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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 *Units*—The values stated in inch-pound units are to be regarded as standard. The values given in parentheses are mathematical conversions to SI units, which are 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

¹ This specification is under the jurisdiction of ASTM Committee B05 on Copper and Copper Alloys and is the direct responsibility of Subcommittee B05.02 on Rod, Bar, Wire, Shapes, and Forgings.

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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.

- B194 Specification for Copper-Beryllium Alloy Plate, Sheet, Strip, and Rolled Bar
- B196/B196M Specification for Copper-Beryllium Alloy Rod and Bar
- 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:

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

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.

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.

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.

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