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PERFORMANCE SPECIFICATION

OXYGEN, AVIATOR'S BREATHING, LIQUID AND GAS

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1. SCOPE

1.1 Scope. This specification covers the requirements for two types of aviator's breathing oxygen.

1.2 Classification. The oxygen shall be of the following types as specified (6.2):

1.2.1 Types. The types of oxygen are as follows:

Type I - Gaseous

Type II - Liquid

2. APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS

2.1 General. The documents listed in this section are specified in sections 3 and 4 of this specification. This section does not include documents in other sections of this specification or recommended for additional information or as examples. While every effort has been made to ensure the completeness of this list, document users are cautioned that they must meet all specified requirements documents cited in sections 3 and 4 of this specification, whether or not they are listed.

2.2 Government documents.

2.2.1 Specifications, standards, and handbooks. The following specifications form a part of this document to the extent specified herein. Unless otherwise specified, the issues of these documents are those listed in the issue of the Department of Defense Index of Specifications and Standards (DoDISS) and supplement thereto, cited in the solicitation (see 6.2).

Beneficial comments (recommendations, additions, deletions) and any pertinent data which may be of use in improving this document should be addressed to SA-ALC/SFSP, 1014 Billy Mitchell Blvd/STE 1, Kelly AFB TX 78241-5603, by using the self-addressed Standardization Document Improvement Proposal (DD Form 1426) appearing at the end of this document or by letter.

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SPECIFICATIONS

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

MIL-S-27626

- Sampler, Cryogenic Liquid

(Unless otherwise indicated, copies of the above specifications are available from the Standardization Document Order Desk, 700 Robbins Avenue, Building 4D, Philadelphia PA 19111-5094).

2.3 Non-Government publications. The following documents form a part of this document to the extent specified herein. Unless otherwise specified, the issues of the documents which are DoD adopted are those listed in the issue of the DoDISS cited in the solicitation. Unless otherwise specified, the issues of documents not listed in the DoDISS are the issues of the documents cited in the solicitation (see 6.2).

AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR TESTING AND MATERIALS (ASTM)

- ASTM E 29 - Practice for Using Significant Digits in Test Data to Determine Conformance with Specifications
- ASTM F 307 - Practice for Sampling Pressurized Gas for Gas Analysis
- ASTM F 310 - Practice for Sampling Cryogenic Aerospace Fluids

(Application for copies should be addressed to the American Society for Testing and Materials, 1916 Race Street, Philadelphia PA 19103-1187.)

COMPRESSED GAS ASSOCIATION (CGA)

- CGA G-4.3 - Commodity Specification for Oxygen
- CGA P-15 - Filling of Industrial and Medical Nonflammable Compressed Gas Cylinders

(Application for copies should be addressed to the Compressed Gas Association, Inc, 1725 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington VA 22202-4100.)

2.4 Order of precedence. In the event of a conflict between the text of this document and the references cited herein, the text of this document takes precedence. Nothing in this document, however, supersedes applicable laws and regulations unless a specific exemption has been obtained.

3. REQUIREMENTS

3.1 Preproduction and periodic inspection. Preproduction and periodic inspection shall be performed as specified in 4.2.

3.2 Purity.

3.2.1 Type I. Gaseous oxygen shall contain not less than 99.5 percent oxygen by volume when tested in accordance with 4.6. The remainder, except for moisture and minor constituents specified in Table I, shall be argon and nitrogen.

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3.2.2 Type II. Liquid oxygen shall contain not less than 99.5 percent oxygen by volume when gasified and tested in accordance with 4.6. The remainder, except for moisture and minor constituents specified in Table I, shall be argon and nitrogen.

3.3 Impurities. The oxygen shall be free from all contaminants of known toxicity to the maximum practicable extent. Limitations on specific impurities shall be as follows:

3.3.1 Odor.

3.3.1.1 Type I. Type I oxygen shall contain no odor when tested as specified in 4.6.

3.3.1.2 Type II. Type II oxygen shall contain no odor when tested as specified in 4.6.

3.3.2 Minor constituents. Minor constituents of Types I and II shall not exceed the quantity specified in Table I.

3.3.3 Moisture. Moisture in Types I and II shall not exceed 7 ppm of water vapor or a maximum dew point of -82°F when tested as specified in 4.6.

TABLE I. Constituent concentrations.

Constituent	Maximum concentration in parts per million (by volume)	
	Type I	Type II
Carbon dioxide (CO ₂)	10	5
Methane (CH ₄)	50	25
Acetylene (C ₂ H ₂)	0.1	0.05
Ethylene (C ₂ H ₄)	0.4	0.2
Ethane (C ₂ H ₆) and other hydrocarbons as ethane equivalents	6	3
Nitrous oxide (N ₂ O)	4	2
Halogenated compounds		
Refrigerants	2	1
Solvents	0.2	0.1
Other (each discernible from background noise on infrared spectrophotometer)	0.2	0.1

3.4 Materials. There is no requirement included herein which should be interpreted to exclude the use of reclaimed materials in the manufacture of this commodity.

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3.5 Filter. Type II oxygen shall be filtered through a 10-micrometer nominal (40-micrometer absolute) filter located in the fill line to the shipping container.

3.6 Limiting values. The following applies to all specified limits in this specification: For purposes of determining conformance with these requirements, an observed value or a calculated value shall be rounded off "to the nearest unit" in the last right-hand digit used in expressing the specification limit according to the rounding-off method of ASTM Practice E 29 for Using Significant Digits in Test Data to Determine Conformance with Specifications.

3.7 Filled containers (Type I only).

3.7.1 Pressure. Cylinders and tubes shall be within 99 to 100 percent of rated service pressure when tested as specified in 4.5.1. Pressure-Temperature Filling Charts in CGA P-15 may be used.

3.7.2 Leakage. Cylinders shall not leak when tested according to 4.5.2.

4. VERIFICATION

4.1 Classification of inspections. The inspections specified herein are classified as follows:

- a. Preproduction inspection (see 4.2).
- b. Periodic inspection (see 4.2).
- c. Quality Conformance inspection (see 4.3).

4.2 Preproduction and periodic inspections.

4.2.1 Preproduction inspection. Prior to initial delivery of Type I or Type II oxygen, a representative product specimen shall be selected as specified in 4.2.3.1 (Type I) or 4.2.3.2 (Type II) and forwarded to the laboratory designated in the contract or order (6.2). The product shall meet the requirements in 3.2 and 3.3.

4.2.2 Periodic inspection. A representative product specimen of oxygen shall be selected as specified in 4.2.3.1 (Type I) or 4.2.3.2 (Type II) and shall be taken once every 45 calendar days for the duration of the contract. This sample shall be shipped to the laboratory specified in the contract (6.2) for testing to determine compliance with requirements specified in Table I. The specified laboratory shall also test for purity and moisture if there is sufficient sample. The purity and moisture results shall be reported for correlation purposes and shall not be used to determine compliance to requirements of 3.2 or 3.3.3.

4.2.3 Sampling point.

4.2.3.1 Type I oxygen. Samples shall be taken from the manifold during filling operations.

4.2.3.2 Type II oxygen. Samples shall be taken from Type II oxygen storage tanks at the manufacturing site or any distribution facilities. If a

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distribution facility is supplied from more than one storage or manufacturing facility, each facility shall be checked as specified above.

4.3 Quality conformance inspection. Quality conformance inspection shall consist of the following:

- a. Individual inspection (see 4.3.2).
- b. Sampling inspection (see 4.3.3).

4.3.1 Place of inspection (see 6.2).

4.3.1.1 Type I oxygen. Quality conformance inspection on cylinders filled with Type I oxygen shall be performed at the site of filling (see 6.2).

4.3.1.2 Type II oxygen. Quality conformance inspection shall be performed on samples taken from Type II oxygen transport container prior to leaving the site of filling. The transport container shall not be permitted to take on further liquid oxygen between inspection at the filling point and arrival at its destination, unless all quality conformance inspections are performed on the contents after such filling.

4.3.2 Individual inspection. Each cylinder filled with Type I oxygen and the contents of each filled container of Type II oxygen shall be subjected to tests as follows:

TEST	TYPE I	TYPE II
Leak test	4.5.2	---
Odor test	---	4.6
Purity test	---	4.6
Moisture test	---	4.6

4.3.2.1 Type II individual inspection. After filling the shipping container, two product specimens shall be drawn from each container. One specimen shall be in liquid state and subjected to the odor test specified in 4.6. The other specimen shall be vaporized and subjected to the purity and moisture tests also specified in 4.6.

TABLE II. Sampling for test

Number of containers in lot	Number of containers to be sampled
1	1
2 - 40	2
41 - 70	3
71 - over	4

4.3.3 Sampling inspection. Randomly selected samples of Type I oxygen as specified in Table II shall be subjected to the following inspection:

Odor test	4.6
Fill pressure	4.5.1

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Purity	4.6
Moisture	4.6

The fill pressure test shall be performed prior to the odor, purity, and moisture tests. The cylinder pressure shall be checked after completion of all tests. If the sample cylinder pressure is then found to be below the minimum acceptable value, the cylinder shall be filled to within the acceptable range.

4.3.3.1 Lot definition. Each set of Type I oxygen cylinders filled on the same manifold at the same time shall constitute a lot.

4.3.4 Samplers. The sampler for Type I oxygen shall be a DOT approved cylinder with a water volume of about one liter and rated at about 1800 psig. The sampler for Type II oxygen shall be in accordance with MIL-S-27626 or functionally equivalent thereto. Only liquid samplers that convert the entrapped liquid to gas shall be used. The aliquots taken for analysis are representative samples.

TABLE III. Sampling particulars.

Sampler	Oxygen type	Method	Recommended final pressure
≈1-liter size	I	ASTM F 307	≈1800 psig
TTU-131/E	II	ASTM F 310	400 to 500 psig
P/N 600646	II	Manufacturer's instructions	1300 to 1800 psig

4.3.4.1 Sampling. Unless otherwise specified (see 6.2), oxygen shall be sampled according to the methods of Table III. Sample size shall be sufficient to provide the analyzer with 7 liters of oxygen at 10 atmospheres of pressure.

4.3.4.1.1 Exceptions for ASTM F 310. Replace paragraph 5.1 with "5.1 Ensure that the outlet of the sampling port is clean." Replace paragraph 6.1 with "6.1 Ensure that the outlet of the sampling port is clean."

4.3.4.2 Sample Identification. The following data shall be provided on each sample sent to a Government laboratory for analysis: Item name, specification number, Type (I or II), sample number, sampler serial number, contractor's name, address, phone number and return shipping address for sampler, Government representative's name, address, and phone number, reason for analysis (preproduction, periodic or resample), contract number, and date sample taken.

4.4 Rejection. When any sample of the oxygen fails to conform to the requirements specified herein, the entire lot represented by the sample shall be rejected. Disposition of the rejected product shall be specified by the procuring activity (see 6.2).

4.5 Containers of Type I oxygen.

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4.5.1 Filling pressure. Samples shall be tested for proper filling pressure by attaching a calibrated Bourdon-tube gauge or equivalent to the valve outlet and by attaching either a thermocouple or thermometer to the container wall. The gauge shall have scale divisions not greater than 100 kPa (15 psi). If a thermometer is used, tape or putty shall be applied to the bulb to protect it from extraneous temperatures. Putty shall not be applied between the bulb and the cylinder wall. The thermometer shall have scale divisions not greater than 1°C (2°F). The containers shall be stabilized to ambient temperature. Then the valve shall be opened and the internal pressure observed on the gauge.

4.5.2 Leakage. Each Type I oxygen container shall be tested for leaks at the neck threads, stem packing, and safety device of the valve with leak-detection fluid. Valve seat leakage shall be tested by means of a tube from the valve outlet to a container of liquid.

4.6 Analytical procedures. Unless otherwise specified, samples shall be analyzed according to the procedures described in CGA G-4.3 (6.2). Calibration gas standards may be required to calibrate (zero and span) analytical instruments used to determine the purity and impurity contents of the oxygen. The accuracy of the calibration gas standards is to be traceable to the National Institute of Standards and Technology.

5. PACKAGING

5.1 Packaging. For acquisition purposes, the packaging requirements shall be as specified in the contract or order (see 6.2). When actual packaging of materiel is to be performed by DoD personnel, these personnel need to contact the responsible packaging activity to ascertain requisite packaging requirements. Packaging requirements are maintained by the Inventory Control Point's packaging activity within the Military Department or Defense Agency, or within the Military Department's System Command. Packaging data retrieval is available from the managing Military Department's or Defense Agency's automated packaging files, CD-ROM products, or by contacting the responsible packaging activity.

6. NOTES

(This section contains information of a general or explanatory nature that may be helpful but is not mandatory.)

6.1 Intended use. The oxygen covered by this specification is intended for use in aircraft breathing oxygen systems.

6.2 Acquisition requirements. Acquisition documents should specify the following:

- a. Title, number, type and date of this specification.
- b. Issue of DODISS to be cited in the solicitation, and if required, the specific issue of individual documents referenced (see 2.2.1 and 2.3).
- c. The name and address of the laboratory to which the representative product specimen is to be submitted (see 4.2, 6.8, and Table A-1).

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- d. When variation in points of inspection are granted (see 4.3.1).
- e. When variation in sampling method is granted (see 4.3.4.1).
- f. Disposition of rejected product (see 4.4).
- g. When a variation in analytical procedures is granted (see 4.6).
- h. Packaging requirements (see 5.1 and A.3.1.6).
- i. When cleaning and repair schedule is required for leased or Government owned containers (see A.3.2).
- j. Instructions for disposition of rejected cylinders (see A.3.2).

6.3 Subject term (key word) listing.

Code, Color
 Contaminant
 Cryogenic
 Cylinder
 Filling pressure
 Solvent
 Infrared spectroscopy
 Valve

6.4 International standardization agreements. Certain provisions of this specification are the subject of international standardization agreements ASCC STD 14/9, NATO STANAG 3053, and NATO STANAG 7046. When amendment, revision, or cancellation of this specification is proposed which will modify the international agreement concerned, the preparing activity will take appropriate action through international standardization channels, including departmental standardization offices, to change the agreement or make other appropriate accommodations.

6.5 Changes from previous issue. Marginal notations are not used in this revision to identify changes with respect to the previous issue due to the extent of the changes.

6.6 Containers. As of the date of this specification, the following listed containers are considered acceptable for military use and approved for oxygen as specified by DOT:

6.6.1 Type I (Gaseous).

6.6.1.1 Cylinders of specifications DOT 3A, 3AA, 3AAX and 3E1800.

6.6.2 Samplers.

6.6.2.1 The sampler TTU-131/E for Type II oxygen identified in Table III is shipped in accordance with Department of Transportation exemption DOT-E 3004.

6.6.3.2 Samplers should be suitably packaged to protect them during shipment. Packagings should be inspected and those with large amounts of wear

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or damage should be replaced to ensure prompt shipment to and from the laboratory.

6.7 Price of services for Government-owned cylinders. The bidder's price for the gas should include the furnishing, at no additional cost, of all services which are required at each and every filling of a cylinder to comply with applicable regulations, specifications, and normal good practices. Such services shall include, but not be limited to inspection, testing, evacuation, and cleaning, and attaching Government-furnished warning tags, when required.

6.8 Government laboratories. Laboratories perform tests on preproduction and periodic samples using the procedures in MIL-STD-1564. These laboratories also participate in the Air Force Aviator's Breathing Oxygen Correlation Program. Contracting officers may obtain a list of approved Government laboratories by contacting San Antonio ALC/SFTT, 1014 Billy Mitchell Blvd/STE 1, Kelly AFB TX 78241-5603. See Table A-1.

6.9 Particulate contamination. Particulate matter may be introduced and accumulate during transfer and storage of oxygen. Recommend that users control particulate matter by the installation of filters in oxygen transfer lines.

6.10 Part or identifying number (PIN). The PINs to be used for oxygen acquired to this specification are created as follows:

M 27210 - X - XX - XXX Example of PIN: M27210-1-22-202

psig/10 (Type I only)

Cubic feet/10 (Type I only)

Type (see 1.2.1). Use 1 for type I; 2 for type II

Specification number.

Prefix for military specification.

6.11 Compatibility of Materials. AEP-33, *Guide to Methods of Test for Compatibility of All Materials Used in Oxygen Rich Environments*, may be used as a reference manual for guidance to improve methods of test for compatibility of all materials used in oxygen rich environments.

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GUIDANCE FOR THE PREPARATION OF ACQUISITION DOCUMENTS

A.1 SCOPE

A.1.1 This appendix provides guidance to ensure that all the requirements of this specification are implemented by acquisition documents and applies to all Departments and Agencies of the Department of Defense. This appendix is not a mandatory part of the specification. The information contained herein is intended for guidance only.

A.2 APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS

- ANSI-Z540.1 - Laboratories, Calibration, and Measuring and Test Equipment
- ISO 10012-1 - Equipment, Metrological Confirmation System for Measuring
- MIL-DTL-2 - Valves, Cylinder, Gas (for Compressed or Liquefied Gases), General Specification For
- MIL-STD-101 - Color Code for Pipelines and for Compressed Gas Cylinders
- MIL-STD-1411 - Inspection and Maintenance of Compressed Gas Cylinders

A.3 PROVISIONS

A.3.1 In order to ensure that aviator's breathing oxygen conforms to this specification and meets the requirements for aircraft life support systems, the following clauses should be tailored for inclusion in acquisition documents:

A.3.1.1 Quality assurance. The contractor is responsible for the performance of all inspection requirements (examination and tests) required by the contract including specification MIL-PRF-27210. Facilities suitable for the performance of the inspections shall be used. The Government reserves the right to perform any of the inspections where such inspections are deemed necessary to ensure supplies and services conform to prescribed requirements.

A.3.1.2 Inspection at source. In CONUS and where available in overseas areas, inspection shall be performed by the Defense Contract Management Command (DCMC) at the filling plant and/or the place of service performance. The ordering activity shall forward a copy of the delivery order on liquid and gaseous aviator's breathing oxygen to the applicable DCMC inspection office at the time of issuance to the contractor.

A.3.1.3 Acceptance. Government inspection shall be performed at source. Final inspection and acceptance shall be performed at destination.

A.3.1.4 Inspection and calibration procedures. The contractor shall have written procedures for the following:

- a. Inspection of shipping containers for cleanliness and suitability.
- b. Sampling and testing of product from shipping containers.

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The contractor shall calibrate test equipment in accordance with ANSI/NCSL Z540-1 or ISO 10012-1.

A.3.1.5 Sampling. Samples required by paragraphs 4.2.1 and 4.2.2 of MIL-PRF-27210 shall be delivered at the expense of the contractor to one of the laboratories listed in Table A-1 or other laboratories authorized by SA-ALC/SFTT, 1014 Billy Mitchell Blvd/STE 1, Kelly AFB TX 78241-5603.

A.3.1.6 Cylinders. Compressed gas cylinders shall be inspected, maintained and charged according to MIL-STD-1411.

A.3.1.6.1 Valves. Valves shall conform to MIL-DTL-2.

A.3.1.6.2 Color Coding. Government-owned cylinders shall be color coded according to MIL-STD-101.

A.3.1.7 Identification tag. An identification tag impervious to climatic conditions shall be wired to the outlet port of each container and shall contain the following information: Product name, specification number with revision letter, type designation, National Stock Number (NSN), quantity, name of manufacturer, name of contractor (if different from manufacturer), date of manufacture, and lot identification number.

A.3.1.8 Test reports. Test reports shall accompany each shipment and may be provided on the contractor's internal form, a letter of transmittal, or the product DD Form 250. For type I, the reports shall include the values obtained from the odor, fill pressure, purity and moisture tests. For type II, the reports shall include the values obtained from the odor, purity, and moisture tests.

A.3.2 Other provisions should be considered to include the following:

- a. Method of shipment.
- b. Type and capacity of container.
- c. A cleaning and repair schedule for cylinders
- d. Instructions for disposition of rejected cylinders.

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TABLE A-1. Laboratories.

<p>CALIFORNIA</p> <p>National Technical Systems Bldg 368 4920 46th St McClellan AFB CA 95652-1346</p> <p>Aerospace Fuels Laboratory (FP2075) OL SA-ALC/SFTLE 1747 Utah Ave, Bldg 6670 Vandenbergh AFB CA 93437-5220</p> <p>FLORIDA</p> <p>Aerospace Fuels Laboratory (FP2078) OL SA-ALC/SFTLH 15251 Scrub Jay Street, Bldg 54800 Cape Canaveral AFS FL 32920</p> <p>Naval Aviation Depot NAS Materials Engineering Lab Test & Corrosion/Wear Branch Code 4.3.4.7 Jacksonville FL 32212-0016</p> <p>Aerospace Fuels Laboratory (FP2072) Det 21, SA-ALC/SFTLC 5311 North Boundary Blvd, Bldg 1121 MacDill AFB FL 33621-5005</p> <p>HAWAII</p> <p>MAJSEK 1st MAWSE Attn: Cryogenics, Box 63048 MCBH Kaneohe Bay HI 96863-3048</p> <p>ITALY (Aviano AB)</p> <p>Aerospace Fuels Laboratory (FP2084) OL SA-ALC/SFTLJ Bldg 1048 Area F Aviano AB Italy APO AE 09604</p>	<p>JAPAN (Kadena AB)</p> <p>Aerospace Fuels Laboratory (FP2083) Det 44, SA-ALC/SFTLG Bldg 854 Kadena Air Base, Okinawa JA APO AP 96368-5162</p> <p>MAINE</p> <p>Aerospace Fuels Laboratory (FP2071) Det 20, SA-ALC/SFTLB Trundy Rd, Bldg 14 Searsport ME 04974</p> <p>NORTH CAROLINA</p> <p>Naval Aviation Depot Code 4.3.4.4 Bldg 4032 MCAS Cherry Point NC 28533</p> <p>OHIO</p> <p>Aerospace Fuels Laboratory (FP2070) Det 13, SA-ALC/SFTLA Bldg 70 2430 C St, Suite 1 Wright-Patterson AFB OH 45433-7632</p> <p>UNITED KINGDOM (RAF Mildenhall)</p> <p>Aerospace Fuels Laboratory (FP2080) OL SA-ALC/SFTLF Bldg 725 RAF Mildenhall UK APO AE 09459</p> <p>VIRGINIA</p> <p>Mid-Atlantic Regional Materials Test Lab Code 134.22 9349 Fourth Ave Bldg V-61 Norfolk VA 23511-2116</p> <p>WASHINGTON</p> <p>Aerospace Fuels Laboratory (FP2074) Det 35, SA-ALC/SFTLD 10 Park Ave C, Bldg 1 Mukilteo WA 98275-1618</p>
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COMMERCIAL ITEM DESCRIPTION

NITROGEN, TECHNICAL

The General Service Administration has authorized the use of this commercial item description by all federal agencies.

1. SCOPE. This commercial item description covers two types of nitrogen, liquid and gaseous. Each of these two types of nitrogen can be obtained in two different technical grades based on nitrogen purity and limits on oxygen and moisture impurity content. Liquid nitrogen is used as a cooling agent for low temperature and cryogenic processes to shield temperature sensitive materials and equipment from the effects of heat. Gaseous nitrogen is used to purge or pressurize systems, or provide inert atmospheres. The list of intended use includes, but is not limited to, pressurizing fuel tanks, hydraulic system accumulators, aircraft struts, rocket engine propellant systems, and carbon dioxide cylinders; purging aircraft oxygen converters, and purging and calibrating instruments. Since some systems are sensitive to oil contamination, gaseous nitrogen is divided into two classes, oil free and oil tolerant. Class 1, oil free nitrogen, is used for applications which cannot tolerate hydrocarbons, such as the purging of oxygen equipment. Class 2, oil tolerant nitrogen, is used for pressurizing oil-containing systems such as aircraft struts.

2. CLASSIFICATION. The nitrogen, technical, shall conform to the following types, grades and classes:

2.1 Type. Type I - gaseous
 Type II - liquid

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2.2 Grade. Grade A - 99.95% pure nitrogen
Grade B - 99.50% pure nitrogen

2.3 Class. Class 1 - oil free
Class 2 - oil tolerant (Type I only)

3. SALIENT CHARACTERISTICS

3.1 Nitrogen purity. The amount of nitrogen in the material shall be a minimum of 99.95 percent by volume (v/v) for grade A nitrogen, or 99.50 percent by volume (v/v) for grade B nitrogen. This includes trace amounts of neon, argon and helium. The purity shall be determined by one of the methods described in sections 5.2.1-5.2.3 of Compressed Gas Association (CGA), Inc. G-10.1, "Commodity Specification for Nitrogen".

3.2 Oxygen content. The amount of oxygen in the material shall have a maximum of 0.05 percent (v/v) for grade A nitrogen, or 0.5 percent (v/v) for grade B nitrogen. The oxygen content shall be determined by one of the methods described in sections 5.5.1-5.5.7 of CGA G-10.1

3.3 Moisture content. The amount of moisture in the material shall have a maximum of 26 ppm (v/v or mole/mole) for both grades A and B nitrogen. The moisture content shall be determined by one of the procedures described in sections 5.3.1 to 5.3.4 of the CGA G-10.1

3.4 Odor. The nitrogen shall have no odor when tested in accordance with section 5.11 of CGA G-10.1.

4. QUALITY ASSURANCE PROVISIONS

4.1 Product conformance. The products provided shall meet the salient characteristics of this commercial item description, conform to the producer's own drawings, specifications, standards, and quality assurance practices, and be the same product offered for sale in the commercial market. The government reserves the right to require proof of such conformance.

4.2 Market acceptability. The following market acceptability criterion is necessary to document the quality of the product to be provided under this CID.

4.2.1 The company must be able to show data from tests or process monitoring, of meeting the salient characteristics of technical grade nitrogen.

5. PACKAGING AND SPECIAL MARKINGS. Packaging, preservation, handling and storage, and marking shall be as specified in the contract or order. All government owned cylinders that have been provided for filling shall be reconditioned as necessary in accordance with MIL-STD-1411. DoD cylinders are procured to RR-C-901, their valves to MIL-DTL-2 and the cylinders color coded to MIL-STD-101B. The palletization of material shall be performed according to DoD Handbook MIL-HDBK-774.

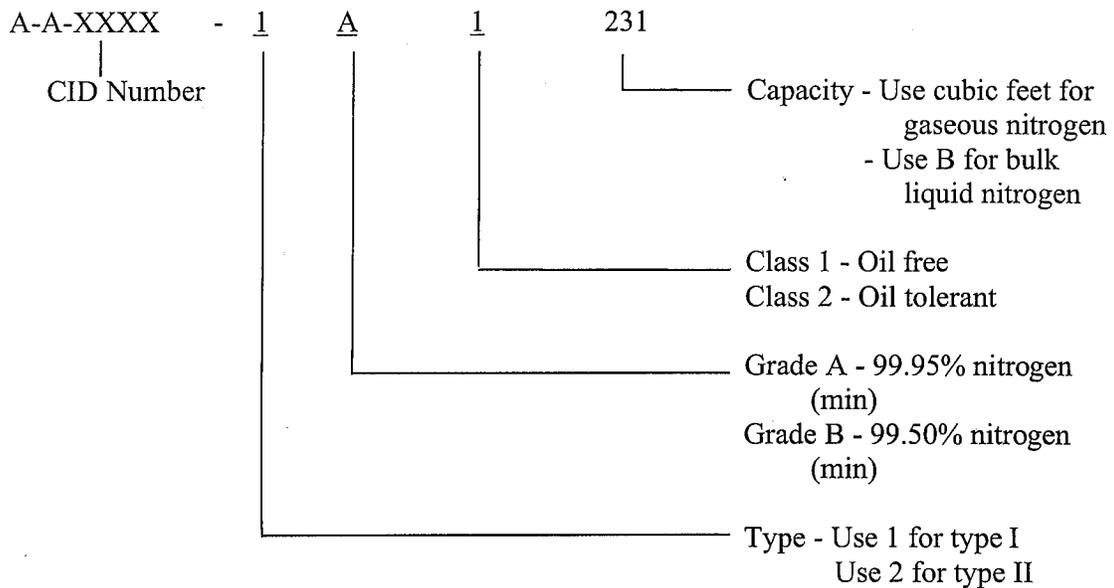
6. NOTES

6.1 International standardization. Certain provisions (section 3) of this specification are the subject of international standardization agreement ASCC Air Standard 15/10, 15/11 and 15/12, and NATO STANAGs' 3546GGS, and 3624GGS. When amendment, revision, or cancellation of this specification is proposed which will affect or violate the international agreement concerned, the preparing activity will take appropriate reconciliation action through international standardization channels including departmental standardization offices, if required.

6.2 Ordering data. Acquisition document must specify the following:

- a. Title, number, and date of this document.
- b. Part identification number (see 6.3).
- c. Quantity and size of container required.

6.3 Part identification number (PIN). The following part identification number procedure is for government purposes and does not constitute a requirement for the contractor.



6.4 National stock numbers (NSNs). The following is a list of assigned NSNs which correspond to this CID. This list may not be indicative of all possible NSNs associated with this document.

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NSN	GRADE	CLASS	CAPACITY (Cubic Feet)	DOT SPEC
6830-00-134-3709	A	1	012	3AA2015
6830-00-782-2643	A	1	187	3AA1800
6830-01-456-5506	A	1	207	3AA2015
6830-00-656-1596	A	1	231	3AA2265
6830-00-192-9067	B	1	110	3AA2015
6830-00-782-2641	B	1	187	3AA1800
6830-01-210-5570	B	1	207	3AA2015
6830-01-028-9402	B	1	231	3AA2265
6830-01-267-9591	B	1	276	3AA2400
6830-01-265-9068	B	1	336	3AA3500
6830-01-431-0639	B	1	494	3AA6000
6830-00-782-2642	B	2	187	3AA1800
6830-01-431-0661	B	2	207	3AA2015
6830-01-250-2888	B	2	231	3AA2265
6830-01-283-8777	B	2	336	3AA3500

6.5 Unit equivalent. Parts per hundred is expressed as percent (v/v). Parts per million is expressed as ppm (v/v). A moisture content of 26 ppm (v/v) equates to 0.02 mg/L

6.6 Valve outlet connections.

6.6.1 Cautionary Note: The valve outlet connection for oil tolerant nitrogen should be different from the rest to prevent the erroneous use of oil tolerant nitrogen cylinders for oil free applications. A reverse flow typically occurs during an oil tolerant operation (namely, the use for pressurizing oil-containing systems, e.g. aircraft struts). As a result, cylinders are contaminated with oil; and therefore it must not be used for oil free applications.

6.6.2 The applicable standard is ANSI/CGA V-1, American National compressed Gas Association Standard for Compressed gas Cylinder Valve outlet and Inlet Connections. The connections listed in table I apply.