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DATA AND FACTS FOR APPLICATION

EN AW-6026LF

The lead-free alternative of the 6000 group

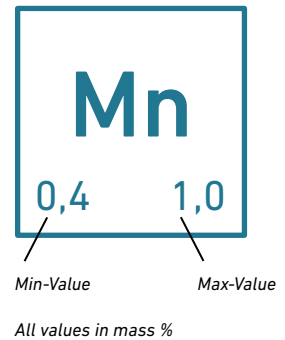
EN AW-6026LF - THE LEAD-FREE ALLOY

EN AW-6026LF is one of the heat treatable alloys. Accordingly, heat treatment such as solution annealing and subsequent artificial aging is necessary. Only then can the alloy develop its full potential. This alloy is used in the automotive sector and for rail vehicles, among other applications. It is corrosion-resistant, well suited for anodizing and has high strength. It was developed with particular attention to very good machinability.

Chemical Composition

Si 0,60 1,40	Fe 0,70	Cu 0,20 0,50	Mn 0,20 1,0	Mg 0,60 1,2	Cr 0,30	Zn 0,30
Ti 0,20	Bi 0,50 1,5	Pb 0,05	Sn 0,05	others, each 0,05	others, total 0,15	

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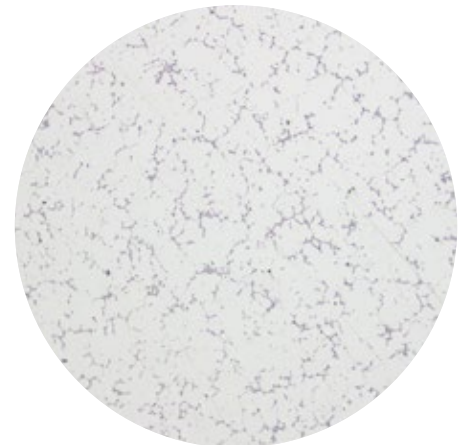


Structure of the billets

Depending on the process, a segregation zone occurs immediately in the marginalized layer of continuously cast billets. Prior to further processing these should be removed – this is already the case for the turned billets from LEICHTMETALL. Additionally these billets are also subjected to a final quality test by means of an automatic ultrasonic test underwater. In the case of casting lengths, the depth of the segregation zone is shown by way of example at 178 mm.



Macrosection, d178 mm: Segregation 2 mm



Microsection, d178 mm (25 times magnification)

Kokillen (Kaltmaß)

Ø 159 mm	Ø 177 mm	Ø 201 mm	Ø 215 mm	Ø 227 mm	Ø 252 mm	Ø 278 mm
Ø 314 mm	Ø 350 mm	Ø 372 mm	Ø 424 mm	Ø 434 mm	Ø 518 mm	Ø 607 mm
Ø 682 mm	Ø 750 mm**	Ø 930 mm*	Ø 1150 mm**			

* Q4 2022

** Q2 2023

Turned billets

We can produce all diameters between 140 – 650 mm. From Q2 2023 onwards, we are able to produce diameters up to 1.100 mm.

Mechanical Properties

There is no standard for cast round rods (cast billets / bolts) that defines mechanical properties. A Brinell hardness in the homogenized state of approx. 56 HBW can be named as a guideline for cast material. The homogenized state (=“O3” according to EN515) is comparable in strength with the annealed state (=“O”) for extruded products. The final strength is essentially adjusted by the reshaping process and/or the heat treatments by our customers.

Profit from our extensive materials experience

We ship billets in the homogenized state (O3). The advantage: a consistent structure as well as good properties for further processing with reshaping processes (forging and extruding). We have summarized typical attainable empirical values from our experience – in relation to the heat treatments and resulting technological properties.

Physical Properties

Density	2,72 g/cm ³
Electr. conductivity	26 MS/m
Thermal conductivity	172 W/(mK)
Modulus of elasticity	69.000 MPa
Coefficient of thermal expansion (20-100 °C)	23,4 * 10 ⁻⁶ 1/K

Mechanical Parameters

Condition	R _{p0,2} (MPa)	R _m (MPa)	A (%)
T6	200	300	8

(all stated values for extruded round rods D. between 200 – 250 mm)

Technological Properties*

Weldability

WIG	+
MIG	+
Resistance welding	+

Surface Treatment

Anodization protective	+
Anodisieren decorative	+
Coating	++

Cold reshapeability

Bending	o
Deep-drawing / Pressing / Upsetting	o
Impact Extrusion	o

Corrosion resistance

Atmospheric conditions	+
Seawater	o

Brazeability

Hard soldering	o
Abrasion soldering	+
Soft soldering with flux	o

Hot reshapeability

Extrusion molding	+
Drop forging / Open die forging	+

Machineability

Use in contact with food	No
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* ++ = very good --- = not possible

Customer-Specific Solutions ...

Upon request we can adapt the analysis presets according to your individual processing needs and quality requirements. Various chemical compositions are possible and similarly very pure alloys can be produced with limited amounts of Sodium, Calcium or Beryllium. We are looking forward to receiving your request!

... no problem for LEICHTMETALL

High strength alloys are our Speciality. Our know-how as a foundry stretches back over 90 years. Today, demanding customers from many branches of industry – for example from Aviation, Automobile, general Machinery and Energy Management use the Premium Alloys made in Hannover, Germany.

Particularly close to our hearts, is our commitment to optimized production – saving energy and protecting the environment. To that end, for example, we use secondary aluminium from the circular economy to ensure environmental and climate protection.



Do you have questions?

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