
**Anodizing of aluminium and its
alloys — Rating system for the
evaluation of pitting corrosion —
Grid method**

*Anodisation de l'aluminium et de ses alliages — Système de cotation
de la corrosion par piqûres — Méthode par quadrillage*





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Anodizing of aluminium and its alloys — Rating system for the evaluation of pitting corrosion — Grid method

1 Scope

This document specifies a grid rating system that provides a means of defining levels of performance of anodic oxidation coatings on aluminium and its alloys that have been subjected to corrosion tests.

This rating system is applicable to pitting corrosion resulting from

- accelerated tests,
- exposure to corrosive environments, and
- practical service tests.

This document takes into account only pitting corrosion of the basis metal resulting from penetration of the protective anodic oxidation coating.

NOTE 1 ISO 8993^[1] describes a similar rating system based on defined chart scales.

NOTE 2 The grid rating system is frequently used for rating the results of short-term corrosion tests for relatively thin anodic oxidation coating, such as those used in the automotive industry.

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 7583, *Anodizing of aluminium and its alloys — Terms and definitions*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 7583 and the following apply.

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- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <https://www.iso.org/obp>
- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>

3.1

pitting corrosion

localized corrosion which results in *corrosion pit* (3.2)

3.2

corrosion pit

surface corrosion defect having a shortest diameter of 0,1 mm or larger, at which the anodic oxidation coating is penetrated

Note 1 to entry: Discoloration or other surface defects which do not penetrate the anodic coating do not count as corrosion pits.