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BRITISH STANDARD SPECIFICATION FOR COPPER PLATES FOR LOCOMOTIVE FIRE BOXES.

(REVISED 1924).

The figures in British measures are to be regarded as the Standard. Approximate metric equivalents are given for the convenience of users in countries in which the metric system has been generally adopted.

Quality of Material.

1. The Plates shall contain not less than 99·20 per cent of copper, and shall contain not less than 0·30 per cent nor more than 0·50 per cent of arsenic.

The Manufacturer shall supply an analysis when required to do so.

Freedom from Defects.

2. The Plates shall be clean, smooth, free from surface defects, and shall be thoroughly annealed.

Marking.

3. Each Plate shall be stamped with the Manufacturer's name and plate number, about 12 inches (say 300 mm.) from the end in the centre line of the Plate, and shall also be distinctly stamped with such marks of identification as the Engineer (or the Purchaser) may require.

Mechanical Tests.

4. The scrap margin before shearing shall be not less than 3 inches (76·20 mm.) at each end, and $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches (38·10 mm.) at each side of the Plate; from this margin a piece at each end 2 inches (50·80 mm.) wide shall be left attached to the Plate, from which the representative of the Engineer (or of the Purchaser) will mark lengths for tensile and bend tests. All test pieces shall comply with the following mechanical tests without further heat treatment.

Tensile Test.

5. A Standard Test Piece **A** (*see* Appendix, page 20) shall show a tensile breaking strength of not less than 14 tons (31,360 lb.) per square inch (22 kg. per mm.^{2}), with an elongation of not less than 35 per cent.

Bend Test.

6. Test pieces shall be taken from the piece 2 inches (50·80 mm). wide, described in Clause 4, and tested both cold and at a red heat by the ends being bent through an angle of 180° in opposite directions as shown in Fig. 1, and doubled up close, without showing either crack or flaw on the outside of either bend. The edges of the test pieces shall be draw-filed to remove roughness and sharpness.

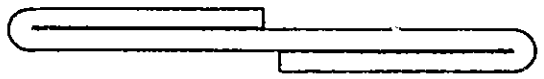

Fig. 1.

Additional Tests before Rejection.

7. Should any of the test pieces first selected by the representative of the Engineer (or of the Purchaser) fail to pass the chemical or mechanical tests, two further test pieces from the same Plate shall be selected for testing. Should either of these test pieces so selected fail as to the requirements of either the chemical or mechanical tests, the Plates represented by the test pieces shall be liable to rejection.

Inspection.

8. The representative of the Engineer (or the Purchaser) shall be at liberty to reject any material that does not conform to the terms of this Specification. He will attend to stamp pieces for testing before delivery, and no Plate will be accepted which will not stand the specified tests or which upon analysis is found not to conform to the limits stated for the chemical composition

Testing Facilities.

9. The Manufacturer shall supply the material required for testing free of charge and shall, at his own cost, furnish and prepare the necessary test pieces, and supply labour and appliances for such testing as may be carried out on his premises in accordance with this Specification. Failing facilities at his own works for making the prescribed tests, the Manufacturer shall bear the cost of carrying out the tests elsewhere.

NOTE.—*The Association desires to call attention to the fact that this Specification is intended to include the technical provisions necessary for the supply of the material herein referred to, but does not purport to include all the necessary provisions of a Contract.*

BRITISH STANDARD SPECIFICATION FOR ROLLED COPPER RODS FOR LOCOMOTIVE STAY BOLTS, RIVETS, ETC.

(REVISED 1924).

The figures in British measures are to be regarded as the Standard. Approximate metric equivalents are given for the convenience of users in countries in which the metric system has been generally adopted.

Quality of Material.

1. The Rods shall contain not less than 99·20 per cent of copper, and shall contain not less than 0·30 per cent nor more than 0·50 per cent of arsenic.

The Manufacturer shall supply an analysis when required to do so.

Freedom from Defects.

2. The Rods shall be clean, smooth, uniform in diameter and free from surface defects. The character of the material shall be ascertained by breaking off a small portion from one Rod in twenty-five. The material shall be free from piping or other defects of every description.

Marking.

3. Each Rod shall be stamped with the Manufacturer's name near one end.

Mechanical Tests.

4. The representative of the Engineer (or of the Purchaser) shall select and test such of the Rods as he may think proper up to two per cent. of each diameter of Rod ordered under the contract.

All test pieces shall withstand the following mechanical tests in the annealed condition, but, in the case of Rods ordered annealed, without any further heat treatment.

Tensile Test.

5. The tensile strength shall be not less than 14·50 tons (32,480 lb.) per square inch (23 kg. per mm.^{2}), with an elongation