

About Shawinigan Aluminium

The Company

Named Best Aluminum Billet Manufacturer in Canada in 2025 by Metals & Mining Review, Shawinigan Aluminium is a 40,000MT per year specialty producer operating out of the former Rio Tinto Alcan Shawinigan cast house, which it took over in 2014.

The company employs 110 persons and is led by CEO Julien Houde Lord, who defines the company's mission as transforming and recycling aluminum into specialty billets and slugs, manufactured by committed people to satisfy customers with the highest requirements.

Since it took over from Rio Tinto, Shawinigan Aluminium added a recycling facility to its operations and a slugs line, to continue the company's diversification efforts towards specialty billets.

The Market

Products

Shawinigan Aluminium has positioned itself as a flexibility-first, specialty billets and slugs producer. Specialty production represents 80 percent of its market and more than 85 percent of the production is exported outside Canada.

The company produces aluminum billets and slugs with superior surface finish across the full 1000 to 7000 series alloy range, in diameters between 2.95 and 10 inches and lengths ranging from 0,5 to 216 inches.

Shawinigan Aluminium is the only producer in North America capable of casting complex and hard alloys in diameters ranging from 2,95 to 5 inches.

Customers

Shawinigan Aluminium works with customers in various sectors, primarily defense, aerospace, cylinders, automotive and other commercial applications.

The company's team works with sales partners to define alloy, diameter, and heat treatment, positioning Shawinigan Aluminium as both a manufacturer and a technical advisor.

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