



AEROSPACE MATERIAL SPECIFICATION

AMS4156**REV. K**

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Superseding AMS4156J

Aluminum Alloy, Extrusions
0.68Mg - 0.40Si (6063-T6)
Solution and Precipitation Heat Treated
(Composition similar to A96063)

RATIONALE

AMS4156K has been reaffirmed to comply with the SAE five-year review policy.

1. SCOPE:

1.1 Form:

This specification covers an aluminum alloy in the form of extruded bars, rods, wire, profiles, and tubing.

1.2 Application:

These extrusions have been used typically for parts requiring good surface finish and for hollow, partially enclosed, and intricate profiles for which an alloy having good extruding characteristics is required, 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 forms 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 or www.sae.org.

AMS 2355 Quality Assurance Sampling and Testing, Aluminum Alloys and Magnesium Alloys,
Wrought Products, Except Forging Stock, and Rolled, Forged or Flash Welded Rings
AMS 2772 Heat Treatment of Aluminum Alloy Raw Materials

AS1990 Aluminum Alloy Tempers

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2.2 ASTM Publications:

Available from ASTM, 100 Barr Harbor Drive, West Conshohocken, PA 19428-2959 or www.astm.org.

ASTM B 594 Ultrasonic Inspection of Aluminum-Alloy Wrought Products for Aerospace Applications

ASTM B 660 Packaging/Packing of Aluminum and Magnesium Products

ASTM B 666/B 666M Identification Marking of Aluminum and Magnesium Products

2.3 ANSI Publications:

Available from ANSI, 25 West 43rd Street, New York, NY 10036 or www.ansi.org.

ANSI H35.2 Dimensional Tolerances for Aluminum Mill Products

ANSI H35.2M Dimensional Tolerances for Aluminum Mill Products (Metric)

3. TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS:

3.1 Composition:

Shall conform to the percentages by weight shown in Table 1, determined in accordance with AMS 2355.

TABLE 1 - Composition

Element	min	max
Silicon	0.20	0.6
Iron	--	0.35
Copper	--	0.10
Manganese	--	0.10
Magnesium	0.45	0.9
Chromium	--	0.10
Zinc	--	0.10
Titanium	--	0.10
Other Elements, each	--	0.05
Other Elements, total	--	0.15
Aluminum	remainder	

3.2 Condition:

Solution and precipitation heat treated to the T6 temper (see AS1990) in accordance with AMS 2772.

3.2.1 Extrusions shall be supplied with an as-extruded surface finish; light polishing to remove minor surface imperfections is permissible provided such imperfections can be removed within specified dimensional tolerances.

3.3 Properties:

Extrusions shall conform to the following requirements, determined on the mill size in accordance with AMS 2355:

3.3.1 Tensile Properties: Shall be as shown in Table 2.

TABLE 2A - Minimum Tensile Properties, Inch/Pound Units

Nominal Diameter or Least Thickness (rods, bars, wire, profiles) or Nominal Wall Thickness (tubing) Inches	Tensile Strength ksi	Yield Strength at 0.2% Offset ksi	Elongation in 2 Inches or 4D %
Up to 0.125, excl	30.0	25.0	8
0.125 to 1.000, incl	30.0	25.0	10

TABLE 2B - Minimum Tensile Properties, SI Units

Nominal Diameter or Least Thickness (rods, bars, wire, profiles) or Nominal Wall Thickness (tubing) Millimeters	Tensile Strength MPa	Yield Strength at 0.2% Offset MPa	Elongation in 50.8 mm or 4D %
Up to 3.18, excl	207	172	8
3.18 to 25.40, incl	207	172	10

3.4 Quality:

Extrusions, 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 extrusions.

3.4.1 When specified by purchaser, extrusions shall be subjected to ultrasonic inspection in accordance with ASTM B 594. Standards for acceptance shall be as agreed upon by purchaser and vendor.

3.5 Tolerances:

Shall conform to all applicable requirements of ANSI H35.2 or ANSI H35.2M.

4. QUALITY ASSURANCE PROVISIONS:

4.1 Responsibility for Inspection:

The vendor of extrusions 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 extrusions conform to specified requirements.

4.2 Classification of Tests:

Composition (3.1), tensile properties (3.3.1), ultrasonic inspection when specified (3.4.1), and tolerances (3.5) are acceptance tests and, except for composition, shall be performed on each inspection lot.

4.3 Sampling and Testing:

Shall be in accordance with AMS 2355.

4.4 Reports:

The vendor of product shall furnish with each shipment a report stating that the product conforms to the chemical composition, ultrasonic inspection when specified, and tolerances and showing the numerical results of tests on each inspection lot to determine conformance to the other acceptance test requirements. This report shall include the purchase order number, inspection lot number(s), AMS 4156K, size, and quantity. This report shall also identify the producer, the product form, and the size of the mill product.

4.5 Resampling and Retesting:

Shall be in accordance with AMS 2355.

5. PREPARATION FOR DELIVERY:

5.1 Identification:

Shall be in accordance with ASTM B 666/B 666M.

5.2 Packaging:

Extrusions shall be prepared for shipment in accordance with ASTM B 660 and in compliance with applicable rules and regulations pertaining to the handling, packaging, and transportation of the extrusions to ensure carrier acceptance and safe delivery.

6. ACKNOWLEDGMENT:

A vendor shall mention this specification number and its revision letter in all quotations and when