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## **Foreword**

This Standard was drafted in accordance with the rules given in GB/T 1.1-2009.

This Standard replaces GB/T 3954-2008 Aluminium and aluminium alloys rod for electrical purpose.

Compared with GB/T 3954-2008, the main modifications in this Standard are as follows:

- added product designations: 1350, 1370, 8A07, 5030; and specified its physical and chemical properties;
- specified the state of each designation of products;
- made chemical composition of each designation of products as determination reference, unless otherwise agreed;
- deleted the description on product model from the text; added Annex A "Comparison on product model";
- added Annex B "Comparison on resistivity and volume conductivity".

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# Aluminum and aluminum alloys rod for electrical purpose

# 1 Scope

This Standard specifies the requirements, test methods, inspection rules, marks, packaging, storage, quality certificate and purchase order (or contract) of aluminum and aluminum alloys rod for electrical purpose.

This Standard is applicable to continuous casting and rolling electric aluminum and aluminum alloys rod for electrical purpose of drawn wire, cable conductive wire with round aluminum wire, aluminum wire and other electrical aluminum conductor.

## 2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

GB/T 3048.2, Test methods for electrical properties of electric cables and wires - Part 2: Test of electrical resistivity of metallic materials

GB/T 3190, Wrought aluminium and aluminium alloy - Chemical composition

GB/T 4909.2, Test methods for bare wires - Part 2: Measurement of dimensions

GB/T 4909.3, Test methods for bare wires - Part 3: Tensile test

GB/T 7999, Optical emission spectrometric analysis method of aluminum and aluminum alloys

GB/T 8170, Rules of rounding off for numerical values & expression and judgement of limiting values

GB/T 17432, Methods for sampling for analyzing the chemical composition of wrought aluminum and aluminum alloys

GB/T 20975 (all parts), Methods for chemical analysis of aluminium and

The measurements of tensile strength and elongation rate shall comply with the provisions of GB/T 4909.3.

### 4.4 Resistivity

The resistivity test shall be carried out according to the provisions of GB/T 3048.2.

#### 4.5 Heat resistance

The heat resistance inspection method of aluminum and aluminum alloys rod for electrical purpose with designation of 8A07 shall be carried out according to the following steps:

- a) insulate the 8A07 aluminum alloy rod in the insulation furnace for 1h according to the requirements of Table 5;
- b) inspect the tensile strength after naturally cooling the insulated aluminum alloy rod to room temperature;
- c) 8A07 aluminum alloy rod heat resistance (tensile strength residual rate): the same designation shall be in accordance with the ratio BETWEEN tensile strength after method a) insulation treatment AND un-insulated tensile strength under natural state after production.

## 4.6 Appearance quality

The appearance quality shall be visually inspected.

### 4.7 Numerical value rounding and determination

The numerical value rounding and determination shall be carried out according to the provisions of GB/T 8170.

# 5 Inspection rules

### 5.1 Inspection and acceptance

- **5.1.1** The aluminum and aluminum alloys rod for electrical purpose shall be inspected by the supplier's technical supervision department to ensure that the product quality shall be in accordance with the provisions of this Standard (or purchase contract). And fill in the quality certificate.
- **5.1.2** The purchaser shall inspect the product received according to the provisions of this Standard. If the inspection results do not comply with the provisions of this Standard and purchase order, the purchaser shall put forward to the supplier within one month since the date of receipt of the

- **5.5.2** If any indicator in tensile strength, elongation, resistivity and 8A07 aluminum alloy rod heat resistance fails, for big roll, it shall extract double samples from the roll represented by the unqualified sample to repeat the test. If there is still a sample failed, then this roll shall be determined as unqualified. For small roll, it shall extract double samples from the roll represented by the unqualified sample to repeat the test. If there is still a sample failed, then these 2 rolls shall be determined as unqualified. However, the inspection by rolls shall be carried out after agreement by the supplier and the purchaser. Qualified delivery.
- **5.5.3** When the size deviation is unqualified, this roll shall be determined as unqualified.
- **5.5.4** When the appearance quality is unqualified, this roll shall be determined as unqualified. But the supplier is allowed to cut out the unqualified part for re-inspection. Qualified delivery.

# 6 Marks, packaging, transport and storage

#### 6.1 Marks

Each roll of qualified aluminum and aluminum alloys rod for electrical purpose shall be attached with label, at least indicating the following information:

- a) supplier's name;
- b) product's name, designation;
- c) diameter;
- d) batch number;
- e) state;
- f) net weight;
- g) date of production;
- h) reference to this Standard.

### 6.2 Packaging

The aluminum and aluminum alloys rod for electrical purpose shall be packaged in rolls and well tied. If purchaser has special requirements for packaging, it shall be negotiated by the supplier and the purchaser and indicated in the purchase order (or contract).

#### 6.3 Transport, storage

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