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Standard Specification for Bronze Castings for Bridges and Turntables¹

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1. Scope

1.1 This specification establishes requirements for bronze castings for turntables, movable bridges and bridge parts, and bronze castings suitable for use in bridges and other structures for fixed and expansion bearings in which motion is slow and intermittent. The following Copper Alloys are specified: UNS No. C86300, C90500, C91100, C91300, and C93700.

NOTE 1—Historically, the alloys in this specification have been used in the applications listed in [Appendix X1](#). Actual practice may vary.²

1.2 The values stated in either SI units or inch-pound units are to be regarded separately as standard. Within the text, SI units are shown in brackets. The values stated in each system may not be exact equivalents; therefore, each system shall be used independently of the other. Combining values from the two systems may result in non-conformance with the standard.

1.3 The following safety hazard caveat pertains only to the test method(s) described in this specification: *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, health, and environmental practices and determine the applicability of regulatory limitations prior to use.*

1.4 *This international standard was developed in accordance with internationally recognized principles on standardization established in the Decision on Principles for the Development of International Standards, Guides and Recommendations issued by the World Trade Organization Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT) Committee.*

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² The UNS system for copper and copper alloys (see Practice E527) 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.

2. Referenced Documents

2.1 The following documents in the current issue of the Book of Standards form a part of this specification to the extent referenced herein:

2.2 *ASTM Standards*:³

[B824 Specification for General Requirements for Copper Alloy Castings](#)

[B846 Terminology for Copper and Copper Alloys](#)

[E8/E8M Test Methods for Tension Testing of Metallic Materials](#)

[E9 Test Methods of Compression Testing of Metallic Materials at Room Temperature](#)

[E10 Test Method for Brinell Hardness of Metallic Materials](#)

[E527 Practice for Numbering Metals and Alloys in the Unified Numbering System \(UNS\)](#)

3. General Requirements

3.1 The following sections of Specification [B824](#) form a part of this specification. In the event of a conflict between this specification and Specification [B824](#), the requirements of this specification shall take precedence.

3.1.1 Terminology,

3.1.2 Other Requirements,

3.1.3 Dimensions, Mass, and Permissible Variations,

3.1.4 Workmanship, Finish, and Appearance,

3.1.5 Sampling,

3.1.6 Number of Tests and Retests,

3.1.7 Specimen Preparation,

3.1.8 Test Methods,

3.1.9 Significance of Numerical Limits,

3.1.10 Inspection,

3.1.11 Rejection and Rehearing,

3.1.12 Certification,

3.1.13 Test Report,

3.1.14 Product Marking,

3.1.15 Packaging and Package Marking,

3.1.16 Keywords, and

³ For referenced ASTM standards, visit the ASTM website, www.astm.org, or contact ASTM Customer Service at www.astm.org/contact. For *Annual Book of ASTM Standards* volume information, refer to the standard's Document Summary page on the ASTM website.

TABLE 1 Chemical Requirements

Copper Alloy UNS No.	Composition, % max, except as indicated											
	Copper	Tin	Lead	Zinc	Iron	Nickel Including Cobalt	Aluminum	Manganese	Antimony	Sulfur	Phosphorus	Silicon
C86300	60.0–66.0	0.20	0.20	22.0–28.0	2.0–4.0	1.0 ^A	5.0–7.5	2.5–5.0	...	...	...	...
C90500	86.0–89.0	9.0–11.0	0.30	1.0–3.0	0.20	1.0 ^A	0.005	...	0.20	0.05	0.05 ^B	0.005
C91100	82.0–85.0	15.0–17.0	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.50 ^A	0.005	...	0.20	0.05	1.0 ^B	0.005
C91300	79.0–82.0	18.0–20.0	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.50 ^A	0.005	...	0.20	0.05	1.0 ^B	0.005
C93700	78.0–82.0	9.0–11.0	8.0–11.0	0.8	0.7 ^C	0.50 ^A	0.005	...	0.50	0.08	0.10 ^B	0.005

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

^B For continuous castings, phosphorus shall be 1.5 % max.

^C Iron shall be 0.35 % max. when used for steel-backed.

3.1.17 Supplementary Requirements.

4. Terminology

4.1 For definitions of terms related to copper and copper alloys, refer to Terminology **B846**.

5. Ordering Information

5.1 Include the following specified choices when placing orders for products covered under this specification, as applicable:

5.1.1 ASTM designation and year of issue (for example, B22/B22M-14),

5.1.2 Number of castings or total weight, for each size and form,

5.1.3 Copper Alloy UNS No. designation (see **Table 1**),

5.1.4 Temper,

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

5.1.6 When material is purchased for agencies of the U.S. government, the Supplementary Requirements in Specification **B824** may be specified.

5.2 The following options are available but may not be included unless specified at the time of placing of the order when required:

5.2.1 Soundness requirements (Specification **B824**),

5.2.2 Certification (Specification **B824**),

5.2.3 Test report (Specification **B824**),

5.2.4 Inspection (Specification **B824**),

5.2.5 Product marking (Specification **B824**), and

5.2.6 Heat identification or traceability details.

6. Materials and Manufacture

6.1 Material(s):

6.1.1 The material of manufacture shall be a casting of Copper Alloy UNS No.(s) C86300, C90500, C91100, C91300, or C93700 of such purity and soundness as to be suitable for processing in to the products prescribed herein.

6.1.2 When specified in the contract or purchase order, that heat identification or traceability is required, the purchaser shall specify the details desired.

6.2 Manufacture:

6.2.1 The product shall be manufactured by such casting methods to produce a uniform finished product.

7. Chemical Composition

7.1 The material shall conform to the chemical composition requirements in **Table 1** for the copper alloy UNS No. designation specified in the ordering information.

7.2 These composition limits do not preclude the presence of other elements. By agreement between the manufacturer and purchaser, limits may be established and analysis required for unnamed elements.

7.3 For UNS No. C86300 copper or zinc may be taken as the difference between the sum of the results of all other elements determined and 100 %.

7.4 For UNS No. C90500, C91100, C91300, and C93700 copper may be taken as the difference between the sum of the results of all elements determined and 100 %.

7.5 When all named elements in **Table 1** are determined, the sum of the results shall be as shown in **Table 2**.

8. Temper

8.1 The standard tempers for products described in this specification are given in **Table 3A**, **Table 3B**, and **Table 3C**.

8.1.1 As Sand Cast M01.

8.1.2 As Centrifugal Cast M02.

8.1.3 As Continuous Cast M07.

9. Mechanical Property Requirements

9.1 Tensile Strength Requirement:

9.1.1 For Copper Alloy UNS Nos. C86300, C90500, and C93700 furnished under this specification shall conform to the tensile strength requirements, yield strength at 0.5 % extension requirements, and elongation percent in a gauge length of 2 in. [50 mm] requirements in **Table 3**, when tested in accordance with Test Methods **E8/E8M**.

TABLE 2 Sum of All Named Elements Analyzed

Copper Alloy UNS No. Copper Plus Named	Elements, % min
C86300	99.0
C90500	99.7
C91100	99.4
C91300	99.4
C93700	99.0