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# AEROSPACE MATERIAL SPECIFICATION



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Steel Bars  
Free Machining (SAE 1212 or SAE 1215)  
Cold Drawn

UNS G12120

## 1. SCOPE:

### 1.1 Form:

This specification covers a free-machining carbon steel in the form of bars.

### 1.2 Application:

These products have been used typically for screw stock and other applications where free-machining characteristics are desirable, but usage is not limited to such applications.

## 2. APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS:

The issue of the following documents in effect on the date of the purchase order forms a part of this specification to the extent specified herein. The supplier may work to a subsequent revision of a document unless a specific document issue is specified. When the referenced document has been canceled and no superseding document has been specified, the last published issue of that document shall apply.

### 2.1 SAE Publications:

Available from SAE, 400 Commonwealth Drive, Warrendale, PA 15096-0001.

- AMS 2231 Tolerances, Carbon Steel Bars
- MAM 2231 Tolerances, Metric, Carbon Steel Bars
- AMS 2259 Chemical Check Analysis Limits, Wrought Low-Alloy and Carbon Steels
- AMS 2370 Quality Assurance Sampling and Testing, Carbon and Low-Alloy Steels, Wrought Products and Forging Stock
- AMS 2806 Identification, Bars, Wire, Mechanical Tubing, and Extrusions, Carbon and Alloy Steels and Corrosion and Heat Resistant Steels and Alloys

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## 2.2 ASTM Publications:

Available from ASTM, 100 Barr Harbor Drive, West Conshohocken, PA 19428-2959.

ASTM E 10 Brinell Hardness of Metallic Materials

ASTM E 350 Chemical Analysis of Carbon Steel, Low-Alloy Steel, Silicon Electrical Steel, Ingot Iron, and Wrought Iron

## 3. TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS:

### 3.1 Composition:

Shall conform to the percentages by weight of one of the types shown in Table 1, determined by wet chemical methods in accordance with ASTM E 350, by spectrochemical methods, or by other analytical methods acceptable to purchaser:

TABLE 1 - Composition

Element	Type 1212 min	Type 1212 max	Type 1215 min	Type 1215 max
Carbon	--	0.13	--	0.09
Manganese	0.70	1.00	0.75	1.05
Phosphorus	0.07	0.12	0.04	0.09
Sulfur	0.16	0.23	0.26	0.35

3.1.1 Unless a specific type is ordered, either type may be supplied.

3.1.2 Check Analysis: Composition variation shall meet the applicable requirements of AMS 2259.

### 3.2 Condition:

Cold drawn.

### 3.3 Properties:

Bars shall conform to the following requirements:

3.3.1 Hardness: Shall be as shown in Table 2, or equivalent (See 8.2), determined in accordance with ASTM E 10:

TABLE 2 - Hardness Requirements

Nominal Diameter or Least Distance Between Parallel Sides Inches	Nominal Diameter or Least Distance Between Parallel Sides Millimeters	Hardness HB min	Hardness HB max
Up to 1.00, incl	Up to 25.4, incl	170	255
Over 1.00 to 2.00, excl	Over 25.4 to 50.8, excl	156	201
2.00 and over	50.8 and over	110	201

## 3.4 Quality:

Bars, as received by purchaser, shall be uniform in quality and condition, sound, and, consistent with the type of steel involved, free from foreign materials and from imperfections detrimental to usage of the bars.

## 3.5 Tolerances:

Shall conform to all applicable requirements of AMS 2231 or MAM 2231.

## 4. QUALITY ASSURANCE PROVISIONS:

## 4.1 Responsibility for Inspection:

The vendor of bars shall supply all samples for vendor's tests and shall be responsible for the performance of all required tests. Purchaser reserves the right to sample and to perform any confirmatory testing deemed necessary to ensure that the bars conform to specified requirements.

## 4.2 Classification of Tests:

All technical requirements of this specification are acceptance tests and shall be performed on each heat or lot as applicable.

## 4.3 Sampling and Testing:

Shall be in accordance with AMS 2370.

## 4.4 Reports:

- 4.4.1 The vendor of bars shall furnish with each shipment a report showing the results of tests for chemical composition of each heat and stating that the bars conform to the other technical requirements. This report shall include the purchase order number, heat and lot numbers, AMS 5010J, size, and quantity.

**4.5 Resampling and Retesting:**

Shall be in accordance with AMS 2370.

**5. PREPARATION FOR DELIVERY:****5.1 Sizes:**

Except when exact lengths or multiples of exact lengths are ordered, straight bars will be acceptable in mill lengths of 6 to 20 feet (1.8 to 6.1 m) but not more than 10% of any shipment shall be supplied in lengths shorter than 10 feet (3 m).

**5.2 Identification:**

Shall be in accordance with AMS 2806.

**5.3 Packaging:**

Bars shall be prepared for shipment in accordance with commercial practice and in compliance with applicable rules and regulations pertaining to the handling, packaging, and transportation of the bars to ensure carrier acceptance and safe delivery.

**5.3.1 Protective Treatment:** Bars may be protected from corrosion prior to shipment.**6. ACKNOWLEDGMENT:**

A vendor shall mention this specification number and its revision letter in all quotations and when acknowledging purchase orders.

**7. REJECTIONS:**

Bars not conforming to this specification, or to modifications authorized by purchaser, will be subject to rejection.

**8. NOTES:**

8.1 A change bar (I) located in the left margin is for the convenience of the user in locating areas where technical revisions, not editorial changes, have been made to the previous issue of this specification. An (R) symbol to the left of the document title indicates a complete revision of the specification, including technical revisions. Change bars and (R) are not used in original publications, nor in specifications that contain editorial changes only.

8.2 Hardness conversion tables for metals are presented in ASTM E 140.

8.3 Terms used in AMS are clarified in ARP1917.