

# aalco®

The UK's largest independent multi-metals stockholder

The UK's largest stockholder  
and supplier of **Aluminium  
Extrusions**





A woman with dark hair tied back, wearing a blue work jacket over an orange top, is leaning forward and smiling. Next to her, a man with a grey beard, wearing a light blue button-down shirt, is also looking towards the right. The background is a blurred industrial setting with metal structures and lights.

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As the UK's leading independent aluminium stockholder, Aalco provides customers with an unrivalled service for aluminium extrusions, from a small cut piece of a standard product to kits of bespoke items with specialised finishes.

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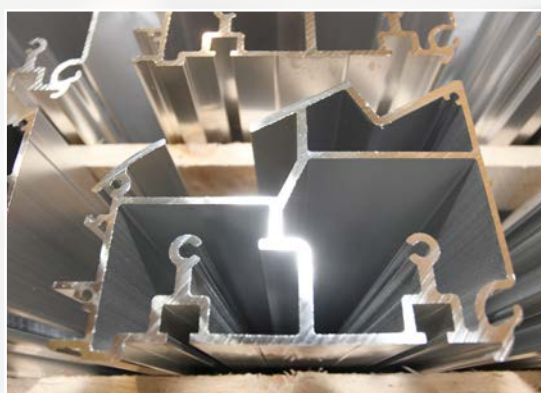


## Customer Service

Aalco is the UK's leading independent multi-metals distributor, stocking over 10,000 standard items and serving over 30,000 industry customers.

The business offers a responsive and competitive service for supplying anything from single item orders to major JIT contracts.

Operating its own transport fleet, Aalco vehicles cover over 1,000 miles per hour for every hour of the working day, making a delivery every 20 seconds of that day.



## Standard Products

The range of standard products includes:

- Machining bar in alloys 2011T3 and 6026T9
- Round bar in alloys 6082T6
- Flat bar - 60 new sizes recently added
- Square bar
- Equal & unequal angle
- Channel
- Tee
- Tube including sizes for rainwater handling and scaffold tube
- Square & rectangular section
- Mouldings including items for road transport and building
- Over 150 road transport sections for vehicle body-building - a dedicated catalogue on this range is available from local Service Centres
- Marine sections with DNV Certification - includes flat bar, tee, tube channel, I-beam, rider bar & bulb bar all in alloy 6082T6

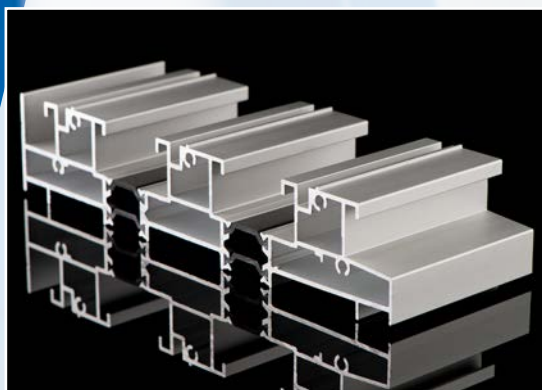


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Aalco recognise that customers are key to its success and realise that it must meet and exceed customers expectations.





## Bespoke Extrusions

A particular Aalco speciality is the supply of bespoke extrusions, designed for individual customers – from single shapes to full suites.

From an intricate precision extrusion weighing as little as 0.003kg/m (3 grams per metre) to large sections up to 35kg/m, Aalco can meet customer needs. There is a full range of processing services to provide these extrusions ready for use.

Many customers have found major benefits in sourcing from Aalco rather than direct from a mill. These benefits include time saving, reduced costs, flexibility, the possibility to make regular changes in scheduled quantities, keeping abreast of technology changes, assistance with design and technical issues, all without sacrificing choice or quality.

What's more Aalco's purchasing power combined with in-depth knowledge of each mill's strengths and specialities means all this is achieved at a very competitive price.



## Processing Services

The full aluminium extrusions range is backed by a complete portfolio of processing services using both in-house facilities and selected approved sub-contractors:

**Cutting:** Straight line and angle/mitre cuts from single pieces through to high volume repetition cutting with sawing capacity up to 16"/406mm diameter.

**Finishing:** Clear, colour & hard anodising, painting/ powder coating, polishing and foiling as well as protective coating and/or sleeving of individual lengths for protection in transit and handling.

**Packaging:** From simple pallets, stillages, cages and crates to bespoke packaging or kitting, Aalco can provide a packaging solution to meet every need with options including interleaving or sleeving of individual lengths for protection in transit and handling.

**Prefabrication:** Aalco provides everything from drilling, notching, slotting, punching, bending, machining (turning, routing, milling) and threading to laser & water-jet cutting of shapes delivering ready for use parts at or near net-shape.

**Thermal Breaking:** Thermal breaking using a polyamide insulation strip or by the cut and fill method.



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Aalco offers customers a responsive and competitive service for supplying anything from single item orders to major JIT contracts. There really is no minimum (or maximum) order.



## Markets Served

**Road Transport** - The Aalco stock of products for the road transport Industry is expanding rapidly making Aalco the fastest growing supplier to this sector.

**Marine** - From marine grade aluminium sheet, plate and sections to polished stainless steel handrail tubing and from naval brass rod to aluminium/steel transition joint, Aalco meets the needs of the marine sector.

**Energy & Offshore** - Aalco stocks the UK's widest range of stainless steel tube, pipe, fittings and flanges, within which there are some specialist ranges including: stainless steel hygienic tube and fittings, large stainless steel sections, metric tube, fittings and flanges.

**Power Generation and Nuclear** - Aalco has developed a speciality in meeting the materials requirements of the nuclear and power generation industries for both standard and bespoke products.

**Architecture & Building** - Aalco provides a wide range of solutions for all applications in the built environment - internal and external, structural, cladding and decorative.

**Engineering** - Aalco supplies a wide range of commercial aluminium extrusions to every sector of general engineering. The characteristics of aluminium extrusions make them the perfect material for engineering applications where high strength-to-weight ratio, ease of fabrication, tight tolerances and low maintenance are required.

**Stainless Steel Handrail Systems** - Aalco has a comprehensive stock of stainless steel architectural products to include additional sizes of handrail tube plus a complete range of handrail fittings as well as a slotted tube system.



Aalco has 18 service centres around the country which offer a reliable and on-time delivery service anywhere in the UK. Each centre holds stock to meet the immediate needs of customers in the local area and this is backed up by bulk stocks held at a central warehouse.

All standard and special stock items are available for next day delivery with flexible scheduling to customers' constantly changing needs all part of the service.

**To find out more, ask for a quotation or to get advice on any product selection, please contact your local Aalco service centre.**

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