



## TECHNICAL BULLETIN

**General.** Manufactured of 6005 Alloy containing Silicon and Magnesium as the major alloying elements, contributing to good strength, corrosion resistance, weldability, and machinability.

According to the Aluminum Extruders Council (AEC) publication **Extrusion Spotlight Alloys**, aluminum alloyed in the 5XXX and 6XXX series contains the following desirable properties: 1. Very lightweight, one-third that of steel and concrete. 2. High strength, comparable to steel and steel/concrete composites. 3. Strength and ductility as high or higher at sub-zero temperatures than at room temperature. 4. Exceptional corrosion resistance. 5. Ease of fabrication by many techniques, including extrusion, to unique advantageous structural configurations. This publication can be found at www.aec.org.

## Additional Information

\*Other sizes available.

**Extreme Low Temperature.** The many advantages of extruded aluminum are not impaired by exposure to low temperatures. Aluminum actually gains strength as temperature is reduced, making it an appropriate metal for Arctic, space or cryogenic applications.

**Ultraviolet Radiation.** Sunlight includes ultraviolet (electromagnetic) radiation which causes tanning or sunburn in human skin, and which may cause chemical or structural changes in some commercial materials. Aluminum, however, reflects ultraviolet radiation and is not damaged by it.

**Combustability.** Extruded aluminum will not burn, which makes it safer than many other matierals, such as wood, paper, or plastic for design applications. Extruded aluminum does not emit any toxic, hazardous fumes when exposed to high temperatures.

Alloy 6005 Chemical Analysis					Liquidus Temperature: 1210°F				Solidus Temperatur	Density: 0.097 lb./in. <sup>3</sup>	
Percent Weight	<u>Si</u>	Fe	Cu	Mn	Elem <u>Mq</u>	ents <u>Cr</u>	Zn	Τi	Others <u>Each</u>	Others Total	Aluminum
Minimum	.6	_	_	_	.40	_	_	_	_	_	
Maximum	.9	.35	.10	.10	.6	.10	.10	.10	.05	.15	Remainder

Average Coefficient of Thermal Expansion (68° to 212°F) = 13.0 x 10-6 (inch per inch per °F)

Alloy 6005 Mechanical and Physical Property Limits											
		ified ion or		Tensile Str	ength (ksi)	Elongation <sup>3</sup> Percent Min. in	Typical Thermal Conductivity	Typical Electrical Conductivity <sup>5</sup>			
Temper	Wall Th	ickness nes)²	Ultim	ate	Yield (0.2% offset)						
	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.	2 inch or 4D <sup>4</sup>	at 77°F btu-in./ft²hr°F	(% IACS)		
T5	-	.124	38.0	-	35.0	-	8	1310	49		

① The mechanical property limits for standard tempers are listed in the "standards section" of the Aluminum Association's Aluminum Standards and Data manual and Tempers for Aluminum and Aluminum Alloy Products. ② The thickness of the cross section from which the tension test specimen is taken determines the applicable mechanical properties. ③ For material of such dimensions that a standard test specimen cannot be obtained, or for shapes thinner than 0.062", the test for elongation is not required. ④ D = Specimen diameter.

Characteristics of Alloy/Temper <sup>1</sup>										
		Formability	Machinability	General Weldability Corrosion (Arc with Resistance Inert Gas)		Brazeability	Anodizing Response	Electrical Conductivity (%IACS) @ 68°F		
Alloy	Temper	Low High	D C B A	D C B A	DCBA	D C B A	D C B A	40 50 60		
6005	-T5, T511	N/A	N/A	N/A						

① Rating: A=Excellent B=Good C=Fair D=Poor For further details of explanation of ratings, see Aluminum Association's Aluminum Standards and Data manual.