

EN AW-6061 / AlMg1SiCu

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BRIEF DESCRIPTION

6061 T6(51) is a highly versatile, medium strength alloy whose main characteristics are corrosion resistance, weldability and good mechanical strength. It is mainly used in machine parts and welded constructions.

PROCESSING METHODS

Weldability

WIG/MIG	excellent
filler alloy	AA 4043
	AA 5356
By resistance	excellent

Anodizing

technical	excellent
decorative	good

Machinability	good
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Corrosion Behaviour

excellent in inland atmosphere
good in marine atmosphere

AVAILABILITY

6061 sheet and plate is available in temper T6 up to 6mm and T651 above 6mm (quenched – stretched – artificially aged) in the following dimensions :

Thickness	Max. width
0.8 - 2.0 mm	2000 mm
2.0 - 3.0 mm	1520 mm
3.0 - 12 mm	2400 mm
12 - 200 mm	1520 mm

CHEMICAL COMPOSITION (weight %)

Si	Fe	Cu	Mn	Mg	Cr	Zn	Ti +Zr
0.4	max.	0.15	max.	0.8	0.04	max.	
0.8	0.7	0.40	0.15	1.2	0.35	0.25	---

PHYSICAL PROPERTIES (nominal values)

Density	2.70 g/cm ³
Elastic modulus	69000 MPa
Lin. thermal expansion coefficient (20°-100°C)	23.4 10 ⁻⁶ K ⁻¹
Thermal conductivity (Temper T651)	150 - 170 W/mK
Electrical conductivity (Temper T651, 20°C)	23 - 26 MS/m

MECHANICAL STRENGTH

Min. tensile properties (Temper T6(51) / EN Standard 485-2)

Thickness (over ... to)	Rm [MPa]	Rp0.2 [MPa]	A50 [%]
0.8 - 6 mm	310	260	10
6.0 - 12.5 mm	300	255	9
12.5 - 100 mm	295	240	7
100 - 150 mm	275	240	5

Typical strength for various thicknesses

Thickness (over ... to)	Rm [MPa]	Rp0.2 [Mpa]	A50 [%]	HB
0.8 - 25 mm	330	295	12	110
25 - 60 mm	330	295	12	105
60 - 150 mm	320	285	11	100