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Standard Specification for Zinc-Aluminum Alloys in Ingot Form for Hot-Dip Coatings¹

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1. Scope

1.1 This specification covers certain zinc-aluminum (Zn-Al) alloys in ingot form for re-melting for use in the production of hot-dip coatings on steel. Alloy compositions are specified below and in [Table 1](#).

ASTM	Common	UNS
Type 5	95/5 Zn/Al	to be assigned
Type 10	90/10 Zn/Al	to be assigned
Type 15	85/15 Zn/Al	to be assigned

NOTE 1—The zinc-aluminum alloys in Specification B997 are intended to be used primarily to create a molten zinc-aluminum bath and differ from the master alloys in Specification [B860](#) which are intended primarily to adjust the concentration of certain elements in molten zinc galvanizing baths.

1.2 The values stated in inch-pound units are to be regarded as standard. The values given in parentheses are mathematical conversions to SI units that are provided for information only and are not considered standard.

1.3 *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 The following documents of the issue in effect on date of order acceptance form a part of this specification to the extent referenced herein:

2.2 ASTM Standards:²

- [B750](#) Specification for GALFAN (Zinc-5 % Aluminum-Mischmetal) Alloy in Ingot Form for Hot-Dip Coatings
- [B860](#) Specification for Zinc Master Alloys for Use in Hot Dip Galvanizing
- [B899](#) Terminology Relating to Non-ferrous Metals and Alloys

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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.

[B949](#) Specification for General Requirements for Zinc and Zinc Alloy Products

[E29](#) Practice for Using Significant Digits in Test Data to Determine Conformance with Specifications

[E527](#) Practice for Numbering Metals and Alloys in the Unified Numbering System (UNS)

[E536](#) Test Methods for Chemical Analysis of Zinc and Zinc Alloys

[E1277](#) Test Method for Analysis of Zinc-5 % Aluminum-Mischmetal Alloys by ICP Emission Spectrometry

2.3 ISO Standards:³

[ISO 3815-1](#) Zinc and zinc alloys — Part 1: Analysis of solid samples by optical emission spectrometry

[ISO 3815-2](#) Zinc and zinc alloys — Part 2: Analysis by inductively coupled plasma optical emission spectrometry

3. Terminology

3.1 Terminology:

- 3.1.1 *Type 5, n*—95 % zinc – 5 % aluminum alloy.
- 3.1.2 *Type 10, n*—90 % zinc – 10 % aluminum alloy.
- 3.1.3 *Type 15, n*—85 % zinc – 15 % aluminum alloy.

3.2 Abbreviations:

- 3.2.1 *95/5 Zn/Al*—95 % zinc – 5 % aluminum alloy.
- 3.2.2 *90/10 Zn/Al*—90 % zinc – 10 % aluminum alloy.
- 3.2.3 *85/15 Zn/Al*—85 % zinc – 15 % aluminum alloy.

4. Ordering Information

4.1 Orders for ingots under this specification shall include the relevant information as listed in Specification [B949](#), Section 4.

5. Chemical Requirements

5.1 *Limits*—The alloys shall conform to the requirements as to chemical composition prescribed in [Table 1](#). Conformance shall be determined by the producer by analyzing samples taken at the time ingots are made. If the producer has determined the chemical composition of the metal during the course of manufacture, he shall not be required to sample and analyze the finished product.

³ Available from American National Standards Institute (ANSI), 25 W. 43rd St., 4th Floor, New York, NY 10036, <http://www.ansi.org>.