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Wrought magnesium alloys – Chemical composition and mechanical properties

1 Scope and field of application

This International Standard specifies

- the chemical composition and the minimum mechanical properties of semi-finished products in magnesium-zinc-zirconium alloys;
- the chemical composition and the minimum mechanical properties of semi-finished products in magnesium-aluminium-zinc alloys.

2 References

ISO/R 190, *Tensile testing of light metals and their alloys*.¹⁾

ISO/R 952, *Tensile testing of light metal and light metal alloy tubes*.¹⁾

ISO 2092, *Light metals and their alloys – Code of designation based on chemical symbols*.

ISO/R 2107, *Light metals and their alloys – Temper designations*.

3 Requirements

3.1 Chemical composition

3.1.1 The chemical composition of semi-finished products in magnesium-zinc-zirconium alloys shall be as given in table 1.

3.1.2 The chemical composition of semi-finished products in magnesium-aluminium-zinc alloys shall be as given in table 2.

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Table 1

Alloy*	Chemical composition, %				
	Alloying elements		Impurities max.		Total other impurities max.
	Zn	Zr	Cu	Ni	
Mg-Zn6Zr	4,8 to 6,2	0,45 to 0,8	0,03	0,005	0,30
Mg-Zn3Zr	2,5 to 4,0	0,4 to 0,8	0,03	0,005	0,30
Mg-Zn1Zr	0,75 to 1,5	0,4 to 0,8	0,03	0,005	0,30

* For designations, see ISO 2092.

Table 2

Alloy*	Chemical composition, %								
	Alloying elements			Impurities max.					Total other impurities max.
	Al	Zn	Mn	Si	Cu	Fe	Ni	Ca	
Mg-Al3Zn1Mn	2,5 to 3,5	0,5 to 1,5	>0,2	0,1	0,1	0,03	0,005	0,04	0,30
Mg-Al6Zn1Mn	5,5 to 7,2	0,5 to 1,5	0,15 to 0,4	0,1	0,1	0,03	0,005		0,30
Mg-Al8ZnMn	7,5 to 9,2	0,2 to 1,0	0,1 to 0,4	0,1	0,05	0,005	0,005		0,30

* For designations, see ISO 2092.

1) The revisions of ISO/R 190 and ISO/R 952 will be incorporated in ISO 6892.

3.2 Mechanical properties

Before comparison with the limiting values given in tables 3 and 4, the measured or calculated values of 0,2 % yield strength, or of tensile strength, shall be rounded to the nearest 1 N/mm², and those of the percentage elongation rounded to the nearest 1 %.

Test pieces shall be taken in the longitudinal direction; for rolled flat products of thickness greater than 6,0 mm, test pieces may be taken in the long transverse direction.

3.2.1 The minimum values of the mechanical properties of semi-finished products in magnesium-zinc-zirconium alloys in the temper conditions as defined in ISO/R 2107, shall be as given in table 3.

3.2.2 The minimum values of the mechanical properties of semi-finished products in magnesium-aluminium-zinc alloys in

the temper conditions as defined in ISO/R 2107, shall be as given in table 4.

4 Methods of test

4.1 Chemical composition

The determination of the alloying elements given in tables 1 and 2 should be performed in accordance with methods forming the subject of International Standards.

Other methods may be used, but in case of dispute the International Standard methods shall be adopted.

4.2 Tensile test

The tensile test shall be carried out by methods in conformity with ISO/R 190 and ISO/R 952.

Table 3

Type of product	Alloy	Temper	Thickness or diameter (D) mm	Tensile strength R _m N/mm ² *	0,2 % yield strength R _{p0,2} N/mm ² *	Elongation A 5,65 √S ₀ %
Bars and solid sections	Mg-Zn6Zr	M	D ≤ 50	300	210	5
		TE	D ≤ 50	310	230	5
	Mg-Zn3Zr	M	D < 10	270	190	8
			10 < D ≤ 100	300	225	8
			D ≤ 10	250	170	8
Mg-Zn1Zr	M	D ≤ 10	250	170	8	
		10 < D ≤ 100	260	185	8	
Tubes and hollow sections	Mg-Zn1Zr	M	All section sizes	250	170	5
Forgings	Mg-Zn6Zr	TE	All section sizes	280	180	7
	Mg-Zn3Zr	M	All section sizes	270	180	6
Rolled flat products	Mg-Zn3Zr	M	D ≤ 0,5	250	—	—
			0,5 < D ≤ 1,6	250	160	6
			1,6 < D ≤ 6	265	180	7
			6 < D ≤ 50	250	150	8
	Mg-Zn1Zr	M	D ≤ 0,5	240	—	—
			0,5 < D ≤ 1,6	240	160	5
			1,6 < D ≤ 6	250	170	6
			6 < D ≤ 25	230	130	8
25 < D ≤ 50	220	120	8			

* 1 N/mm² = 1 MPa

Table 4

Type of product	Alloy	Temper	Thickness or diameter (D) mm	Tensile strength R_m N/mm ² *	0,2 % yield strength $R_{p0,2}$ N/mm ² *	Elongation $A_{5,65 \sqrt{S_0}}$ %
Bars and solid sections**	Mg-Al3Zn1Mn	M	10 < D < 40	240	150	6
		M	40 < D < 65	230	140	6
	Mg-Al6Zn1Mn	M	10 < D < 40	270	180	6
		M	40 < D < 65	260	160	6
	Mg-Al8Zn1Mn	M	10 < D < 40	290	190	5
		M	40 < D < 100	280	190	5
Tubes and hollow sections**	Mg-Al3Zn1Mn	M	1 < D < 10	230	150	6
	Mg-Al6Zn1Mn	M	1 < D < 10	260	150	6
Rolled flat products†	Mg-Al3Zn1Mn	O	0,5 < D < 6	220	105	11
			6 < D < 25	210	105	9
		HB	0,5 < D < 6	250	160	5
			6 < D < 25	220	120	8
		HD	0,5 < D < 6	260	200	4
			6 < D < 25	250	160	6
Separately forged test pieces§	Mg-Al3Zn1Mn	M	10 < D < 40	240	130	6
	Mg-Al6Zn1Mn	M	10 < D < 40	270	150	5
	Mg-Al8Zn1Mn	M	10 < D < 40	290	190	5
		TE	10 < D < 40	290	200	4

* 1 N/mm² = 1 MPa

** Test pieces parallel to the direction of extrusion.

† Test pieces taken transversally to the direction of rolling.

§ Separately forged test pieces or test pieces taken parallel to the direction of flow.

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