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Foreword

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- Clarification of split end bend test acceptance pass requirements;
- The addition of a cadmium caution notice;
- Clarification of the BS Part No. designation.

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1 Scope

This British Standard specifies the materials, dimensions and finish of split taper pins for aerospace use.

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes provisions of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies.¹⁾ For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

BS S 80, *High chromium-nickel corrosion resisting steel forging stock, bars, forgings and parts (880 to 1080 MPa: limiting ruling section 100mm)*

BS S 154, *2 1/2 % nickel-chromium-molybdenum steel billets, bars, forgings and parts (880-1080 MPa: limiting ruling section 150 mm)*

BS EN 2133, *Aerospace series – Cadmium plating of steels with specified tensile strength ≤ 1450 MPa, copper, copper alloys and nickel alloys*

SAE AMS03-19, *Electro-Deposition of Cadmium*

3 Terms and definitions

No terms and definitions are listed in this document.

4 Materials and manufacture

The pins shall be manufactured from the appropriate material specified in [Table 1](#).

The pins shall have a smooth machine ground finish and shall be free from visible surface defects when viewed by the naked eye under good lighting conditions.

NOTE Pin outline end form options are shown in [Figure 1](#).

The large end of the pins shall be of a curved domed form but extending no further beyond length *B* than a full hemisphere.

The small end of the pins, though shown of domed form (see [Figure 1](#)), shall - at the option of the manufacturer - be of any suitable lead-in form, both for hole entry and to aid the end customer to prise the tang halves apart.

The pins shall be split and not sawn.

Table 1 — *Materials*

BS Identifier	Description	Material specification
SP31	Alloy steel	BS S 154 ^{A)}
SP32	Corrosion resisting steel	BS S 80

^{A)} BS S 114 and BS S 96 have been withdrawn but are included here for reference only for earlier-made pins, which might still be in service.

¹⁾ Documents that are referred to solely in an informative manner are listed in the Bibliography.