
**Aerospace series — Titanium tube for
35 MPa operating pressure —**

**Part 1:
Inch series**

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Foreword

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Introduction

This document is intended to harmonize the technical requirements for titanium tubes used in aerospace with design operating pressure of 35 MPa.

It is noted that, while ISO standards should normally refer only to SI units, large segments of the aerospace industry refer to other measurement systems as a matter of common working practice. The mention of “inch series” in the title of this document reflects this. It recognizes the fact that the nominal sizes referred to in the document, which are in common use in the aerospace industry, were originally defined in terms of fractional inches.

Although the tube sizes were originally defined, and are frequently referred to, in terms of non-SI units, all dimensions used in this document are in SI units with inch units given in addition for the convenience of those users more familiar with these.

It is further noted that the standard ISO decimal symbol “,” (comma) is not used as common working practice for inch dimensions. A decimal point is used in the inch dimensions in this document as in many other aerospace standards.

NOTE The use of non-SI units and the decimal point in this document does not constitute general acceptance of measurement systems other than SI within International Standards.

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Part 1: Inch series

1 Scope

This document is applicable to seamless tubing of circular cross-section made from titanium alloy and intended for use primarily in systems with system operating pressure of 35 MPa (5 080 psi) (Pressure Class J), but usage is not limited to such applications.

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 4287, *Geometrical Product Specifications (GPS) — Surface texture: Profile method — Terms, definitions and surface texture parameters*

ISO 6772, *Aerospace — Fluid systems — Impulse testing of hydraulic hose, tubing and fitting assemblies*

ISO 8492, *Metallic materials — Tube — Flattening test*
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ISO 8575:2016, *Aerospace — Fluid systems — Hydraulic system tubing*

ISO 10583, *Aerospace fluid systems — Test methods for tube/fitting assemblies*

ISO 12573, *Aircraft — Tubing tolerances — Inch series*

EN 2003-010, *Aerospace series — Titanium and titanium alloys — Test methods — Part 010: Sampling for determination of hydrogen content*

EN 3718, *Aerospace series — Test method for metallic materials — Ultrasonic inspection of tubes*

AS 4076, *Contractile strain ratio testing of titanium hydraulic tubing*

AMS 2634, *Ultrasonic inspection, thin wall metal tubing superseding*

ASTM E112, *Standard test methods for determining average grain size*

ASTM E1409, *Standard test method for determination of oxygen and nitrogen in titanium and titanium alloys by inert gas fusion*

ASTM E1941, *Standard test method for determination of carbon in refractory and reactive metals and their alloys by combustion analysis*

ASTM E1447, *Standard test method for determination of hydrogen in titanium and titanium alloys by the inert gas fusion thermal conductivity/infrared detection method*

ASTM E2371, *Standard test method for analysis of titanium and titanium alloys by direct current plasma and inductively coupled plasma atomic emission spectrometry (Performance-based test methodology)*

3 Terms and definitions

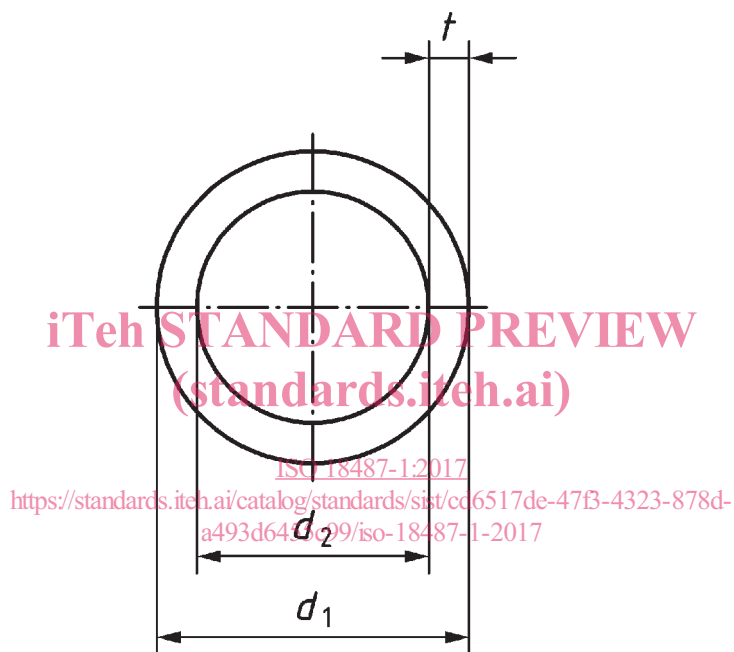
For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

ISO and IEC maintain terminological databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>
- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <http://www.iso.org/obp>

3.1 outside diameter

d_1
distance between any two points at 180° to each other around the outside of a single section across the tube



- Key**
- d_1 outside diameter
 - d_2 inside diameter
 - t wall thickness

Figure 1 — Outside diameter, inside diameter and wall thickness

3.2 inside diameter

d_2
distance between any two points at 180° to each other around the inside of a single section across the tube

3.3 wall thickness

t
thickness measured at a right angle across the tube wall

4 Dimensions

Unless otherwise specified by purchaser, dimensions shall conform to ISO 8575:2016, Table 2 that is relevant to Pressure Class J.

5 Tolerances

Unless otherwise specified by purchaser, dimensional tolerances shall conform to ISO 12573.

6 Technical requirements

6.1 General

Except as mentioned below, testing to establish compliance with all of the technical requirements below shall be conducted on a single sample per batch of tubes.

6.2 Composition

Chemical composition shall conform to the percentages by weight given in [Table 1](#). Suitable methods of determination of composition are also given in [Table 1](#). Other analytical methods may be used by agreement with the purchaser.

Table 1 — Chemical composition

Values in percentages

Element	Al	V	Fe	O ₂	N ₂	H ₂	C	Y	Others		Ti
									Each	Total	
Minimum	2,50	2,00									Remainder
Maximum	3,50	3,00	0,3	0,120	0,020	0,005 0	0,05	0,005 ^a	0,10 ^a	0,40 ^a	
Method of determination	ASTM E2371			ASTM E1409		ASTM E1447 or EN 2003-10	ASTM E1941	ASTM E2371			

^a Determination not required for routine acceptance.

6.3 Melting practice

Multiple melts are required. Inert gas flooding shall be used for all steps. Open air furnace melting is not permitted. Only vacuum arc remelting (VAR) is permissible for second and subsequent melts.

6.4 Heat treatment and delivery condition

Cold worked and stress relieved by heating in vacuum or inert atmosphere at a temperature of at least 370 °C and maintained for 30 min minimum.

Rotary straightening after final heat treatment is not permitted.

6.5 Tensile properties

Tensile properties at 15 °C for four samples per batch taken in the longitudinal direction shall meet the requirements set out in [Table 2](#). Test method should be according to EN 2002-001 (or ASTM E8a). The method used shall be reported in the certificate. The length of the sample between the clamping jaws of the test equipment shall be at least 300 mm.

Table 2 — Tensile properties

Property		For tubing of diameter in mm (in)	
		6,35 < d_1 ≤ 38,1 (0.250 < d_1 ≤ 1.500)	$d_1 = 6,35$ ($d_1 = 0.250$)
Tensile strength MPa (ksi)	Maximum	1 030 (149)	920 (133)
	Minimum	870 (126)	690 (100)
0,2 % Proof stress MPa (ksi)	Minimum	730 (106)	655 (95)
Elongation % ^a	Minimum	16 ^b	14

^a Measured over 50 mm or 50,8 mm (2 inches).

^b For tube diameters ≤ 9,53 mm, 14 % elongation is permissible.

6.6 Microstructure

6.6.1 General

Microstructure shall be determined by microscopic examination at a minimum of 400× magnification of both longitudinal and transverse sections. The microstructure shall consist of a stretched wrought structure with some areas of partially transformed beta. There shall be no oxygen rich layer such as alpha case or other surface contamination.

6.6.2 Grain size

The grain size shall be determined in accordance with ASTM E112 in the stress-relieved condition. If this is impossible due to excessive grain elongation caused by cold working, complete recrystallization heat treatment prior to grain size determination is permitted. Annealing temperature and holding time shall be stated in the certificate.

6.6.3 Contractile strain ratio (CSR)

When required by the purchaser, the CSR value shall be determined on the finished tube size by the method defined in AS 4076.

The CSR value shall be between 1.3 and 3.5.

When impulse pressure fatigue test (see 6.13) is carried out with samples according to configuration 1, testing to determine the CSR value may be waived by agreement with the purchaser.

6.7 Surface condition and texture

6.7.1 Surface treatment

OD surface shall be chemically milled to remove a minimum of 0,025 mm (0.001 inch) from the surface. Polishing prior to chemical milling is permissible, with traces of polishing operation remaining after the chemical milling.

ID surface shall be chemically milled to remove a minimum of 0,013 mm (0.0005 inch) from the surface. Abrasive grit blasting prior to chemical milling is permissible.

6.7.2 Surface condition

OD and ID surfaces shall be free of diffusion zones, cracks, seams, overlapping, lamination and organic surfaces films such as greases or lubricants.

Individual pits with rounded bottom are acceptable provided the maximum depths in [Table 3](#) are not exceeded.

Table 3 — Maximum permissible depth of round-bottom pit

Tube diameter (d_1)	Maximum permissible depth
<15,875 mm (0.625 inch)	25 μ m (0.001 inch)
\geq 15,875 mm (0.625 inch)	50 μ m (0.002 inch)

Appropriate destructive and non-destructive methods shall be defined and applied by the supplier to check the outer and inner surfaces for surface defects using agreed reference standards. These can include non-destructive reference standards and visual standards.

For a visual assessment, at least five samples per batch with a 200 mm length, longitudinally cut, shall be examined visually against the criteria in [Table 3](#).

6.7.3 Surface texture, R_a

Surface roughness (R_a) measured in the longitudinal direction using electrical stylus instruments according to ISO 4287 shall not exceed 0,8 μ m (32 microinch) for external and internal surface.

6.8 Ultrasonic inspection

Ultrasonic inspection of each tube according to EN 3718 or AMS 2634 shall be used to verify that OD and ID are free of defects.

The maximum permissible defect levels are listed in [Table 4](#).

Table 4 — Maximum permissible defect levels for ultrasonic inspection

Class ^a	Nominal wall Thickness, t mm	Maximum size of defect		
		Depth ^b mm (in)	Length ^b mm (in)	Width ^b mm (in)
5	$\leq 1,14$	0,05 (0.002)	1,50 (0.060)	0,10 (0.004)
4	$1,14 < a \leq 1,52$	0,05 (0.002)	3,00 (0.125)	0,10 (0.004)
3	$1,52 < a \leq 2,03$	0,08 (0.003)	3,00 (0.125)	0,10 (0.004)
2	$2,03 < a \leq 2,54$	0,10 (0.004)	3,00 (0.125)	0,10 (0.004)

^a As defined in EN 3718.
^b In case of doubt, mm values shall be used.

6.9 Flarability

6.9.1 General

Samples cut from 10 % of the tubes in each batch (minimum of four samples) shall be subject to flaring test. Samples shall be cut from full tube section with cut end smooth and free from burrs, but not chamfered.

Samples shall withstand flaring at room temperature with a 74° included angle drift to produce an OD at least 20 % greater than the original OD without cracks or other visible defects when examined at 10× magnification.

6.9.2 Surface contamination

The absence of diffusion zones shall be determined metallographically by taking a transverse section from the flarability test sample at its extremity as shown in [Figure 2](#).