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PHOS COPPER 0 (BCuP-2) TECHNICAL DATA

NOMINAL COMPOSITION

Phosphorus	7.25% ± 0.25
Copper	Remainder
Other Elements, Total	0.15% Max

PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

Color	Light Copper
Solidus	1310°F (710°C)
Liquidus	1460°F (793°C)
Recommended Brazing Temperature	1510-1550°F (821-843°C)
Density (lbs./in³)	0.29
Specific Gravity	8.0
Electrical Conductivity (%IACS)	7.5
Electrical Resistivity (Microhm-cm)	23.2

USES

Phoscopper 0 is a low cost brazing filler metal suitable for joining copper to copper & copper to copper alloys where critical impact or vibration stresses are not encountered in service. It should only be used on assemblies where good fitup can be maintained. Application assemblies include heat exchanger return bends, hot water cylinders and refrigeration points.

BRAZING CHARACTERISTICS

PC0 is a copper rich, intermediate temperature, brazing filler metal that is moderately free flowing & self-fluxing on copper (only) by virtue of its phosphorus content. It liquates slightly more than a 7% Phosphorus Copper when heated rapidly. Induction Brazing will produce better mechanical properties in general than torch brazing. Best results are obtained with joint clearances of .001-.003". PC0 liquates (i.e. separates into high & low melting constituents) if heated slowly through its melting range.

The self-fluxing property of PC0 is effective on copper only. Copper base alloys, such as brass or bronze, may be brazed with PC0 if the joints are coated with flux (please call for recommended flux type). PC0 should not be used on ferrous metals or nickel base alloys, since the phosphorus produces brittle iron or nickel phosphides at the joint interface.

PROPERTIES OF BRAZED JOINTS

The properties of a brazed joint are dependent upon numerous factors including base metal properties, joint design, metallurgical interaction between the base metal and the filler metal. Joints made with PC0 are entirely satisfactory on copper and copper alloys if good fit-up and adequate shear area are maintained. If poor fit-up prevails, or shear area is marginal, a lower phosphorus content silver-copper-phosphorus filler metal may be preferred, particularly if the joints are to be subjected to impact or vibration in service.

SPECIFICATIONS

Phoscopper 0 alloy conforms to: Unified Numbering System (UNS) C55181 and American Welding Society (AWS) A5.8/A5.8M BCuP-2

AVAILABLE FORMS

Wire, engineered preforms, specialty preforms per customer specification, powder and paste

CORROSION RESISTANCE

PC0 is a low cost brazing filler metal suitable for joining copper to copper & copper to copper alloys where critical impact or vibration stresses are not encountered in service. It should only be used on assemblies where good fitup can be maintained.

SAFETY INFORMATION

The operation and maintenance of brazing equipment or facility should conform to the provisions of American National Standard (ANSI) Z49.1, "Safety in Welding and Cutting."

Individuals requiring further information and Engineering Specification Documents may wish to contact the Engineering Society for Advanced Mobility, Land Sea Air and Space, The Society of Automotive Engineers <http://www.sae.org/> (SAE AMS) or The American Welding Society (AWS) <http://aws.org/>

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