
**Aerospace — Rivets, solid, in aluminium or
aluminium alloys — Procurement
specification**

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1 Scope

This International Standard specifies the characteristics and quality assurance requirements for solid rivets made in aluminium or aluminium alloy for aerospace construction.

It is applicable whenever it is referenced in a definition document.

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2 Normative references

The following normative documents contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this International Standard. For dated references, subsequent amendments to, or revisions of, any of these publications do not apply. However, parties to agreements based on this International Standard are encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the most recent editions of the normative documents indicated below. For undated references, the latest edition of the normative document referred to applies. Members of ISO and IEC maintain registers of currently valid International Standards.

ISO 2859-1:1989, *Sampling procedures for inspection by attributes — Part 1: Sampling plans indexed by acceptable quality level (AQL) for lot-by-lot inspection.*

ISO 7870:1993, *Control charts — General guide and introduction.*

ISO 7966:1993, *Acceptance control charts.*

ISO 8258:1991, *Shewhart control charts.*

ISO 9002:1994, *Quality systems — Model for quality assurance in production, installation and servicing.*

ISO/TR 13425:1995, *Guide for the selection of statistical methods in standardization and specification.*

ASTM E112:1996¹⁾, *Standard Test Methods for Determining Average Grain Size.*

1) Published by: American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM), 1916, Race street, Philadelphia, PA 19103, USA.

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this International Standard, the following terms and definitions apply.

3.1 batch

quantity of finished rivets, manufactured using the same process, from a single material cast (single heat of alloy), having the same definition document number, diameter and length code, heat treated together to the same specified condition and produced as one continuous run

3.2 rivet wire sample

length of wire, sampled at one end of the coil used for the manufacture of rivets of the batch

NOTE The rivet wire samples must undergo the same heat treatments as the rivets of the batch, at the same time.

3.3 rivet sample

rivet sampled at random from the batch

3.4 definition document

document specifying directly or indirectly all the requirements for rivets

NOTE The definition document may be an International Standard, an in-house standard or a drawing.

3.5 crack

rupture in the material which may extend in any direction and which may be intercrystalline or transcrystalline in character

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3.6 seam

longitudinal open surface defect

3.7 lap

surface defect caused by folding over metal fins or sharp corners and then forming them into the surface

3.8 cold shut

doubling over of metal which may occur during the cold heading operation

3.9 blistering

defect in the metal on or near the surface, resulting from expansion of gas in a sub-surface zone

3.10 pit

small cavity in a metal surface caused by non-uniform electrodeposition or by corrosion

**3.11
critical defect**

defect that, according to judgement and experience, is likely to result in hazardous or unsafe conditions for individuals using, maintaining, or depending upon the considered product, or that is likely to prevent performance of the function of a major end item

**3.12
major defect**

defect, other than critical, that is likely to result in a failure or to reduce materially the usability of the considered product for its intended purpose

**3.13
minor defect**

defect that is not likely to reduce materially the usability of the considered product for its intended purpose, or that represents a departure from established specification having little bearing on the effective use or operation of this product

**3.14
sampling plan**

plan according to which one or more samples are taken in order to obtain information and to reach a decision, if possible

**3.15
acceptable quality level
AQL**

maximum percent defective (or the maximum number of defects per hundred units) that, for purposes of sampling inspection, can be considered satisfactory as a process average

NOTE Variant: quality level which in a sampling plan corresponds to a specified but relatively high probability of acceptance

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4 Quality assurance**4.1 General****4.1.1 Approval of manufacturers**

The manufacturer shall conform to the quality assurance and approval procedures defined in ISO 9002. The purpose of these procedures is to ensure that a manufacturer has a quality system and is capable of continuous production of solid rivets complying with the specified quality requirements.

The approval of the manufacturer shall be granted by the Certification Authorities, or their appointed representative, who may be the prime contractor.

4.1.2 Acceptance of solid rivets

The purpose of acceptance inspection and tests of a solid rivet is to check, as simply as possible, using a method which is inexpensive but the most representative of the actual conditions of use, with the uncertainty inherent in statistical sampling, that the solid rivets satisfy the requirements of this International Standard.

Acceptance inspections and tests shall be carried out by the manufacturer, or under his responsibility.

The manufacturer is responsible for the quality of the solid rivets manufactured.

4.2 Acceptance inspection and test conditions

Acceptance inspections and tests (requirements, methods, numbers of solid rivets) are specified in Table 1. They shall be carried out on each batch. Solid rivets shall be selected from the batch to be tested by simple random sampling.

Each solid rivet may be submitted to several inspections or tests, provided that none of its characteristics has been altered during any of these inspections or tests.

The solid rivets to be subjected to destructive inspections or tests may be those on which non-destructive inspections or tests have been carried out.

Batches declared unacceptable after the acceptance inspection shall be resubmitted for acceptance only after all the defective units have been removed and/or defects have been corrected.

In this case, the attribute(s) which caused the rejection shall be verified using a sample of twice the normal size with the same acceptable level.

If the reason for rejection results from the operating method, the test apparatus or from faulty heat treatment which can be rectified in a satisfactory manner, the tests may be repeated after elimination of the cause, provided that any surface treatment be removed prior to heat treatment, without being detrimental to rivet final use. A note to this effect shall be added to the corresponding inspection documents.

Unless otherwise specified, the test temperature shall be the ambient temperature.

4.3 Use of "Statistical process control (SPC)"

When a characteristic is obtained by a controlled statistical process, the manufacturer has the possibility, in order to declare conformity of the characteristic, of refraining from the final systematic sampling provided for in this International Standard, if he is capable of **formally justifying** this choice by using ISO/TR 13425 and the standards quoted in it as a basis.

This justification will include the following phases:

- analysis of the product's key characteristics;
- analysis of the risks for each implemented process;
- determination of the parameters and/or characteristics to be respected under SPC;
- determination of the capabilities of each process;
- drawing up an inspection plan and integration in the manufacturing process;
- drawing up of routes and control charts (ISO 7966, ISO 7870, ISO 8258);
- use of control charts for data consolidation;
- determination of the audits to be run and the control to be carried out to ensure reliability of the device.

To be usable in production, this process should have been validated beforehand by the qualifying body, either during the qualification phase, or *a posteriori* according to the case, by analyzing the justificatory file and the results of the qualification inspections such as provided for in clause 5.

5 Requirements and test methods

See Table 1.

Table 1 — Technical requirements and test methods

Subclause	Characteristic	Requirement	Inspection and test method	Classification of defects and sampling
5.1	Material	In accordance with the product standard or definition document	See material standard.	
5.2	Dimensions	In accordance with the product standard or definition document	Usual instruments In case of dispute, the projection method at a magnification of 25 times for diameters ≤ 6 mm and 10 times for diameters > 6 mm, shall be used as the reference method. Checks shall be made at three equidistant points around the rivet.	Table 2
5.3	Manufacturing			
5.3.1	Heat treatment	As specified in the material standard		
5.3.2	Workmanship	No cracks or blistering Localized, non-continuous seams, laps, cold shuts, tool marks and pits having a maximum depth of 0,07 mm are permissible.	Visual examination with or without magnification. The magnification shall be limited to six times. Defect depth shall be measured perpendicular to a line tangent with the surface. In the event of any doubt, the test specified in 5.4.2 shall be used as the reference method.	Table 2
5.3.3	Surface treatment	Treatment: — in accordance with the product standard or definition document; — anodizing thickness is not mandatory.	See applicable surface treatment standard.	Table 2