



# AEROSPACE MATERIAL SPECIFICATION

**AMS3901/16****REV. B**

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Roving, Organic Fiber (Para-Aramid), High Modulus  
8520 Denier, (9500 d tex), 0.6% Finish

## RATIONALE

AMS3901/16B has been reaffirmed to comply with the SAE five year review policy.

## 1. SCOPE

### 1.1 Form

This specification covers one type of organic fiber in the form of roving. The product shall be formed as three ends of 2840 (3160 d tex) denier yarn (AMS3901/14) collected into an approximately parallel arrangement without twist.

### 1.2 Classification

Organic 8520 denier (9500 d tex) roving with 400 ksi (2758 MPa) or 19.3 g/d minimum tensile strength and 16.5 Msi (114 GPa) or 835 g/d minimum tensile modulus for use in filament winding requiring high tensile strength and high modulus of elasticity in tension.

## 2. APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS

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### 3. TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS

#### 3.1 Basic Specification

The complete requirements for procuring the organic roving described herein shall consist of this document and the latest issue of the basic specification.

#### 3.2 Properties

Shall be as shown in Table 1; no individual package, based on the average of five determinations, shall have less than 90% of the lot minimum values specified in 3.2.1 and 3.2.2.

TABLE 1 - PROPERTIES

Paragraph	Requirement	Requirement Dry Twisted Roving	Requirement Impregnated Strand	Test Method
3.2.1	Tensile Strength, min	19.3 g/d	400 ksi (2758 MPa)	4.5.1 of AMS3901
3.2.2	Modulus of Elasticity, min	835 g/d	16.5 Msi (114 GPa)	4.5.1 of AMS3901
3.2.3	Linear Density	8520 $\pm$ 270 denier (9500 $\pm$ 300 d tex)	8520 $\pm$ 270 denier (9500 $\pm$ 300 d tex)	4.5.2 of AMS3901
3.2.4	Fiber Finish, by weight	0.6% $\pm$ 0.4	0.6% $\pm$ 0.4	4.5.3 of AMS3901
3.2.5	Fiber Density	0.052 pound mass per cubic inch $\pm$ 0.001 (1.44 grams/cm <sup>3</sup> $\pm$ 0.03)	0.052 pound mass per cubic inch $\pm$ 0.001 (1.44 grams/cm <sup>3</sup> $\pm$ 0.03)	
3.2.6	Catenary	1 inch per 50 feet (25.4 mm/15 m)	1 inch per 50 feet (25.4 mm/15 m)	4.5.4 of AMS3901

#### 3.3 Splicing

The number of spliced ends within a ball of roving shall not exceed two times the roving weight of the ball in pounds (four times the roving weight of the ball in kilograms). There shall be no more than one spliced end in the same perpendicular plane for roving. Distance between splices shall not be less than 200 yards (183 m).

### 4. QUALITY ASSURANCE PROVISIONS

Shall be in accordance with AMS3901.

### 5. PREPARATION FOR DELIVERY

Shall be in accordance with AMS3901.

### 6. ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Shall be in accordance with AMS3901.

### 7. REJECTIONS

Shall be in accordance with AMS3901.