



# Brush 1915 Alloy Rod and Wire: Machinable Copper-Nickel Alloy

Brush 1915® alloy is a heat-treatable leaded copper alloy used in automatic screw machines and cold forming processes. With a machinability index of 70, Brush 1915 material also provides high strength, good machinability, good conductivity, excellent surface finish, close diameter control and microstructural consistency. The properties of Brush 1915 alloy make it an ideal material for machined or formed electrical contacts, connector pins and sockets.



# Brush 1915 Alloy Chemical Composition (Weight Percent)

UNS Number	Nickel	Lead	Phosphorus	Copper
C19150	0.8 - 1.2	0.5 - 1.0	0.15 - 0.35	Balance

### Brush 1915 Alloy and Physical Properties

Density	Thermal Expansion Coefficient (68°F - 212°F / 20°C - 100°C)	Thermal Conductivity (68°F / 20°C)	Electrical Conductivity (HT condition)	
0.320 lb./in <sup>3</sup> 8.88 g/cm <sup>3</sup>	$9.8 \times 10^{-6}$ in/in °F 17.7 x $10^{-6}$ m/m °C	120 BTU/ft hr °F 210 W/m °C	50% IACS $29 \times 10^6 \text{ S/m}$	

# Brush 1915 Alloy Mechanical Properties

		Brush 1915 Rod		Brush 1915 Wire			
Temper	Size Range (inch/mm)	Ultimate Tensile Strength (ksi/Mpa)	Yield Strength 0.2% Offset (ksi/Mpa)	Elongation (%)	Ultimate Tensile Strength (ksi/Mpa)	Yield Strength 0.2% Offset (ksi/Mpa)	Elongation (%)
А	0.030 - 0.625/ 0.76 - 15.9	30 - 50/ 210 - 350	10 - 40/ 70 - 280	35 - 55	25 - 50/ 170 - 350	5 - 25/ 35 - 170	40 - 60
AT	0.030 - 0.625/ 0.76 - 15.9	50 - 70/ 350 - 480	25 - 50/ 170 - 350	20 - 45	50 - 70/ 350 - 480	25 - 50/ 170 - 350	25 - 45
	0.030 - 0.438/ 0.76 - 11.1	55 - 75/ 380 - 520	45 - 70/ 310 - 480	1 - 20	50 - 75/ 350 - 520	35 - 65/ 240 - 450	1 - 20
Н	> 0.438 - 0.625/ > 11.1 - 15.9	40 - 65/ 280 - 450	25 - 55/ 170 - 380	1 - 20	40 - 65/ 280 - 450	25 - 55/ 170 - 380	1 - 20
LIT	0.030 - 0.438/ 0.76 - 11.1	80 - 105/ 590 - 720	70 - 95/ 480 - 660	4 - 30	80 - 105/ 560 - 720	70 - 100/ 480 - 690	4 - 30
HT -	> 0.438 - 0.625/ > 11.1 - 15.9	70 - 100/ 480 - 690	55 - 85/ 380 - 590	4 - 30	75 - 105/ 520 - 720	65 - 90/ 450 - 620	4 - 30

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Annealed Temper (A) is the softest form available for applications where maximum formability is required. Precipitation-hardened (AT) properties are obtained by heat treatment, performed by the customer, after forming.

Hard Temper (H) is cold worked to increase strength; however, formability is decreased. H temper material can also be heat treated to obtain peak (HT) properties after forming. H tempers are commonly used for cold-heading operations.

Heat Treated Temper (HT) provides maximum properties after heat treatment. H temper product can be heat treated by the user to obtain HT properties. Mill hardened HT material can be purchased from Materion and is generally the most cost-effective temper.

### **Brush 1915 Alloy Heat Treatment**

The recommended heat treatment cycle for Brush 1915 alloy is 700°F (371°C) for 3½ hours. Additional heat treatment information is available from Materion.

### Brush 1915 Alloy Machining

The addition of lead in the Brush 1915 alloy composition allows for chip control in turning and drilling operations, making the alloy ideal for automatic machining. Brush 1915 rod and wire machines readily at feeds and speeds used for other leaded copper alloys. High-speed steel and carbide tools are recommended for all machining operations.

#### Brush 1915 Alloy Availability

Brush 1915 alloy is available in rod or wire in diameters beginning at 0.030" (0.76 mm) and up to 0.625" (15.8 mm). Diameter tolerances are closely held, usually within  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the allowable limits defined in ASTM B249 and B250. Wire is available in coils up to 300 pounds (136 kg) and rod is provided in straight lengths up to 12 feet (3.66 m). Rod straightness is 0.010" per 18" length (0.254 mm per 457.2 mm length). Custom shapes are available upon request.

#### **Brush 1915 Rod Tolerances**

Diameter (inches)		Diameter	Out of Round	Diameter (mm)		Diameter	Out of Round
Over	Including	Tolerance (inches)	Tolerance (inches)	Over	Including	Tolerance (mm)	Tolerance (mm)
0.030	0.080	± 0.0003	0.0003	0.76	2.0	± 0.008	0.008
0.080	0.1250	± 0.0004	0.0004	2.0	3.2	± 0.010	0.010
0.1250	0.250	± 0.0006	0.0004	3.2	6.4	± 0.015	0.010
0.250	0.3125	± 0.0007	0.0007	6.4	7.9	± 0.018	0.018
0.3125	0.3750	± 0.001	0.001	7.9	9.5	± 0.025	0.025
0.3750	0.625	± 0.002		9.5	15.8	± 0.050	

Additional tolerances per ASTM B249.

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#### **Brush 1915 Wire Tolerances**

Wire Diameter (inches)		Diameter Tolerance (Inches)		Wire Diameter (mm)		Diameter Tolerance (mm)	
Over	Including	Cold Drawn	Annealed	Over	Including	Cold Drawn	Annealed
0.030	0.080	± 0.0003	± 0.001	0.8	1.5	± 0.01	0.03
0.080	0.1250	± 0.0004	± 0.002	1.5	2.0	± 0.01	0.03
0.1250	0.250	± 0.0006	± 0.002	2.0	3.8	± 0.02	0.05
0.250	0.313	± 0.0007	± 0.002	3.8	12.0	± 0.03	0.05
0.313	0.500	± 0.0010	± 0.002				

Additional tolerances per ASTM B250.

#### **Technical Assistance**

Detailed information on Brush 1915 alloy, its properties and characteristics, as well as specific applications and fabrication assistance, is available from Materion's Customer Technical Service Department at +1.800.375.4205.

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