
Resistance welding — Materials for electrodes and ancillary equipment

*Soudage par résistance — Matériaux pour électrodes et
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Resistance welding — Materials for electrodes and ancillary equipment

1 Scope

This International Standard specifies the characteristics of materials for resistance welding electrodes and ancillary equipment which are used for carrying current and transmitting force to the work.

2 Normative references

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

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

ASTM E1004, *Standard practice for determining electrical conductivity using the electromagnetic (eddy-current) method*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

3.1

softening temperature

maximum temperature that, if maintained for 2 h, will result in a reduction in ambient temperature hardness of a maximum of 15 % of the “as received” value

4 Classification

4.1 Group A — Copper and copper alloys

This group defines four types of material in accordance with [Table 1](#).

Table 1 — Group A — Classification of copper and copper alloys

Type	Description
1	Non-heat-treatable alloys of high conductivity and medium hardness, the wrought forms of which are given their strengths by cold working during manufacture.
2	Alloys which are harder than type 1 and in which the mechanical properties have been developed by heat treatment during manufacture or by a combination of heat treatment and cold working.
3	Heat-treated alloys which have superior mechanical properties to type 2 but a lower electrical conductivity than either type 1 or type 2.
4	Alloys having certain specialised properties which may, in some cases, be obtained either by cold working or by heat treatment. Alloys of this type are not necessarily interchangeable with each other.

4.2 Group B — Sintered materials

This group comprises six types of material based upon the constituents used in accordance with [Table 2](#).