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Standard Specification for Electronic Grade Alloys of Copper and Nickel in Wrought Forms¹

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1. Scope

1.1 This specification covers alloys of copper and nickel in a variety of wrought shapes suitable for external and internal use in electron devices.

1.2 The values stated in SI units are to be regarded as standard. No other units of measurement are included in this standard.

1.3 The following safety hazards caveat applies to Test Methods Section 8 only: *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 *ASTM Standards*:²

A342/A342M Test Methods for Permeability of Weakly Magnetic Materials

B122/B122M Specification for Copper-Nickel-Tin Alloy, Copper-Nickel-Zinc Alloy (Nickel Silver), and Copper-Nickel Alloy Plate, Sheet, Strip, and Rolled Bar

B127 Specification for Nickel-Copper Alloy (UNS N04400) Plate, Sheet, and Strip

B164 Specification for Nickel-Copper Alloy Rod, Bar, and Wire

B165 Specification for Nickel-Copper Alloy (UNS N04400) Seamless Pipe and Tube

E75 Test Methods for Chemical Analysis of Copper-Nickel and Copper-Nickel-Zinc Alloys (Withdrawn 2010)³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 The last approved version of this historical standard is referenced on www.astm.org.

3. Ordering Information

3.1 Orders for material to this specification shall include the following information:

3.1.1 Alloy (see 9.1),

3.1.2 Shape,

3.1.3 Condition (cold-rolled, hot-rolled, etc.),

3.1.4 Dimensions,

3.1.5 Weight,

3.1.6 Packaging (see 10.2), and

3.1.7 Special requirements (see 11.1).

4. Manufacture and Workmanship

4.1 The material shall be handled in such a manner that oxide contamination and foreign material such as metal chips and dirt shall be minimized on the surfaces.

4.2 Sheet and strip intended for deep drawing shall be substantially free from directional properties which can cause excessive tearing in the deep drawn product.

5. Chemical Composition

5.1 This material shall conform to the chemical composition shown in Table 1.

5.2 When specifically requested, a certificate of chemical analysis shall be supplied by the manufacturer. Sample for chemical analysis is to be taken from a ladle sample at the time the melt is cast. Each sample shall be individually analyzed to the requirements of 5.1 and the numerical results of analysis reported in the certification.

5.3 In case of disagreement, the analysis shall be made in accordance with Test Method E75 for the respective materials when such methods of analysis are available. When ASTM methods are not available, the analytical procedures shall be agreed upon by the manufacturer and the purchaser.

6. Physical Properties

6.1 Alloy 1—The properties shall be as shown in the applicable basic product specification referenced in 5.1 except for grain size which shall conform to the requirements in Table 2.