
**Soft solder alloys — Chemical
compositions and forms**

Alliages de brasage tendre — Compositions chimiques et formes



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- alloys 303 and 304 have been added to [Table 3](#) and [Table A.1](#);
- [Table A.1](#) has been updated according to IEC 61190-1-3;
- patent information was updated on the relevant ISO web page and Annex B was removed.

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Soft solder alloys — Chemical compositions and forms

1 Scope

This document specifies the requirements for chemical composition for soft solder alloys containing two or more of: tin, lead, antimony, copper, silver, bismuth, zinc, indium and/or cadmium.

An indication of the forms generally available is also included.

2 Normative references

There are no normative references in this document.

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

ISO and IEC maintain terminological databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <https://www.iso.org/obp>
- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>

3.1

soft solder

metallic filler material which is used to join metallic parts and which has a melting temperature (liquidus) lower than that of the parts to be joined and, usually, lower than 450 °C and which wets the parent metals

3.2

batch

collection of one or more units of product, made in a single production operation

4 Chemical composition

The chemical composition of the soft solder, sampled and analysed in accordance with [Clause 6](#), shall be as given for the appropriate material in [Table 2](#) or [Table 3](#).

5 Forms of delivery

5.1 General

Soft solders conforming to this document shall be supplied in one of the following forms: ingot, slab, stick, bar, rod, wire, pellets, preforms, spheres, ribbons, powder or pastes and creams containing powder. Solder shall be uniform in quality and free from detrimental conditions such as contamination or surface oxide that prevent melting and flow in a manner suitable for the intended application.

NOTE 1 Solders supplied in the form of rod, wire, or preforms can be supplied with or without an integral flux, subject to agreement between the supplier and the purchaser.

NOTE 2 Not all the solder compositions given in the tables are necessarily available in all the product forms listed.