

## Section 3: Choices In Brazing Material

### Handy & Harman/Lucas-Milhaupt Brazing Filler Metals

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	Filler Metal Name	Typical Applications	Heating Methods*	Solidus		Liquidus		Max. Recom. Brazing Temp. °F	Nominal Composition, %				Joint Color as Brazed	Density** Troy oz/cu in	Electrical Characteristics	
				°F	°C	°F	°C		Ag	Cu	Zn	Others			Conduct. % IACS	Resistivity microhm-cm
<b>Cadmium-Bearing Filler Metals</b>	Easy-Flo® 45	Joining ferrous, nonferrous and dissimilar metals and alloys with close joint clearances.	TFIR	1125	605	1145	620	1350	45	15	16	24 Cd	Light Yellow	4.96	27.6	6.06
	Easy-Flo	Same as Easy-Flo 45.	TFIR	1160	625	1175	635	1375	50	15.5	16.5	18 Cd	Light Yellow	4.98	23.9	7.00
	Easy-Flo 35	Similar to Easy-Flo 45, but used where joint clearances are large and fillets are desired.	TFIR	1125	605	1295	700	1400	35	26	21	18 Cd	Light Yellow	4.84	28.6	6.02
	Easy-Flo 30	Similar to Easy-Flo 35, but used for more economical joints.	TFIR	1125	605	1310	710	1400	30	27	23	20 Cd	Light Yellow	4.79	31	5.5
	Easy-Flo 25	Same as Easy-Flo 30, but used for most economical joints.	TFIR	1125	605	1375	745	1400	25	35	26.5	13.5 Cd	Light Yellow	4.71	29.7	5.7
	Easy-Flo 25HC	Same as Easy-Flo 35, but used for more economical joints.	TFIR	1180	640	1320	715	1400	25	30	27.5	17.5 Cd	Light Yellow	4.67	31.9	5.4
	Easy-Flo 3	For 300 series stainless steels; for joining tungsten carbide, beryllium copper and aluminum bronze to steel.	TIR	1170	630	1270	690	1400	50	15.5	15.5	16 Cd, 3 Ni	Light Yellow	5.02	18	9.58
	Braze™ 053	A high temperature solder for medium strength joints above that of soft solders. Use TEC flux.	TFIR	640	340	740	395	900	5			95 Cd	Gray	4.65	22	7.90
Braze 440	Low melting filler metal for brazing electrical contacts and molybdenum or copper-tungsten electrodes.	TFIR	1100	595	1220	660	1400	44	27	13	15 Cd, 1P	Light Yellow	4.86	13.8	12.5	
<b>Cadmium-Free Filler Metals</b>	Braze 051	Brazing nichrome resistance elements, or simultaneous brazing and heat treating of steels.	TFIR	1545	840	1615	880	1700	5	58	37		Brass Yellow	4.47	24.4	7.06
	Braze 071	Used when heat treatment follows brazing, as a lower melting alloy than copper, or in vacuum systems.	TFIHR	1225	665	1805	985	2000	7	85		8 Sn	Yellow	4.80	12.8	13.50
	Braze 090	For copper base alloys such as in band instruments; or joint brazing/cyanide case hardening of steels.	TFIR	1410	765	1565	850	1665	9	53	38		Brass Yellow	4.49	20.5	8.43
	Braze 202	For simultaneous brazing and heat treating of steels.	TFIR	1315	710	1500	815	1650	20	45	35		Brass Yellow	4.58	23.5	7.36
	Braze 250	Low silver filler metal for joining ferrous and nonferrous alloys.	TFIR	1250	675	1575	855	1665	25	52.5	22.5		Brass Yellow	4.71	24.4	7.06
	Braze 252	Economical filler metal for tungsten carbide, stainless steel and steel.	TFIR	1305	705	1475	800	1650	25	38	33	2 Mn, 2 Ni	Brass Yellow	4.52	10.2	17.2
	Braze 255	Economical filler metal for ferrous and nonferrous joints not requiring high ductility or impact strength.	TFIR	1270	690	1435	780	1600	25	40	33	2 Sn	Light Yellow	4.62	19.4	9.0
	Braze 300	For steel and nonferrous alloys melting above 1450°F (790°C), nickel-silver knife handles, electrical equipment.	TFIR	1250	675	1410	765	1600	30	38	32		Light Yellow	4.66	24.4	6.85
	Braze 351	Intermediate temperature filler metal for use with ferrous and nonferrous materials.	TFIR	1265	685	1390	755	1600	35	32	33		Yellow	4.67	19.8	8.2
	Braze 380	Free flowing, cadmium-free filler metal used with ferrous and nonferrous base metals.	TFIR	1200	650	1330	720	1500	38	32	28	2 Sn	Pale Yellow	4.77	18	9.5
	Braze 401	For copper base alloys, mild steel, nickel and Monel, and where a narrow melt range is desired.	TFIR	1245	675	1340	725	1550	40	30	30		Yellow	4.63	20.5	8.40
	Braze 402	A free-flowing medium temperature filler metal for ferrous and nonferrous alloys.	TFIR	1200	650	1310	710	1500	40	30	28	2 Sn	Pale Yellow	4.76	18	9.6
	Braze 403	For tungsten carbides, and stainless steel food handling equipment allowing no cadmium.	TFIR	1220	660	1435	780	1600	40	30	28	2 Ni	Light Yellow	4.76	16.8	10.27
	Braze 404	For tungsten carbides and stainless steel.	TFIR	1220	660	1580	860	1665	40	30	25	5 Ni	White	4.81	13.5	12.80
	Braze 450	For ships' piping, band instruments, aircraft engine oil coolers, brass lamps.	TFIR	1225	665	1370	745	1550	45	30	25		Yellow White	4.80	19	9.08
	Braze 452	Low temperature, free-flowing, Cd-free alloy.	TFIR	1185	640	1260	680	1500	45	27	25	3 Sn	Pale Yellow	4.85	18.0	9.6
	Braze 495	For low-temperature brazing of tungsten carbides and stainless steels.	TFIR	1260	680	1290	700	1450	49	16	23	7.5 Mn, 4.5 Ni	Yellow White	4.70	5.7	30.27
	Braze 501	For steam turbine blading and heavily galvanized or tinned steel, aluminum brass tubing.	TFIR	1250	675	1425	775	1600	50	34	16		Yellow White	4.92	25.5	6.76
	Braze 502; 503 (VTG)	For applications similar to Brazes 720 and 721 except where better gap filling is needed.	TFIHVR	1435	780	1600	870	1800	50	50			Yellow White	5.08	78	2.2
	Braze 505	For 300 series stainless steel food handling equipment with close joint clearances.	TFIR	1220	660	1305	705	1500	50	20	28	2 Ni	Yellow White	4.73	15	11.75
Braze 541	Atmosphere furnace brazing for high temperature applications (up to 700°F/370°C), such as on jet engines.	TFIR	1340	725	1575	855	1700	54	40	5	1 Ni	White	5.07	49.8	3.46	
Braze 559	Same as Braze 541, but used where zinc fumes in the furnace are not permissible.	HVR	1420	770	1640	895	1800	56	42		2 Ni	White	5.14	51.2	3.37	
Braze 560	For food handling equipment requiring a low melting, cadmium-free alloy.	TFIR	1145	620	1205	650	1400	56	22	17	5 Sn	White	4.96	8.3	20.75	
Braze 580	A free flowing filler metal used in brazing tungsten carbide which is subsequently titanium nitrided.	TFIHV	1120	605	1345	730	1550	57.5	32.5		7.0 Sn, 3.0 Mn	White	5.17	25.3	6.81	
Braze 600	For Monel and other nickel alloys, and in place of Braze 650 on silverware.	TFIR	1245	675	1325	720	1500	60	25	15		White	5.01	21	8.40	
Braze 603; 604 (VTG)	For vacuum tube seals, brazing of ferrous and nonferrous alloys without flux, for brazing marine heat exchangers exposed to salt water at elevated temperatures (where zinc is objectionable).	TFIHVR	1115	600	1325	720	1500	60	30		10 Sn	White	5.17	7.1	24.10	
Braze 630	On 400 series stainless steels for corrosion resistance to salt spray, chlorine solutions, etc.	TFIHVR	1275	690	1475	800	1700	63	28.5		6 Sn, 2.5 Ni	White	5.19	12.8	13.40	
Braze 650	For silverware, iron and nickel alloys.	TFIR	1240	670	1325	720	1500	65	20	15		White	5.06	21.3	8.10	
Braze 655	For brazing Invar, Kovar and similar alloys to copper in vacuum tubes; as jet engine rubbing seals.	TFIVRH	1385	750	1560	850	1700	65	28		5 Mn, 2 Ni	White	5.20	12.8	13.40	
Braze 700	For silverware, when subsequent joints are made with Braze 650.	TFIR	1275	690	1360	740	1550	70	20	10		White	5.15	26.7	6.45	
Braze 715; 716 (VTG)	Filler metal and high conductivity, similar to Braze 720, but suitable for both ferrous and nonferrous alloys.	TFIHVR	1435	780	1465	795	1700	71.5	28		.5 Ni	White	5.27	78.8	2.19	
Braze 720; 721 (VTG)	For nonferrous electronic components requiring highest electrical and thermal conductivity. The VTG grade has low volatile impurities, good for use in moderate temperature vacuum systems.	TFIHVR	1435	780	1435	780	1700	72	28			White	5.25	87	2.0	
Braze 750	On silverware for step brazing or enameling; for iron or nickel base alloys.	TFIR	1365	740	1450	790	1600	75	22	3		White	5.24	53.4	3.23	

\*Recommended heating methods: F = Furnace; H = Inert atmosphere (e.g. H, Ar, He, N) without flux; I = Induction; R = Resistance; T = Torch and Gas-Air Burner; V = Vacuum.

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**SAFETY NOTE:** While Cadmium-Bearing Alloys have been extremely popular and versatile filler metals for decades, there are potential hazards associated with them due to their toxic nature. These alloys should only be used in well ventilated areas. We are prepared to assist you in the proper and safe use of these alloys. For additional information, contact our Technical Services Department.

Fahrenheit to Celsius conversion formula  $F^\circ$  to  $C^\circ = .555 (F^\circ - 32)$

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<b>Cadmium-Free Filler Metals (cont'd)</b>	Braze™ 852	Brazing stainless, Stellite, Inconel, complex carbides—for high-temperature service.	FIHV	1760	960	1780	970	2000	85				15 Mn	White	4.98	4.6	37.50
	Braze 999	A VTG alloy for brazing ceramics to be used as semiconductors.	TFIHV	1761	960	1761	960	1900	99.9					White	5.53	105.2	1.59
	Lithobraze® 720	For ferrous and nonferrous base alloys; especially thin sections of stainless steels.	H	1400	760	1400	760	1600	71.7	28			0.3 Li	White	5.09	50.8	3.39
	Lithobraze 925	To join skins to honeycomb cores, particularly precipitation-hardening stainless steels.	H	1400	760	1635	890	1800	92.5	7.3			0.2 Li	White	5.33	55.2	3.12
	Premabraze® 616 (VTG)	For ferrous and nonferrous alloys used in moderate temperature vacuum tubes and systems.	HV	1155	625	1305	705	1500	61.5	24			14.5 In	White	5.19	16	10.70
Premabraze 130	For stainless steel, Inconel X, A286, Kovar, etc., for oxidation and scaling resistance up to 1500°F (815°C).	TIHV	1742	950	1742	950	1950			18		82 Au	Gray	8.33	5.85	29.30	
														<b>lb/cu in</b>			
<b>Hi-Temp Alloys</b>	Hi-Temp® 080	Economical high strength filler metal for joining carbides to alloy steels.	TFI	1575	855	1675	915	1875		54.85	8	25	12 Mn .15 Si	Light Yellow	.290	6.0	28.6
	Hi-Temp 095	High strength filler metal for joining carbides, steels and heat resistant alloys.	FIHV	1615	880	1700	925	2000		52.5	9.5		38 Mn	Red-Gray	.277	14.7	11.7
	Hi-Temp 548	Tough, moderate strength, low melting improved nickel silver filler metal for carbides, tool steels, stainless steels and nickel alloys.	TFI	1615	880	1685	920	1900		55	6	35	4 Mn	Light Yellow	.302	10.6	16.2
	Hi Temp 870	A free flowing, high melting filler metal with good high temperature strength, for brazing carbides, tool steels, stainless steels and nickel alloys.	FIHV	1760	960	1885	1030	2000		87			10 Mn, 3 Co	Gray	.316	14.5	11.9
<b>Silver-Copper-Phosphorus Alloys (See note below)</b>	Sil-Fos® 18	A ternary eutectic filler metal for joints where good fit-up can be maintained and low melting point is of prime importance. Clearance: .001" to .003" (.025 mm to .076 mm). Very fast flow.	TFIR	1190	645	1190	645	1300	18	75.5			6.5 P	Gray	.293	5.9	29.4
	Sil-Fos	For use where close fit-ups cannot be maintained and joint ductility is important. Recommended joint clearance: .002" to .005" (.051 mm to .127 mm). Slow flow. The only phos/copper silver filler metal available in strip or sheet form.	TFIR	1190	645	1475 (1300)	800 (705)	1500	15	80			5 P	Gray	.305	9.9	17.4
	Sil-Fos 6	A very fluid filler metal for close fit-up work. Low melting range makes it ideal where temperature is a factor. Recommended joint clearance: .001" to .003" (.025 mm to .076 mm). Fast flow. Lowest melt and flow in the minimum silver class.	TFIR	1190	645	1325 (1275)	720 (690)	1450	6	86.75			7.25 P	Gray	.284	7.9	21.9
	Sil-Fos 6 M	Recommended for use where close fit-up cannot be maintained. Has the ability to fill gaps and form fillets without affecting joint strength. Recommended joint clearance: .002" to .005" (.051 mm to .127 mm). Slow flow.	TFIR	1190	645	1460 (1300)	795 (705)	1500	6	88			6 P	Gray	.292	8.8	19.7
	Sil-Fos 5	Designed primarily for those applications where close fit-ups cannot be maintained. It has ability to fill gaps and form fillets without adversely affecting joint strength. Recommended joint clearance: .003" to .005" (.076 mm to .127 mm). Slow flow.	TFIR	1190	645	1495 (1325)	815 (720)	1500	5	89			6 P	Gray	.294	9.6	18.1
	Sil-Fos 2	A filler metal with comparable characteristics to Fos-Flo 7. Recommended joint clearance: .001" to .005" (.025 mm to .127 mm). Medium flow.	TFIR	1190	645	1450 (1325)	785 (720)	1500	2	91			7 P	Gray	.289	5.5	31.5
	Sil-Fos 2M	Has ability to fill moderate gaps in poorly fitted joints. More ductile than Fos-Flo 7 or Sil-Fos 2. Intended for use on copper tube headers and similar applications where a sleeve fit is not practical. Recommended joint clearance: .002" to .005" (.051 mm to .127 mm). Slow flow.	TFIR	1190	645	1495 (1350)	815 (730)	1550	2	91.4			6.6 P	Gray	.292	7.5	22.9
<b>Copper-Phosphorus Alloys (See note below)</b>	Fos-Flo® 7	An economical, very fluid medium temperature filler metal for use with copper, brass and bronze. Withstands moderate vibration. Recommended joint clearance: .001" to .003" (.025 mm to .076 mm). Fast flow.	TFIR	1310	710	1460 (1350)	795 (730)	1550		92.75			7.25 P	Gray	.289	7.5	23.2
	Fos-Flo 6	An economical filler metal with a wide melting range and moderate flow. For use where close fit-ups cannot be maintained and ductability is important. Recommended joint clearance is .003" to .005" (.076 mm to .127 mm).	TFIR	1310	710	1570 (1375)	854 (746)	1600		93.85			6.15 P	Gray	.293	7.2	24.1

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**NOTE:** The Sil-Fos and Fos-Flo filler metals are for use with copper and copper alloy base metals. Do not use these materials to join ferrous materials as brittle phosphide compounds will be formed at the interface. The Sil-Fos and Fos Flo filler metals have a unique characteristic called the "Flow Point" (listed in parentheses). The "Flow Point" is defined as the temperature at which the filler metal is fluid enough to capillary through a joint even though not completely liquid (i.e. above the liquidus temperature).