

AEROSPACE MATERIAL SPECIFICATION



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Steel Bars, Corrosion Resistant
18Cr - 9Ni (SAE 30303F)
Free Machining, High Yield Strength
Solution Heat Treated and Cold Worked

UNS S30323

1. SCOPE:

1.1 Form:

This specification covers a free-machining, corrosion-resistant steel in the form of cold worked bars and wire.

1.2 Application:

Primarily for parts, such as bolts requiring high strength on which the amount of machining warrants use of a free-machining grade of steel, and requiring corrosion resistance similar to the 18-8 type of steel but not subjected to temperatures exceeding 700 °F (371 °C) during fabrication or in service.

2. APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS:

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

2.1 SAE Publications:

Available from SAE, 400 Commonwealth Drive, Warrendale, PA 15096-0001.

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2.1.1 Aerospace Material Specifications:

- AMS 2241 Tolerances, Corrosion and Heat Resistant Steel, Iron Alloy, Titanium, and Titanium Alloy Bars and Wire
- MAM 2241 Tolerances, Metric, Corrosion and Heat Resistant Steel, Iron Alloy, Titanium, and Titanium Alloy Bars and Wire
- AMS 2248 Chemical Check Analysis Limits, Wrought Corrosion and Heat Resistant Steels and Alloys, Maraging and Other Highly-Alloyed Steels, and Iron 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
- AMS 2750 Pyrometry
- AMS 2806 Identification, Bars, Wire, Mechanical Tubing, and Extrusions, Carbon and Alloy Steels and Corrosion and Heat Resistant Steels and Alloys

2.2 ASTM Publications:

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

- ASTM E8 Tension Testing of Metallic Materials
- ASTM E8M Tension Testing of Metallic Materials (Metric)
- ASTM E353 Chemical Analysis of Stainless, Heat-Resisting, Maraging, and Other Similar Chromium-Nickel-Iron Alloys

2.3 U.S. Government Publications:

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

2.3.1 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 E353, by spectrochemical methods, or by other analytical methods acceptable to purchaser:

	min	max
Carbon	--	0.12
Manganese	0.20	2.00
Silicon	--	1.00
Phosphorus	--	0.17
Sulfur	--	0.10
Chromium	17.00	19.00
Nickel	8.00	10.00
Selenium	0.15	0.35
Molybdenum	--	0.75
Copper	--	0.75

3.1.1 Check Analysis: Composition variations shall meet the requirements of AMS 2248.

3.2 Condition:

Solution heat treated free from continuous carbide network, determined by metallographic examination, and cold worked. Pyrometry shall be in accordance with AMS 2750.

3.3 Properties:

Product shall conform to the following requirements:

3.3.1 Tensile Properties: Shall be as specified in Table I, determined in accordance with ASTM E8 or ASTM E8M.

TABLE I

Nominal Diameter or Distance Between Parallel Sides Inches	Tensile Strength psi, min	Yield Strength at 0.2% Offset psi, min	Elongation in 4D %, min	Reduction of Area %, min
Up to 0.750, incl	125,000	100,000	12	35
Over 0.750 to 1.000, incl	115,000	80,000	15	35
Over 1.000 to 1.250, incl	105,000	65,000	20	35
Over 1.250 to 1.500, incl	100,000	50,000	28	45
Over 1.500 to 1.750, incl	95,000	45,000	28	45

TABLE I (SI)

Nominal Diameter or Distance Between Parallel Sides	Tensile Strength MPa, min	Yield Strength at 0.2% Offset MPa, min	Elongation in 4D %, min	Reduction of Area %, min
Up to 19.05, incl	862	689	12	35
Over 19.05 to 25.40, incl	793	552	15	35
Over 25.40 to 31.75, incl	724	448	20	35
Over 31.75 to 38.10, incl	689	345	28	45
Over 38.10 to 44.45, incl	655	310	28	45

3.4 Quality:

Product, 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 product.

3.5 Sizes:

Except when exact lengths or multiples of exact lengths are ordered, straight bars and wire will be acceptable in mill lengths of 6 - 20 feet (1.8 - 6.1 m) but not more than 10% of any shipment shall be supplied in lengths shorter than 10 feet (3 m).

3.6 Tolerances:

Bars and wire shall conform to all applicable requirements of AMS 2241 or MAM 2241.

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. Results of such tests shall be reported to the purchaser as required by 4.4. 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: Tests to determine conformance to requirements for composition (3.1), tensile properties (3.3.1), and tolerances (3.6) are classified as acceptance tests and shall be performed on each lot.

4.2.2 Periodic Tests: Tests to determine absence of continuous carbide network (3.2) are classified as periodic tests and shall be performed at a frequency selected by the vendor unless frequency of testing is specified by purchaser.