



Standard Specification for Nonferrous Bolts, Hex Cap Screws, and Studs for General Use (Metric)¹

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1. Scope*

1.1 This specification covers the requirements for commercial wrought nonferrous bolts, hex cap screws, and studs in nominal thread diameters M6 to M36 inclusive manufactured from a number of alloys in common use and intended for general service applications.

1.2 Unless otherwise specified, nuts used on these bolts, cap screws, and studs shall conform to the requirements of Specification F467M. Nuts shall be of the same alloy group as the fastener on which they are used and shall have a specified minimum proof stress equal to or greater than the specified minimum tensile strength stress of the fastener on which they are used.

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

NOTE 1—This specification is the metric companion of Specification F468.

2. Referenced Documents

2.1 ASTM Standards:²

- B154 Test Method for Mercurous Nitrate Test for Copper Alloys
- B193 Test Method for Resistivity of Electrical Conductor Materials
- B211M Specification for Aluminum and Aluminum-Alloy Rolled or Cold-Finished Bar, Rod, and Wire (Metric)
- B565 Test Method for Shear Testing of Aluminum and Aluminum-Alloy Rivets and Cold-Heading Wire and Rods

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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.

- B574 Specification for Low-Carbon Nickel-Chromium-Molybdenum, Low-Carbon Nickel-Molybdenum-Chromium, Low-Carbon Nickel-Molybdenum-Chromium-Tantalum, Low-Carbon Nickel-Chromium-Molybdenum-Copper, and Low-Carbon Nickel-Chromium-Molybdenum-Tungsten Alloy Rod
- D3951 Practice for Commercial Packaging
- E8M Test Methods for Tension Testing of Metallic Materials [Metric] (Withdrawn 2008)³
- E18 Test Methods for Rockwell Hardness of Metallic Materials
- E29 Practice for Using Significant Digits in Test Data to Determine Conformance with Specifications
- E34 Test Methods for Chemical Analysis of Aluminum and Aluminum-Base Alloys
- E38 Methods for Chemical Analysis of Nickel-Chromium and Nickel-Chromium-Iron Alloys (Withdrawn 1989)³
- E53 Test Method for Determination of Copper in Unalloyed Copper by Gravimetry
- E54 Test Methods for Chemical Analysis of Special Brasses and Bronzes (Withdrawn 2002)³
- E55 Practice for Sampling Wrought Nonferrous Metals and Alloys for Determination of Chemical Composition
- E62 Test Methods for Chemical Analysis of Copper and Copper Alloys (Photometric Methods) (Withdrawn 2010)³
- E75 Test Methods for Chemical Analysis of Copper-Nickel and Copper-Nickel-Zinc Alloys (Withdrawn 2010)³
- E76 Test Methods for Chemical Analysis of Nickel-Copper Alloys (Withdrawn 2003)³
- E92 Test Method for Vickers Hardness of Metallic Materials (Withdrawn 2010)³
- E101 Test Method for Spectrographic Analysis of Aluminum and Aluminum Alloys by the Point-to-Plane Technique (Withdrawn 1996)³
- E120 Test Methods for Chemical Analysis of Titanium and Titanium Alloys (Withdrawn 2003)³
- E165 Practice for Liquid Penetrant Examination for General Industry

³ The last approved version of this historical standard is referenced on www.astm.org.

*A Summary of Changes section appears at the end of this standard

E227 Test Method for Optical Emission Spectrometric Analysis of Aluminum and Aluminum Alloys by the Point-to-Plane Technique (Withdrawn 2002)³

E354 Test Methods for Chemical Analysis of High-Temperature, Electrical, Magnetic, and Other Similar Iron, Nickel, and Cobalt Alloys

E478 Test Methods for Chemical Analysis of Copper Alloys

E1409 Test Method for Determination of Oxygen and Nitrogen in Titanium and Titanium Alloys by the Inert Gas Fusion Technique

F467M Specification for Nonferrous Nuts for General Use (Metric)

F606M Test Methods for Determining the Mechanical Properties of Externally and Internally Threaded Fasteners, Washers, and Rivets (Metric)

F1470 Practice for Fastener Sampling for Specified Mechanical Properties and Performance Inspection

2.2 *ASME Standards*:⁴

B 1.13M Metric Screw Threads

B 18.2.3.1M Metric Hex Cap Screws

B 18.2.3.5M Metric Hex Bolts

H 35.1 Alloy and Temper Designation Systems for Aluminum

3. Ordering Information

3.1 Orders for fasteners under this specification shall include the following information:

3.1.1 Quantity (number of pieces of each item and size);

3.1.2 Name of item. For silicon bronze alloy 651, state if hex cap screw dimensions or roll thread body diameter are required (see 7.1.2);

3.1.3 Dimensions including nominal diameter, thread pitch, and length;

3.1.4 Alloy number (Table 1). For Ti5, state Class A or Class B (Table 2, 6.5, and 6.5.1);

3.1.5 Stress relieving, if required (see 4.2.3),

3.1.6 Shipment lot testing, as required (see Section 10);

3.1.7 Source inspection, if required (see Section 14);

3.1.8 Certificate of compliance or test report, if required (see Section 16);

3.1.9 Additional requirements, if any, to be specified on the purchase order (see 4.2.1, 4.2.4, 7.3.1, 8.2, 11.1, and 12.1);

3.1.10 Supplementary Requirements, if any; and

3.1.11 ASTM specification and year of issue.

NOTE 2—A typical ordering description is as follows: 10 000 pieces, Hex Cap Screw, M6 × 1 × 80, Alloy 270. Furnish Certificate of Compliance, Supplementary Requirement S1, ASTM F468M-XX.

4. Materials and Manufacture

4.1 *Materials*:

4.1.1 The bolts, cap screws, and studs shall be manufactured from material having a chemical composition conforming to the requirements in Table 1 and capable of developing the required mechanical properties for the specified alloy in the finished fastener. See Specification B574 for nickel alloys.

⁴ Available from Global Engineering Documents, 15 Inverness Way, East Englewood, CO 80112-5704.

4.1.2 The starting condition of the raw material shall be at the discretion of the fastener manufacturer but shall be such that the finished products conform to all of the specified requirements.

4.2 *Manufacture*:

4.2.1 *Forming*—Unless otherwise specified, the fasteners shall be cold formed, hot formed, or machined from suitable material, at the option of the manufacturer.

4.2.2 *Condition*—Except as provided in 4.2.3, the fasteners shall be furnished in the following conditions:

Alloy	Condition
Copper (all alloys):	As formed or stress relieved at manufacturer's option
Nickel alloys:	
400 and 405	As formed or stress relieved at manufacturer's option
500	Solution annealed and aged
625	Annealed
Aluminum alloys:	
2024-T4	Solution treated and naturally aged
6061-T6	Solution treated and artificially aged
7075-T73	Solution treated and stabilized
Titanium	As formed

4.2.3 *Stress Relieving*—When required, stress relieving shall be specified by the purchaser for nickel alloys 400 and 405 and all copper alloys.

4.2.4 *Threads*—Unless otherwise specified, the threads shall be rolled or cut at the option of the manufacturer.

5. Chemical Composition

5.1 *Chemical Composition*—The fasteners shall conform to the requirements as to chemical composition prescribed in Table 1 for the specified alloy.

5.2 *Manufacturer's Analysis*:

5.2.1 When test reports are required on the inquiry or purchase order (see 3.1.8), the manufacturer shall make individual analyses of randomly selected finished fasteners from the product to be shipped and report the results to the purchaser, except as provided in 5.2.2. Alternatively, if heat and lot identities have been maintained, the analysis of the raw material from which the fasteners have been manufactured may be reported instead of product analysis.

5.2.2 For aluminum fasteners, the manufacturer may furnish instead a certificate of conformance certifying compliance with the chemical composition specified in Table 1.

5.3 *Product Analysis*:

5.3.1 Product analyses may be made by the purchaser from finished products representing each lot. The chemical composition thus determined shall conform to the requirements in Table 1.

5.3.2 In the event of disagreement, a referee chemical analysis of samples from each lot shall be made in accordance with 11.1 and 12.1.

6. Mechanical Properties

6.1 The fasteners shall be tested in accordance with the mechanical testing requirements for the applicable type, length of product, and minimum tensile strength and shall meet the mechanical properties in Table 2 and Table 3 for the specified alloy.

TABLE 1 Chemical Requirements

Composition, %													
UNS Designation Number	Copper and Copper-Base Alloys												
	Alloy	General Name	Aluminum	Copper, min	Iron, max	Manganese, max	Nickel, max	Phosphorus	Silicon	Zinc, max ^A	Lead, max	Tin	Arsenic, max
C11000	110	ETP copper	...	99.9	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
C26000	260	brass	...	68.5–71.5	0.05	...	...	...	...	balance	0.07	...	...
C27000	270	brass	...	63.0–68.5	0.07	...	...	...	...	balance	0.10	...	...
C46200	462	naval brass	...	62.0–65.0	0.10	...	...	...	...	balance	0.20	0.5–1.0	...
C46400	464	naval brass	...	59.0–62.0	0.10	...	...	...	...	balance	0.20	0.5–1.0	...
C51000	510	phosphor bronze	...	balance ^A	0.10	...	...	0.03–0.35	...	0.30	0.05	4.2–5.8	...
C61300	613	aluminum bronze	6.0–7.5	^B	2.0–3.0	0.10	0.15 ^C	0.015	0.10	0.05	0.01	0.20–0.50	...
C61400	614	aluminum bronze	6.0–8.0	88.0 ^D	1.5–3.5	1.0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
C63000	630	aluminum bronze	9.0–11.0	78.0 ^D	2.0–4.0	1.5	4.0–5.5	...	0.25 max	...	...	0.20 max	...
C64200	642	aluminum silicon bronze	6.3–7.6	88.65 ^D	0.30	0.10	0.25	...	1.5–2.2 ^E	0.50	0.05	0.20 max	0.15
C65100	651	silicon bronze	...	96.0 ^D	0.8	0.7	...	...	0.8–2.0	1.5	0.05	...	...
C65500	655	silicon bronze	...	94.8 ^D	0.8	1.5	0.6	...	2.8–3.8	1.5	0.05	...	...
C66100	661	silicon bronze	...	94.0 ^D	0.25	1.5	...	...	2.8–3.5	1.5	0.20–0.8	...	...
C67500	675	manganese bronze	0.25 max	57.0–60.0	0.8–2.0	0.05–0.5	...	...	...	balance	0.20	0.5–1.5	...
C71000	710	cupro-nickel	...	74.0 ^D	0.60	1.00	19.0–23.0 ^C	...	...	1.00	0.05	...	...
C71500	715	cupro-nickel	...	65.0 ^D	0.40–0.7	1.00	29.0–33.0 ^C	...	...	1.00	0.05	...	...

^A Elements shown as balance shall be arithmetically computed by deducting the sum of the other named elements from 100.

^B Copper plus specified elements = 99.8 min; copper plus silver = 88.5–91.5.

^C Cobalt is to be counted as nickel.

^D Minimum content of copper plus all other elements with specified limits shall be 99.5 %.

^E An alloy containing as high as 2.6 % silicon is acceptable provided the sum of all the elements other than copper, silicon, and iron does not exceed 0.30 %.

TABLE 1 Continued

Nickel and Nickel-Base Alloys

UNS Designation Number	Alloy	General Name	Aluminum	Carbon, max	Chromium	Copper ^A	Manganese, max	Iron, max	Nickel	Phosphorus, max	Silicon, max	Titanium	Cobalt, max	Molybdenum	Sulfur, max	Vanadium	Tungsten	Niobium
N10001	335	Ni-Mo		0.05	1.0 max		4.0–6.0	1.0	balance	0.025	1.00		2.50	26.0–30.0	0.030	0.2–0.4	...	...
N10276	276	Ni-Mo-Cr	...	0.02	14.5–16.5		4.0–7.0	1.00	balance	0.040	0.08		2.50	15.0–17.0	0.030	0.35 max	3.0–4.5	...
N04400	400	Ni-Cu Class A	...	0.3	...	balance	2.5	2.0	63.0–70.0	...	0.5	...	^B	...	0.024	...	...	...
N04405	405	Ni-Cu Class B	...	0.3	...	balance	2.5	2.0	63.0–70.0	...	0.5	...	^B	...	0.025–0.060	...	...	...
N05500	500	Ni-Cu-Al	2.30–3.15	0.25	...	balance	2.0	1.5	63.0–70.0	...	0.5	0.35–0.85	^B	...	0.01	...	...	...
N06059	59	Ni-Cr-Mo	0.1–0.4	0.010 max	22.0–24.0	0.5 max	1.5 max	0.5 max	balance	0.015 max	0.10 max	...	0.3 max	15.0–16.5	0.010 max	...	...	...
N06625	625 ^C	Ni-Cr-Mo-Cb	0.40 max	0.10	20.0–23.0	...	5.0 max	0.50	58.0 min	0.015	0.50 max	0.40 max	1.00 max	8.0–10.0	0.015	...	...	3.2–4.2
N06686	686	Ni-Cr-Mo-W	...	0.010 max	19.0–23.0	...	5.0 max	0.75 max	balance	0.04 max	0.08 max	0.02–0.25	...	15.0–17.0	0.02 max	...	3.0–4.4	...

^A Elements shown as balance shall be arithmetically computed by deducting the sum of the other named elements from 100.

^B Cobalt is to be counted as nickel.

^C Alloy 625 material shall be refined using the electroslag remelting process (ESR), or the vacuum arc remelting process (VAR).

TABLE 1 Continued

Composition, %													
Aluminum-Base Alloys ^A													
UNS Designation Number	Alloy	General Name	Aluminum ^B	Chromium	Copper	Iron, max	Manganese, max	Silicon, max	Titanium, max	Zinc, max	Magnesium	Other Elements, max	
												Each	Total
A92024	2024	Aluminum 2024	balance	0.10 max	3.8–4.9	0.50	0.30–0.9	0.50	0.15 ^C	0.25	1.2–1.8	0.05	0.15
A96061	6061	Aluminum 6061	balance	0.04–0.35	0.15–0.40	0.7	0.15	0.40–0.8	0.15	0.25	0.8–1.2	0.05	0.15
A97075	7075	Aluminum 7075	balance	0.18–0.35	1.2–2.0	0.50	0.30	0.40	0.20 ^D	5.1–6.1	2.1–2.9	0.05	0.15

^A Analysis shall regularly be made only for the elements specified in this table. If, however, the presence of other elements is suspected or indicated in amounts greater than the specified limits, further analysis shall be made to determine that these elements are not present in excess of the specified limits.

^B Elements shown as balance shall be arithmetically computed by deducting the sum of the other named elements from 100.

^C Titanium + zirconium 0.20 %, max.

^D Lead 0.4–0.7 %; bismuth 0.4–0.7 %.

TABLE 1 Continued

Titanium and Titanium-Base Alloys^A

UNS Designation Number	Alloy	General Name	Aluminum, Al	Carbon, C	Iron, Fe	Titanium, Ti	Hydrogen, H	Nitrogen, N	Oxygen, O	Palladium, Pd	Vanadium, V	Chromium, Cr	Molybdenum, Mo	Zirconium, Zr	Tin, Sn	Silicon, Si	Ruthenium, Ru	Residuals ^B	
																		each, max	total, max
R50250	1	Titanium Gr 1	...	0.10	0.20	balance	0.0125	0.05	0.18	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.1	0.4
R50400	2	Titanium Gr 2	...	0.10	0.30	balance	0.0125	0.05	0.25	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.1	0.4
R50700	4	Titanium Gr 4	...	0.10	0.50	balance	0.0125	0.07	0.40	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.1	0.4
R56400	5 ^C	Titanium Gr 5 ^C	5.5–6.75	0.10	0.40	balance	0.0125	0.05	0.20	...	3.5–4.5	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.1	0.4
R56401	23	Titanium Ti-6Al-4V ELI	5.5–6.5	0.08	0.25	balance	0.0125	0.05	0.13	...	3.5–4.5	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.1	0.4
R52400	7	Titanium Gr 7	...	0.10	0.30	balance	0.0125	0.05	0.25	0.12–0.25	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.1	0.4
R58640	19	Titanium Ti-38-6-44	3.0–4.0	0.05	0.30	balance	0.0200	0.03	0.12	0.10 ^D	7.5–8.5	5.5–6.5	3.5–4.5	3.5–4.5	...	...	0.10 ^D	0.15	0.4
R55111	32	Titanium Ti-5-1-1-1	4.5–5.5	0.08	0.25	balance	0.0125	0.03	0.11	...	0.6–1.4	...	0.6–1.2	0.6–1.4	0.6–1.40	0.6–0.14	...	0.1	0.4

^A All reported values are maximums, unless a range is specified.

^B A residual is an element present in a metal or an alloy in small quantities inherent to the manufacturing process but not added intentionally. Residual elements need not be reported unless a report is specifically required by the purchaser.

^C Identical chemical requirements apply to both Class A and B as defined in Table 2 and 6.5.

^D Ruthenium and Palladium, or both, may be added to Grade 19 for enhanced corrosion resistance as negotiated between purchaser and vendor. Chemical analysis is not required unless specifically required by the purchaser.

TABLE 2 Mechanical Property Requirements

Alloy	Mechanical Property Marking	Nominal Thread Diameter	Hardness ^A	Full-Size Tests ^B		Machined Specimen Tests		
				Tensile Strength, MPa	Yield Strength, min, MPa	Tensile Strength, min, MPa	Yield Strength min, MPa ^C	Elongation in 4D, min, % ^D
Copper								
Cu 110	F 468MA	all	65–90 HRF	205–345	70	205	70	15
Cu 260	F 468MAB	all	55–80 HRF	410–620	345	380	345	35
Cu 270	F 468MB	all	55–80 HRF	410–620	345	380	345	35
Cu 462	F 468MC	all	65–90 HRB	345–550	170	345	170	20
Cu 464	F 468MD	all	55–75 HRB	345–550	105	345	105	25
Cu 510	F 468ME	all	60–95 HRB	410–620	240	380	205	15
Cu 613	F 468MF	M16 to M12	70–95 HRB	550–760	345	550	345	30
		M14 to M36	70–95 HRB	520–720	310	520	310	30
Cu 614	F 468MG	all	70–95 HRB	520–760	240	520	240	30
Cu 630	F 468MH	all	85–100 HRB	690–900	345	690	345	5
Cu 642	F 468MJ	all	75–95 HRB	520–760	240	520	240	10
Cu 651	F 468MK	M6 to M20	75–95 HRB	480–690	380	480	365	8
		M24 to M36	70–95 HRB	380–620	275	370	260	8
Cu 655	F 468ML	all	60–80 HRB	345–550	140	345	105	20
Cu 661	F 468MM	all	75–95 HRB	480–690	240	480	240	15
Cu 675	F 468MN	all	60–90 HRB	380–590	170	380	170	20
Cu 710	F 468MP	all	50–85 HRB	310–520	105	310	105	40
Cu 715	F 468MR	all	60–95 HRB	380–590	140	380	140	45
Nickel								
Ni 59 Grade 1	F 468MFN	all	21–45 HRC	825–1140	585	825	585	20
Ni 59 Grade 2	F 468MGN	all	23–47 HRC	930–1275	860	930	860	20
Ni 59 Grade 3	F 468MHN	all	25–49 HRC	1100–1380	1030	1100	1030	20
Ni 59 Grade 4	F 468MJN	all	80 HRB–25 HRC	690–1000	310	690	310	25
Ni 335	F 468MS	all	20–32 HRC	790–1000	310	790	310	35
Ni 276	F 468MT	all	20–32 HRC	760–970	310	760	310	25
Ni 400	F 468MU	M6 to M20	75 HRB–25 HRC	550–900	275	550	275	20
		M24 to M36	60 HRB–25 HRC	480–900	205	480	205	20
Ni 400 HF ^E	F 468MHF	all	60–95 HRB	480–830	205	480	205	20
Ni 405	F 468MV	all	60 HRB–20 HRC	480–860	205	480	205	20
Ni 500	F 468MW	M6 to M20	24–37 HRC	900–1240	620	900	620	20
		M24 to M36	24–37 HRC	900–1240	590	900	590	20
Ni 625	F 468MAC	all	85 HRB–35 HRC	825	415	825	415	30
Ni 686 Grade 1	F 468MBN	all	21–45 HRC	825–1140	585	825	585	20
Ni 686 Grade 2	F 468MCN	all	23–47 HRC	930–1275	860	930	860	20
Ni 686 Grade 3	F 468MDN	all	25–49 HRC	1100–1380	1030	1100	1030	20
Ni 686 Grade 4	F 468MEN	all	65 HRB–25 HRC	690–1000	310	690	310	25
Aluminum								
Al 2024–T4 ^F	F 468MX	all	70–85 HRB	380–480	250	430	275	10
Al 6061–T6 ^F	F 468MY	all	40–50 HRB	260–360	215	290	240	10
Al 7075–T73 ^F	F 468MZ	all	80–90 HRB	420–520	345	470	385	10
Titanium ^G								
Ti 1	F 468MAT	all	140–160 HV	240–480	170	240	170	24
Ti 2	F 468MBT	all	160–180 HV	345–580	275	345	275	20
Ti 4	F 468MCT	all	200–220 HV	550–785	483	550	483	15
Ti 5 Class A ^H	F 468MDT	all	30–39 HRC	895–1125	828	895	828	10
Ti 5 Class B ^H	F 468MHT	all	30–39 HRC	895–1125	828	895	828	10
Ti 7	F 468MET	all	160–180 HV	345–580	275	345	275	20
Ti 19	F 468MFT	all	24–38 HRC	793–1025	759	793	759	15
Ti 23	F 468MGT	all	25–36 HRC	828–1125	759	828	759	10
Ti-5-1-1-1	F 468MHT	all	24–38 HRC	725–1035	620	690	585	10

^A Where both tension and hardness tests are performed, the tension tests shall take precedence for acceptance purposes. For aluminum and titanium alloys, hardness tests are for information only. See 6.4.

^B The yield and tensile strength values for full-size products shall be computed by dividing the yield and maximum tensile load by the stress area for the product diameter and thread pitch as given in table on tensile stress areas.

^C Yield strength is the stress at which an offset of 0.2 % gage length occurs.

^D Elongation is determined using a gage length of 4 diameters of test specimen in accordance with Test Methods E8.

^E “HF” denotes a hot-formed product.

^F Aluminum alloy temper designations are in accordance with ANSI H35.1.

^G Full-size test mechanical properties apply to fasteners with a maximum diameter of 76 mm. Mechanical properties of larger sections shall be negotiated between the material manufacturer and the fastener producer.

^H Ti 5 Class A requires wedge tensile testing in accordance with 6.5. Ti 5 Class B requires wedge tensile testing in accordance with 6.5.1.

6.2 Fasteners having a length equal to or longer than the “minimum length of product requiring tension testing” as specified in Test Methods F606M and a breaking load of 530

kN or less shall be tested full size and shall meet the full-size tensile (minimum and maximum) and yield strength properties in Table 2 for the specified alloy.

TABLE 3 Tensile Stress Areas

Nominal Product Diameter and Thread Pitch	Stress Area, ^A mm ²	Nominal Product Diameter and Thread Pitch	Stress Area, ^A mm ²
M6 × 1	20.1	M16 × 2	157
M8 × 1.25	36.6	M20 × 2.5	245
M10 × 1.5	58.0	M24 × 3	353
M12 × 1.75	84.3	M30 × 3.5	561
M14 × 2	115	M36 × 4	817

^A Tensile stress areas are computed using the following formula:

$$A_s = 0.7854 (D - 0.9382 P)^2$$

where:

A_s = stress area, mm²,

D = nominal thread diameter, mm, and

P = thread pitch, mm.

6.3 Fasteners having a length equal to or longer than the “minimum length of product requiring tension testing” as specified in Test Methods **F606M** and a breaking load exceeding 530 kN shall preferably be tested full size and shall meet the full-size tensile (minimum and maximum) and yield strength properties in **Table 2**. When equipment of sufficient capacity for such tests is not available, or if excessive length of the bolts or stud makes full-size testing impractical, standard round specimens shall be used that shall meet the “machined specimen tests” tensile properties in **Table 2**. In the event of a discrepancy between full-size and machined specimen tension tests, full-size tests shall be used as the referee method to determine acceptance.

6.4 For all alloys except aluminum and titanium, fasteners that are too short (lengths less than that specified in Test Methods **F606M** as the “minimum length of product requiring tension testing”), that have insufficient threads for tension testing (see **11.2**), or that have drilled or undersized heads weaker than the thread section, are not subject to tension tests but shall conform to the minimum and maximum hardness in **Table 2**. Hardness tests are not applicable to aluminum and titanium alloys. When required for aluminum alloys, a shear test shall be performed in accordance with **11.2.2** and **12.2.2**. Test results shall conform to the following minimum shear strength requirements: 255 MPa for 2024-T4; 170 MPa for 6061-T6; and 280 MPa for 7075-T73.

6.5 Full-size bolts and cap screws subject to tension tests shall be tested using a wedge under the head. Wedge angles shall be as follows, except for Ti 5 Class B, which shall use wedge angles as defined in **6.5.1**. The wedge shall be 10° for bolts and cap screws of nominal thread M20 and less, and 6° for bolts and cap screws over M20. For bolts and cap screws threaded essentially to the head, the wedge angle shall be 6° for diameters M20 and less, and 4° for sizes over M20.

6.5.1 Ti 5 Class B wedge angles shall be 6° for bolts and cap screws of M20 nominal diameter and less, and 4° for bolts and cap screws over M20 diameter. For bolts and cap screws threaded essentially to the head, the wedge angle shall be 4° for bolts and cap screws of M20 nominal diameter and less, and 2° for bolts and cap screws over M20 diameter.

6.6 Where both tension and hardness tests are performed, the tension test results shall take precedence for acceptance purposes.

7. Dimensions

7.1 Bolts and Hex Cap Screws:

7.1.1 Unless otherwise specified, the dimensions of hex cap screws (finished hex bolts), excluding silicon bronze alloy 651, shall be in accordance with the requirements of ASME B18.2.3.1M.

7.1.2 Unless otherwise specified, the dimensions of silicon bronze alloy 651 hex cap screws [finished hex bolt] shall be in accordance with the requirements of ASME B18.2.3.1M; or, the bolts and cap screws shall have a roll thread body diameter (that is, body with minimum diameter equal to the pitch diameter), with all other dimensions in accordance with ASME B18.2.3.1M, as specified by the purchaser.

7.1.3 When specified, the dimensions of bolts shall be in accordance with the requirements of ASME B18.2.3.5M, or such other dimensions as specified.

7.2 *Studs*—The dimensions of studs shall be as specified by the purchaser. Studs shall be of the continuous thread; double-end clamping (also known as stud bolt and bolt stud); or double-end interference (also known as tap-end stud) types as specified by the purchaser.

7.3 Threads:

7.3.1 Unless otherwise specified, the bolts, cap screws, and studs shall have threads in accordance with ASME B1.13M, tolerance grade 6g.

7.3.2 For silicon bronze alloy 651, the thread length for bolts ordered with roll thread body diameter shall conform to the following:

Bolt Length, mm	Thread Length
50 and less	within 2 threads of the head
Over 50 to 150	50 mm min + 2 threads
Over 150	75 mm min + 2 threads

8. Workmanship, Finish, and Appearance

8.1 *Workmanship*—The fasteners shall have a workmanlike finish free of injurious burrs, seams, laps, irregular surfaces, and other imperfections affecting serviceability.

8.2 *Finish*—Unless otherwise specified, the fasteners shall be furnished without an additive chemical or metallic finish.

9. Sampling

9.1 A lot, for the purposes of selecting test specimens, shall consist of not more than 100 000 pieces offered for inspection at one time having the following common characteristics:

9.1.1 One type of item (that is, bolts, hex cap screws, studs, etc.),

9.1.2 Same alloy and temper,

9.1.3 One nominal diameter and thread pitch, and

9.1.4 One nominal length.

10. Number of Tests and Retests

10.1 *Number of Tests*—The requirements of this specification shall be met in continuous mass production for stock. The manufacturer shall make sample inspections as specified below to ensure that the product conforms to the specified requirements. When tests of individual shipments are required, Supplementary Requirement S2 shall be specified.

Number of Pieces in Lot	Number of Tests	Acceptance Criteria	
		Acceptance Number	Rejection Number
50 and under	2	0	1
51 to 500	3	0	1
501 to 35 000	5	0	1
35 001 to 100 000	8	0	1

10.2 Retests:

10.2.1 When tested in accordance with the required sampling plan, a lot shall be subject to rejection if any of the test specimens fails to meet the applicable test requirements.

10.2.2 If the failure of a test specimen is due to improper preparation of the specimen or to incorrect testing technique, the specimen shall be discarded and another specimen substituted.

11. Specimen Preparations

11.1 *Chemical Tests*—When required, samples for chemical analysis shall be taken in accordance with Practice E55 by drilling, sawing, milling, turning, clipping, or such other methods capable of producing representative samples.

11.2 Mechanical Tests:

11.2.1 Machined tension specimens, when required, shall be taken in accordance with Test Methods F606M. The largest test specimen that can be machined from the bolt or stud shall be used.

11.2.2 Machined shear test specimens, when required and applicable to aluminum alloys only, shall be taken in accordance with Test Method B565.

12. Test Methods

12.1 *Chemical Analysis*—The chemical composition may be determined by any recognized commercial test method. In the event of disagreement, the following test methods shall be used for referee purposes:

Alloy	Test Method
Copper	E53, E54, E62, E75, E478
Aluminum	E34, E101, E227E227
Nickel	E38, E76, E354
Titanium	E120, E1409

12.2 Mechanical:

12.2.1 When full-size tests are to be performed, determine the yield strength, wedge tensile strength, and axial tensile strength, as required by Section 6, on each sample in accordance with the appropriate methods of Test Methods F606M.

12.2.2 When machined specimen tests are necessary (see Section 6), determine the yield strength, tensile strength, and elongation on each sample in accordance with Test Methods E8M; and the shear strength (applicable to aluminum alloys only) in accordance with Test Method B565.

12.2.3 Determine the hardness in accordance with Test Methods E18 or E92 at mid-radius on the bottom of the threaded end after suitable preparation. Make a minimum of two readings, each of which shall conform to the specified requirements.

13. Significance of Numerical Limits

13.1 For purposes of determining compliance with the specified limits for requirements of the properties listed in this

specification, an observed value or calculated value shall be rounded in accordance with Practice E29.

14. Inspection

14.1 When specified on the inquiry or purchase order, the product shall be subject to inspection by the purchaser at the place of manufacture prior to shipment. The inspector representing the purchaser shall have controlled entry only to those parts of the manufacturer's operations that concern the manufacture of the ordered product and only when and where work on the contract of the purchaser is being performed. The manufacturer shall afford the inspector all reasonable facilities to satisfy him that the product is being furnished in accordance with this specification. All inspections and tests shall be conducted so as not to interfere unnecessarily with the operations of the manufacturer.

15. Rejection and Rehearing

15.1 Unless otherwise specified, any rejection based on tests specified herein and made by the purchaser shall be reported to the manufacturer as soon as practical after receipt of the product by the purchaser.

16. Certification and Test Reports

16.1 *Certificate of Compliance*—When specified in the contract or purchase order, the manufacturer shall furnish certification that the product was manufactured and tested in accordance with this specification and conforms to all specified requirements.

16.2 *Test Reports*—When shipment lot testing in accordance with Supplementary Requirement S3 is specified in the contract or purchase order, the manufacturer shall furnish a test report showing the results of the mechanical tests for each lot shipped.

17. Product, Packaging and Package Marking

17.1 *Individual Fasteners*—All products shall be marked with a symbol identifying the manufacturer. In addition, they shall be marked with the alloy/mechanical property marking specified in Table 2. The markings shall be raised or depressed at the option of the manufacturer.

17.2 Packaging:

17.2.1 Unless otherwise specified, packaging shall be in accordance with Practice D3951.

17.2.2 When special packaging requirements are required by the purchaser, they shall be defined at the time of inquiry and order.

17.3 *Package Marking*—Each shipping unit shall include or be plainly marked with the following:

17.3.1 ASTM specification,

17.3.2 Alloy number,

17.3.3 Alloy/mechanical property marking,

17.3.4 Size,

17.3.5 Name and brand or trademark of the manufacturer,

17.3.6 Number of pieces,

17.3.7 Country of origin, and

17.3.8 Purchase order number.

18. Keywords

18.1 bolts; cap screws; general use; nonferrous; studs

SUPPLEMENTARY REQUIREMENTS

One or more of the following supplementary requirements shall apply only when specified by the purchaser on the inquiry, contract, or order. Supplementary requirements shall in no way negate any requirement of the specification itself.

S1. Stress Corrosion Requirements

S1.1 *Copper Alloys*—Copper alloy fasteners shall exhibit no evidence of cracking after immersion for 30 min in an aqueous solution of mercurous nitrate when tested in accordance with Test Method **B154**.

S1.1.1 **Warning**—Mercury is a definite health hazard, and equipment for the detection and removal of mercury vapor produced in volatilization is recommended. The use of rubber gloves in testing is advisable.

S1.2 *7075-T73 Aluminum Alloy*—For aluminum alloy 7075-T73 fasteners, the resistance to stress corrosion cracking shall be established by testing the previously selected tension test specimens to the electrical conductivity-yield strength criteria listed in 12.2 of Specification **B211M**. When the fasteners are too short to permit tension testing, suitable lengths of the stock used to produce the fasteners shall be heat treated with the fasteners and tested to the electrical conductivity-yield strength criteria. The conductivity shall be determined in accordance with Test Method **B193**.

S2. Shipment Lot Testing

S2.1 When Supplementary Requirement S2 is specified on the order (see **3.1.6**), the manufacturer shall make sample tests on the individual lots for shipment to ensure that the product conforms to the specified requirements.

S2.2 The manufacturer shall make an analysis of a randomly selected finished fastener from each lot of product to be shipped. Heat or lot control shall be maintained. The analysis

of the starting material from which the fasteners have been manufactured shall be reported in place of the product analysis.

S2.3 The manufacturer shall perform mechanical property tests in accordance with this specification and Guide **F1470** on the individual lots for shipment.

S2.4 The manufacturer shall furnish a text report for each lot in the shipment showing the actual results of the chemical analysis and mechanical property tests performed in accordance with Supplementary Requirement S2.

S3. Dye Penetrant Inspection

S3.1 When dye penetrant inspection is specified on the purchase order, the fasteners shall be tested in accordance with Practice **E165** or other mutually acceptable procedures and shall conform to acceptance criteria as mutually agreed upon by the purchaser and manufacturer.

S4. Heat Control (Alloys 400, 405, and 500 Only)

S4.1 When Supplementary Requirement S4 is specified on the inquiry or order, the manufacturer shall control the product by heat analysis and identify the finished product in each shipment by the actual heat number.

S4.2 When Supplementary Requirement S4 is specified on the inquiry and order, Supplementary Requirement S2 shall be automatically invoked with the addition that the heat analysis shall be reported to the purchaser on the test reports.

SUMMARY OF CHANGES

Committee F16 has identified the location of selected changes to this standard since the last issue, F468M – 05a, that may impact the use of this standard. (Approved May 1, 2006.)

(1) Revised Ni 686 Grade 3 in **Table 2**.

(2) Added UNS C26000 in **Table 1**.

(3) Added alloy Cu 260 in **Table 2**.

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