaser.

TABLE 1 - Composition

Element	min	max
Carbon (3.1.2)	0.33	0.38
Manganese	0.60	0.90
Silicon	--	0.25
Phosphorus	--	0.008
Sulfur	--	0.008
Chromium	0.65	0.90
Nickel	1.65	2.00
Molybdenum	0.30	0.40
Vanadium	0.17	0.23
Oxygen (3.1.2)	--	0.0025 (25 ppm)
Nitrogen (3.1.2)	--	0.0050 (50 ppm)
Hydrogen (3.1.2) (3.1.4)	--	0.0010 (10 ppm)

3.1.1 Check Analysis: Composition variations shall meet the applicable requirements of AMS 2259, except that no variation is permitted for oxygen, nitrogen or hydrogen (See 8.2).

3.1.2 Shall be determined on finished wire (See 8.2).

- 3.1.3 Chemical analysis of initial ingot, bar, or rod stock before drawing, other than those analyses required to be done on the finished wire, is acceptable provided the processes used for drawing or rolling, annealing, and cleaning are controlled to ensure continued conformance to requirements.
- 3.1.4 The hydrogen content of the wire shall be determined at final diameter in accordance with ASTM D 2650.
- 3.2 Melting Practice:
- Steel shall be multiple melted under vacuum using consumable electrode practice in the remelt cycle, unless otherwise specified.
- 3.3 Condition:
- Cold worked, bright finish, in a temper which will provide proper feeding of the wire in machine welding equipment.
- 3.4 Fabrication:
- 3.4.1 Wire shall be formed from rod or bar descaled by a process that does not affect the composition of the wire.
- 3.4.2 In process annealing, if required, between cold rolling or drawing operations, shall be performed in vacuum or in protective atmosphere to avoid surface oxidation and absorption of other extraneous elements.
- 3.4.3 Butt welding is permissible provided both ends to be joined are either alloy verified using a method or methods capable of distinguishing the alloy from all others processed in the facility, or the repair is made at the wire processing station. The butt weld shall not interfere with uniform, uninterrupted feeding of the wire in machine welding equipment.
- 3.4.4 Drawing compounds, oxides, dirt, and oil shall be removed by cleaning processes which will neither result in pitting nor cause gas absorption by the wire or deposition of substances harmful to welding operations.
- 3.4.5 Residual elements and dissolved gases picked up during wire processing that can adversely affect the welding characteristics, the operation of the equipment, or the properties of the weld metal, shall be removed.
- 3.5 Properties:
- Wire shall conform to the following requirements:
- 3.5.1 Weldability: Melted wire shall flow smoothly and evenly during welding and shall produce acceptable welds. ARP1876 may be used to resolve disputes.

3.5.2 Spooled Wire: Shall conform to 3.5.2.1 and 3.5.2.2.

3.5.2.1 Cast: Wire, wound on standard 12-inch (305 mm) diameter spools, shall have imparted to it a curvature such that a specimen sufficient in length to form one loop with a 1-inch (25 mm) overlap, when cut from the spool and laid on a flat surface, shall form a circle 15 to 50 inches (381 to 1270 mm) in diameter.

3.5.2.2 Helix: The specimen on which cast was determined, when laid on a flat surface and measured between adjacent turns, shall show a vertical separation not greater than 1 inch (25 mm).

3.6 Quality:

Wire, as received by purchaser, shall be uniform in quality and condition, sound, and free from foreign materials and from imperfections detrimental to welding operations, operation of welding equipment, or properties of the deposited weld metal.

3.7 Sizes and Tolerances:

Unless otherwise specified, wire shall be supplied in the sizes and to the tolerances shown in 3.7.1 and 3.7.2.

3.7.1 Diameter: Shall be as shown in Table 2.

TABLE 2A - Sizes and Diameter Tolerances, Inch/Pound Units

Form	Nominal Diameter Inch	Tolerance, Inch plus and minus
Cut Lengths	0.030, 0.045	0.001
Cut Lengths	0.052, 0.062, 0.078, 0.094, 0.125, 0.156	0.002
Spools	0.007, 0.010, 0.015, 0.020	0.0005
Spools	0.030, 0.035, 0.045	0.001
Spools	0.062, 0.078, 0.094	0.002

TABLE 2B - Sizes and Diameter Tolerances, SI Units

Form	Nominal Diameter Millimeters	Tolerance, Millimeter plus and minus
Cut Lengths	0.75, 1.15	0.025
Cut Lengths	1.32, 1.57, 1.98 2.35, 3.10, 4.00	0.05
Spools	0.20, 0.25, 0.40, 0.50	0.013
Spools	0.75, 0.90, 1.15	0.025
Spools	1.55, 2.00, 2.35	0.05