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Standard Specification for Aluminum-Alloy Sand Castings¹

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1. Scope *

1.1 This specification² covers aluminum-alloy sand castings designated as shown in Table 1.

1.2 Alloy and temper designations are in accordance with ANSI H35.1 and H35.1M. Unified Numbering System alloy designations are in accordance with Practice E 527.

1.3 Unless the order specifies the “M” specification designation, the material shall be furnished to the inch-pound units.

1.4 For acceptance criteria for inclusion of new aluminum and aluminum alloys and their properties in this specification, see Annex A1 and Annex A2.

1.5 The values stated in either inch-pound units or SI units are to be regarded separately as standards. The SI units are shown in brackets or in separate tables or columns. The values stated in each system are not exact equivalents; therefore, each system must be used independent of the other. Combining values from the two systems may result in nonconformance with the specification.

2. Referenced Documents

2.1 The following documents of the issue in effect on date of material purchase form a part of this specification to the extent referenced herein:

2.2 ASTM Standards:

- B 179 Specification for Aluminum Alloys in Ingot Form for Castings from All Casting Processes³
- B 275 Practice for Codification of Certain Nonferrous Metals and Alloys, Cast and Wrought³
- B 557 Test Methods for Tension Testing Wrought and Cast Aluminum- and Magnesium-Alloy Products³
- B 557M Test Methods for Tension Testing Wrought and Cast Aluminum- and Magnesium-Alloy Products [Metric]³
- B 597 Practice for Heat Treatment of Aluminum Alloys³
- B 660 Practices for Packaging/Packing of Aluminum and Magnesium Products³
- E 29 Practice for Using Significant Digits in Test Data to

Determine Conformance with Specifications⁴

- E 34 Test Methods for Chemical Analysis of Aluminum and Aluminum Base-Alloys⁵
- E 88 Practice for Sampling Nonferrous Metals and Alloys in Cast Form for Determination of Chemical Composition⁵
- E 94 Guide for Radiographic Testing⁶
- E 155 Reference Radiographs for Examination of Aluminum and Magnesium Castings⁶
- E 165 Test Method for Liquid Penetrant Examination⁶
- E 227 Test Method for Optical Emission Spectrometric Analysis of Aluminum and Aluminum Alloys by the Point-to-Plane Technique⁵
- E 527 Practice for Numbering Metals and Alloys (UNS)⁷
- E 607 Test Method for Optical Emission Spectrometric Analysis of Aluminum and Aluminum Alloys by the Point-to-Plane Technique, Nitrogen Atmosphere⁸
- E 716 Practices for Sampling Aluminum and Aluminum Alloys for Spectrochemical Analysis⁸
- E 1251 Test Method for Optical Emission Spectrometric Analysis of Aluminum and Aluminum Alloys by the Argon Atmosphere, Point-to-Plane, Unipolar Self-Initiating Capacitor Discharge⁸
- IEEE/ASTM SI 10 Standard for Use of the International System of Units (SI): The Modern Metric System⁴
- 2.3 American National Standards:
 - H35.1 Alloy and Temper Designation System for Aluminum⁹
 - H35.1M Alloy and Temper Designation System for Aluminum [Metric]⁹
- 2.4 Military Standards:
 - MIL-STD-129 Marking for Shipment and Storage¹⁰
 - MIL-STD-276 Impregnation of Porous Nonferrous Metal Castings¹⁰
 - MIL-STD-278 Welding and Allied Processes for Machinery for Ships of the United States Navy¹⁰
 - MIL-I-13857 Impregnation of Metal Castings¹⁰

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² For ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code applications see related Specification SB-26/SB-26M in Section II of that Code.

³ Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 02.02.

⁴ Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 14.02.

⁵ Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 03.05.

⁶ Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 03.03.

⁷ Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 01.01.

⁸ Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 03.06.

⁹ Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 02.02, in the Related Material section (gray pages).

¹⁰ Available from Standardization Documents, Order Desk, Bldg. 4, Section D, 700 Robbins Ave., Philadelphia, PA 19111-5094, Attn: NPODS.

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