# SILVER ALLOY 50NI3

## Silver Alloy 50Ni3 Technical Data

#### Uses

Silver Alloy 50Ni3 is recommended for use on stainless steels subject to chloride corrosion, such as marine hardware, fishing tackle, and come dairy equipment cleaned with bleaching solutions and other equipment exposed to chlorinated water. While Silver Alloy 50Ni3 is used successfully on many stainless steel assemblies where corrosion in service is not severe, it is better and safer to use Silver Alloy 50Ni3 for all stainless steel joints where the end use is not known. Silver Alloy 50Ni3 should not be used where the joints are exposed to direct contact with food, because of its cadmium content. Silver Alloy 50Ni3 is used extensively in brazing tungsten carbide inserts for wood and metal cutting, and for mining tools. It is also recommended for the brazing of aluminum bronze to steel as the nickel content offsets the harmful effect of diffusion of aluminum into the brazing alloy.

### **Brazing Characteristics**

Silver Alloy 50Ni3 differs from most other silver brazing filler metals in that it is rather sluggish even at temperatures above its flow point. For this reason it will fill larger gaps that more fluid alloys and may be used where clearances between joint surfaces cannot be kept within the tolerance normally recommended. This characteristic makes it easier to produce large fillets where fillets are required for appearance or affecting the distribution of stresses in an assembly. Silver Alloy 50Ni3 has a tendency liquate (separate into low and high melting constituents) and is preferably used where the assembly is to be heated rapidly through the melting range of the filler metal. It is not a good alloy for furnace brazing where it can be preplaced internally in the joint area in the form of shims or rings, and where heating is rapid. Flux is normally used with this product.

## **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. Butt joints on copper have tensile strengths of 33,000 to 35,000 lbs/in2; on brass 35,000 to 45,000 lbs/in2; on steels 50,000 to over 100,000 lbs/in2 depending the strength of the steel and thickness of the filler metal layer. The shear strength of joints on steel varies from 25,000 to 50,000 lbs/in2. For design purposes, it is safer to use the lower figure because of variables in brazing procedures. Shear strength on tungsten carbide is also approximately 25,000 lbs/in2. Above 400F (205C) the strength of Silver Alloy 50Ni3 falls of rapidly and at 600F (315C) the strength in short time tensile tests is approximately 50% of the strength at room temperature.

## Specifications

Silver Alloy 50Ni3 conforms to: American Welding Society (AWS) A5.8/A5.8M BAg-3, Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE)/AMS 4771

## Available Forms

Silver Alloy 50Ni3 is available in wire, strip, engineered preforms, specialty preforms per customer specification, powder and paste.

\*\* Contains cadmium – poisonous fumes may be formed when heated.

Do not breathe fumes. Use only with adequate ventilation such as fume collectors, exhaust ventilators, or air supplied respirators. See American National Standard Z49.1. If chest pain, cough or fever develops after use, call a physician immediately! Keep children away when using!

The Prince & Izant Company recommends using cadmium-free alloys for brazing applications. If you are presently using cadmium bearing alloy and need assistance in identifying a suitable cadmium free substitute, please contact your Prince & Izant Company sales representative.

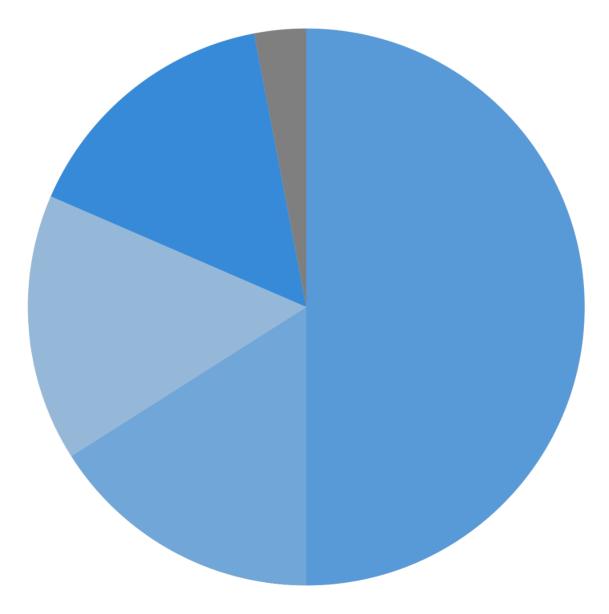
#### Compare With

AMS: 4771 AWS: BAg-3 EN: AG 351 Lucas: Easy-Flo 3 PI: Silver Alloy 50Ni3 UNS: P07501

## Specifications

Brazing Temperature Range High: 1370 F / 743 C Brazing Temperature Range Low: 1320 F / 716 C Liquidus: 1270 F / 688 C Solidus: 1170 F / 632 C

## Composition



**Ag**: 50% **Cd**: 16%

**Cu:** 15.5%

**Zn:** 15.5%

**Ni**: 3%

