Background Finishes

The backgrounds of most metal plaques are painted to provide a contrast to the highlighted areas. Bronze and aluminium plaques can be painted with standard or optional base finishes.

Porcelain Enamels

Porcelain enamels are available in a wide range of colors and metallic finishes are available. Sixteen standard additional colors are pictured in the Cast Letter section.

Border Styles

Borders on an etched plaque can refer to either the edges or corners in addition to an actual etched border. In addition to square and rectangular shapes, etched borders can be machined and/or cut to a variety of shapes to fit into almost any design environment.

Mounting Etched Plaques

Mounting methods are chosen according to the size, weight or thickness of the plaque as well as the style of the border. Each method is recommended for a specific size, weight or thickness of the plaque, as well as the weight of the border. Borders must be specified when ordering for most mounting methods.

Materials and Finishes

Brass, 1920

Copper Development Assoc., Alloy C26000; 70% Copper, 30% Zinc

Commercial Bronze, 0.250

Copper Development Assoc., Alloy C443.2

Commercial Bronze, 0.270

Copper Development Assoc., Alloy C22000; 90% Copper, 10% Zinc

Commercial Bronze, 0.290

Copper Development Assoc., Alloy C26000; 70% Copper, 30% Zinc

Commercial Bronze, 0.310

Copper Development Assoc., Commercial Grade Bronze

Commercial Bronze, 0.410

Copper Development Assoc., Standard Grade Bronze

Silicon Bronze, 0.250

Copper Development Assoc., Commercial Grade Silicon Bronze

Silicon Bronze, 0.270

Copper Development Assoc., Standard Grade Silicon Bronze

Silicon Bronze, 0.290

Copper Development Assoc., Commercial Grade Silicon Bronze

Silicon Bronze, 0.310

Copper Development Assoc., Standard Grade Silicon Bronze

Silicon Bronze, 0.410

Copper Development Assoc., Commercial Grade Silicon Bronze

Metalphoto™

Zinc, 0.033

Copper Development Assoc., Standard Grade Zinc

Zinc, 0.300

Copper Development Assoc., Standard Grade Zinc

Zinc, 0.450

Copper Development Assoc., Standard Grade Zinc

Zinc, 0.500

Copper Development Assoc., Standard Grade Zinc

Satin Commercial

Satin Brass

Polished Brass

Commercial Bronze

Bronze, 1920

Copper Development Assoc., Alloy C26000; 70% Copper, 30% Zinc

Commercial Bronze, 90/10

Copper Development Assoc., Standard Grade Commercial Bronze

Brass, 70/30

Brass, 66/34

Brass, 70/30

Satin Brass

Polished Brass

Commercial Bronze

Bronze, 1920

Copper Development Assoc., Alloy C26000; 70% Copper, 30% Zinc

Commercial Bronze, 90/10

Copper Development Assoc., Standard Grade Commercial Bronze

Metalphoto™

Zinc, 0.033

Copper Development Assoc., Standard Grade Zinc

Zinc, 0.300

Copper Development Assoc., Standard Grade Zinc

Zinc, 0.450

Copper Development Assoc., Standard Grade Zinc

Zinc, 0.500

Copper Development Assoc., Standard Grade Zinc

Satin Commercial

Satin Brass

Polished Brass

Commercial Bronze

Bronze, 1920

Copper Development Assoc., Alloy C26000; 70% Copper, 30% Zinc

Commercial Bronze, 90/10

Copper Development Assoc., Standard Grade Commercial Bronze

Materials, Background Textures & Border Styles

Matthews Bronze - Cast Plaques

Materials, Background Textures & Border Styles

Matthews Bronze - Etched Plaques

Materials, Finishes, Borders & Mounting Methods

Metal Plaques & Letters

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Cast Letters - Materials

- **Aluminum**: Aluminum Association - AA5000 Series (100% AA6061)
- **Stainless Steel**: Stainless Steel Association - A201 Series (100% Type 304)
- **Brass**: Copper Development Association - C26000,
  - **Copper**: Copper Development Association - C28000
  - **Brass**: Brass Development Association - C36000

Waterjet-Cut Letters - Materials

- **Aluminum**: Aluminum Association - AA5000 Series (100% AA6061)
- **Stainless Steel**: Stainless Steel Association - A201 Series (100% Type 304)
- **Brass**: Brass Development Association - C36000
- **Copper**: Copper Development Association - C28000

Waterjet-Cut Letters - Finishes

- **Satin**: Satin Finish
- **Polished**: Polished Finish
- **Oxidized**: Oxidized Finish
- **Painted**: Painted Finish

Fluorine-Coated Steel

- **Fluorine-Coated Steel**
  - **Aluminum**: Aluminum Association - AA5000 Series (100% AA6061)
  - **Stainless Steel**: Stainless Steel Association - A201 Series (100% Type 304)
  - **Brass**: Brass Development Association - C36000
  - **Copper**: Copper Development Association - C28000

Painted Finishes & Mounting Methods

16 standard painted colors for Matthews' metal letters and plaques. Black, white and painted equivalents for Domestic colors are also available. Contact color match also available.

Mounting Methods

- **Projected Mount with Studs and Screws (PM)**
- **Back Bar Mount (BB)**

Font List

- **Univers**: Univers 72, Univers 67, Univers 65
- **Univers Medium**: Univers Medium 72
- **Univers Light**: Univers Light 72
- **Univers Condensed**: Univers Condensed 72
- **Univers Origin**: Univers Origin 72
- **Univers Old Style**: Univers Old Style 72
- **Univers MT**: Univers MT 72
- **Univers MT Condensed**: Univers MT Condensed 72
- **Univers MT Old Style**: Univers MT Old Style 72
- **Univers MT Origin**: Univers MT Origin 72
- **Univers MT Old Style Origin**: Univers MT Old Style Origin 72
- **Univers Condensed**: Univers Condensed 72
- **Univers Condensed Medium**: Univers Condensed Medium 72
- **Univers Condensed Light**: Univers Condensed Light 72
- **Univers Condensed Bold**: Univers Condensed Bold 72
- **Univers Medium Condensed**: Univers Medium Condensed 72
- **Univers Medium Condensed Light**: Univers Medium Condensed Light 72
- **Univers Medium Condensed Bold**: Univers Medium Condensed Bold 72
- **Univers Light Condensed**: Univers Light Condensed 72
- **Univers Light Condensed Medium**: Univers Light Condensed Medium 72
- **Univers Light Condensed Light**: Univers Light Condensed Light 72
- **Univers Light Condensed Bold**: Univers Light Condensed Bold 72
- **Univers Bold Condensed**: Univers Bold Condensed 72
- **Univers Medium**: Univers Medium 72
- **Univers Medium Light**: Univers Medium Light 72
- **Univers Medium Bold**: Univers Medium Bold 72
- **Univers Bold**: Univers Bold 72
- **Univers Light**: Univers Light 72
- **Univers Condensed Light**: Univers Condensed Light 72
- **Univers Condensed Bold Light**: Univers Condensed Bold Light 72
- **Univers Medium Condensed Light**: Univers Medium Condensed Light 72
- **Univers Medium Condensed Bold**: Univers Medium Condensed Bold 72
- **Univers Light Condensed Bold**: Univers Light Condensed Bold 72
- **Univers Light Condensed Medium Light**: Univers Light Condensed Medium Light 72
- **Univers Light Condensed Medium Bold**: Univers Light Condensed Medium Bold 72
- **Univers Light Condensed Bold Light**: Univers Light Condensed Bold Light 72
- **Univers Condensed Medium Light**: Univers Condensed Medium Light 72
- **Univers Condensed Medium Bold**: Univers Condensed Medium Bold 72
- **Univers Condensed Light Light**: Univers Condensed Light Light 72
- **Univers Condensed Bold Light Light**: Univers Condensed Bold Light Light 72
- **Univers Medium Condensed Medium**: Univers Medium Condensed Medium 72
- **Univers Medium Condensed Light Light**: Univers Medium Condensed Light Light 72
- **Univers Medium Condensed Bold Light**: Univers Medium Condensed Bold Light 72
- **Univers Light Condensed Medium Medium**: Univers Light Condensed Medium Medium 72
- **Univers Light Condensed Medium Bold**: Univers Light Condensed Medium Bold 72
- **Univers Light Condensed Bold Medium**: Univers Light Condensed Bold Medium 72
- **Univers Condensed Light Medium**: Univers Condensed Light Medium 72
- **Univers Condensed Bold Light Medium**: Univers Condensed Bold Light Medium 72
- **Univers Medium Condensed Light Medium**: Univers Medium Condensed Light Medium 72