

SPECIFICATIONS

Commercial	6063
EN	6063

Aluminium Alloy 6063

Aluminium alloy 6063 is a medium strength alloy commonly referred to as an architectural alloy. It is normally used in intricate extrusions.

It has a good surface finish, high corrosion resistance, is readily suited to welding and can be easily anodised. Most commonly available as T6 temper, in the T4 condition it has good formability.

Applications

6063 is typically used in:

- Architectural applications
- Extrusions
- Window frames
- Doors
- Shop fittings
- Irrigation tubing

In balustrading the rails and posts are normally in the T6 temper and formed elbows and bends are T4. T4 temper 6063 aluminium is also finding applications in hydroformed tube for chassis.

Aluminium Alloy 6063A

Aluminium alloy 6063A is a variation of 6063 with greater strength but retains the same good surface finish qualities and affinity for anodising.

Applications

- 6063A is used in the same applications as 6063. It is also used in:
- Road transport
- Rail transport
- Extreme sports equipment

CHEMICAL COMPOSITION

BS EN 573-3:2009
Alloy 6063

Element	% Present
Magnesium (Mg)	0.45 - 0.90
Silicon (Si)	0.20 - 0.60
Iron (Fe)	0.0 - 0.35
Others (Total)	0.0 - 0.15
Chromium (Cr)	0.0 - 0.10
Copper (Cu)	0.0 - 0.10
Titanium (Ti)	0.0 - 0.10
Manganese (Mn)	0.0 - 0.10
Zinc (Zn)	0.0 - 0.10
Other (Each)	0.0 - 0.05
Aluminium (Al)	Balance

ALLOY DESIGNATIONS

Aluminium alloy 6063/6063A also corresponds to the following standard designations and specifications **but may not be a direct equivalent:**

- AA6063
- Al Mg0.7Si
- GS10
- AlMgSi0.5
- A-GS
- 3.32206
- ASTM B210
- ASTM B221
- ASTM B241 (Pipe- Seamless)
- ASTM B345 (Pipe- Seamless)
- ASTM B361
- ASTM B429
- ASTM B483
- ASTM B491
- MIL G-18014
- MIL G-18015
- MIL P-25995
- MIL W-85
- QQ A-200/9
- SAE J454
- UNS A96063
- HE19

TEMPER TYPES

The most common temper for 6063 aluminium are:

- O - Soft
- T4 - Solution heat treated and naturally aged to a substantially stable condition
- T6 - Solution heat treated and artificially aged

SUPPLIED FORMS

Alloy 6063 is supplied as standard extrusions including tee, channel, angle and flat bar as well as box section and tube

- Extrusions
- Tube

GENERIC PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

Property	Value
Density	2.70 g/cm ³
Melting Point	600 °C
Thermal Expansion	23.5 x10 ⁻⁶ /K
Modulus of Elasticity	69.5 GPa
Thermal Conductivity	200 W/m.K
Electrical Resistivity	0.035 x10 ⁻⁶ Ω .m

MECHANICAL PROPERTIES

*BS EN 755-2:2008
Rod & Bar
Up to 200mm Dia.*

Property	Value
Tensile Strength	130 Max MPa
Elongation A50 mm	16 Min %
Hardness Brinell	25 HB
Elongation A	18 Min %

Properties above are for material in the Soft O condition

*BS EN 755-2:2008
Tube
Up to 25mm Wall Thickness*

Property	Value
Tensile Strength	130 Max MPa
Elongation A50 mm	16 Min %
Hardness Brinell	25 HB
Elongation A	18 Min %

Properties above are for material in the Soft O condition

WELDABILITY

6063 is suitable for all conventional welding methods. Welding wire generally should be alloy 5183 or alloy 4043.

When maximum electrical conductivity is required use alloy 4043.

For strength and conductivity use alloy 5346 and increase the size of the weld to compensate for the lower conductivity.

Weldability – Gas: Excellent

Weldability – Arc: Excellent

Weldability – Resistance: Excellent

Brazability: Excellent

Solderability: Good

FABRICATION

Workability - Cold: Average

Machinability: Average

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