



# AEROSPACE MATERIAL SPECIFICATION

**AMS5354™****REV. G**

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Superseding AMS5354F

Steel, Corrosion and Heat Resistant, Investment Castings

13Cr - 2.0Ni - 3.0W

Hardened and Tempered to 32 - 38 HRC

Composition similar to UNS J91631

## RATIONALE

AMS5354G revises chemical analysis standards (3.1), updates the default NDT acceptance requirement (3.7.4.1), prohibits unauthorized exceptions (3.8), updates Reports (4.5.5), and results from a Five-Year Review and update of this specification.

AMS5354G has been reaffirmed to comply with the SAE Five-Year Review policy.

### 1. SCOPE

#### 1.1 Form

This specification covers a corrosion and moderate heat resistant steel in the form of investment castings.

#### 1.2 Application

These castings have been used typically for parts, such as compressor blades and vanes, housings, and valves, up to 1000 °F (538 °C), but usage is not limited to such applications.

### 2. APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS

The issue of the following documents in effect on the date of the purchase order forms a part of this specification to the extent specified herein. The supplier may work to a subsequent revision of a document unless a specific document issue is specified. When the referenced document has been cancelled and no superseding document has been specified, the last published issue of that document shall apply.

#### 2.1 SAE Publications

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AMS2175 Castings, Classification and Inspection of

AMS2248 Chemical Check Analysis Limits, Corrosion and Heat-Resistant Steels and Alloys, Maraging and Other Highly-Alloyed Steels, and Iron Alloys

AMS2360 Room Temperature Tensile Properties of Castings

AMS2694 In-Process Welding of Castings

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|-----------|----------------------------------------------------------------|
| AMS2700   | Passivation of Corrosion Resistant Steels                      |
| AMS2759   | Heat Treatment of Steel Parts                                  |
| AMS2759/5 | Heat Treatment, Martensitic Corrosion-Resistant Steel Parts    |
| AMS2804   | Identification, Castings                                       |
| ARP1917   | Clarification of Terms Used in Aerospace Metals Specifications |

## 2.2 ASTM Publications

Available from ASTM International, 100 Barr Harbor Drive, P.O. Box C700, West Conshohocken, PA 19428-2959, Tel: 610-832-9585, [www.astm.org](http://www.astm.org).

|                   |                                                                                  |
|-------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| ASTM A751         | Test Methods, Practices, and Terminology for Chemical Analysis of Steel Products |
| ASTM E8/E8M       | Tension Testing of Metallic Materials                                            |
| ASTM E18          | Rockwell Hardness of Metallic Materials                                          |
| ASTM E1417/E1417M | Liquid Penetrant Testing                                                         |
| ASTM E1444/E1444M | Magnetic Particle Testing                                                        |
| ASTM E1742/E1742M | Radiographic Examination                                                         |

## 3. TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS

### 3.1 Composition

Castings shall conform to the percentages by weight shown in Table 1, determined by wet chemical methods in accordance with ASTM A751, by spectrochemical methods, or by other analytical methods acceptable to purchaser (see 8.2.1 and 8.2.2).

**Table 1 - Composition**

| Element    | Min   | Max   |
|------------|-------|-------|
| Carbon     | 0.15  | 0.20  |
| Manganese  | --    | 1.00  |
| Silicon    | --    | 1.00  |
| Phosphorus | --    | 0.04  |
| Sulfur     | --    | 0.03  |
| Chromium   | 12.00 | 14.00 |
| Nickel     | 1.80  | 2.20  |
| Tungsten   | 2.50  | 3.50  |
| Molybdenum | --    | 0.50  |
| Copper     | --    | 0.50  |

3.1.1 Producer may test for any element not listed in Table 1 and include this analysis in the report of 4.5. Limits of acceptability may be specified by purchaser (see 8.2.3).

#### 3.1.2 Check Analysis

Composition variations shall meet the applicable requirements of AMS2248.

### 3.2 Melting Practice

Castings and specimens shall be poured at casting producer's facility either from a melt (see 8.2.4) of a master heat, or directly from a master heat (see 8.2.5).

- 3.2.1 Revert (gates, sprues, risers, and rejected castings) may be used only in the preparation of master heats; revert shall not be remelted directly without refining for pouring of castings. Melting of revert creates a new master heat.
- 3.2.2 Portions of two or more qualified master heats (see 3.4.2) may be melted together and poured into castings using a procedure authorized by purchaser (see 8.2.6).
- 3.2.3 If melts are modified by replenishments (see 8.2.10), producer shall have a written procedure acceptable to purchaser which defines the controls, test, and traceability criteria for both castings and separately-cast specimens. Control factors of 4.4.2.2 shall apply.

### 3.3 Condition

Castings shall be delivered in the homogenized, austenitized and tempered condition.

### 3.4 Test Specimens

Specimens shall be separately-cast, integrally-cast (see 8.2.7), or machined from a casting, and shall conform to 3.2.

- 3.4.1 If specimens are separately-cast, producer shall have a written procedure acceptable to purchaser. Control factors of 4.4.2.2 shall apply.
- 3.4.2 Each master heat shall be qualified by evaluation of chemical specimens.
  - 3.4.2.1 If replenishments are made at remelt as in 3.2.3, the frequency of sampling and testing used by the producer for qualification to 3.4.2 shall be acceptable to purchaser.

#### 3.4.3 Chemical Analysis Specimens

Shall be of any convenient size and shape.

#### 3.4.4 Tensile Specimens

Shall be of standard proportions in accordance with ASTM E8/E8M with 0.250 inch (6.35 mm) diameter at the reduced parallel gage section (see 8.3).

- 3.4.4.1 Separately-cast and integrally-cast specimens may be either cast to size, or cast oversize and subsequently machined to 0.250 inch (6.35 mm) diameter.
- 3.4.4.2 When integrally-cast specimens and specimens machined from a casting are specified, specimen size and location shall be agreed upon by purchaser and producer (see 8.2.8 and 8.6).

### 3.5 Heat Treatment

Castings and representative tensile specimens shall be heat treated in accordance with AMS2759 except as specified in 3.5.1.

#### 3.5.1 Homogenization Heat Treatment

Heat to 2025 °F ± 25 °F for not less than 90 minutes and cooled at a rate equivalent to air cool to room temperature.

#### 3.5.2 Austenitize and Temper Heat Treatment

Austenitize and temper in accordance with AMS2759/5.

### 3.6 Properties

Conformance shall be based upon testing of separately-cast specimens unless purchaser specifies integrally-cast specimens or specimens machined from a casting. Properties for integrally-cast specimens and specimens machined from a casting shall be as specified in Table 2 unless otherwise specified by cognizant engineering authority (see 8.6).

#### 3.6.1 Room Temperature Tensile Properties

Unless otherwise specified by the cognizant engineering authority, properties shall be as shown in Table 2, and shall be determined in accordance with ASTM E8/E8M (see 8.3), after heat treatment in accordance with 3.5. When specified, properties other than those in Table 2 shall be defined in accordance with AMS2360.

**Table 2 - Minimum tensile properties**

| Property                      | Value              |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|
| Tensile Strength              | 145 ksi (1000 MPa) |
| Yield Strength at 0.2% Offset | 115 ksi ( 793 MPa) |
| Elongation in 4D (see 8.3)    | 10%                |

#### 3.6.2 Hardness

Unless otherwise specified, casting hardness shall be 32 - 38 HRC, or equivalent (see 8.4), determined in accordance with ASTM E18.

### 3.7 Quality

3.7.1 Castings, as received by purchaser, shall be uniform in quality and condition, sound, and free from foreign materials and from imperfections detrimental to usage of the castings. Castings shall be free of cracks, laps, hot tears, and cold shuts, and free of scale and other process induced surface contamination which would obscure defects.

3.7.1.1 Unless otherwise specified, castings shall be sufficiently cleaned such that, after passivation by purchaser, the castings shall meet the corrosion test requirement of AMS2700.

3.7.2 Castings shall be produced under radiographic control. This control shall consist of radiographic examination of each casting part number until foundry manufacturing controls in accordance with 4.4.2 have been established. Additional radiography shall be conducted in accordance with the frequency of inspection specified by purchaser, or as necessary to ensure continued maintenance of internal quality.

3.7.2.1 Radiographic inspection shall be conducted in accordance with ASTM E1742/E1742M or another method specified by purchaser.

3.7.3 When specified, additional nondestructive testing shall be performed as follows:

3.7.3.1 Fluorescent penetrant testing in accordance with ASTM E1417/E1417M or another method specified by purchaser.

3.7.3.2 Magnetic particle testing in accordance with ASTM E1444/E1444M or another method specified by purchaser.

3.7.4 Acceptance standards for radiographic, fluorescent penetrant, magnetic particle, visual, and other inspection methods shall be agreed upon by purchaser and producer (see 8.2.8). AMS2175 may be used to specify acceptance standards (casting grade) and frequency of inspection (casting class).

3.7.4.1 When acceptance standards are not specified, the following applies: Castings shall meet Grade C of AMS2175 and radiographic indications of gas holes, sand spots, and inclusions shall be cause for rejection when closer to the edge than twice their maximum dimension.

3.7.5 Castings shall not be peened, plugged, impregnated, or welded unless authorized by purchaser.

3.7.5.1 When authorized by purchaser, welding in accordance with AMS2694 or another welding program acceptable to purchaser may be used.

3.8 Any exceptions shall be authorized by purchaser and reported as in 4.5.5

#### 4. QUALITY ASSURANCE PROVISIONS

##### 4.1 Responsibility for Inspection

The producer of castings shall supply all samples for producer's tests and shall be responsible for the performance of all required tests. Purchaser reserves the right to sample and to perform any confirmatory testing deemed necessary to ensure that the castings conform to specified requirements.

##### 4.2 Classification of Tests

###### 4.2.1 Acceptance Tests

Composition (3.1), tensile properties (3.6.1), hardness of production castings (3.6.2), and applicable requirements of quality (3.7) are acceptance tests and shall be performed as specified in 4.3.

###### 4.2.2 Periodic Tests

Radiographic soundness (3.7.2) and non-destructive testing (3.7.3) are periodic tests and shall be performed at a frequency selected by producer, unless frequency of testing is specified by purchaser.

###### 4.2.3 Preproduction Tests

All technical requirements are preproduction tests and shall be performed on sample castings (4.3.2), when a change in control factors occurs (4.4.2.2), or when purchaser deems confirmatory testing to be required.

##### 4.3 Sampling and Testing

The minimum testing performed by producer shall be in accordance with the following:

4.3.1 One chemical analysis specimen or a casting from each master heat shall be tested for conformance with Table 1; if 3.4.2.1 applies, test frequency shall be acceptable to purchaser.

4.3.2 One preproduction casting in accordance with 4.4 shall be inspected and tested to the requirements of the casting drawing and to all technical requirements.

4.3.2.1 Dimensional inspection sample quantity shall be as specified by purchaser.

4.3.3 Tensile property tests shall be conducted to determine conformance with Table 2. Sampling and test frequency is dependent upon the type and origin of specimen specified by purchaser (see 3.6) or selected by producer (see 4.3.3.4). When 3.4.2.1 applies, test frequency shall be acceptable to purchaser.

4.3.3.1 For separately-cast specimens in the fully heat treated condition (see 3.5.1), one specimen from each lot shall be tested to 3.6.1.

4.3.3.2 For integrally-cast specimens in the fully heat treated condition (see 3.5.1), two specimens from each lot (see 8.2.9) shall be randomly selected and tested for conformance to 3.6.1.

4.3.3.3 For specimens machined from a casting, one casting shall be randomly selected from each lot and tested after heat treatment in accordance with 3.5 at each location shown on the engineering drawing for conformance to the properties specified by purchaser.

4.3.3.3.1 When size and location of specimens are not shown, two test specimens shall be tested, one from the thickest section and one from the thinnest section. Once established under 4.4.2.2, test locations may be changed only as agreed upon by purchaser and producer.

- 4.3.3.4 When acceptable to purchaser, specimens machined from a casting may be used in lieu of both separately-cast and integrally-cast specimens, and integrally-cast specimens may be used in lieu of separately-cast specimens. In each case, the resultant properties must conform to requirements of 3.6.1, or to alternative requirements specified by purchaser (8.6).
- 4.3.3.4.1 When specimens are selected for test as in 4.3.3.4 from an origin other than that specified by purchaser, producer shall include in the report of 4.5 a description of the origin of the specimen that was tested.
- 4.3.3.5 When casting size, section thickness, gating method, or other factors do not permit conformance with 4.3.3.2 or 4.3.3.3, sampling and testing shall be agreed upon by purchaser and producer.
- 4.3.4 Castings shall be inspected in accordance with 3.7 to the methods, frequency, and acceptance standards specified by purchaser.
- 4.3.5 Castings in the heat treated condition of 3.5 for delivery shall be tested for hardness to determine conformance to 3.6.2. Unless otherwise specified by purchaser, the number of castings from each lot shall be in accordance with Table 3.

**Table 3 - Hardness test schedule**

| Lot Size      |      | Sample Size |
|---------------|------|-------------|
| 1 to          | 8    | All         |
| 9 to          | 50   | 8           |
| 51 to         | 90   | 13          |
| 91 to         | 150  | 20          |
| 151 to        | 280  | 32          |
| 281 to        | 500  | 50          |
| 501 to        | 1200 | 80          |
| 1201 to       | 3200 | 125         |
| 3201 and over |      | 200         |

- 4.3.5.1 If a single casting from the inspection lot fails to meet the specified requirement, the entire lot shall be 100% inspected or reheat treated in accordance with 4.6.2.

#### 4.4 Approval

- 4.4.1 Sample casting(s) from new or reworked master patterns produced under the casting procedure of 4.4.2 shall be approved by purchaser before castings for production use are supplied, unless such approval be waived by purchaser.
- 4.4.2 For each casting part number, producer shall establish parameters for process control factors that will consistently produce castings and test specimens meeting the requirements of the casting drawing and this specification. These parameters shall constitute the approved casting procedure and shall be used for production of subsequent castings and test specimens. If necessary to make any change to these parameters, producer shall submit a statement of the proposed change for purchaser reapproval. When requested, producer shall also submit test specimens, sample castings, or both to purchaser for reapproval.
- 4.4.2.1 Production castings produced prior to receipt of purchaser's approval shall be at producer's risk.
- 4.4.2.2 Control factors for producing castings and separately-cast specimens include, but are not limited to, the factors shown below. Supplier's procedures shall identify tolerances, ranges, and/or control limits, as applicable. Control factors for separately-cast test specimens must generally represent, but need not be identical to, those factors used for castings (see 3.2.3 and 3.4.1):

Composition of ceramic cores, if used

Arrangement and number of patterns in the mold (including integrally-cast specimens if applicable)

Size, shape, and location of gates and risers

Mold refractory formulation

Grain refinement methods, if applicable

Mold back up material (weight, thickness, or number of dips)  
Type of furnace, atmosphere, and charge for melting  
Mold preheat and metal pouring temperatures  
Fluxing or deoxidation procedure  
Replenishment and alloy addition procedures, if applicable  
Time molten metal is in furnace  
Solidification and cooling procedures  
Cleaning operations (mechanical and chemical)  
Heat treatment for delivery and response to heat treatment  
Straightening  
Final inspection methods  
Location and size of integrally-cast specimens and specimens machined from a casting, if applicable

4.4.2.2.1 Any of the control factors for which parameters are considered proprietary by producer may be assigned a code designation. Each variation in such parameters shall be assigned a modified code designation.

4.4.2.2.1.1 Unless otherwise agreed upon by purchaser and producer, purchaser shall be entitled to review proprietary control factor details and coding at producer's facility.

#### 4.5 Reports

The producer of castings shall furnish with each shipment a report showing the results of tests to determine conformance to the acceptance test requirements, and stating that the product conforms to the other technical requirements.

4.5.1 Unless otherwise specified, producer shall furnish test report(s) showing the results of tests and inspections conducted in accordance with 4.2 and 4.3.

4.5.1.1 Chemical analysis determinations, property test data, and the results of any retests conducted shall be expressed numerically to reflect actual quantitative test values.

4.5.1.2 Hardness test readings may be expressed as single values or as a range of values exhibited by results obtained from the sample size.

4.5.1.3 Inspection and preproduction results shall be reported at the frequency specified by, and in a format acceptable to purchaser.

4.5.1.4 Objective evidence of purchaser's review and acceptance of nonconforming material shall be provided with the certification document at each shipment (see Section 7).

4.5.2 The certification document and test report(s) shall be traceable to the purchase order number, master heat identification, heat treat/lot number, AMS5354G, part number, quantity, and when required (see 5.1.2) the list of individual serial numbers or serial number range.

4.5.2.1 If 4.3.3.4.1 applies, the mechanical property test report shall denote the source of the specimens that were tested.

4.5.3 Test reports for acceptance testing of 4.2 shall be as follows:

4.5.3.1 For Each Master Heat

Composition (see 4.3.1)

4.5.3.2 For Each Lot

Tensile properties (see 4.3.3.1, 4.3.3.2 or 4.3.3.3)

Inspection results (see 4.3.4)

Hardness (see 4.3.5)

4.5.4 The producer shall retain records of processing and inspection in accordance with purchaser requirements.

4.5.5 When castings produced to this specification have exceptions authorized by purchaser taken to the technical requirements listed in Section 3, the report shall contain a statement "This material is certified as AMS5354G(EXC) because of the following exceptions." and the specific exceptions shall be listed.

#### 4.6 Resampling and Retesting

If the results of a valid test fail to meet requirements, two additional specimens in accordance with 4.3 from the same master heat, modified melt (see 3.2.3), or lot, as applicable, shall be tested for each nonconforming characteristic. The results of each additional test, and the average of the results of all tests (original and retests), shall meet the specified requirements; otherwise, the master heat or lot shall be rejected. Results of all tests shall be reported.

4.6.1 A test may be declared invalid if failure is due to specimen mispreparation, test equipment malfunction, improper test procedure, or the presence of random process defects such as inclusions or gas holes in a tensile specimen.

4.6.2 Unless otherwise authorized by purchaser, castings and specimens may be subjected to not more than one reheat treatment cycle of 3.5, 3.5.1.1, or 3.5.1.2, respectively in the event of hardness and/or property failure. Upon reheat treatment, castings and specimens shall be submitted for testing in accordance with 4.3.

### 5. PREPARATION FOR DELIVERY

#### 5.1 Identification

Unless specified by purchaser, individual castings shall be identified in accordance with AMS2804.

##### 5.1.1 Traceability

Individual castings shall be traceable to their conditions of manufacture and inspection up to and including the point of acceptance by purchaser.

##### 5.1.2 Serialization

When specified (see 4.5.2 and 8.6) each casting shall be serialized with a unique non-repeating serial number.

#### 5.2 Packaging

Castings shall be prepared for shipment in accordance with commercial practice and in compliance with applicable rules and regulations pertaining to the handling, packaging, and transportation of the castings to ensure carrier acceptance and safe delivery.

### 6. ACKNOWLEDGMENT

A producer shall mention this specification number and its revision letter in all quotations and when acknowledging purchase orders.

### 7. REJECTIONS

Castings not conforming to this specification, or to modifications authorized by purchaser, will be subject to rejection.

### 8. NOTES

#### 8.1 Revision Indicator

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