Industrial Rolled

Connector strips



KME Germany GmbH & Co. KG Connector strips [EN]





KME - The Company

With production plants in Germany, France, Italy, the UK and China, KME is one of the world's biggest manufacturers of semi-finished and finished products of copper and copper alloy.

KME leads in the development of innovative, applicationoriented and customer-specific solutions. The company is an important and reliable partner for customers from the building industry, refrigeration and air-conditioning, electrical and electronic engineering, connectors and semi-conductors, automotive industry, metal processing and cable manufacture. The company also offers special-purpose products such as moulds for casting, tube bundles and products for maritime applications.

The Industrial Rolled Products division specialises in the production of high-quality copper alloys for connectors, among other things, and has the optimal conditions to satisfy the requirements of this dynamic market. As a leading supplier for the automotive and electrical engineering and electronics industries, KME offers a broad spectrum of high-tech copper and copper alloy strips of high production quality. At the German plants in Stolberg and Osnabrück, the company has special production facilities, well qualified staff and, not least, the necessary know-how.

As a group of companies that operates worldwide, KME has regional sales offices in many countries; an international service network guarantees efficient customer support. The company's own research and development centres in Europe and a quality management system certified to ISO/TS 16949 provide the solid basis for innovative products of the highest quality.





Precision strips of copper and copper alloy

KME produces high-quality strips of copper and copper alloy in its plants. An effective quality management system, reproducible production processes, a considerable processing depth and massive production capacities are what enable us to offer customer-oriented deliveries and solutions.

1. Bare strips

2.Pre-tinned strips

- Hot-dip tinned
- Electrolytically tinned

3. Special qualitys

- Smaller dimensional tolerances
- Mechanically stress-relieved
- Thermally stress-relieved

4.Supplied forms

- Pancakes up to 1400 mm OD
- Drums, traverse woundstrips on wood, plastic or steel drums, or flange-less on cardboard or copper core.
- Drum weight: 300–1500 kg
- Multicoil packs
- Overlapping rings are welded together at the inner and outer ends. In the course, the material is unwound from top to bottom alternately from outside
- to inside as one unit.
- Width: 15–50 mm
- Thickness: 0.15–0.80 mm
- Standard palette weight: 1800 kg
- Pre-punched parts / finished parts according to customer drawings

Tolerances

Tolerances of strip thickness - blank strips -

We offer tolerances of strip thickness in two different qualities and up to a strip width of 660 mm.

Strip thickness in mm	Tolerances of strip thickness in mm			
	Standard	Precision		
0.08 - 0.20	± 0.005	± 0.004		
0.21 - 0.30	± 0.007	± 0.005		
0.31 - 0.40	± 0.015	± 0.006		
0.41 - 0.50	± 0.015	± 0.008		
0.51 - 0.60	± 0.017	± 0.010		
0.61 - 0.70	± 0.020	± 0.010		
0.71 - 0.85	± 0.022	± 0.012		
0.86 - 1.30	± 0.025	± 0.015		
1.31 - 2.00	± 0.030	± 0.020		
2.01 - 4.00	± 0.045	± 0.025		

Tolerances of strip width

For the width, two qualities are similarly available: standard and precision

Strip thickness Strip width

in mm	in mm				
	bis 50	50 - 100	101 - 200	201 - 350	351 - 660
0.08 - 1.00	+ 0.20	+ 0.30	+ 0.40	+ 0.60	+ 1.00
1.01 - 2.00	+ 0.30	+ 0.40	+ 0.50	+ 1.00	+ 1.50
2.01 - 4.00	+ 0.50	+ 0.60	+ 0.70	+ 1.20	+ 2.00

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1.01 – 2.00	+ 0.20	+ 0.20	+ 0.40	+ 0.60	+ 0.70
2.01 - 4.00	+ 0.30	+ 0.30	+ 0.50	+ 0.70	+ 0.90



Tinned precision strips

Tinned strips

Owing to stiffer reliability requirements, electromechanical components are increasingly made of pre-tinned strips. In the automotive industry above all, hot-dip tinning has proven itself as corrosion protection and preferred contact surface billions of times over. Special tinning processes have been developed in close collaboration with the processing industry that permit higher temperature ranges, are wear-resistant and reduce mating and unmating forces.

STOL[®]Sn28M – tin-silver on the new materials CuNiSi and CuCr can be used for temperature ranges above 130°C. All layers are lead-free. There has been no risk of whisker formation in practical use for 20 years. The material is suitable for soldering for several months.

Hot-dip tinning to DIN EN 13148 (RoHS conform)

Thickness:	0.15 – 1.20 mm			
Width:	up to 330 mm			
Layers:	pure tin, tin-silver, thermal tin			
Layer thicknesses:	0.8 – 2μm			
	1 – 3 µm			
	2 – 4 µm			
	5 – 10 µm			
	10 – 20 µm			

Electroplating to DIN EN 14436

Thickness:	0.4 – 2.00 mm
Width:	up to 170 mm (performed by KME)
	to 400 (externally procured)
Layers:	Sn on Cu and Sn on Ni,
	entire surface, matt, bright, reflow
	Selective tinning





Connectors

The technical requirements on electro-mechanical components have steadily increased as a result of miniaturisation. Properties such as absence of stress, close dimensional tolerances and small fluctuations in mechanical characteristics are of great importance for efficiency in processing. Key priorities for the user are functionality, reliability and appearance. KME meets these requirements with a broad spectrum of materials and surface finishes.



Alloy products



Material	КМЕ	DIN EN	UNS (ASTM)	jis 	AFNOR	BS	ISO	CEN
	Cu-ETP	E-Cu/Cu-ETP	C 11000	C 1100	Cu-a1	C 101	Cu-ETP	CW004A
	Cu-OFE	Cu-OFE/-	C 10100	C 1011	Cu-c2	C 102	Cu-OFE	CW009A
	Cu-PHC	SE-Cu58/Cu-PHC	C 10300	-	-	-	-	CW020A
Copper	Cu-HCP	SE-Cu57/Cu-HCP	C 10300	-	Cu-c1	C 103	-	CW021A
	Cu-DLP	SW-Cu/Cu-DLP	C 12000	C 1201	Cu-b2	-	Cu-DLP	CW023A
	Cu-DHP	SF-Cu/Cu-DHP	C 12200	C 1220	Cu-b1	C 106	Cu-DHP	CW024A
	CuSn4	CuSn4	C 51100	C 5110	CuSn4p	PB 101	CuSn4	CW450K
D	CuSn5	CuSn5	C 51000	C 5100	-	PB 102	CuSn5	CW451K
Bronze	CuSn6	CuSn6	C 51900	C 5191	CuSn6p	PB 103	CuSn6	CW452K
	CuSn8	CuSn8	C 52100	C 5210	CuSn9p	PB 104	CuSn8	CW453K
	STOL [®] 75	CuCrSiTi	C 18070	-	-	-	-	-
	STOL [®] 76	CuNiSi	C 19010	-	-	-	CuNi1,5 Si*	-
	STOL [®] 76M	CuNiSi	C 19005	-	-	-	-	-
	STOL [®] 78	CuMg	C 18665	-	-	-	-	-
STOL [®] -Alloys	STOL [®] 80	CuSn	C 14410	-	-	-	-	-
	STOL [®] 94	CuNiSi	C 70310	-	-	-	-	-
	STOL [®] 95	CuCrZr	C 18160	-	-	-	-	-
	STOL [®] 194	CuFe2P	C 19400	C 1940	-	-	-	CW107C
	C14415*	CuSn0,15	C 14415*	-	-	-	-	CW117C
	C15100	CuZr0,1	C 15100	-	-	-	-	-
	C15500	CuSnMgAg	C 15500	-	-	-	-	-
Special	C19210	CuFe0,1P	C 19210	-	-	-	-	-
materials	C42500	CuSn3Zn9/ CuSn2Zn10	C 42500	-	-	-	-	-
	C70250	CuNi3Si	C 70250	-	-	-	-	-
	C70600	CuNi10Fe1,5Mn	C 70600	-	-	-	-	CW352H

* Differences in composition with individual standards



Quality management

Service

Through continuous improvement in in-plant processes and investment in modern quality systems, we are able to identify potential for faults at an early stage and eliminate them with suitable measures. We have an integrated quality management system that covers the entire production chain: from the metallic charge in the foundry to the finished product.

Continuously monitored and electronically controlled production stages as well as the use of modern rolling and annealing technologies are characteristic of a production process that enables us to satisfy the individual requirements of our customers. Certification to ISO/TS 16949 and its annual renewal are evidence of our successful work.

A high level of quality awareness is typical of every part of the company and is also reflected in a similarly high level of environmental responsibility. Reconciling economy and ecology in a meaningful way is one of the primary tasks tackled in the KME Group. We are committed to solving our customers' problems. For this reason, we develop applicationoriented solutions together and constantly strive to improve our products and their capabilities for further processing.

In dealing with low-alloy high-performance materials, KME has performed some pioneering achievements:

- Application-oriented developments in the area of material technologies
- Optimisation of mechanical and physical property combinations of important copper-based materials
- Further development of the CuNiSi family of materials through to peeling-resistant, highstrength materials such as STOL[®] 76M and STOL[®] 94
- Alloys for the electro-mobility industry as STOL[®] 75 and STOL[®] 95
- Hard, wear-resistant tin coatings with reduced mating and un-mating forces such as
- **STOL**[®] Sn13 thermal tin - **STOL**[®] Sn28M - tin-silver

for increased temperature range.

Our strength is fast, practice-oriented realisation. As a result, we are geared to shorter and shorter innovation cycles – by acting, not reacting.

Close technical collaboration and mutual license agreements with Japanese and American strip manufacturers see to global availability of our products. Modern electronic communication helps us bridge time zones. Our website is geared to the specific needs of designers and technicians. Individual tasks can be processed with tools such as the "Connector Design Box". Downloads of the latest data sheets keep our customers constantly up to date.

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