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Standard Specification for Zinc-5 % Aluminum-Mischmetal Alloy in Ingot Form for Hot-Dip Coatings¹

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^{ε1} NOTE—The caveat in section 1.3 and section 3. Terminology were added editorially in December 2000.

1. Scope *

1.1 This specification covers zinc-5 % aluminum-mischmetal (Zn-5Al-MM) alloy (UNS Z38510)² in ingot form for remelting for use in the production of hot-dip coatings on steel. Alloy composition is specified in Table 1.

1.2 The values stated in inch-pound units are to be regarded as the standard. The values stated in parentheses are for information only.

1.3 *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 become familiar with all hazards including those identified in the appropriate Material Data Sheet for this product/material as provided by the manufacturer, to establish appropriate safety and health practices, and determine the applicability of regulatory limitations prior to use.*

2. Referenced Documents

2.1 ASTM Standards:

B 899 Terminology Relating to Non-ferrous Metals and Alloys³

E 29 Practice for Using Significant Digits in Test Data to Determine Conformance with Specifications⁴

E 47 Test Methods for Chemical Analysis of Zinc Die-Casting Alloys⁵

E 88 Practice for Sampling Nonferrous Metals and Alloys in Cast Form for Determination of Chemical Composition⁵

E 527 Practice for Numbering Metals and Alloys (UNS)⁶

E 1277 Test Method for Chemical Analysis of Zinc-5 % Aluminum-Mischmetal Alloy by the ICP Argon Plasma Spectrometric Method⁷

TABLE 1 Zn-5Al-MM Alloy Ingot Chemical Requirements^{A, B, C, D, E}

Element	UNS Z38510 Composition, %
Aluminum ^F	4.2–6.2
Cerium + lanthanum, total	0.03–0.10
Iron, max	0.075
Silicon, max	0.015
Lead ^G , max	0.005
Cadmium ^G , max	0.005
Tin ^G , max	0.002
Others ^H , each, max	0.02
Others ^H , total, max	0.04
Zinc	Remainder

^A For purposes of acceptance and rejection, the observed value or calculated value obtained from analysis should be rounded to the nearest unit in the last right-hand place of figures, used in expressing the specified limit, in accordance with the rounding procedure prescribed in Section 3 of Practice E 29.

^B By agreement between purchaser and supplier, analysis may be required and limits established for elements or compounds not specified in the table of chemical composition.

^C Zn-5Al-MM alloy ingot for hot-dip coatings may contain antimony, copper, and magnesium in amounts of up to 0.002, 0.1, and 0.05 %, respectively. No harmful effects have ever been noted due to the presence of these elements up to these concentrations and, therefore, analyses are not required for these elements.

^D Magnesium may be specified by the buyer up to 0.1 % maximum.

^E Zirconium and titanium may each be specified by the buyer up to 0.02 % maximum.

^F Aluminum may be specified by the buyer up to 8.2 % maximum.

^G Lead and cadmium, and to a lesser extent tin and antimony, are known to cause intergranular corrosion in zinc-aluminum alloys. For this reason it is important to maintain the levels of these elements below the limits specified.

^H Except antimony, copper, magnesium, zirconium, and titanium.

2.2 Other Standard:

GF-1 Standard Practice for Determination of Cerium and Lanthanum Compositions in Galfan Alloy (5% -0.04% La-0.04% Ce-Bal SHG Zn)⁸

3. Terminology

3.1 Terms shall be defined in accordance with Terminology B 899.

3.2 Definitions of Terms Specific to This Standard:

3.2.1 *mischmetal*—a naturally occurring mixture of rare-earth elements in metallic form, primarily cerium and lanthanum.

⁸ Available from International Lead Zinc Research Organization, 2525 Meridian Parkway, P.O. Box 12036, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709 – 2036.

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