P R O D U C T D A T A S H E E T

304/304L STAINLESS STEEL

UNS S30400/UNS S30403

AK Steel

AK Steel Type 304 is a variation of the basic 18-8 grade, Type 302, with a higher chromium and lower carbon content. Lower carbon minimizes chromium carbide precipitation due to welding and its susceptibility to intergranular corrosion. In many instances, it can be used in the "as-welded" condition, while Type 302 must be annealed in order to retain adequate corrosion resistance.

Type 304L is an extra low-carbon variation of Type 304 with a 0.03% maximum carbon content that eliminates carbide precipitation due to welding. As a result, this alloy can be used in the "as-welded" condition, even in severe corrosive conditions. It often eliminates the necessity of annealing weldments except for applications specifying stress relief. It has slightly lower mechanical properties than Type 304.

Typical uses include architectural mouldings and trim, kitchen equipment, welded components of chemical, textile, paper, pharmaceutical and chemical industry processing equipment.

AVAILABLE FORMS

AK Steel produces Type 304 Stainless Steel in thicknesses from 0.01" to 0.25" (0.025 to 6.35 mm) max. and widths up to 48" (1219 mm). For other thicknesses and widths, inquire.

COMPOSITION

	Type 304 %	Type 304L %
Carbon	0.08 max.	0.03 max.
Manganese	2.00 max.	2.00 max.
Phosphorus	0.045 max.	0.045 max.
Sulfur	0.030 max.	0.030 max.
Silicon	0.75 max.	0.75 max.
Chromium	18.00-20.00	18.0-20.0
Nickel	8.00-12.00	8.0-12.0
Nitrogen	0.10 max.	0.10 max.
Iron	Balance	Balance

SPECIFICATIONS

AK Steel Types 304 and 304L Stainless Steels are covered by the following specifications:

Type 304	Type 304L
AMS 5513	AMS 5511
ASTM A 240	ASTM A 240
ASTM A 666	ASTM A 666

MECHANICAL PROPERTIES

Typical Room Temperature Mechanical Properties

	UTS ksi (MPa)	0.2% YS ksi (MPa)	Elongation % in 2" (50.8 mm)	Hardness Rockwell
Type 304L	85 (586)	35 (241)	55	B80
Type 304	90 (621)	42 (290)	55	B82