



Standard Specification for Composition Bronze or Ounce Metal Castings¹

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1. Scope *

1.1 This specification² establishes requirements for an alloy having a composition of copper, tin, lead, and zinc, used for component castings of valves, flanges, and fittings. The common trade name of this alloy is 85-5-5-5; the correct identification is Copper Alloy UNS No. C83600.³

1.2 The castings covered are used in products that may be manufactured in advance and supplied from stock from the manufacturer or other dealer.

1.3 The values stated in inch-pound units are to be regarded as the standard. Metric values given in parentheses are for information only.

2. Referenced Documents

2.1 The following documents of the issue in effect on date of material purchase form a part of this specification to the extent referenced herein:

2.2 ASTM Standards:

B 208 Practice for Preparing Tension Test Specimens for Copper-Base Alloys for Sand, Permanent Mold, Centrifugal, and Continuous Castings⁴

B 824 Specification for General Requirements for Copper-Alloy Castings⁴

E 527 Practice for Numbering Metals and Alloys⁵

2.3 MSS Standards:

SP-25 Standard Marking System for Valves, Fittings, Flanges and Unions⁶

3. Ordering Information

3.1 Orders for castings under this specification shall include the following:

3.1.1 Quantity of castings required,

3.1.2 Copper Alloy UNS No. (Table 1),

3.1.3 Specification title, number, and year of issue,

3.1.4 Pattern or drawing number and condition (as-cast, machined, and so forth),

3.1.5 Chemical analysis of residual elements, if specified in the purchase order (Specification B 824),

3.1.6 Pressure test requirements, if specified in the purchase order (Specification B 824),

3.1.7 Soundness requirements, if specified in the purchase order (Specification B 824),

3.1.8 Certification, if specified in the purchase order (Specification B 824),

3.1.9 Foundry test report, if specified in the purchase order (Specification B 824),

3.1.10 Witness inspection, if specified in the purchase order (Specification B 824),

3.1.11 ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel application (Section 9), and

3.1.12 Product marking, if specified in the purchase order (Specification B 824 and Section 10).

3.2 When material is purchased for agencies of the U.S. Government, the Supplementary Requirements in Specification B 824 may be specified.

4. Chemical Composition

4.1 The alloy shall conform to the requirements for major elements specified in Table 1.

4.2 These specification limits do not preclude the presence of other elements. Limits may be established for unnamed elements by agreement between manufacturer or supplier and

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² For ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code applications see related Specification SB-61 of that Code.

³ The UNS system for copper and copper alloys (see Practice E 527) is a simple expansion of the former standard designation system accomplished by the addition of a prefix “C” and a suffix “00”. The suffix can be used to accommodate composition variations of the base alloy.

⁴ Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 02.01.

⁵ Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 01.01.

⁶ Available from Manufacturers Standardization Society of the Valve and Fittings Industry, 127 Park Street NE, Vienna, VA 22180-4602.

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

TABLE 1 Chemical Requirements Copper Alloy UNS No. C83600

Major Elements	Composition, % max (Except as Indicated)
Copper	84.0–86.0
Tin	4.0–6.0
Lead	4.0–6.0
Zinc	4.0–6.0
Nickel incl Cobalt	1.0 ^A
Residual Elements	Composition, % max (Except as Indicated)
Iron	0.30
Antimony	0.25
Sulfur	0.08
Phosphorus	0.05
Aluminum	0.005
Silicon	0.005

^A In determining copper minimum, copper may be calculated as copper plus nickel.

purchaser. Copper or zinc may be given as remainder and may be taken as the difference between the sum of all elements analyzed and 100 %. When all named elements in Table 1 are analyzed, their sum shall be as follows:

Copper Plus Named Elements, 99.3 % Minimum (1)

4.3 It is recognized that residual elements may be present in cast copper base alloys. Analysis shall be made for residual elements only when specified in the purchase order (Specification B 824).

5. Mechanical Properties

5.1 Mechanical properties shall be determined from separately cast test bars and shall meet the requirements shown in Table 2.

6. Casting Repair

6.1 Castings shall not be repaired, plugged, welded or burned-in.

TABLE 2 Tensile Properties

Tensile strength, min, ksi ^A (MPa ^B)	30 (205)
Yield strength, ^C min, ksi ^A (MPa ^B)	14 (95)
Elongation in 2 in. or 50 mm, min, %	20

^A ksi = 1000 psi.

^B See Appendix.

^C Yield strength shall be determined as the stress producing an elongation under load of 0.5 %; that is, 0.01 in. (0.25 mm) in a gage length of 2 in. (51 mm).

7. General Requirements

7.1 Material furnished under this specification shall conform to the applicable requirements of Specification B 824.

8. Sampling

8.1 Copper Alloy UNS No. C83600 test bar castings shall be cast to the form and dimensions shown in Figs. 2, Figs. 3, or Figs. 4 of Practice B 208.

9. Certification

9.1 When material is specified to meet the requirements of *ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code*, the certification requirements of Specification B 824 are mandatory.

10. Packaging and Package Marking

10.1 Valves, flanges, and fittings shall be marked in accordance with the latest revision of the Standard Marking System for Valves, Fittings, Flanges, and Unions (No. SP-25) of the Manufacturers Standardization Society of the Valve and Fittings Industry, and in such position as not to injure the usefulness of the casting.

11. Keywords

11.1 copper-alloy castings; ounce metal castings; red brass castings; valve castings

APPENDIX

(Nonmandatory Information)

X1. METRIC EQUIVALENTS

X1.1 The SI unit for strength properties now shown is in accordance with the International System of Units (SI). The derived SI unit for force is the newton (N), which is defined as that force which when applied to a body having a mass of one kilogram gives it an acceleration of one metre per second squared ($N = \text{kg} \cdot \text{m}/\text{s}^2$). The derived SI unit for pressure or

stress is the newton per square metre (N/m^2), which has been named the pascal (Pa) by the General Conference on Weights and Measures. Since 1 ksi = 6 894 757 Pa the metric equivalents are expressed as megapascal (MPa), which is the same as MN/m^2 and N/mm^2 .

SUMMARY OF CHANGES

Committee B05 has identified the location of selected changes to this standard since the last issue that may impact the use of this standard.

1. Paragraph 1.1 was rewritten.
2. The entire specification was revised to comply with Specification B 824.

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