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## European foreword

This document (EN 13600:2021) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 133 “Copper and copper alloys”, the secretariat of which is held by DIN.

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- b) update of normative references.

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## EN 13600:2021 (E)

## 1 Scope

This document specifies the composition, property requirements including electrical properties, and tolerances on dimensions and form for seamless drawn copper tubes for electrical purposes, delivered in straight lengths or alternatively in level wound coils with the cross-sections and size ranges below:

- for round tubes in straight lengths with outside diameters from 3 mm up to and including 450 mm and wall thicknesses from 0,3 mm up to and including 10 mm;
- for round tubes in level wound coils with outside diameters from 3 mm up to and including 30 mm and wall thicknesses from 0,3 mm up to and including 10 mm;
- for square and rectangular tubes with major outside dimension from 5 mm up to and including 150 mm and wall thicknesses from 0,5 mm up to and including 10 mm.

The sampling procedures and test methods for verification of conformity to the requirements of this document are also specified.

## 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.

EN 1976, *Copper and copper alloys — Cast unwrought copper products*

EN ISO 2626, *Copper — Hydrogen embrittlement test (ISO 2626)*

EN ISO 6506-1, *Metallic materials — Brinell hardness test — Part 1: Test method (ISO 6506-1)*

EN ISO 6507-1, *Metallic materials — Vickers hardness test — Part 1: Test method (ISO 6507-1)*

EN ISO 6892-1, *Metallic materials — Tensile testing — Part 1: Method of test at room temperature (ISO 6892-1)*

EN ISO 7438, *Metallic materials — Bend test (ISO 7438)*

EN ISO 8491, *Metallic materials — Tube (in full section) — Bend test (ISO 8491)*

## 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:

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

### 3.1 seamless tube

hollow semi-finished product, circular, square or rectangular in cross-section, having a uniform wall thickness, which at all stages of production has a continuous periphery

Note 1 to entry: Tubes with a square or rectangular cross-section can have corners rounded along their whole length.

**3.2****mean diameter**

arithmetical mean of any two diameters normal to each other at the same cross-section of the tube

**3.3****deviation from circular form**

difference between the maximum and minimum outside diameters measured at any one cross-section of the tube

[SOURCE: EN 1057:2006+A1:2010, 3.6]

**4 Designations****4.1 Material****4.1.1 General**

The material is designated either by symbol or by number (see Table 1 and Table 2).

**4.1.2 Symbol**

The material symbol designation is based on the designation system given in ISO 1190-1.

NOTE Although material symbol designations used in this document might be the same as those in other standards using the designation system in ISO 1190-1, the detailed composition requirements are not necessarily the same.

**4.1.3 Number**

The material number designation is in accordance with the system given in EN 1412.

**4.2 Material condition**

For the purposes of this document, the following designations, which are in accordance with the system given in EN 1173, apply for the material condition:

- D Material condition for the product as cold worked without specified mechanical properties;
- H... Material condition designated by the minimum value of hardness requirement for the product with mandatory hardness requirements;
- R... Material condition designated by the minimum value of tensile strength requirement for the product with mandatory tensile strength, 0,2 % proof strength and elongation requirements.

Products in the H... condition can be specified to Vickers or Brinell hardness. The material condition designation H... is the same for both hardness test methods.

Exact conversion between the material conditions designated H... and R... is not possible.

Material condition is designated by only one of the above designations.

**EN 13600:2021 (E)****4.3 Product**

The product designation provides a standardized pattern of designation from which a rapid and unequivocal description of a product can be conveyed in communication. It provides mutual comprehension at the international level with regard to products which meet the requirements of the relevant European Standard.

The product designation is no substitute for the full content of the document.

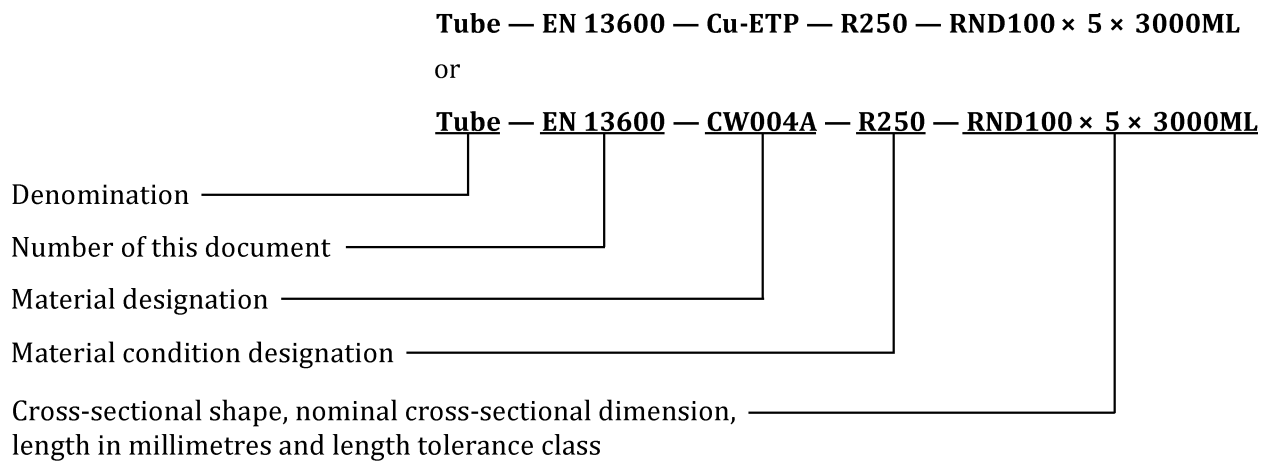
The product designation for products to this document shall consist of:

- a) denomination (tube);
- b) number of this document (EN 13600);
- c) material designation, either symbol or number (see Table 1 and Table 2);
- d) material condition designation (see Table 3);
- e) cross-sectional shape (the following designations shall be used, as appropriate: RND for round, SQR for square, RCT for rectangular);
- f) nominal dimensions:
  - 1) round tube in straight lengths: outside diameter  $\times$  wall thickness  $\times$  length  
[either as manufactured length (ML) or fixed length (FL) (see 6.5.4)];
  - 2) round tube in level wound coils: outside diameter  $\times$  wall thickness  $\times$  nominal coil weight;
  - 3) square or rectangular tube: across-flats dimension(s)  $\times$  wall thickness  $\times$  length  
[either as manufactured length (ML) or fixed length (FL) (see 6.5.4)].

The derivation of a product designation is shown in Example 1 and other typical product designations are shown in Examples 2 and 3.



EXAMPLE 1 Tube for electrical purposes conforming to this document, in material designated either Cu-ETP or CW004A, in material condition R250, round, with nominal outside diameter 100 mm and nominal wall thickness 5 mm, as manufactured length 3 000 mm, will be designated as follows:



EXAMPLE 2 Tube for electrical purposes conforming to this document, in material designated either Cu-OF or CW008A, in material condition H065, square, nominal width across-flats 120 mm, nominal wall thickness 10 mm, fixed length 4 500 mm, will be designated as follows:

**Tube EN 13600 — Cu-OF — H065 — SQR120 × 10 × 4 500FL**

or;

**Tube EN 13600 — CW008A — H065 — SQR120 × 10 × 4 500FL**

EXAMPLE 3 Tube for electrical purposes conforming to this document, in material designated either CuAg0,10 or CW013A, in material condition R290, rectangular, with nominal widths across-flats 140 mm and 80 mm, nominal wall thickness 5 mm, fixed length 3 500 mm, will be designated as follows:

**Tube EN 13600 — CuAg0,10 — R290 — RCT140 × 80 × 5 × 3 500FL**

or;

**Tube EN 13600 — CW013A — R290 — RCT140 × 80 × 5 × 3 500FL**

## 5 Ordering information

In order to facilitate the enquiry, order and confirmation of order procedures between the purchaser and the supplier, the purchaser shall state on his enquiry and order the following information:

- a) quantity of product required (mass, number of tubes);
- b) denomination (tube);
- c) number of this document (EN 13600);
- d) material designation (see Table 1 and Table 2);
- e) material condition designation (see 4.2 and Table 3);
- f) nominal dimensions:

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- 1) round tube in straight lengths: outside diameter  $\times$  wall thickness  $\times$  length

[either as manufactured length (ML) or fixed length (FL) (see 6.5.4)];

- 2) round tube in level wound coils: outside diameter  $\times$  wall thickness  $\times$  nominal coil weight;

NOTE For round tubes, upon agreement between purchaser and supplier, the inside diameter can be used as an alternative to the wall thickness.

- 3) square or rectangular tube: across-flats dimension(s)  $\times$  wall thickness  $\times$  length

[either as manufactured length (ML) or fixed length (FL) (see 6.5.4)].

It is recommended that the product designation, as described in 4.3, is used for items b) to f).

In addition, the purchaser shall also state on the enquiry and order any of the following, if required:

- g) test method to be used for the measurement of hardness, i.e. Vickers or Brinell (see 8.3);
- h) whether special tolerances on dimensions and form are required;
- i) whether special surface conditions are required (see 6.7);
- j) whether deburring is required (see 6.5.4.1);
- k) whether a declaration of conformity is required (see 9.1);
- l) whether an inspection document is required, and if so, which type (see 9.2);
- m) whether there are any special requirements for marking, packaging or labelling (see Clause 10).

EXAMPLE Ordering details for 1 000 pieces tube for electrical purposes conforming to EN 13600, in material designated either Cu-ETP or CW004A, in material condition R250, round, with nominal outside diameter 100 mm and nominal wall thickness 5 mm, as manufactured length 3 000 mm:

**1 000 pieces Tube EN 13600 — Cu-ETP — R250 — RND100  $\times$  5  $\times$  3000ML**

or;

**1 000 pieces Tube EN 13600 — CW004A — R250 — RND100  $\times$  5  $\times$  3000ML**

## 6 Requirements

### 6.1 Composition

The composition shall conform to the requirements for the appropriate material given in Table 1 and Table 2.

NOTE For characteristics of coppers for electrical purposes, see Annex A.

### 6.2 Mechanical properties

The mechanical properties shall conform to the appropriate requirements given in Table 3. The tests shall be carried out in accordance with either 8.2 (tensile test) or 8.3 (hardness test).

### 6.3 Electrical properties

The electrical properties shall conform to the appropriate requirements given in Table 4. The test shall be carried out in accordance with 8.4.

### 6.4 Freedom from hydrogen embrittlement

Tubes in copper grades Cu-OF (CW008A), CuAg0,10P (CW016A), CuAg0,10(OF) (CW019A), Cu-PHC (CW020A) and Cu HCP (CW021A) shall show no evidence of cracking, when tested and visually examined in accordance with 8.5.

### 6.5 Dimensions and tolerances

#### 6.5.1 Outside dimensions

The dimensional tolerances are applied on the outside dimensions and wall thickness, if not otherwise agreed between the purchaser and the supplier.

For round tubes, the diameter shall conform to the tolerances given in Table 5.

For square and rectangular tubes, the outside dimensions shall conform to the tolerances given in Table 6.

#### 6.5.2 Corner radii

The corner radii of square and rectangular tubes shall conform to the requirements given in Table 7.

#### 6.5.3 Wall thickness

The wall thickness of round, square and rectangular tubes, measured at any one point, shall conform to the tolerances given in Table 8.

#### 6.5.4 Length

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##### 6.5.4.1 General

Tubes shall be supplied either in manufactured lengths or fixed lengths, with ends either sawn or sheared.

If deburring of the cut ends of the tubes is required, it shall be agreed between the purchaser and the supplier [see Clause 5, list entry j)].

##### 6.5.4.2 Manufactured lengths

Manufactured lengths (ML) shall be supplied in the nominal lengths. The tolerances are by agreement between the purchaser and the supplier.

It is permissible for 10 % of the number of tubes in a consignment to be shorter, but not less than 50 % of the nominal length.

##### 6.5.4.3 Fixed lengths

Tubes supplied as fixed lengths (FL) shall conform to the tolerances given in Table 9.

The deviation from squareness of the cut shall be a maximum of 2 % of the diameter or major across-flats dimension of the tube and is included in the fixed length tolerance.