Special Alloys SB23

Material Designation

DIN-EN Symbol	CuZn23Al3Co
DIN-EN	CW703R
UNS	C68800
JIS	-

Physical Properties		
Electrical conductivity soft	10	MS/m
Thermal conductivity	78	W/(m∙K)
Thermal expansion coefficient **	18.2	10-6/K
Density	8.2	g/cm³
Modulus of elasticity	115	GPa = kN/mm ²

* Reference values at room temperature

** Between 20 and 300 °C

Nominal Composition (mass content in %)

Cu	Balance
Zn	23
Al	3.4
Со	0.4
Fe	< 0.05
Ni	< 0.1
Pb	< 0.005
Other	< 0.1

Typical Applications

- Carriers
- Connectors
- Insulation displacement contacts (IDCs)
- Contact springs
- Security keys

About The Alloy

SB23, a nickel-free material of the CuZn type (brass) alloyed with aluminium and cobalt, is mainly used for high-strength electrical connection parts and spring elements.

SB23 is an alloy having a strength range between copper-beryllium and the workhardening copper alloys such as tin bronze, nickel silver and brass.

According to the customer's request we manufacture SB23 in the tempers soft, cold -worked or tempered. Tempering (approx. 250 °C/1 h holding time) of the hard strip results in a strength increase of approx. 4 to 8 %. However, as this heat treatment impairs the bendability it is also possible to temper the parts only after the cold foming process (bending).

The alloy is registered with the U.S. EPA as Antimicrobial.

Mechanical Properties *)						
Temper condition		O R 540 H 150	H01 R 600 H 175	H02 R 660 H 190	H04 R 740 H 210	H06 R 820 H 230
Tensile strength in N/mm ²		540 - 600	600 - 700	660 - 750	740 - 830	820 - 910
0.2 % yield Strength in N/mm ²		430	510	580	660	780
Elongation A _{L50} %		> 30	> 13	> 8	> 3	> 2
Vickers hardness HV		150 - 180	175 - 210	190 - 220	210 - 240	230 - 260
Electrical conductivity in %	IACS	17	17	17	16	15
Minimum radius of the bending mandrel for 90° bend and strip thickness s						
0.10 ≤ s ≤ 0.25 mm	transverse parallel	0 x s 0 x s	0 x s 0 x s	0 x s 0 x s	1 x s 1.5 x s	3 x s 10 x s
0.25 < s ≤ 1.0 mm	transverse parallel	0 x s 0 x s	0 x s 0 x s	0 x s 1 x s	2 x s 2 x s	-

*) Reference values

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Processing Instructions

Cold forming properties	good
Machinability	satisfactory
Electroplating properties	satisfactory
Hot-dip tinning properties	satisfactory
Soldering	satisfactory
Resistance welding	satisfactory
Gas shielded arc welding	satisfactory
Laser welding	satisfactory

Available Dimensions

Bright pre-rolled strips 1 to 2.5 mm

Precision strip thickness from 0.05 to 1.2 mm

Strip width from 3.0 to 600 mm, but at least 10 times of the strip thickness

Other widths available on request.

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Available Versions

Coils with standard outer diameters of 1200 mm

Strips in reel form with coil weight of up to 1500 kg

Multipancake up to 2.5 t

Hot-dip tinned strips

Profiled strips

Electroplated strips (tin, nickel)

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