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MAGNESIUM ALLOY PLATE
3.0Al - 1.0Zn (AZ31B-H26)
Cold Rolled and Partially Annealed

UNS M11311

1. SCOPE:

1.1 Form: This specification covers a magnesium alloy in the form of plate.

1.2 Application: Primarily for moderate-strength parts requiring rigidity with low density.

2. APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS: The following publications form a part of this specification to the extent specified herein. The latest issue of Aerospace Material Specifications (AMS) shall apply. The applicable issue of other documents shall be as specified in AMS 2350.

2.1 SAE Publications: Available from SAE, 400 Commonwealth Drive, Warrendale, PA 15096.

2.1.1 Aerospace Material Specifications:

AMS 2202 - Tolerances, Aluminum Alloy and Magnesium Alloy Sheet and Plate

AMS 2350 - Standards and Test Methods

AMS 2355 - Quality Assurance Sampling and Testing of Aluminum-Base and Magnesium-Base Alloys, Wrought Products (Except Forgings and Forging Stock) and Flash Welded Rings

2.2 ASTM Publications: Available from American Society for Testing and Materials, 1916 Race Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103.

ASTM E9 - Compression Testing of Metallic Materials at Room Temperature

2.3 U.S. Government Publications: Available from Commanding Officer, Naval Publications and Forms Center, 5801 Tabor Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19120.

2.3.1 Military Standards:

MIL-STD-649 - Aluminum and Magnesium Products, Preparation for Shipment and Storage

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3. TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS:

3.1 Composition: Shall conform to the following percentages by weight determined in accordance with AMS 2355:

| | min | max |
|--------------------------|-----------|-------|
| Aluminum | 2.5 | - 3.5 |
| Zinc | 0.7 | - 1.3 |
| Manganese | 0.20 | -- |
| Silicon | -- | 0.05 |
| Copper | -- | 0.05 |
| Calcium | -- | 0.04 |
| Iron | -- | 0.005 |
| Nickel | -- | 0.005 |
| Residual Elements, each | -- | 0.10 |
| Residual Elements, total | -- | 0.30 |
| Magnesium | remainder | |

3.2 Condition: The product shall be supplied in the following condition:

3.2.1 Plate 0.500 In. (12.50 mm) and Under in Nominal Thickness: Cold rolled, partially annealed, and pickled.

3.2.2 Plate Over 0.500 In. (12.50 mm) in Nominal Thickness: Cold rolled and partially annealed.

3.3 Properties: The product shall conform to the following requirements:

3.3.1 Tensile Properties: Shall be as specified in Table I and 3.3.1.1, determined in accordance with AMS 2355.

TABLE I

| Nominal Thickness Inches | Tensile Strength psi, min | Yield Strength at 0.2% Offset psi, min | Elongation in 2 in. or 4D %, min |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------|--|--|
| 0.250 to 0.375, incl | 39,000 | 27,000 | 6 |
| Over 0.375 to 0.500, incl | 38,000 | 26,000 | 6 |
| Over 0.500 to 0.750, incl | 37,000 | 25,000 | 6 |
| Over 0.750 to 1.000, incl | 37,000 | 23,000 | 6 |
| Over 1.000 to 1.500, incl | 35,000 | 22,000 | 6 |
| Over 1.500 to 2.000, incl | 35,000 | 21,000 | 6 |

TABLE I (SI)

| Nominal Thickness Millimetres | Tensile Strength MPa, min | Yield Strength at 0.2% Offset MPa, min | Elongation in 50 mm or 4D %, min |
|----------------------------------|------------------------------|--|--|
| 6.25 to 9.50, incl | 270 | 185 | 6 |
| Over 9.50 to 12.50, incl | 260 | 180 | 6 |
| Over 12.50 to 18.75, incl | 255 | 170 | 6 |
| Over 18.75 to 25.00, incl | 255 | 160 | 6 |
| Over 25.00 to 37.50, incl | 240 | 150 | 6 |
| Over 37.50 to 50.00, incl | 240 | 145 | 6 |

3.3.1.1 Tensile property requirements for plate over 2.000 in. (50.00 mm) in nominal thickness shall be as agreed upon by purchaser and vendor.

3.3.2 Compressive Properties: Shall be as specified in Table II and 3.3.2.1, determined in the longitudinal direction in accordance with ASTM E9.

TABLE II

| Nominal Thickness Inches | Compressive Yield Strength at 0.2% Offset psi, min |
|-----------------------------|--|
| 0.250 to 0.375, incl | 22,000 |
| Over 0.375 to 0.438, incl | 21,000 |
| Over 0.438 to 0.500, incl | 18,000 |
| Over 0.500 to 0.750, incl | 17,000 |
| Over 0.750 to 1.000, incl | 16,000 |
| Over 1.000 to 1.500, incl | 15,000 |
| Over 1.500 to 2.000, incl | 14,000 |

TABLE II (SI)

| Nominal Thickness Millimetres | Compressive Yield Strength at 0.2% Offset MPa, min |
|----------------------------------|--|
| 6.25 to 9.50, incl | 150 |
| Over 9.50 to 11.00, incl | 145 |
| Over 11.00 to 12.50, incl | 125 |
| Over 12.50 to 18.75, incl | 115 |
| Over 18.75 to 25.00, incl | 110 |
| Over 25.00 to 37.50, incl | 105 |
| Over 37.50 to 50.00, incl | 95 |

3.3.2.1 Compressive property requirements for plate over 2.000 in. (50.00 mm) in nominal thickness shall be as agreed upon by purchaser and vendor.

3.4 Quality: Plate, as received by purchaser, shall be uniform in quality and condition, sound, and free from foreign materials and from internal and external imperfections detrimental to usage of the plate.

3.5 Tolerances: Unless otherwise specified, tolerances shall conform to all applicable requirements of AMS 2202.

4. QUALITY ASSURANCE PROVISIONS:

4.1 Responsibility for Inspection: The vendor of plate shall supply all samples for vendor's tests and shall be responsible for performing all required tests. Results of such tests shall be reported to the purchaser as required by 4.4. Purchaser reserves the right to sample and to perform any confirmatory testing deemed necessary to ensure that the plate conforms to the requirements of this specification.

4.2 Classification of Tests:

4.2.1 Acceptance Tests: Tests to determine conformance to requirements for composition (3.1), tensile properties (3.3.1), and tolerances (3.5) are classified as acceptance tests and shall be performed on each lot.

4.2.2 Periodic Tests: Tests to determine conformance to requirements for compressive properties (3.3.2) are classified as periodic tests and shall be performed at a frequency selected by the vendor unless frequency of testing is specified by purchaser.

4.3 Sampling: Shall be in accordance with AMS 2355.

4.4 Reports:

4.4.1 The vendor of plate shall furnish with each shipment a report stating that the plate conforms to the chemical composition and other technical requirements of this specification. This report shall include the purchase order number, lot number, AMS 4376E, size, and quantity.

4.4.2 The vendor of finished or semi-finished parts shall furnish with each shipment a report showing the purchase order number, AMS 4376E, contractor or other direct supplier of plate, part number, and quantity. When plate for making parts is produced or purchased by the parts vendor, that vendor shall inspect each lot of plate to determine conformance to the requirements of this specification and shall include in the report either a statement that the plate conforms or copies of laboratory reports showing the results of tests to determine conformance.

4.5 Resampling and Retesting: Shall be in accordance with AMS 2355.