



Standard Specification for Copper-Beryllium Alloy (UNS Nos. C17000 and C17200) Forgings and Extrusions¹

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1. Scope*

1.1 This specification establishes the requirements for copper-beryllium alloy forgings and extrusions produced from the following alloys.

Copper Alloy UNS No.	Nominal % Composition Beryllium
C17000	1.7
C17200	1.9

NOTE 1—Requirements for copper-beryllium alloy rod and bar appear in Specification [B196/B196M](#) (Section 2).

1.2 Unless otherwise specified, Copper Alloy UNS No. C17200 shall be the alloy furnished whenever Specification B570 is specified without any alloy designation.

1.3 The values stated in inch-pound units are to be regarded as standard. The values given in parentheses are mathematical conversions to SI units that are provided for information only and are not considered standard.

1.4 The following hazard statement pertains only to the test method portions of the specification: *This standard does not purport to address all of the safety concerns, if any, associated with its use. It is the responsibility of the user of this standard to establish appropriate safety and health practices and determine the applicability of regulatory limitations prior to use.*

2. Referenced Documents

2.1 *ASTM Standards:*²

[B194](#) Specification for Copper-Beryllium Alloy Plate, Sheet, Strip, and Rolled Bar

[B196/B196M](#) Specification for Copper-Beryllium Alloy Rod and Bar

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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.

[B249/B249M](#) Specification for General Requirements for Wrought Copper and Copper-Alloy Rod, Bar, Shapes and Forgings

[B601](#) Classification for Temper Designations for Copper and Copper Alloys—Wrought and Cast

[B846](#) Terminology for Copper and Copper Alloys

[E8](#) Test Methods for Tension Testing of Metallic Materials

[E18](#) Test Methods for Rockwell Hardness of Metallic Materials

[E112](#) Test Methods for Determining Average Grain Size

3. General Requirements

3.1 The following sections of Specification [B249/B249M](#) form a part of this specification.

- 3.1.1 Terminology,
- 3.1.2 Materials and Manufacture,
- 3.1.3 Sampling,
- 3.1.4 Number of Tests and Retests,
- 3.1.5 Sample Preparation,
- 3.1.6 Test Methods,
- 3.1.7 Significance of Numerical Limits,
- 3.1.8 Inspection,
- 3.1.9 Rejection and Rehearing,
- 3.1.10 Certification,
- 3.1.11 Mill Test Report,
- 3.1.12 Packaging, Marking, Shipping and Preservation.

3.2 In addition, when a section with a title identical to that referenced in [3.1](#), appears in this specification, it contains additional requirements that supplement those appearing in Specification [B249/B249M](#).

4. Terminology

4.1 *Definitions:*

4.1.1 For definitions of terms related to copper and copper alloys, refer to Terminology [B846](#).

4.1.2 *extrusion, n*—a uniform metal shape, long in relation to its cross-sectional dimensions, produced by forcing a suitably preheated billet or preformed piece through an orifice (die) of the desired cross section.

4.1.3 *forging, n*—a metal part worked to a predetermined shape by one or more such processes as hammering, upsetting, pressing, rolling, and so forth.

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

5. Ordering Information

5.1 Include the following information in orders for products:

- 5.1.1 ASTM designation and year of issue,
- 5.1.2 Quantity: number of pieces or pounds,
- 5.1.3 Copper Alloy UNS No. (Section 1),
- 5.1.4 Temper (Section 8) or condition (Section 12),
- 5.1.5 Drawing showing the shape, dimensions, and tolerances, if required,
- 5.1.6 If an extrusion: the length (or mass) required, straightness as required,

5.2 The following are options and should be included in the contract or purchase order, when required:

- 5.2.1 Tension tests (Section 11),
- 5.2.2 Special tests such as grain size,
- 5.2.3 Finish (see Section 15),
- 5.2.4 Grain size (see Section 9), and
- 5.2.5 When material is ordered for agencies of the U.S. government.

6. Material and Manufacture

6.1 Material:

6.1.1 The material of manufacture shall be cast or wrought billet of C17000 or C17200 of such purity and soundness as to be suitable for processing into the products prescribed herein.

6.1.2 The product heat number shall appear on the certification or test report.

6.2 *Manufacture*—The product shall be manufactured by hot working and heat treating as may be necessary to meet the properties specified herein.

7. Chemical Composition

7.1 The product composition shall conform to the chemical requirements shown in Table 1.

7.2 These composition limits do not preclude the presence of other elements. Limits may be established and analysis required for unnamed elements by agreement between the manufacturer and the purchaser.

7.3 Copper, given as remainder, is the difference between the sum of all elements analyzed and 100 %. When all the elements given in Table 1 are analyzed, the sum of the results shall be 99.5 % minimum.

TABLE 1 Chemical Requirements

Element	Composition, %	
	Copper Alloy UNS No. C17000	Copper Alloy UNS No. C17200
Beryllium	1.60–1.85	1.80–2.00
Additive elements:		
Nickel + cobalt, min	0.20	0.20
Nickel + cobalt + iron, max	0.6	0.6
Aluminum, max	0.20	0.20
Silicon, max	0.20	0.20
Copper	remainder	remainder

8. Temper

8.1 The standard temper designations available under this specification and as prescribed in Classification B601 are solution heat-treated TB00 (A) and precipitation heat-treated TF00 (AT).

9. Grain Size

9.1 The grain size, if required, shall be as agreed upon between the purchaser and the manufacturer and shall be determined in accordance with Test Methods E112.

10. Physical Property Requirements

10.1 Microstructure:

10.1.1 The product in the TF00 (precipitation-hardened (AT)) condition shall have a microstructure with a minimum of second phase (beta) constituents. When present, beta shall be fine and well dispersed.

11. Mechanical Property Requirements

11.1 *Hardness*—The product furnished under this specification shall conform to the hardness requirements prescribed in Table 2 for the solution heat-treated condition and Table 3 after precipitation heat treatment, unless tensile properties are required by the purchase order. Rockwell hardness shall be determined in accordance with Test Method E18.

11.2 *Tensile*—When specified in the contract or purchase order, the tensile properties of the product furnished shall conform to the properties in Table 2 or Table 3 depending upon temper required. Tensile properties shall be determined in accordance with Test Methods E8.

12. Heat Treatment

12.1 *Solution Heat Treatment—Temper TB00 (A)*—The product shall be heated to a uniform temperature, nominally 1450°F (788°C) and quenched commensurate with the required property and structural integrity of the configuration.

12.2 *Precipitation Heat Treatment—Temper TF00 (AT)*—The product shall be heat treated to a uniform temperature in the range from 600 to 700°F (316 to 370°C) for a minimum of 2 to 3 h and then air cooled. This is the heat treatment for the acceptance tests shown in Table 3.

12.3 Special combinations of properties may be obtained by special precipitation heat treatments. The requirements for these special heat treatments shall be agreed upon by the manufacturer or supplier and purchaser.

13. Purchases for the U.S. Government

13.1 When specified in the contract or purchase order, product purchased for agencies of the U.S. government shall conform to the special government regulations specified in the Supplementary Requirements section.

14. Dimensions and Permissible Variations

14.1 The dimensions and tolerances for these product forms shall be those shown on the drawing that forms a part of each order or as agreed upon between the manufacturer and the purchaser.

TABLE 2 Mechanical Properties as Solution Heat Treated

Temper Designation		Diameter or Thickness, in. (mm)	Copper Alloy UNS No.			
Standard	Former		C17000	C17200	C17000	C17200
			Tensile Strength, ksi (MPa) ^{A,B} , max		Rockwell Hardness, max	
					B Scale	
TB00	solution heat-treated (A)	all sizes	85 (590)	85 (590)	85	85

^A ksi = 1000 psi.

^B See [Appendix X1](#).

TABLE 3 Mechanical Properties After Precipitation Heat Treatment

Temper Designation		In.	mm	Copper Alloy UNS No.	Tensile Strength, ksi ^A (MPa) ^{B,C}	Yield Strength, ksi (MPa), 0.2 % Offset, min	Elongation in 4xD ^D , min, %	Rockwell C Scale
Standard	Former							
TF00	precipitation hardened (AT)			UNS C17000	150–190 (1030–1310)	120 (820)	3	32–
TF00	precipitation hardened (AT)	Up to 8, incl	up to 200;	UNS C17200	165–200 (1140–1380)	130 (890)	3	36–
		Over 8 to 12, incl.,	over 200 to 300;		155–190 (1070–1310)	130 (890)	3	34–
		Over 12	over 300		145–180 (1000–1240)	125 (860)	3	34–

^A ksi = 1000 psi.

^B See [Appendix X1](#).

^C The upper limits in the tensile strength column are for design guidance only.

^D 4xD = 4xDiameter.

15. Workmanship, Finish, and Appearance

15.1 The product shall be free of defects; however, blemishes that do not interfere with the intended application are acceptable.

15.2 The purchaser shall specify in the order the condition or finish required, such as, hot-worked, hot-worked and cleaned by blasting, pickling, or machining.

16. Test Methods

16.1 Chemical Composition:

16.2 The chemical composition shall, in case of disagreement, be determined in accordance with the applicable method in the Annex of Specification [B194](#).

16.3 Test method(s) for the determination of element(s) required by contractual agreement shall be as agreed upon between the manufacturer and the purchaser.

17. Keywords

17.1 copper beryllium; extrusions; forgings; UNS C17000; UNS C17200

SUPPLEMENTARY REQUIREMENTS

The following supplementary requirements shall apply only when specified by the purchaser in the inquiry, contract, or order, for agencies of the U.S. government.

S1. Referenced Documents

S1.1 The following documents of the issue in effect on date of material purchase form a part of this specification to the extent referenced herein:

S1.1.1 ASTM Standard:

B900 Practice for Packaging of Copper and Copper-Alloy Mill-Products for U.S. Government Agencies

S1.1.2 Federal Standards:³

Fed. Std. No. 102 Preservation, Packaging and Packing Levels

Fed. Std. No. 123 Marking for Shipment (Civil Agencies)

Fed. Std. No. 185 Identification Marking of Copper and Copper-Base Alloy Mill Products

S1.1.3 Military Standards:³

MIL-STD-105 Sampling Procedures and Tables for Inspection by Attributes

MIL-STD-129 Marking for Shipment and Storage

S2. Quality Assurance

S2.1 Responsibility for Inspection:

S2.1.1 Unless otherwise specified in the contract or purchase order, the manufacturer is responsible for the performance of all inspection and test requirements specified. Except as otherwise specified in the contract or purchase order, the manufacturer may use his own or any other suitable facilities for the performance of the inspection and test requirements,

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unless disapproved by the purchaser at the time the order is placed. The purchaser shall have the right to perform any of the inspections or tests set forth, when such inspections and tests are deemed necessary to assure that the material conforms to prescribed requirements.

S3. Identification Marking

S3.1 All material shall be properly marked for identification in accordance with Fed. Std. No. 185 except that the ASTM specification number and the alloy number shall be used.

S4. Preparation for Delivery

S4.1 *Preservation, Packaging, Packing:*

S4.1.1 *Military Agencies*—The material shall be separated by size, composition, grade or class, and shall be preserved and packaged, Level A or C, packed Level A, B, or C as specified

in the contract or purchase order, in accordance with the requirements of Practice B900.

S4.1.2 *Civil Agencies*—The requirements of Fed. Std. No. 102 shall be referenced for definitions of the various levels of packaging protection.

S4.2 *Marking:*

S4.2.1 *Military Agencies*—In addition to any special marking required by the contract or purchase order, marking for shipment shall be in accordance with MIL-STD-129.

S4.2.2 *Civil Agencies*—In addition to any special marking required by the contract or purchase order, marking for shipment shall be in accordance with Fed. Std. No. 123.

APPENDIX

(Nonmandatory Information)

X1. METRIC EQUIVALENTS

X1.1 The SI unit for strength properties now shown is in accordance with the International System of Units (SI). The derived SI unit for force is the newton (N), which is defined as that force which when applied to a body having a mass of 1 kg gives it an acceleration of 1 m/s² (N = kg·m/s²). The derived SI

unit for pressure or stress is the newton per square metre (N/m²), which has been named the pascal (Pa) by the General Conference on Weights and Measures. Since 1 ksi = 6 894 757 Pa, the metric equivalents are expressed as megapascal (MPa), which is the same as MN/m² and N/mm².

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