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Standard Specification for Brass Rod, Bar, and Shapes¹

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1. Scope*

1.1 This specification establishes requirements for brass rod (round, hexagonal, and octagonal), bar (rectangular and square), and shapes of UNS Alloys C21000, C22000, C23000, C24000, C26000, C26800, C27000, and C27400.

1.2 *Units*—The values stated in either SI units or inch-pound units are to be regarded separately as standard. The values stated in each system may not be exact equivalents; therefore, each system shall be used independently of the other. Combining values from the two systems may result in non-conformance with the standard.

2. Referenced Documents

2.1 *ASTM Standards*:²

B16/B16M Specification for Free-Cutting Brass Rod, Bar and Shapes for Use in Screw Machines

B36/B36M Specification for Brass Plate, Sheet, Strip, and Rolled Bar

B121/B121M Specification for Leaded Brass Plate, Sheet, Strip, and Rolled Bar

B124/B124M Specification for Copper and Copper Alloy Forging Rod, Bar, and Shapes

B134/B134M Specification for Brass Wire

B135 Specification for Seamless Brass Tube

B249/B249M Specification for General Requirements for Wrought Copper and Copper-Alloy Rod, Bar, Shapes and Forgings

B587 Specification for Welded Brass Tube

E8 Test Methods for Tension Testing of Metallic Materials

E8M Test Methods for Tension Testing of Metallic Materials [Metric]³

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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.

³ Withdrawn. The last approved version of this historical standard is referenced on www.astm.org.

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3. General Requirements

3.1 The following sections of Specification B249/B249M constitute a part of this specification:

- 3.1.1 Terminology,
- 3.1.2 Materials and Manufacture,
- 3.1.3 Workmanship, Finish, and Appearance,
- 3.1.4 Sampling,
- 3.1.5 Number of Tests and Retests,
- 3.1.6 Specimen Preparation,
- 3.1.7 Test Methods,
- 3.1.8 Significance of Numerical Limits,
- 3.1.9 Inspection,
- 3.1.10 Rejection and Reheating,
- 3.1.11 Certification,
- 3.1.12 Mill Test Reports,
- 3.1.13 Product Marking,
- 3.1.14 Packaging and Package Marking, and
- 3.1.15 Supplementary Requirements.

3.2 In addition, when a section with a title identical to that referenced in 3.1, above, appears in this specification, it contains additional requirements that supplement those that appear in Specification B249/B249M.

4. Ordering Information

4.1 Include the following information when placing orders for product under this specification, as applicable:

- 4.1.1 ASTM Designation and year of issue,
- 4.1.2 Copper Alloy UNS No. designation,
- 4.1.3 Temper,
- 4.1.4 Cross section (round, hexagonal, octagonal, rectangular, or square),
- 4.1.5 Quantity (total weight, footage, or number of pieces of each temper, cross section, and alloy),
- 4.1.6 Dimensions (diameter or distance between parallel surfaces, width and thickness, length),
- 4.1.7 Type of edge (square corners, rounded edge, full-rounded edge),
- 4.1.8 How furnished (specific lengths with or without ends), and

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

4.1.9 If product is purchased for agencies of the U.S. Government (Specification **B249/B249M**).

4.2 The following requirements are available to this specification and should be specified in the contract or purchase order when required:

- 4.2.1 Certification (Specification **B249/B249M**), and
- 4.2.2 Mill Test Report (Specification **B249/B249M**).

5. Materials and Manufacture

5.1 Materials:

5.1.1 The material of manufacture shall be cast billets, logs, or rods of Copper Alloy UNS Nos. C21000, C22000, C23000, C24000, C26000, C26800, C27000, or C274000 of such purity, soundness, and structure to be suitable for processing into the products prescribed herein.

5.2 Manufacture:

5.2.1 The products shall be manufactured by such hot working, cold working, and annealing processing as to produce a uniform wrought structure in the finished product.

6. Chemical Composition

6.1 The material shall conform to the chemical composition requirements in **Table 1** for the copper alloy UNS No. designation specified in the ordering information.

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

6.3 For alloys in which zinc is listed as “remainder,” either copper or zinc may be taken as the difference between the sum of results of all other elements determined and 100 %.

6.4 When all elements specified for a given alloy in **Table 1** are determined, the sum of the results shall be as shown in the following table:

Alloy UNS Nos.	Sum of Results, Percent, Minimum
C21000, C22000, C23000, C24000	99.8
C26000, C26800, C27000, C27400	99.7

7. Temper

7.1 The standard tempers for rod and bar described in this specification are given in **Tables 2 and 3**.

TABLE 1 Chemical Requirements

Copper Alloy UNS No.	Composition, %			
	Copper	Lead, max	Iron, max	Zinc
C21000	94.0-96.0	0.05	0.05	remainder
C22000	89.0-91.0	0.05	0.05	remainder
C23000	84.0-86.0	0.05	0.05	remainder
C24000	78.5-81.5	0.05	0.05	remainder
C26000	68.5-71.5	0.07	0.05	remainder
C26800	64.0-68.5	0.09	0.05	remainder
C27000	63.0-68.5	0.09	0.07	remainder
C27400	61.0-64.0	0.09	0.05	remainder

- 7.1.1 O60 (Soft Anneal),
- 7.1.2 H01 (¼ Hard),
- 7.1.3 H02 (½ Hard), and
- 7.1.4 H04 (Hard).

7.2 Other tempers, and temper for shapes, shall be subject to agreement between the manufacturer and the purchaser.

8. Mechanical Property Requirements

8.1 Tensile Strength Requirements:

8.1.1 Product furnished under this specification shall conform to the tensile requirements prescribed in **Tables 2 and 3**, when tested in accordance with Test Methods **E8** or **E8ME8M**.

9. Purchases for U.S. Government

9.1 When specified in the contract or purchase order, product purchased for agencies of the U.S. government shall conform to the special government requirements stipulated in the Supplementary Requirements section of Specification **B249/B249M**.

10. Dimensions and Permissible Variations

10.1 The dimensions and tolerances for rod, bar, and shapes described by this specification shall be as specified in Specification **B249/B249M** with particular reference to the following tables and related paragraphs.

10.1.1 Diameter or Distance Between Parallel Surfaces:

10.1.1.1 Rod—Table 1.

10.1.1.2 Bar—Tables 8 and 10.

10.1.2 Shapes—Dimensional tolerances shall be subject to agreement between the manufacturer and the purchaser.

10.1.3 Length—Tables 13 and 14.

10.1.4 Straightness—Table 16—General Use section.

10.1.5 Edge contours—Paragraph 6.5.

11. Test Methods

11.1 Chemical Analysis:

11.1.1 In cases of disagreement, determine the composition using the following methods:

Element	Test Method
Copper	E478
Lead	E478 (AA)
Iron	E478
Zinc	E478 (Titrimetric)

11.1.2 Test methods to be followed for the determination of elements resulting from contractual or purchase order agreement shall be as agreed upon between the manufacturer or supplier and the purchaser.

12. Keywords

12.1 brass bar; brass rod; brass shape; copper-alloy rod; C21000; C22000; C23000; C24000; C26000; C26800; C27000; C27400

TABLE 2 Tensile Requirements (Inch-Pound Units)

Temper		Diameter or Distance Between Parallel Surfaces, in.	Tensile Strength, min ksi	Yield Strength at 0.5 % Extension Under Load, min ksi	Elongation ^A in 4× diameter or 4× thickness, min %
Code	Name				
Copper Alloy UNS No. C21000 Rod (round, hexagonal, octagonal)					
O60	Soft Anneal	All sizes	30	10	25
H01	¼ Hard	Under ½	36	16	15
		½ to 1, incl over 1	34 32	14 12	17 19
H02	½ Hard	Under ½	42	25	8
		½ to 1, incl over 1	40 37	23 20	9 11
H04	Hard	Under ½	52	40	5
		½ to 1, incl over 1 to 2 incl	48 45	37 35	7 9
Copper Alloy UNS No. C21000 Bar ^B					
O60	Soft Anneal	All sizes	30	10	25
H01	¼ Hard	Under ½	34	14	17
		½ to 2, incl	32	12	19
Copper Alloy UNS No. C22000 Rod (round, hexagonal, octagonal)					
O60	Soft Anneal	All sizes	32	10	25
H01	¼ Hard	Under ½	39	20	15
		½ to 1, incl over 1	37 34	17 15	17 19
H02	½ Hard	Under ½	50	30	7
		½ to 1, incl over 1	45 40	27 25	10 12
H04	Hard	Under ½	57	40	5
		½ to 1, incl over 1 to 2 incl	55 50	37 35	7 9
Copper Alloy UNS No. C22000 Bar ^B					
O60	Soft Anneal	All sizes	32	10	25
H01	¼ Hard	Under ½	35	16	17
		½ to 2, incl	34	15	19
Copper Alloy UNS No. C23000 Rod (round, hexagonal, octagonal)					
O60	Soft Anneal	All sizes	35	10	25
H01	¼ Hard	Under ½	44	20	15
		½ to 1, incl over 1	42 40	17 15	17 19
H02	½ Hard	Under ½	50	30	7
		½ to 1, incl over 1	45 40	27 25	10 12
H04	Hard	Under ½	63	40	5
		½ to 1, incl over 1 to 2 incl	60 58	37 35	7 9
Copper Alloy UNS No. C23000 Bar ^B					
O60	Soft Anneal	All sizes	35	10	25
H01	¼ Hard	Under ½	40	15	19
		½ to 1, incl over 1 to 2 incl	38 36	13 11	22 25
H02	½ Hard	Under ½	44	20	15
		½ to 1, incl over 1 to 2 incl	42 40	17 15	17 19
Copper Alloy UNS No. C24000 Rod (round, hexagonal, octagonal)					
O60	Soft Anneal	All sizes	40	10	30
H01	¼ Hard	Under ½	47	25	18
		½ to 1, incl over 1	45 43	20 18	20 22
H02	½ Hard	Under ½	53	33	10
		½ to 1, incl over 1	48 43	30 28	13 15
H04	Hard	Under ½	68	45	8
		½ to 1, incl over 1 to 2 incl	65 60	40 35	10 12