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# Standard Test Method for Shear Testing of Aluminum and Aluminum-Alloy Rivets and Cold-Heading Wire and Rods<sup>1</sup>

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## 1. Scope\*

1.1 This test method covers the double shear testing of aluminum and aluminum alloy rivets with round, solid shanks and cold-heading wire and rod.<sup>2</sup>

NOTE 1—Exceptions to this test method may be necessary in individual specifications or methods for tests for a particular material. ~~NOTE 2—The~~

~~1.2 The values stated in inch-pound units are the to be regarded as standard. The SI values given in parentheses are mathematical conversions to SI units which are provided for information only and are not considered standard.~~

~~1.23 This standard does not purport to address all of the safety concerns, if any, associated with its use. It is the responsibility of the user of this standard to establish appropriate safety and health practices and determine the applicability of regulatory limitations prior to use.~~

## 2. Referenced Documents

2.1 The latest issues of the following documents form a part of this standard to the extent referenced herein:

2.2 *ASTM Standards*:<sup>3</sup>

B 316/B 316M Specification for Aluminum and Aluminum-Alloy Rivet and Cold-Heading Wire and Rods

B 769 Test Method for Shear Testing of Aluminum Alloys

B 831 Test Method for Shear Testing of Thin Aluminum Alloy Products

E 4 Practices for Force Verification of Testing Machines

E 6 Terminology Relating to Methods of Mechanical Testing

## 3. Terminology

3.1 *General*—The definitions of terms relating to shear testing in Terminology E 6 are applicable to the terms used in this test method.

## 4. Summary of Test Method

4.1 The test consists of subjecting a length of wire or rod or a rivet in full cross section, or a machined length of rod or rivet, to double-shear loading, with a suitable test-jig device in a tension testing machine, and determining the shear stress required to fracture the specimen (that is, the shear strength).

## 5. Significance and Use

5.1 This test method is intended solely for the shear testing of rivets and cold-heading wire and rod, and is not generally recommended for the determination of the shear strength of other products. For rivets, this method is limited to rivets having a shank length equal to or greater than  $2d$ .

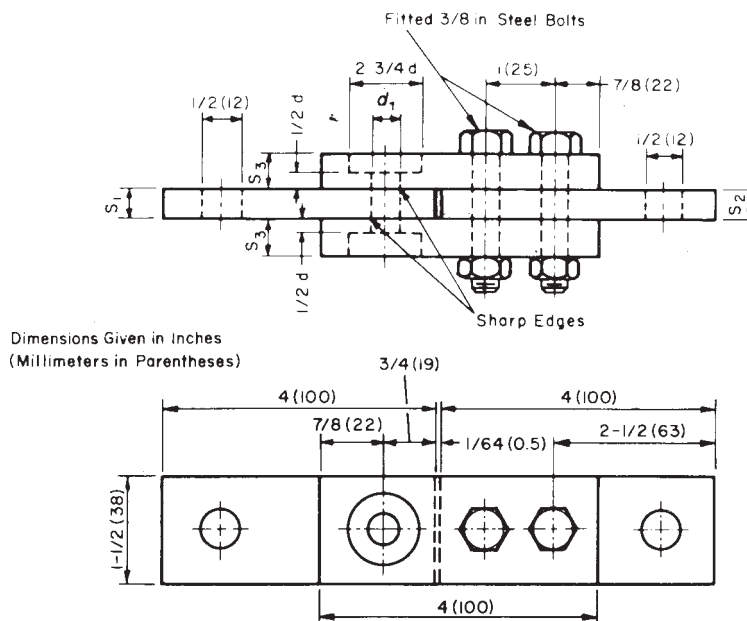
NOTE 3<sub>2</sub>—The results of shear tests of specimens machined from products other than wire, rod, and rivets may be greatly dependent upon the

<sup>2</sup> This product is covered by Specification B 316/B 316M.

<sup>3</sup> For referenced ASTM standards, visit the ASTM website, [www.astm.org](http://www.astm.org), or contact ASTM Customer Service at [service@astm.org](mailto:service@astm.org). For *Annual Book of ASTM Standards*, Vol 02.02, volume information, refer to the standard's Document Summary page on the ASTM website.

orientation of the specimen within the original test material, and the direction in which the load force is applied relative to the grain flow in the specimen.<sup>4</sup> It is recommended that shear strengths of other products be determined by Test Method B 769 for products greater than 0.250 in. (6.4 mm) and Test Method B 831 for products less than 0.250 in. (6.4 mm). Shear strengths developed by this test method have been shown to vary from those developed by other methods.<sup>4</sup> If Test Method B 565 is used for shear testing of other products, variables such as those described in Test Method B 769 should be identified and controlled.

5.2 The results of shear tests are dependent upon the relative and absolute lengths of specimen which are sheared out, and those which are supported.<sup>4</sup> The results of tests made in accordance with this method should not be directly compared with those



$d$  = nominal diameter of specimen (rivet, wire or machined specimen),

$d_1$  = actual diameter of hole (see Note), and

$d_2$  = actual diameter of specimen

Clearance ( $d_1 - d_2$ ), maximum =  $0.02 d + 0.005$  in. (0.12 mm)

Note—The tolerance applicable to the diameter of the specimen being shear tested must be recognized in drilling the hole in the jig. It is recommended that the drilled hole size be equal to  $1.02 d$  plus 0.005 in. (0.12 mm) less the minus tolerance applicable to the specimen.

Note—The tolerance applicable to the diameter of the specimen being shear tested must be recognized in drilling the hole in the device. It is recommended that the drilled hole size be equal to  $1.02 d$  plus 0.005 in. (0.12 mm) less the minus tolerance applicable to the specimen.

$S_1 = d$

$S_2 = S_1 + 0.001$  in. (0.025 mm)

$S_3 = \frac{1}{4}$  in. (6 mm) for  $d = \frac{1}{16}$  in. (1.5 mm) to  $\frac{5}{32}$  in. (4 mm)

$= \frac{1}{2}$  in. (12 mm) for  $d = \frac{3}{16}$  in. (5 mm) to  $\frac{3}{8}$  in. (10 mm)

FIG. 1 Shear Test Deving Jigce

determined in other types of tests in which the methods of loading and supporting the specimen are different.

5.3 The presence of a lubricant on the surfaces of the specimen and jig device may result in shear strengths up to 3 % lower than those determined in the absence of lubrication.

NOTE 43—In order to be able to test rivets having shanks as short as  $2d$ , the supported lengths of the specimen are  $\frac{1}{2} d$  (Fig. 1), although it is recognized that higher values of shear strength would be obtained if the supporting lengths were longer.

5.4 Investigations have determined that the shear strength decreases slightly as the clearance between the specimen diameter and the diameter of the test hole in the jig device increases, and that the effect of the clearance decreases with increasing specimen diameter. This test method (refer to Fig. 1) permits clearances for production testing which should affect shear strengths by no more than 2 %. For referee testing, the maximum clearance shall be 0.001 in. (0.03 mm).<sup>5</sup>

## 6. Apparatus

6.1 *Testing Machines*—The testing machine shall conform to the requirements as defined in Practices E 4. The loads forces used

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<sup>4</sup> Kaufman, J. G., and Davies, R. E. "Effects of Test Method and Specimen Orientation on Shear Strengths of Aluminum Alloys," *ASTM Standards, Proceedings*, ASTEA, Am. Soc. Testing Mats., Vol-03-04, 64, 1964.

<sup>5</sup> Kaufman, J. G.,

<sup>5</sup> Fenn, R. W., Jr. and Davies, Clapper, R. E. "Effects B. "Evaluation of Test Method and Specimen Orientation on Shear Strengths Variables in the Determination of Aluminum Alloys," *Shear Strength,*" *ASTM Proceedings*, ASTEA, Am. Soc. Testing Mats., Vol 564, 19564.

to determine the shear strength shall be within the loading range of the testing machine as defined as Practices E 4.

6.2 ~~Loading Grips~~ Shear Test Device—A ~~loading jig~~ shear device of the type shown in Fig. 1 shall be used. It shall be made of hardened steel having a hardness of not less than 52 HRC and the shearing edges of the holes shall have a radius of no more than 0.0005 in. (0.013 mm). To minimize the possible effect of distortion of the device under ~~load~~, force, fitted machined steel bolts shall be used to hold the components together. The mating surfaces between the tongue and clevises shall be polished and shall have a finish of 16  $\mu$ n. ~~AA~~ Ra or better.

## 7. Test Specimens

7.1 Specimens shall consist of round, solid rivets or short lengths of wire, either in full cross section or machined to a smaller diameter. The minimum length of the specimen shall be twice its diameter. The maximum length is not specified as it has no effect on the results of the test.

7.2 For diameters up to and including 0.372 in. (9.45 mm), the specimens shall be the full cross section of the rivet shank or wire, except that the rivet shank or wire may be reduced up to 30 % in area by machining to accommodate the jig device size. In the case of wire, rod, or rivets over 0.372-in. (9.45-mm) diameter, it is permissible to turn down to 0.372-in. (9.45-mm) diameter for testing. The machined finish shall be 32  $\mu$ n. ~~AA~~ Ra or better.

7.3 The maximum clearance between the specimen diameter and the diameter of the test hole in the jig device shall not exceed that allowed in Fig. 1.

## 8. Test Specimen Measurement

8.1 Measure the diameter of the specimen to the nearest 0.001 in. (0.03 mm) for test specimens equal to or greater than 0.1 in. (2.5 mm) in diameter, and to the nearest 0.0005 in. (0.013 mm) for test specimens less than 0.1 in. (2.5 mm) in diameter.

## 9. Procedure

9.1 ~~P~~ The mating surfaces of the shear fixture should be visually inspected before use for aluminum buildup around the test holes. Removal of the aluminum buildup can be accomplished with crocus cloth or soaking the test device in a caustic soda solution followed by a water rinse and drying. Before referee testing, the test device should be cleaned in the above manner followed by procedures in 9.2.

9.2 Since lubrication may have an effect on results (see 5.3), clean the specimens and test device before referee testing (for example, clean ultrasonically in a suitable solvent) and take care to avoid touching the specimen and test-hole area of the shear device with the hands after cleaning.

9.3 ~~Place the specimen in the shear test jig, device, assemble as in Fig. 1, and load~~ apply force at a uniform rate until complete failure occurs.

9.24 ~~The cross-head speed during the test shall not exceed 3/4 in. (19.1 mm)/min and the loading rate shall not exceed 100 ksi (689 MPa)/min on the double-shear test cross section.~~

9.35 ~~Determine the maximum load force to fracture the specimen.~~

9.4 ~~Since lubrication may have an effect on results (see section 5.3), clean the specimens and test fixtures in referee testing (for example, clean ultrasonically in a suitable solvent) and take care to avoid touching the specimen and test-hole area of the shear fixture with the hands after cleaning.~~

9.5 ~~The mating surfaces of the shear fixture should be visually inspected before use for aluminum buildup around the test holes. Removal of the aluminum can be accomplished with crocus cloth or soaking the test fixture in a caustic soda solution followed by a water rinse and drying. Before referee testing the test fixture should be cleaned in the above manner followed by procedures in 9.4.~~

## 10. Calculations of Shear Strength

10.1 Calculate the shear strength from the maximum ~~load~~ force as follows:

$$S = \frac{1}{2}P_{\max}/A = \frac{1}{2}P_{\max}/(\pi D^2/4) = 2P_{\max}/\pi D^2 \quad (1)$$

where:

$S$  = the shear strength, psi (or MPa),

$P_{\max}$  = the maximum ~~load~~ force in the test, lbf (or N), and

$D$  = the measured diameter of the specimen, in. (or mm).

## 11. Report

11.1 The report shall include the following for each specimen tested:

11.1.1 The ASTM shear test method.

NOTE 54—In view of the influence of test methods on shear test results as indicated in 5.2, it is important to reference the ASTM test method in reporting results.

11.1.2 Material and sample identification.

- 11.1.3 Specimen diameter, in. (or mm).
- 11.1.4 Maximum load, force, lbf (or N).
- 11.1.5 Shear strength, ksi (or MPa).
- 11.1.6 Test temperature, °F (°C).

NOTE 65—For metric equivalents:

1 in = 25.4 mm  
 1lbf = 4.448 N  
 1 ksi = 6.89 MN/m<sup>2</sup> (MPa)

## 12. Precision and Bias

12.1 The precision and bias of this test method needs to be established. Subcommittee B07.05 is developing the precision and bias statements for this test method.

## 13. Keywords

13.1 double shear loading; loading jig; shear test device; shear aluminum rivet

## SUMMARY OF CHANGES

This section identifies

Committee B07 has identified the principle locations of selected changes to this standard that have been incorporated since the last issue (B 565 – 94 (2000)) that may impact its use.

- (1) ~~Test Method B 831 was added to~~ Created 1.2 for the Referenced Documents and Note 3. values statement.
- (2) ~~Footnote 7 was deleted from Paragraph 5.4.~~ Replaced the designation “AA” with “Ra” (Roughness average) in 6.2 and 7.2.
- (3) ~~6.2 was revised to define~~ Reordered the sharpness of the shearing edges, to redefine “interfaces” as “mating surfaces,” and to state a finish for the machined tongue and clevis surfaces. procedural steps in Section 9
- (4) ~~7.2 was revised to include the machined surface finish of the specimen~~ Added Section 12 on Precision and to insert metric dimensions. Bias.
- (5) ~~8.1 was revised to better define “smaller sizes.”~~ Replaced the word “load” with “force” throughout the standard.
- (6) ~~9.3—The~~ Replaced the words “by direct reading on “jig,” “grips,” and “fixture” with “device” throughout the test machine” were deleted.
- (7) ~~10.1—The definition of “D” was changed to be what it really is: the measured diameter of the specimen.~~
- (8) ~~11.1.1—“ASTM” was added to “shear test method” for clarification.~~
- (9) ~~Fig. 1—A metric equivalent was inserted after 0.005 in.~~
- (10) ~~11.1.6 was added.~~ standard.

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