

STEEL WELDING WIRE, CORROSION AND HEAT RESISTANT

19Cr - 12.5Ni - 2.5Mo

High Ferrite Grade

UNS 31600

1. SCOPE:

1.1 Form: This specification covers a corrosion and heat resistant steel in the form of welding wire.

1.2 Application: Primarily for use as bare wire filler metal for gas-tungsten-arc or gas-metal-arc welding of corrosion and heat resistant steels and alloys. The relatively high ferrite content promotes weldability by combatting microfissuring and minimizing cracking in heavy sections but limits use of the wire to applications not operating in the sigma-forming temperature range.

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.

2.1.1 Aerospace Material Specifications:

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 2813 - Packaging of Welding Wire, Standard Method

AMS 2815 - Identification, Welding Wire, Line Code System

AMS 2816 - Identification, Welding Wire, Color Code System

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2.2 ASTM Publications: Available from American Society for Testing and Materials, 1916 Race Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103.

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 Federal Standards:

Federal Test Method Standard No. 151 - Metals; Test Methods

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 spectrographic methods in accordance with Federal Test Method Standard No. 151, Method 112, or by other analytical methods approved by purchaser:

	min	max
Carbon	--	0.03
Manganese	1.00 -	2.50
Silicon	0.30 -	0.65
Phosphorus	--	0.015
Sulfur	--	0.015
Chromium	18.00 -	20.00
Nickel	11.00 -	14.00
Molybdenum	2.00 -	3.00
Copper	--	0.50
Nitrogen	--	0.006 (60 ppm)

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

3.1.2 Ferrite Control: Ferrite number of the wire shall be not less than 4.0, calculated from the actual chemical composition, using 2.4 as the delta ferrite content figure.

3.2 Condition: Cold finished, bright finish, in a temper which will provide proper feeding of the wire in machine welding equipment.

3.2.1 Wire shall be furnished on disposable spools for machine welding or in cut lengths for manual welding, as ordered.

3.2.2 In-process annealing between cold rolling or drawing operations shall be performed in a suitable protective atmosphere.

3.2.3 Drawing compounds, oxides, dirt, and oil shall be removed by cleaning processes which will neither result in pitting nor cause gas absorption by the wire or deposition of substances harmful to welding operations.

3.3 Properties: Wire shall conform to the following requirements:

3.3.1 Weldability: Melted wire shall flow smoothly and evenly during welding and shall produce acceptable welds, determined by a procedure agreed upon by purchaser and vendor.

3.3.2 Spooled Wire: Shall conform to 3.3.2.1 and 3.3.2.2.

3.3.2.1 Cast: Wire wound on standard 12-in. (300-mm) diameter spools shall have imparted to it a curvature such that a specimen sufficient in length, 4 - 8 ft (1.2 - 2.4 m), to form one loop, when cut from the spool and laid on a flat surface, shall form a circle not less than 15 in. (375 mm) and not greater than 30 in. (750 mm) in diameter.

3.3.2.2 Helix: The specimen on which cast was determined, when laid on a flat surface and measured between adjacent turns, shall show a vertical separation not greater than 1 in. (25 mm).

3.4 Quality: Wire, 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 welding operations, operation of welding equipment, or properties of the deposited weld metal.

3.5 Sizes and Tolerances: Wire shall be supplied in the sizes and to the tolerances shown in 3.5.1 and 3.5.2 unless otherwise specified.

3.5.1 Diameter:

TABLE I

Form	Nominal Diameter Inch	Tolerance, Inch	
		plus	minus
Cut Lengths	0.094, 0.125, 0.156, 0.188	0.003	0.003
Cut Lengths	0.030, 0.045, 0.062, 0.078	0.002	0.002
Spools	0.062, 0.078, 0.094	0.002	0.002
Spools	0.030, 0.035, 0.045	0.001	0.002
Spools	0.005, 0.007, 0.010, 0.015, 0.020	0.0005	0.0005

TABLE I (SI)

Form	Nominal Diameter Millimetres	Tolerance, Millimetres	
		plus	minus
Cut Lengths	2.35, 3.10, 4.00, 4.75	0.08	0.08
Cut Lengths	0.75, 1.15, 1.55, 2.00	0.05	0.05
Spools	1.55, 2.00, 2.35	0.05	0.05
Spools	0.75, 0.90, 1.15	0.02	0.05
Spools	0.15, 0.20, 0.25, 0.40, 0.50	0.015	0.015

3.5.2 Length: Cut lengths shall be furnished in 18, 27, or 36 in. (450, 675, or 900 mm) lengths, as ordered, and shall not vary more than +0, -0.5 in. (-12 mm) from the length ordered.

4. QUALITY ASSURANCE PROVISIONS:

4.1 Responsibility for Inspection: The vendor of wire 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 wire 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), ferrite number (3.1.2), and tolerances (3.5) are classified as acceptance tests and shall be performed on each heat or lot as applicable.

4.2.2 Periodic Tests: Tests to determine conformance to requirements for weldability (3.3.1), cast (3.3.2.1), and helix (3.3.2.2) are classified as periodic tests and shall be performed at a frequency selected by the vendor unless frequency of testing is specified by purchaser.

4.3 Sampling: Shall be in accordance with AMS 2371 and as specified herein.

4.4 Reports:

4.4.1 The vendor of wire shall furnish with each shipment three copies of a report showing the results of tests for chemical composition and ferrite number of each heat and stating that the wire conforms to the other technical requirements of this specification. This report shall include the purchase order number, heat number, AMS 5696, nominal size, and quantity from each heat.