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AMS 6354B

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STEEL SHEET, STRIP, AND PLATE
0.75Si - 0.62Cr - 0.20Mo - 0.10Zr (0.10 - 0.17C)

1. SCOPE:

1.1 Form: This specification covers a low-alloy steel in the form of sheet, strip, and plate.

1.2 Application: Primarily for parts requiring strength up to 1000°F (540°C).

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 2252 - Tolerances, Alloy Steel Sheet, Strip, and Plate

AMS 2259 - Chemical Check Analysis Limits, Wrought Low-Alloy and Carbon Steels

AMS 2350 - Standards and Test Methods

AMS 2370 - Quality Assurance Sampling of Carbon and Low-Alloy Steels, 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 A370 - Mechanical Testing of Steel Products

ASTM E112 - Estimating the Average Grain Size of Metals

ASTM E350 - Chemical Analysis of Carbon Steel, Low-Alloy Steel, Silicon Electrical Steel, Ingot Iron, and Wrought Iron

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

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3. TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS:

3.1 Composition: Shall conform to the following percentages by weight, determined by wet chemical methods in accordance with ASTM E350, by spectrographic methods in accordance with Federal Test Method Standard No. 151, Method 112, or by other analytical methods approved by purchaser:

	min	max
Carbon	0.10	0.17
Manganese	0.50	0.80
Silicon	0.60	0.90
Phosphorus	--	0.025
Sulfur	--	0.035
Chromium	0.50	0.75
Molybdenum	0.15	0.25
Zirconium	0.05	0.10
Nickel	--	0.25
Copper	--	0.35

3.1.1 Check Analysis: Composition variations shall meet the applicable requirements of AMS 2259.

3.2 Condition: The product shall be supplied in the following condition:

3.2.1 Sheet and Strip: Hot rolled, or cold rolled and annealed, and descaled.

3.2.2 Plate: Hot rolled and descaled.

3.3 Properties: The product shall conform to the following requirements; tensile and bend testing shall be performed in accordance with ASTM A370:

3.3.1 Grain Size: Predominantly 5 or finer with occasional grains as large as 3 permissible, determined in accordance with ASTM E112.

3.3.2 Tensile Properties: Shall be as specified in Table I.

TABLE I

Nominal Thickness Inches	Tensile Strength psi, min	Yield Strength at 0.2% Offset psi, min	Elongation in 2 in. or 4D %, min
Up to 0.50, incl	70,000	50,000	22
Over 0.50 to 1.00, incl	65,000	43,000	22
Over 1.00 to 2.00, incl	63,000	40,000	22
Over 2.00 to 4.00, incl	60,000	38,000	22

TABLE I (SI)

Nominal Thickness Millimetres	Tensile Strength MPa, min	Yield Strength at 0.2% Offset MPa, min	Elongation in 50 mm or 4D %, min
Up to 12.7, incl	483	345	22
Over 12.7 to 25.4, incl	448	296	22
Over 25.4 to 50.8, incl	434	276	22
Over 50.8 to 101.6, incl	414	262	22

3.3.2.1 Tensile property requirements for plate over 4.00 in. (101.6 mm) in nominal thickness shall be as agreed upon by purchaser and vendor.

3.3.3 Bending: Product 0.749 in. (19.02 mm) and under in nominal thickness shall withstand, without cracking, bending through the angle shown below around a diameter equal to the bend factor times the nominal thickness of the product with axis of bend parallel to the direction of rolling.

Nominal Thickness		Type of Bend	Angle deg, min	Bend Factor
Inch	(Millimetres)			
Up to 0.249, incl	(Up to 6.32, incl)	Free Bend	180	1
		V-Block	135	2
Over 0.249 to 0.749, incl	(Over 6.32 to 19.02, incl)	Free Bend	90	1
		V-Block	135	3

3.3.3.1 Bending requirements for plate over 0.749 in. (19.02 mm) in nominal thickness shall be as agreed upon by purchaser and vendor.

3.4 Quality: The product, 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 product.

3.5 Tolerances: Unless otherwise specified, tolerances shall conform to all applicable requirements of AMS 2252.

4. QUALITY ASSURANCE PROVISIONS:

4.1 Responsibility for Inspection: The vendor of the product 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 product conforms to the requirements of this specification.

4.2 Classification of Tests: Tests to determine conformance to all technical requirements of this specification are classified as acceptance tests and shall be performed on each lot.

4.3 Sampling: Shall be in accordance with AMS 2370 and the following:

4.3.1 Specimens for tensile tests of widths 9 in. (229 mm) and over shall be taken with the axis of the specimen perpendicular to the direction of rolling; for widths less than 9 in. (229 mm), specimens shall be taken with the axis parallel to the direction of rolling.

4.4 Reports:

4.4.1 The vendor of the product shall furnish with each shipment three copies of a report showing the results of tests for chemical composition and grain size of each heat and the results of tests for tensile and bending properties of each size from each heat. This report shall include the purchase order number, heat number, material specification number and its revision letter, size, and quantity from each heat.

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 material, part number, and quantity. When material for making parts is produced or purchased by the parts vendor, that vendor shall inspect each lot of material to determine conformance to the requirements of this specification, and shall include in the report a statement that the material conforms, or shall include copies of laboratory reports showing the results of tests to determine conformance.

Ø 4.5 Resampling and Retesting: Shall be in accordance with AMS 2370.

5. PREPARATION FOR DELIVERY:

5.1 Identification: Each sheet, strip, and plate shall be marked as in 5.1.1 unless purchaser permits a method from 5.1.2.

Ø 5.1.1 Each sheet, strip, and plate shall be marked on one face, in the respective location indicated below, with AMS 6354B, heat number, manufacturer's identification, and nominal 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 product or its performance and shall be sufficiently stable to withstand normal handling. The specification number, manufacturer's identification, and nominal thickness shall be continuously line marked; the heat number may be included in the line marking or may be marked at one location on each piece.

5.1.1.1 Flat Strip 6 In. (152 mm) and Under in Width: Shall be marked in one or more lengthwise rows of characters recurring at intervals not greater than 3 ft (914 mm).

5.1.1.2 Flat Sheet, Flat Strip Over 6 In (152 mm) in Width, and Plate: Shall be marked in lengthwise rows of characters recurring at intervals not greater than 3 ft (914 mm), the rows being spaced not more than 6 in. (152 mm) apart and alternately staggered.

Ø 5.1.1.3 Coiled Sheet and Strip: Shall be marked near both the outside and inside ends of the coil; the markings shall be applied as in 5.1.1 or shall appear on a durable tag or label attached to the coil and marked with the information of 5.1.1. When the inside end of the coil is inaccessible, as when the product is wound on cores, the tag or label may be attached to the core.

5.1.2 When purchaser permits, each sheet, strip, and plate may be marked near one end, coils being marked near the outside end, with AMS 6354B, heat number, manufacturer's identification, and nominal thickness, using any suitable marking fluid. As an alternate method, individual pieces and bundles shall have attached a durable tag marked with the above information or shall be boxed and the box marked with the same information.

5.2 Protective Treatment: The product shall be oiled prior to shipment.

5.3 Packaging:

Ø 5.3.1 The product 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 product to ensure carrier acceptance and safe delivery. Packaging shall conform to carrier rules and regulations applicable to the mode of transportation.

Ø 5.3.2 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 5.3.1 will be acceptable if it meets the requirements of Level C.

6. ACKNOWLEDGMENT: A vendor shall mention this specification number and its revision letter in all quotations and when acknowledging purchase orders.

7. REJECTIONS: Material not conforming to this specification or to authorized modifications will be subject to rejection.