Meltio Stainless Steel 17 - 4PH

Material Group: Stainless Steels

A martensitic precipitation hardened stainless steel capable of achieving high hardness while offering excellent corrosion resistance. It is widely employed in the oil & gas, aerospace, energy, and defense industries. Typical applications include pump impellers, pipes, and valves.

Nomenclature Standards

ER630
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1.4542

Chemical Composition

С	Ni	Si	Mn	Cr	Мо	Nb	Cu
0.02	4.7	0.40	0.5	16.5	0.2	0.23	3.40

Spool Specs



Diameter	1 mm
Weight	15 kg
Volume	1935 cm³
Density	7.75 g/cm³
Spool Type	BS300

Applications







Tools and prototypes

Mechanical Properties

Results show Meltio's wire LMD 3D printed specimens to perform at the same level as conventional manufacturing methods, with low deviations and near isotropic properties between vertical (XZ) print orientations.

		Tensile Strength (MPa)	Yield Strength (MPa)	Elongation (%)	Hardness (HV-30)
Wrought Properties		1310	1170	10	388
Meltio as Built	XZ	1007	815	14.29	258
Meltio Post Temper Heat - Treatment	XZ	1391	1243	10	393

Heat Treatment

HT.1-Hardening

Heat treatment to reach condition A

- Heat up to 1030°C-1050°C in 1h
- Forced air flow cooling

HT.2-Precipitation

Precipitation Heat Treatment H900

- -Heat up to 480°C-490°C in 1h
- -Air cooled

Printing Parameters Used

Print	Deposition	Layer	Laser	
Speed	Width	Height	Power	
450 mm/min	1 mm	0.8 mm		



Tomography

In this tomography we can observe the internal structure of the material and see its good density, absence of porosity or internal defects that put at risk the structure of the sample.

The resolution used for the CT inspection is 24 micrometros por pixel.



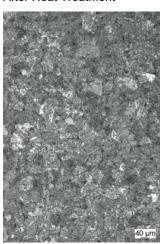
Metallography

The microstructure in "As Build" state for 17-4ph is composed mostly of martensite with a little content of helded austenite. It has a very heterogeneous grain size with zones of fine grains with equiaxial and columnar morphology close to the solidification start points and thicker grain size in the closer zones of the end of solidification point of the meltpool. After the heat treatment is possible to appreciate refined grain size in comparison with the original material with an equiaxial grain morphology, the microstructure is mostly martensitic.

Before Heat Treatment



After Heat Treatment



Shielding gas: Argon > 99.996% purity.

Machine Used: Meltio M450

Laser System: 6x200W Fiber coupled diode lasers. 976nm wavelength.

^{*} Data represent tyical reference values from Worught and Cast material classification compared to Meltio (M450) vertical (XZ) specimens extracted from 3D printed walls and tensile tested according to UNE EN ISO 6892-1

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