



Standard Specification for Titanium-6Aluminum-4Vanadium Alloy Castings for Surgical Implants (UNS R56406)¹

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1. Scope*

1.1 This specification covers the chemical, mechanical, and metallurgical requirements for cast titanium-6aluminum-4vanadium alloy (UNS R56406).

1.2 The values stated in inch-pound units are to be regarded as the standard. The SI equivalents of inch-pound units may be approximate.

2. Referenced Documents

2.1 ASTM Standards:²

B 600 Guide for Descaling and Cleaning Titanium and Titanium Alloy Surfaces

E 8 Test Methods for Tension Testing of Metallic Materials

E 120 Test Methods for Chemical Analysis of Titanium and Titanium Alloys³

E 165 Test Method for Liquid Penetrant Examination

E 1409 Test Method for Determination of Oxygen in Titanium and Titanium Alloys by the Inert Gas Fusion Technique

E 1447 Test Method for Determination Hydrogen in Titanium and Titanium Alloys by the Inert Gas Fusion Thermal Conductivity Method

F 136 Specification for Wrought Titanium-6Aluminum-4Vanadium ELI (Extra Low Interstitial) Alloy for Surgical Implant Applications (UNS R56401)

F 601 Practice for Fluorescent Penetrant Inspection of Metallic Surgical Implants

F 629 Practice for Radiography of Cast Metallic Surgical Implants

2.2 ISO Standard:

ISO 6892 Metallic Materials—Tensile Testing at Ambient Temperature⁴

2.3 Aerospace Material Specification:

AMS 2249 Chemical Check Analysis Limits, Titanium and Titanium Alloys⁵

2.4 American Society for Quality Standard:

ASQ C1 Specification of General Requirements for a Quality Control Program⁶

2.5 Society of Automotive Engineers:

SAE J1086 Practice for Numbering Metals and Alloys (UNS)⁵

3. Ordering Information

3.1 Inquiries and orders for material under this specification shall include the following information:

3.1.1 Quantity,

3.1.2 ASTM designation and issue date,

3.1.3 Applicable dimensions or drawing number,

3.1.4 Condition (see 4.1 and 4.2),

3.1.5 Finish (see 4.4 and 4.5),

3.1.6 Special tests (see Section 7),

3.1.7 Other requirements.

4. Materials and Manufacture

4.1 Castings conforming to this specification shall be produced by vacuum investment casting.

4.2 Castings covered by this specification shall be in the annealed and hot isostatically pressed condition.

NOTE 1—While hot isostatic processing (HIP) may enhance mechanical properties of Ti6Al-4V castings, it has also been shown to reduce the scatter in mechanical properties and therefore increases the confidence in reliability of castings.

4.3 Surface defects may be repaired by welding.

4.3.1 Weld repair shall be carefully executed as per written procedures by individuals qualified to perform those procedures.

4.3.2 ELI weld rod conforming to Specification F 136 shall be used where filler metal is needed.

4.3.3 Weld repairs shall be performed prior to final thermal processing.

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² For referenced ASTM standards, visit the ASTM website, www.astm.org, or contact ASTM Customer Service at service@astm.org. For *Annual Book of ASTM Standards* volume information, refer to the standard's Document Summary page on the ASTM website.

³ Withdrawn.

⁴ Available from American National Standards Institute, 25 W. 43rd St., 4th Floor, New York NY 10036.

⁵ Available from Society of Automotive Engineers, Inc., 400 Commonwealth Dr., Warrendale, PA 15096-0001.

⁶ Available from American Society for Quality, 600 N. Plankinton Ave., Milwaukee, WI 53203.

*A Summary of Changes section appears at the end of this standard.