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**Welding consumables — Solid wires  
and rods for fusion welding of copper  
and copper alloys — Classification**

*Produits consommables pour le soudage — Fils pleins et baguettes  
pleines pour le soudage par fusion du cuivre et des alliages de cuivre —  
Classification*



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## **Introduction**

For copper-welding consumables, there is no unique relationship between the product form (solid wire or rod) and the welding process used (e.g. gas-shielded metal arc welding, gas tungsten arc welding, plasma arc or other welding processes). For this reason, the solid wires or rods may be classified on the basis of any of the above product forms and can be used, as appropriate, for more than one of the above processes.

ISO 24373 is based on EN 14640:2005.

# Welding consumables — Solid wires and rods for fusion welding of copper and copper alloys — Classification

## 1 Scope

This International Standard specifies requirements for classification of solid wires and rods for fusion welding of copper and copper alloys. The classification of the solid wires and rods is based on their chemical composition.

## 2 Normative references

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

ISO 31-0:1992, *Quantities and units — Part 0: General principles*

ISO 544, *Welding consumables — Technical delivery conditions for welding filler materials — Type of product, dimensions, tolerances and markings*

ISO 4063, *Welding and allied processes — Nomenclature of processes and reference numbers*

ISO 14344, *Welding and allied processes — Flux and gas shielded electrical welding processes — Procurement guidelines for consumables*

## 3 Classification

The classification is divided into two parts:

- a) the first part indicates the product form, solid wires or rods (see 4.1);
- b) the second part gives a numerical symbol indicating the chemical composition of the solid wire or rod (see Table 1).

## 4 Symbols

### 4.1 Symbol for the product form

The symbol for the solid wire and rod shall be S.

NOTE One product form may be used for more than one welding process.

## 4.2 Symbol for the chemical composition

The numerical symbol in Table 1 indicates the chemical composition of a solid wire or rod, determined under conditions given in Clause 6.

NOTE 1 In addition the chemical symbol may be used.

NOTE 2 Corresponding national classifications are shown in Annex A.

## 5 Mechanical properties of the weld metal

The mechanical properties of the weld metal are not part of the classification.

## 6 Chemical analysis

Chemical analysis shall be performed on specimens of the product or the stock from which it is made. Any analytical technique can be used; but, in case of dispute, reference shall be made to established published methods, agreed between the contracting parties.

## 7 Rounding-off procedure

For purposes of determining compliance with the requirements of this International Standard, the actual test values obtained shall be subjected to the rounding-off rules of ISO 31-0:1992, Annex B, Rule A. If the measured values are obtained by equipment calibrated in units other than those of this International Standard, the measured values shall be converted to the units of this International Standard before rounding off. If an average value is to be compared to the requirements of this International Standard, rounding off shall be done only after calculating the average. In the case where the testing standard cited in the normative references of this International Standard contains instructions for rounding off that conflict with the instructions of this International Standard, the rounding off requirements of the testing standard shall apply. The rounded-off results shall fulfil the requirements of the appropriate table for the classification under test.

## 8 Retest

If any test fails to meet a requirement, that test shall be repeated twice. The results of both retests shall meet the requirement. Specimens for the retest may be taken from the original test sample or from a new test sample. For chemical analysis, retests need only be for those specific elements that failed to meet their test requirement. If the results of one or both retests fail to meet the requirement, the material under test shall be considered as not meeting the requirements of this International Standard for that classification.

In the event that, during preparation or after completion of any test, it is clearly determined that prescribed or proper procedures were not followed in preparing the sample or test specimen(s), or in conducting the tests, the test shall be considered invalid, without regard to whether the test was actually completed, or whether the test results met, or failed to meet, the requirement. That test shall be repeated, following proper prescribed procedures. In this case, the requirement for doubling the number of test specimens does not apply.

## 9 Technical delivery conditions

Technical delivery conditions shall meet the requirements in ISO 544 and ISO 14344.

Table 1 — Symbol for the chemical composition of solid wires and rods

Alloy symbols		Chemical composition, % mass fraction <sup>a, b</sup>														
Numerical	Chemical	Cu	Al	Fe	Mn	Ni incl. Co	P	Pb	Si	Sn	Zn	As	C	Ti	S	Others total
<b>COPPER-LOW ALLOYED</b>																
Cu 1897	CuAg1	min. 99,5 incl. Ag	0,01	0,05	0,2	0,3	0,01 to 0,05	0,01	0,1	—	—	0,05	—	—	—	0,2 Ag, 0,8 to 1,2
Cu 1898	CuSn1	min. 98,0	0,01	—	0,50	—	0,15	0,02	0,5	1,0	—	—	—	—	—	0,50
Cu 1898A	CuSn1MnSi	bal.	0,01	0,03	0,1 to 0,4	0,1	0,015	0,01	0,1 to 0,4	0,5 to 1,0	—	—	—	—	—	0,2
<b>COPPER-SILICON (SILICON BRONZE)</b>																
Cu 6511	CuSi2Mn1	bal.	0,01	0,1	0,5 to 1,5	—	0,02	0,02	1,5 to 2,0	0,1 to 0,3	0,2	—	—	—	—	0,5
Cu 6560	CuSi3Mn1	bal.	0,02	0,5	0,5 to 1,5	—	0,05	0,02	2,8 to 4,0	0,2	0,4	—	—	—	—	0,5
Cu 6561	CuSi2Mn1Sn1Zn1	bal.	—	0,5	1,5	—	—	0,02	2,0 to 2,8	1,5	1,5	—	—	—	—	0,5
<b>COPPER-TIN (INCL. PHOSPHOR BRONZE)</b>																
Cu 5180	CuSn6P	bal.	0,01	—	—	—	0,1 to 0,4	0,02	—	4,0 to 6,0	—	—	—	—	—	0,5
Cu 5180A	CuSn6P	bal.	0,01	0,1	—	—	0,01 to 0,4	0,02	—	4,0 to 7,0	0,1	—	—	—	—	0,2
Cu 5210	CuSn8P	bal.	—	0,1	—	0,2	0,01 to 0,4	0,02	—	7,5 to 8,5	0,2	—	—	—	—	0,2
Cu 5211	CuSn10MnSi	bal.	0,01	0,1	0,1 to 0,5	—	0,1	0,02	0,1 to 0,5	9,0 to 10,0	0,1	—	—	—	—	0,5
Cu 5410	CuSn12P	bal.	0,005	—	—	—	0,01 to 0,4	0,02	—	11,0 to 13,0	0,05	—	—	—	—	0,4
<b>COPPER-ZINC (BRASS)</b>																
Cu 4641	CuZn40SnSi	58,0 to 62,0	0,01	0,2	0,3	—	—	0,03	0,1 to 0,5	1,0	bal.	—	—	—	—	0,2
Cu 4700	CuZn40Sn	57,0 to 61,0	0,01*	*	*	—	—	0,05*	*	0,25 to 1,00	bal.	—	—	—	—	0,5 <sup>c</sup>
Cu 4701	CuZn40SnSiMn	58,5 to 61,5	0,01	0,25	0,05 to 0,25	—	—	0,02	0,15 to 0,4	0,2 to 0,5	bal.	—	—	—	—	0,2
Cu 6800	CuZn40Ni	56,0 to 60,0	0,01*	0,25 to 1,20	0,01 to 0,50	0,2 to 0,8	—	0,05*	0,04 to 0,20	0,8 to 1,1	bal.	—	—	—	—	0,5 <sup>c</sup>

Table 1 (continued)

Alloy symbols		Chemical composition, % mass fraction <sup>a, b</sup>														
Numerical	Chemical	Cu	Al	Fe	Mn	Ni incl. Co	P	Pb	Si	Sn	Zn	As	C	Ti	S	Others total
Cu 6810	CuZn40Fe1Sn1	56,0 to 60,0	0,01*	0,25 to 1,20	0,01 to 0,50	—	—	0,05*	0,04 to 0,15	0,8 to 1,1	bal.	—	—	—	—	0,5 <sup>c</sup>
Cu 7730	CuZn40Ni10	46,0 to 50,0	0,01*	—	—	9,0 to 11,0	0,25	0,05*	0,04 to 0,25	—	bal.	—	—	—	—	0,5 <sup>c</sup>
COPPER-ALUMINIUM (ALUMINIUM BRONZE)																
Cu 6061	CuAl5Ni2Mn	bal.	4,5 to 5,5	0,5	0,1 to 1,0	1,0 to 2,5	—	0,02	0,1	—	0,2	—	—	—	—	0,5
Cu 6100	CuAl7	bal.	6,0 to 8,5	*	0,5	*	—	0,02	0,2	*	0,2	—	—	—	—	0,4 <sup>c</sup>
Cu 6180	CuAl10Fe	bal.	8,5 to 11,0	1,5	—	—	—	0,02	0,1	—	0,02	—	—	—	—	0,5
Cu 6240	CuAl11Fe3	bal.	10,0 to 11,5	2,0 to 4,5	—	—	—	0,02	0,1	—	0,1	—	—	—	—	0,5
Cu 6325	CuAl8Fe4Mn2Ni2	bal.	7,0 to 9,0	1,8 to 5,0	0,5 to 3,0	0,5 to 3,0	—	0,02	0,1	—	0,1	—	—	—	—	0,4
Cu 6327	CuAl8Ni2Fe2Mn2	bal.	7,0 to 9,5	0,5 to 2,5	0,5 to 2,5	0,5 to 3,0	—	0,02	0,2	—	0,2	—	—	—	—	0,4
Cu 6328	CuAl9Ni5Fe3Mn2	bal.	8,5 to 9,5	3,0 to 5,0	0,6 to 3,5	4,0 to 5,5	—	0,02	0,1	—	0,1	—	—	—	—	0,5
COPPER-MANGANESE																
Cu 6338	CuMn13Al8Fe3Ni2	bal.	7,0 to 8,5	2,0 to 4,0	11,0 to 14,0	1,5 to 3,0	—	0,02	0,1	—	0,15	—	—	—	—	0,5
COPPER-NICKEL																
Cu 7061	CuNi10	bal.	—	0,5 to 2,0	0,5 to 1,5	9,0 to 11,0	0,02	0,02	0,2	—	—	—	0,05	0,1 to 0,5	0,02	0,4
Cu 7158	CuNi30Mn1FeTi	bal.	—	0,4 to 0,7	0,5 to 1,5	29,0 to 32,0	0,02	0,02	0,25	—	—	—	0,04	0,2 to 0,5	0,01	0,5

<sup>a</sup> Analysis shall be made for the elements for which specific values are shown in this table. If, however, the presence of other elements is indicated in the course of routine analysis, further analyses shall be carried out to determine that the total of these other elements does not exceed the given maximum level.

<sup>b</sup> Single values shown are maxima, unless otherwise noted.

<sup>c</sup> (and \*) The total of all other elements, including those for which the maximum value or an asterisk (\*) is shown, shall not exceed the value specified in "Others total".

NOTE Consumables not listed in the table can be symbolized by Cu, Z. The chemical symbol established by the manufacturer may be added in brackets.



## 10 Designation

The designation of solid wires and rods shall follow the principle given in the example below.

EXAMPLE A solid wire (S) for fusion welding that has a chemical composition within the limits for the alloy symbol Cu 6560 (CuSi3Mn1) of Table 1 is designated:

**Solid wire ISO 24373 - S Cu 6560**

or

**Solid wire ISO 24373 - S Cu 6560 (CuSi3Mn1)**

where:

ISO 24373 is the number of this International Standard;

S is the product form (see 4.1);

Cu 6560 is the chemical composition of welding consumable (see Table 1);

CuSi3Mn1 is the optional chemical composition of welding consumable (see Table 1).

**Annex A**  
(informative)

**Corresponding national classifications**

Table A.1 — Corresponding national classifications

Numerical symbol	Chemical symbol	USA		Japan	Europe		Germany
		AWS A5.7/A5.7M:2007 AWS A5.8/A5.8M:2004	UNS		JIS Z3341:1999 JIS Z3202:1999	EN 13347:2002	
<b>COPPER-(LOW ALLOYED)</b>							
Cu 1897	CuAg1	—	—	—	—	CuAg1	2.1211
Cu 1898	CuSn1	ERCu	C18980	YCu	—	—	—
Cu 1898A	CuSn1MnSi	—	—	—	CuSn1MnSi	CuSn1	2.1006
<b>COPPER-SILICON (silicon bronze)</b>							
Cu 6511	CuSi2Mn1	—	—	—	—	CuSi2Mn1	—
Cu 6560	CuSi3Mn1	ERCuSi-A	C65600	YCuSi B	CuSi3Mn1	CuSi3Mn1	2.1461
Cu 6561	CuSi2Mn1Sn1Zn1	—	—	YCuSi A	—	CuSi2Mn1Sn	—
<b>COPPER-TIN (incl. phosphor bronze)</b>							
Cu 5180	CuSn5P	ERCuSn-A	C51800	YCuSn A	CuSn5, CuSn6	—	2.1022
Cu 5180A	CuSn6P	ERCuSn-A	C51800	—	CuSn5, CuSn6	CuSn6P	2.1022
Cu 5210	CuSn8P	—	—	YCuSn B	CuSn8	CuSn9P	—
Cu 5211	CuSn10MnSi	—	—	—	—	CuSn10	—
Cu 5410	CuSn12P	—	—	—	CuSn12	CuSn12P	2.1056
<b>COPPER-ZINC (brass)</b>							
Cu 4641	CuZn40SnSi	—	—	—	CuZn40FeSiSn	CuZn40SnSi	—
Cu 4700	CuZn40Sn	RBCuZn-A	C47000	GCuZnSn	CuZn40Sn1	CuZn40	—
Cu 4701	CuZn40SnSiMn	—	—	—	CuZn40MnSiSn	CuZn40SnSiMn	—
Cu 6800	CuZn40Ni	RBCuZn-B	C68000	—	CuZn39Fe1Sn1MnNiSi	CuZn40Ni	—
Cu 6810	CuZn40Fe1Sn1	RBCuZn-C	C68100	—	CuZn40FeSiSn	CuZn40SnSi	2.0366
Cu 7730	CuZn40Ni10Sn1	RBCuZn-D	C77300	GCuZnNi	—	CuZn40Ni10	—

Table A.1 (continued)

Numerical symbol	Chemical symbol	USA		Japan	Europe		Germany
		AWS A5.7/A5.7M:2007 AWS A5.8/A5.8M:2004	UNS		JIS Z3341:1999 JIS Z3202:1999	EN 13347:2002	
<b>COPPER-ALUMINIUM</b> (aluminium bronze)							
Cu 6061	CuAl5Ni2Mn	—	—	—	—	CuAl5Mn1Ni1	—
Cu 6100	CuAl7	ERCuAl-A1	C61000	—	CuAl8	CuAl8	2.0921
Cu 6180	CuAl10Fe1	ERCuAl-A2	C61800	YCAl	CuAl10Fe1	CuAl10	2.0937
Cu 6240	CuAl11Fe3	ERCuAl-A3	C62400	—	—	CuAl11Fe	—
Cu 6325	CuAl8Fe4Mn2Ni2	—	—	YCAlNi B	—	CuAl8Fe4Ni2	—
Cu 6327	CuAl8Ni2Fe2Mn2	—	—	YCAlNi A	—	CuAl8Ni2	2.0922
Cu 6328	CuAl9Ni5Fe3Mn2	ERCuAlNi	C63280	YCAlNi C	CuAl9Ni4Fe3Mn2	CuAl9Ni5	2.0923
<b>COPPER-MANGANESE</b>							
Cu 6338	CuMn13Al8Fe3Ni2	ERCuMnNiAl	C63380	—	—	CuMn13Al7	2.1367
<b>COPPER-NICKEL</b>							
Cu 7061	CuNi10	—	—	YCAlNi-1	—	CuNi10	2.0873
Cu 7158	CuNi30Mn1FeTi	ERCuNi	C71581	YCAlNi-3	—	CuNi30	2.0837

## **Annex B** (informative)

### **Process considerations**

#### **B.1 Oxyfuel gas welding** (process 31 in accordance with ISO 4063)

For alloy Cu 1897, a phosphorus content, as a mass fraction, of 0,02 % to 0,05 % is recommended.

For alloy Cu 5180A, Cu 5210 and Cu 5410, a phosphorus content, as a mass fraction, of 0,1 % to 0,4 % is recommended.

#### **B.2 Gas-shielded metal arc welding** (process 131 in accordance with ISO 4063)

For alloy Cu 1897, a phosphorus content, as a mass fraction, of 0,01 % to 0,02 % is recommended.

For alloys Cu 5180A, Cu 5210 and Cu 5410, a phosphorus content, as a mass fraction, of 0,01 % to 0,10 % is recommended.

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