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For the 1996 edition, the “Rules for Building and Classing Steel Vessels – Part 2: Materials and Welding” was re-titled “Rule Requirements for Materials and Welding – Part 2.” The purpose of this generic title was to emphasize the common applicability of the material and welding requirements in “Part 2” to ABS-classed vessels, other marine structures and their associated machinery, and thereby make “Part 2” more readily a common “Part” of the various ABS Rules and Guides, as appropriate.

Accordingly, the subject booklet, Rule Requirements for Materials and Welding – Part 2, is to be considered, for example, as being applicable and comprising a “Part” of the following ABS Rules and Guides:

- Rules for Building and Classing Steel Vessels.
- Rules for Building and Classing Steel Vessels Under 90 Meters (295 Feet) in Length
- Rules for Building and Classing Mobile Offshore Drilling Units
- Guide for Building and Classing High Speed Craft

For the 2002 edition, a new Section 4, “Piping” has been added to Part 2, Chapter 4, “Welding and Fabrication”. This new Section is applicable only to piping for installation on vessels to be built in accordance with the Rules for Building and Classing Steel Vessels.
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SECTION 1 General Requirements

1 Testing and Inspection

1.1 General

All materials subject to test and inspection, intended for use in the construction of hulls and equipment of vessels classed or proposed for classification, are to be to the satisfaction of the Surveyor and in accordance with the following requirements or their equivalent. Materials, test specimens, and mechanical testing procedures having characteristics differing from those prescribed herein may be approved upon application, due regard being given to established practices in the country in which the material is produced and the purpose for which the material is intended, such as the parts for which it is to be used, the type of vessel and intended service, and the nature of the construction of the vessel.

1.3 Test and Test Data

1.3.1 Witnessed Tests

The designation (W) indicates that the Surveyor is to witness the testing unless the plant and product is approved under the Bureau’s Quality Assurance Program.

1.3.2 Manufacturer’s Data

The designation (M) indicates that test data is to be provided by the manufacturer without verification by a Surveyor of the procedures used or the results obtained.

1.3.3 Other Tests

The designation (A) indicates those tests for which test data is to be provided by the supplier and audited by the Surveyor to verify that the procedures used and random tests witnessed are in compliance with Rule requirements.

See Part 2, Appendix 1 for complete listing of indicated designations for the various tests called out by Part 2, Chapter 1 and Part 2, Chapter 2 of this Part.

1.5 Certification on the Basis of the ABS Quality Assurance Program for Rolled Products

Upon application, consideration will be given to the acceptance of plates, shapes, and bars without witnessing of mechanical tests by the Surveyor, on the basis of compliance with the Bureau’s Quality Assurance Program.
1.7 **Rejection of Previously Accepted Material**

In the event of any material proving unsatisfactory in the process of being worked, it is to be rejected, notwithstanding any previous certificate of satisfactory testing.

1.9 **Calibrated Testing Machines**

The Surveyor is to satisfy himself that the testing machines are maintained in a satisfactory and accurate condition and is to keep a record of the dates and by whom the machines were rechecked or calibrated.

1.11 **Structural Pipe**

Pipes intended for structural use are to be tested to the physical requirements of Section 2-3-12.

1.13 **ASTM References (1998)**

Frequent references will be found within Part 2, Chapter 1 through Part 2, Chapter 3 to various American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) specification designations without year notations. Unless otherwise noted, the current issue of the ASTM specification is to be used.

3 **Defects**

All materials are to be free from cracks, injurious surface flaws, injurious laminations, and similar defects. Except as indicated for specific materials, welding or dressing for the purpose of remedying defects is not permitted unless and until sanctioned by the Surveyor. In such cases where sanction is required for materials to be so treated, the Surveyor may prescribe further probing and necessary heat treatment; then, if found satisfactory, the part treated is to be stamped with the Surveyor’s identification mark and surrounded by a ring of paint.

5 **Identification of Materials**

The manufacturer is to adopt a system for the identification of ingots, slabs, finished plates, shapes, castings and forgings which will enable the material to be traced to its original heat and the Surveyor is to be given every facility for so tracing the material.

7 **Manufacturer’s Certificates**

7.1 **Form of Certificate**

Unless requested otherwise, four copies of the certified mill test reports and shipping information (may be separate or combined documents) of all accepted material indicating the grade of material, heat identification numbers, test results and weight shipped are to be furnished to the Surveyor. One copy of the mill test report is to be endorsed by the Surveyor and forwarded to the Purchaser, three to be retained for the use of the Bureau. Before the certified mill tests reports and shipping information are distributed to the local Bureau office, the manufacturer is to furnish the Surveyor with a certificate stating that the material has been made by an approved process and that it has withstood satisfactorily the prescribed tests. The following form of certificate will be accepted if printed on each certified mill test report with the name of the firm and initialed by the authorized representative of the manufacturer:
“We hereby certify that the material described herein has been made to the applicable specification by the ________ process (state process) and tested in accordance with the requirements of __________ (the American Bureau of Shipping Rules or state other specification) with satisfactory results.”

At the request of manufacturers, consideration may be given to modifications in the form of the certificate, provided it correspondingly indicates compliance with the requirements of the Rules to no less degree than indicated in the foregoing statement.

7.3 Other Certificates

Where steel is not produced in the works at which it is rolled or forged, a certificate is to be supplied to the Surveyor stating the process by which it was manufactured, the name of the manufacturer who supplied it, the number of the heat from which it was made and the ladle analysis. The number of the heat is to be marked on each ingot, bloom, slab or billet for the purpose of identification.

9 Marking and Retests

9.1 Identification of Specimens

Where test specimens are required to be selected by the Surveyor, they are not to be detached until stamped with his identification mark, nor are they to be detached until the material has received its final treatment.

9.3 Defects in Specimens

If any test specimen shows defective machining or develops defects, it may be discarded and another specimen substituted, except that for forgings a retest is not allowed if a defect develops during testing which is caused by rupture, cracks, or flakes in the steel.

9.5 Retests

If the percentage of elongation of any tension test specimen is less than that specified and any part of the fracture is more than 19 mm (0.75 in.) from the center of the gauge length of a 50 mm (2 in.) specimen, or is outside the middle half of the gauge length of a 200 mm (8 in.) specimen, as indicated by scribe scratches marked on the specimen before testing, a retest is to be allowed.

9.7 Rejected Material

In the event that any set of test specimens fails to meet the requirements, the material from which such specimens have been taken is to be rejected and the required markings withheld or obliterated.

11 Standard Test Specimens

11.1 General

The tension test specimens are to be of the full thickness or section of material as rolled, except as otherwise specified. The specimens are to receive no other preparation than that prescribed and are to receive similarly and simultaneously all the treatment given the material from which they are cut. Straightening of specimens distorted by shearing is to be carried out while the piece is cold.
11.3 Test Specimens Orientation

Tension test specimens are to be taken longitudinal to the final direction of rolling for plates equal to or less than 600 mm (24 in.) in width and transverse to the final direction of rolling for plates wider than 600 mm (24 in.) except for shapes and bars which are to be taken longitudinal to the final direction of rolling.

11.5 Tension Test Specimens, Plates and Shapes (1996)

11.5.1 Flat Specimens

Tension test specimens for rolled plates, shapes and flats are to be cut from the finished material and machined to the form and dimensions referred to in 2-1-1/Figure 1 or tension test specimens of dimensions other than described may be approved at the request of the manufacturer.

11.5.2 Round Specimens

For material over 19 mm (0.75 in.) in thickness or diameter, tension test specimens may be machined to dimensions referred to in 2-1-1/Figure 1. The axis of each round specimen is to be located as nearly as practicable midway between the center and the surface of the material. Tension test specimens of dimensions other than described above may be approved at the request of the manufacturer.

11.7 Tension Test Specimens, Castings and Forgings

Tension test specimens for castings and forgings are to be machined to the form and dimensions shown in 2-1-1/Figure 2.

11.9 Bend Test Specimens, Castings and Forgings

When required, bend test specimens for castings and forgings may be machined to 25 mm × 12.5 mm (1 in. × 0.5 in.) in section, but are not to be less than 12.5 mm × 12.5 mm (0.5 in. × 0.5 in.) in section. The length is unimportant provided it is enough to perform the bending operation. The sides of the bend test specimens may have the corners rounded to a radius not over 1.5 mm (0.06 in.).

11.11 Impact Test Specimens (1996)

An impact test is to consist of three specimens taken from a single test coupon or test location. Impact test specimens are to be machined to the form, dimensions and tolerances shown in 2-1-1/Figure 3. The largest size specimens possible for the material thickness are to be machined. For plates, flats and bars the specimens are to be located with its edge within 2 mm (0.08 in.) from the surface except that where the thickness exceeds 40 mm (1.57 in.), the longitudinal axis of the specimen is to be located at a point midway between the surface and the center of the thickness. These test specimens are to be cut with their longitudinal axes either longitudinal or transverse to the final direction of rolling of the material at the option of the steel manufacturer, unless a specific orientation is specified. The length of the notch is to be perpendicular to the original rolled surface. Also see 2-1-2/11.1 and 2-1-4/5.1 as applicable.


The tolerances of tension test specimen dimensions are to be in accordance with a recognized national standard.
13 Definition and Determination of Yield Point and Yield Strength

13.1 Yield Point

The yield point is the first stress in a material, less than the maximum obtainable stress, at which an increase in strain occurs without an increase in stress. Yield point may be determined by the halt of the pointer, or autographic diagram. The 0.5% total extension under load method will also be considered acceptable.

13.3 Yield Strength

The yield strength is the stress at which a material exhibits a specified limiting deviation from the proportionality of stress to strain. Yield strength is to be determined by the 0.2% offset method. Alternatively, for material whose stress-strain characteristics are well known from previous tests in which stress-strain diagrams were plotted the 0.5% extension under load method may be used.

15 Permissible Variations in Dimensions (1994)

15.1 Scope (2002)

The under tolerance specified below represents the minimum material certification requirements and is to be considered as the lower limit of the usual range of variations (plus/minus) from the specified dimension.

The responsibility for meeting the tolerances rests with the manufacturer who is to maintain a procedure acceptable to the Surveyor. Where any tolerance (including over thickness tolerance) to be used is more stringent than the normal commercial tolerance, the Bureau is to be advised before the steel is presented for acceptance to assure that the thickness measuring procedure is appropriate.

In all cases, the thickness of the steel is to comply with the under tolerance specified below. The steel mill is to consider the effect of mill scale on the resulting measurement.

For classification purposes, including the assessment of deterioration at future thickness gaugings, the thickness indicated on the approved plan is to be used.

15.3 Plates (1996)

The maximum permissible under thickness tolerance for hull steel plates and wide flats of 5 mm (0.20 in.) or more in thickness is 0.3 mm (0.012 in.).

The thickness is to be measured at a distance of 10 mm (0.375 in.) or more from the edge.

The under thickness tolerance for plates and wide flats less than 5 mm (0.2 in.) in thickness will be specially considered.

15.5 Shapes and Bars

The undertolerance of cross sectional dimensions for shapes and bars are based on the ordered dimensions and are to conform to those given in ASTM A6 or other recognized standards as may be specified in the purchase order.
FIGURE 1
Standard Tension Test Specimen\(^{(1)}\) (1995)

![Diagram of tension test specimen showing dimensions and symbols](image)

\[ d = \text{diameter in mm} \]
\[ a = \text{thickness in mm} \]
\[ b = \text{width in mm} \]
\[ L_o = \text{gauge length in mm} \]
\[ L_c = \text{parallel test length in mm} \]
\[ A = \text{cross sectional area in mm}^2 \]
\[ R = \text{transition radius in mm} \]

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**Notes:**

1. Standard specimen in accordance with ASTM E8/E8M or A370 will also be acceptable in conjunction with the corresponding elongation requirements in 2-1-2/Table 2 or 2-1-3/Table 2.
2. \(t\) is the full thickness of the material as produced. If the capacity of the testing machine does not allow full thickness specimens to be broken, the thickness may be reduced by machining one surface only.
FIGURE 2
Standard Round Tension Test Specimen 
with 50 mm (2 in.) Gauge Length (2001)

12.5 mm ± 0.25 mm  
(0.500 in. ± 0.010 in.)
Reduced Section  
60 mm (2.25 in.) min.
Radius 10 mm  
(0.375 in.) min.
50 mm ± 0.125 mm  
(2 in. ± 0.005 in.)
Gauge length for measuring elongation after fracture

Note: 
The gauge length and fillets are to be as shown, but the ends may be of any shape to fit the holders of the testing machine in such a way that the load is to be axial. The reduced section may have a gradual taper from the ends towards the center, with the ends not more than 0.13 mm (0.005 in.) larger in diameter than the center.
FIGURE 3
Charpy V-notch Impact Test Specimens

Notes
Adjacent Sides are to be at 90 Deg ± 10 min.
Cross section Dimensions ± 0.025 mm (0.001 in.)
Angle between plane of symmetry of notch and longitudinal axis of test specimen is to be at 90 Deg. ± 2 Deg.
Length of specimen + 0
-2.5 mm
(0.100 in.)
Dimension to Bottom of Notch ± 0.025 mm
(0.001 in.)
Surface Finish Requirements on Notched surface and opposite face other surfaces 2µm (63µ in.)
4µm (125µ in.)


17 Through Thickness Properties *(1995)*

When steels with improved through thickness properties are specified, special steel-making processes are to be used. The following processes used singly or in combination would be considered to meet this requirement.

i) Low sulfur practices

ii) Additions of elements known to control the shape of non-metallic inclusions.

iii) Electroslag or vacuum arc remelting.

Unless other recognized standards such as ASTM A770 is specified, the following requirements will apply to plates and wide flats with thickness not less than 15 mm (0.60 in.).

17.1 Sampling

The samples for preparing test specimens are to be taken as follows:

17.1.1 Plates

One sample from one end (top of ingot when applicable) of each rolled length.

17.1.2 Wide Flats

One sample from each batch. A batch is 10 tons for thickness not exceeding 25 mm (1.0 in.) and 25 tons for thickness exceeding 25 mm (1.0 in.). The sample is to be taken from near the centerline of the product and of a size sufficient for six test specimens.

17.3 Test Specimen

Three through thickness tension test specimens are to be taken from the sample and welded and machined in accordance with a recognized standard to the following:

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<td>15–25 mm (0.6–1.0 in.)</td>
<td>6mm (0.236 in.)</td>
<td>(2 \cdot d_o) min.</td>
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<td>over 25mm (1.0 in.)</td>
<td>10mm (0.394 in.)</td>
<td>(2 \cdot d_o) min.</td>
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Where necessary to suit the testing machine, the ends of specimens may be built up by welding in a manner not to impair the material properties of the parallel length.

17.5 Test Results

The average reduction of area of the specimens is to be at least 25%. Only one specimen may be below the average but is not to be less than 20%.

17.7 Retest

Where the results of three specimens fail to meet the requirements in 2-1-1/17.5, three additional tests may be carried out and the results added to the initial results to determine a new average. The test may be considered acceptable if the new results meet the requirements in 2-1-1/17.5.

17.9 Ultrasonic Inspection

See 2-1-1/21 where this inspection is required by the purchaser.
17.11 Marking

See 2-1-2/13.11.

19 Formed Materials

When material is hot or cold formed, confirmatory mechanical tests are to be conducted when required by 2-4-1/3.13.

21 Ultrasonic Examination of Plate Material

In order to be specially marked in accordance with paragraph 2-1-2/13.13, ABS steels are to be ultrasonically examined in accordance with a recognized specification such as ASTM A435 or equivalent.
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SECTION 2 Ordinary-strength Hull Structural Steel

1 Ordinary-strength Hull Structural Steel (1996)

The requirements in this subsection are intended for products of the following thicknesses.

- Plates and Wide Flats up to and including 100 mm (4.0 in.)
- Sections and Bars up to and including 50 mm (2.0 in.)

3 Process of Manufacture

The steel is to be made by one or more of the following processes: open-hearth, basic-oxygen, electric-furnace, vacuum-arc remelt, electro-slag remelt, or such other process as may be specially approved. The steel may be cast in ingots or may be strand (continuous) cast. The ratio of reduction of thickness from a strand (continuous) cast slab to finished plate is to be a minimum of 3 to 1 unless specially approved. Data in support of mechanical properties, weldability and compliance with the Rules in all respects are to be submitted by the steel manufacturer for review and approval when new or special steels or production methods are proposed or when new steel mills begin production.

3.1 Plates Produced from Coils

For coiled plate, the manufacturer or processor is to submit supporting data for review and approval to indicate that the manufacturing, processing, and testing will provide material which is in compliance with the Rules.

5 Chemical Composition

5.1 Ladle Analysis

The chemical composition is to be determined by the steel manufacturer on samples taken from each ladle of each heat and is to conform to the applicable chemical requirements of the grades of steel listed in 2-1-2/Table 1.

5.3 Product Analysis

When product (check) analysis is required, the chemical tolerances of ASTM A6 or of other nationally recognized standards are to be applied.
5.5 **Special Compositions**

Material differing in chemical composition, deoxidation practice, mechanical properties or heat treatment from that shown in 2-1-2/Table 1 will be subjected to special approval.

5.7 **Fine Grain Practice**

Where steel is required to be made using fine grain practice, the requirement is to be met by adding aluminum, unless some other method is specially approved. The fine grain requirement may be determined by one of the following methods.

5.7.1

A McQuaid-Ehn austenite grain size of 5 or finer in accordance with ASTM E112 for each ladle of each heat, or

5.7.2

Minimum Acid-soluble Aluminum content of 0.015% or minimum total Aluminum content of 0.020% for each ladle of each heat.

7 **Condition of Supply (1995)**

The conditions of supply are to be in accordance with the requirements in 2-1-2/Table 5 and the following:

Controlled manufacturing processes require approval for each plant and combination of grade and thickness limit.

7.1 **Heat Treatment (1995)**

7.1.1 **Normalizing Heat Treatment**

A normalizing heat treatment is to consist of heating plates, wide flats, bars or shapes from an appropriate temperature below the transformation range to the proper temperature above the transformation range, holding for a sufficient time to effect the desired transformation and then individually cooling the material in air. Normalizing heat treatments are usually conducted at the steel manufacturer’s plant. Such heat treatment may be carried out at a shipyard or fabricator’s plant provided the Surveyor is satisfied with the heat-treating facilities and procedures. In such cases, the shipyard or fabricator is to indicate on his purchase order that the mill tests are to be made on normalized coupons. Otherwise, tests on the normalized material will be required at the shipyard or fabricator’s plant.

7.1.2 **Special Heat Treatment**

Other types of heat treatment are to be specially approved.

7.3 **Controlled Manufacturing Process (1995)**

7.3.1 **Controlled Rolling**

Controlled rolling is a procedure in which generally the final rolling temperature is controlled within the range used for normalizing heat treatments so that the austenite completely recrystallizes.
7.3.2 Thermo-mechanical Controlled Processing

Thermo-mechanical controlled processing involves the strict control of the steel temperature and the rolling reduction. Generally a high proportion of the rolling reduction is carried out close to or below the Ar₃ transformation temperature and may involve rolling towards the lower end of the temperature range of the intercritical duplex phase region thus permitting little if any recrystallization of the austenite.

The use of accelerated cooling on completion of rolling may also be accepted subject to the special approval of the Bureau.

9 Tensile Properties

9.1 Required Tensile Properties

The material, except as specified in 2-1-2/9.5, is to conform to the requirements of 2-1-2/Table 2 as to tensile properties.

9.3 Tension Test Specimens

One tension test is to be made on two different plates, shapes or bars from each heat of steel, unless the finished material from a heat is less than 50 tons, when one tension test will be sufficient. If, however, material from one heat differs 9.5 mm (0.375 in.) or more in thickness or diameter, one tension test is to be made from both the thickest and the thinnest material rolled, regardless of the weight represented. One tension test is to be made on each plate as quenched and tempered. For plates from coils, tension tests are to be made from not less than two coils from each heat, except where a single coil is to be certified in which case tension test specimens from that coil only need be tested. Two tension tests are to be made from each coil tested. One tension test specimen is to be obtained from a location immediately prior to the first plate produced and a second test specimen obtained from the approximate center lap. When the coiled material from one heat differs by 1.6 mm (1/16 in.) or more in thickness, test specimens are to be obtained from both the thinnest and the thickest material rolled.

9.5 Exceptions

Shapes less than 645 mm² (1 in²) in cross section and bars, other than flats, less than 12.5 mm (1/2 in.) in thickness or diameter need not be subject to tension test, but chemistry consistent with the required tensile properties is to be applied.

9.7 Elongation Deduction for Material Under 7.9 mm (0.313 in.) Thick (1996)

For material under 7.9 mm (0.313 in.) in thickness or diameter, a deduction of 1.25% from the percentage of elongation in 200 mm (8 in.) specified in 2-1-2/Table 2 and 2-1-2/Table 3 is to be made for each decrease of 0.8 mm (0.031 in.) of the specified thickness or diameter below 7.9 mm (0.313 in.).

9.9 Omission of Elongation Requirements

For raised-pattern floor plates not exceeding 12.5 mm (0.50 in.) in thickness, the requirement for elongation is waived.
9.11 Retests (1996)

Where the results of the tension test do not comply with the requirements, two further tests may be carried out on specimens taken from the same sample. For elongation retest, 2-1-1/9.5 is to be complied with. For plates from coils the retest specimens are to be taken adjacent to the original specimen.

If the results of both additional tests meet the requirements, the material tested or represented by the test may be accepted.

When the results of one or both additional tests do not meet the requirements, the sample is to be rejected unless the manufacturer elects to resubmit it after heat treatment or reheat treatment, or as another grade. The rest of the material represented by the test may be treated under 2-1-2/9.13.


Where the tests under 2-1-2/9.3 and 2-1-2/9.13 fail, the remaining material from the same heat may be accepted, provided satisfactory results are obtained on both of two additional plates, shapes or bars selected in accordance with 2-1-2/9.3.

When the results of one or both samples do not meet the requirements, all materials represented by the tests are to be rejected unless the manufacturer elects to submit each piece individually, or to resubmit the lot after heat treatment or reheat treatment or as another grade.

11 Impact Properties

11.1 Impact Tests (1996)

Charpy V-notch impact tests are to be carried out in accordance with 2-1-2/Table 4. These same requirements apply for flats, rounds, and shapes when specially ordered in these grades unless agreed otherwise. For rolled sections impact tests specimens are to be taken from the flanges of beams, channels, and tees, and from the legs of angles and bulb angles. One set of three impact specimens is to be obtained from the thickest material rolled except when the maximum thickness or diameter of the material represented by the test differs by 9.5 mm (0.375 in.) or more, in which case, one set of impacts is to be made from both the thickest and the thinnest material represented, regardless of their weight. See 2-1-1/11.11.

For plates produced from coils, impact test coupons are to be obtained adjacent to both tension test coupons and a third impact test coupon is to be obtained immediately after the last plate produced to the qualifying grade or specification; in no case, however, is the frequency of impact testing to be less than that given above for plates, and where additional testing is required, three sets of specimens are to be obtained from each coil tested.

11.3 Impact Test Frequency

The frequency of impact testing is to be in accordance with 2-1-2/Table 5.

11.5 Initial Test Requirements

The average value of three specimens is to comply with the required average value in the Tables. Only one individual value may be below the required average and it is not to be less than 70% of the required average.

Where the subsize specimens in 2-1-1/Figure 2 are to be used, the modified energy values will apply as follows:
Subsize Specimen Impact Requirements

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<tr>
<th>Specimen Size</th>
<th>Required Energy</th>
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<tr>
<td>10 × 7.5 mm</td>
<td>5E/6</td>
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<td>(0.394 × 0.295 in.)</td>
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<tr>
<td>10 × 5.0 mm</td>
<td>2E/3</td>
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<tr>
<td>(0.394 × 0.197 in.)</td>
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<tr>
<td>10 × 2.5 mm</td>
<td>E/2</td>
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<tr>
<td>(0.394 × 0.098 in.)</td>
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</table>

E = energy required for 10 × 10 mm (0.394 × 0.394 in.) specimen

11.7 Retests

When the results fail to meet the above requirements but conditions ii) and iii) below are complied with, three additional specimens may be taken from the location as close to the initial specimens as possible and their test results added to those previously obtained to form a new average. The material represented may be accepted if for the six specimens all of the following conditions are met:

i) The average is not less than the required average.

ii) No more than two individual values are below the required average.

iii) No more than one individual value is below 70% of the required average.

If the results of tests do not meet the above requirements, the material tested is to be rejected unless the manufacturer elects to resubmit it after heat treatment or reheat treatment, or to resubmit as another grade.

11.9 Unsatisfactory Tests

The remaining material from the heat may be accepted, provided satisfactory impact results are obtained on both of two further plates of the same thickness as the rejected plate in the heat. Alternatively, the manufacturer may qualify material of the same thickness by impact testing each plate. Plates of a lesser thickness in the same heat may be accepted provided that satisfactory results are obtained on impact specimens taken from the next lower thickness than the rejected plate.

11.11 Thin Plates (1996)

Generally, impact tests are not required for plates less than 6 mm (0.24 in.) in thickness.

13 Marking

13.1 Stamped or Stenciled Material

The Bureau markings AB and the applicable grades listed in 2-1-2/Table 1 indicating satisfactory compliance with the Rules are to be clearly steel-die-stamped or stenciled by the manufacturer on each finished plate, shape and bar to signify that the material has satisfactorily complied with the tests prescribed and that certificates for the material will be furnished to the Surveyor in accordance with 2-1-1/7. Coiled steel which is certified for chemical analysis only, is to be marked AB without the grade designation.

13.3 Coils, Lifts and Bundles

In special cases, upon application, coils intended for light plate and secured lifts or bundles of light plates, shapes or bars of comparatively small size may be steel-die stamped, stenciled, or labeled on only the top piece or at another approved location, or the markings may be shown on a tag attached to each coil, lift or bundle.
13.5 **Flanging-quality Identification**

All material intended for cold flanging, when specially approved in accordance with 3-1-2/1.1 is to be additionally marked F to signify that it is of such quality.

13.7 **Special Stamping and Marking**

Material other than those grades listed in 2-1-2/Table 1 is to be marked with both the initials AB/S and with either the applicable specification number, or such other markings as may be required for ready identification, to signify that the material has been produced and satisfactorily tested in accordance with the specification. When a specification does not specifically require normalizing but the material is so ordered and so produced, then the plates are also to be marked with the initial N to indicate that the material has been normalized. A shipyard or fabricator who carries out a normalizing heat treatment in accordance with 2-1-2/7 is to also mark such material with the initial N.

13.9 **Special Impact Testing**

When steel is impact tested at temperatures other than those specified in 2-1-2/Table 4, the grade marking is to be followed by the test temperature in degrees Celsius. A prefix “O” to the test temperature is to indicate a temperature colder than zero degrees Celsius.

13.11 **Steel with Improved Through Thickness Properties**

Steel plates meeting the requirements of 2-1-1/17 are to have the letter Z marked after the grade designation.

13.13 **Steel with Ultrasonic Examination**

Steels meeting the requirements of 2-1-1/21 are to have the letter U marked after the grade designation as a final letter.

13.15 **Shipping Procedure**

No material bearing these markings is to be forwarded from the steel works until the prescribed tests have been satisfactorily carried out in accordance with the Rules.

13.17 **Steel at Secondary Sources**

Secondary sources for ABS Grade Steel are required to assure traceability of steel intended for Bureau certification. To retain proper identification, steel may be marked with the information indicated by the manufacturer’s markings to the satisfaction of the Surveyor.

15 **Surface Finish**

15.1 **Surface Inspection**

The material will be surface inspected by the Surveyor when specially requested by the purchaser. It is to be free from defects and have a workmanlike finish subject to the conditions given in the following subparagraphs.
15.3 Treatment of Surface Defects – Plates

Plates may be conditioned by the manufacturer for the removal of surface defects on either surface by grinding, provided each ground area is well faired and the grinding does not reduce the thickness of the plate

i) more than 7% under the nominal thickness and in no case more than 3.2 mm (0.125 in.) when ordered to weight or;

ii) below the minimum thickness permissible under 2-1-1/15.3 when ordered to thickness.

Plates may have surface defects removed by chipping, grinding or gouging and then depositing weld metal, subject to the following limiting conditions.

15.3.1 Extent of Weld Repaired Area

The total weld repaired area of each surface of a plate is not to exceed 2% of the area of that surface.

15.3.2 Minimum Thickness Before Weld Repairs

After removal of any defect preparatory to welding, the thickness of the plate is not to be reduced by more than 20% of the nominal thickness.

15.3.3 Inspection Before Weld Repairs

An experienced mill inspector is to examine the work to see that the defects have been removed completely and that the foregoing limitations have not been exceeded. The Surveyor is to be given full opportunity to make this same inspection. To assure removal of defects, magnetic particle or liquid penetrant examination may be required.

15.3.4 Repair-welding Quality

All welding is to be performed by qualified operators, using an approved welding procedure and low hydrogen filler metal/practice. The welding is to be sound, thoroughly fused, and without undercutting or overlap. Weld metal is to have at least 1.6 mm (0.063 in.) reinforcement, which is to be removed by grinding or chipping and grinding flush with the rolled surface, and is to present a workmanlike finish.

15.5 Treatment of Surface Defects – Shapes

Shapes may be conditioned by the manufacturer for the removal of surface defects by grinding or by chipping to sound metal and depositing weld metal, in accordance with the following limitations.

15.5.1 Chipping and Grinding Material Under 9.5 mm (0.375 in.) in Thickness

For material less than 9.5 mm (0.375 in.) thickness, in which the defects are not more than 0.8 mm (0.031 in.) in depth, the defects may be removed by grinding or chipping and grinding with the edges well faired.

15.5.2 Chipping and Grinding Material 9.5 mm (0.375 in.) and Over in Thickness

For material 9.5 mm (0.375 in.) and over in thickness, in which the defects are not more than 1.6 mm (0.063 in.) in depth, the defects may be removed by grinding or chipping and grinding with the edges well faired.

15.5.3 Welding Repairs

Surface defects which are greater in depth than the limits shown above may be removed by chipping or grinding and then depositing weld metal, subject to the following limiting conditions.
15.5.3(a) The total area of the chipped or ground surface of any piece is not to exceed 2% of the total surface area of that piece.

15.5.3(b) After removal of any defect preparatory to welding, the thickness of the shape is not to be reduced by more than 30% of the nominal thickness, nor is the depth of depression prior to welding to exceed 12.5 mm (0.50 in.) in any case.

15.5.3(c) The toes of angles, beams, channels and zees and the stems and toes of tees may be conditioned by grinding or chipping and welding. Prior to welding, the depth of depression, measured from the toe inward, is to be limited to the thickness of the material at the base of the depression, with a maximum depth limit of 12.5 mm (0.50 in.).

15.5.3(d) An experienced mill inspector is to inspect and the welding is to be done in accordance with the requirements of 2-1-2/15.3.3 and 2-1-2/15.3.4.

15.7 Bar-stock Repairs

Bars may be conditioned by the manufacturer for the removal of surface defects by grinding, chipping or some other means, provided the conditioned area is well faired and the depth of depression does not extend below the nominal thickness or diameter by more than 1.5%.

15.9 Rivet Steel and Rivets (1996)

Material test requirements for rivet steel are to comply with the requirements of Section 25 of the 1969 Rules for Building and Classing Steel Vessels.
### TABLE 1
Chemical Properties of Ordinary Strength Hull Structural Steel
100 mm (4.0 in.) and Under (1996)

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#### Chemical Composition (Ladle Analysis), % max. unless specified otherwise. (8)

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#### Notes:

1. For Grade A, rimmed steel sections may be accepted up to and including 12.5 mm (0.5 in).
2. Grade D steel over 25 mm and Grade E steel are to contain at least one of the grain refining elements in sufficient amount to meet the fine grain practice requirements. (See 2-1-2/5.7.)
3. A maximum carbon content of 0.23% is acceptable for Grade A sections.
4. For Grade B steel of cold flanging quality or where fully killed, the lower limit of manganese may be reduced to 0.60%.
5. Where the content of soluble aluminum is not less than 0.015%, the minimum required silicon content does not apply.
6. The contents of nickel, chromium, molybdenum and copper are to be determined and reported. When the amount does not exceed 0.02%, these elements may be reported as \(\leq 0.02\%\).
7. Grade D hull steel which is normalized, thermo-mechanical control processed or control rolled is to be marked AB/DN.
8. Intentionally added elements are to be determined and reported.
TABLE 2
Tensile Properties of Ordinary Strength Hull Structural Steel
100 mm (4.0 in.) and Under (1996)

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Grade</th>
<th>Tensile Strength N/mm² (kgf/mm², ksi)</th>
<th>Yield Point min. N/mm² (kgf/mm², ksi)</th>
<th>Elongation (1),(3),(4) min. %</th>
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<tr>
<td>A</td>
<td>400-520 (2)</td>
<td>235</td>
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<td>B</td>
<td>(41-53, 58-75)</td>
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Notes:
1. Based on alternative A flat test specimen or alternative C round specimen in 2-1-1/Figure 1.
2. For Grade A section, the upper limit of tensile strength may be 550N/mm² (56 kgf/mm², 80 ksi).
3. Minimum elongation for alternative B flat specimen in 2-1-1/Figure 1 is to be in accordance with 2-1-2/Table 3.
4. Minimum elongation for ASTM E8M/E8 or A370 specimen is 2-1-2/Table 3 for 200 mm (8 in.) specimen and 24% for 50 mm (2 in.) specimen.
5. Steel ordered to cold flanging quality may have tensile strength range of 380-450N/mm² (39-46 kgf/mm², 55-65 ksi) and a yield point of 205N/mm² (21 kgf/mm², 30 ksi) minimum. See also 2-1-2/13.5 and 3-1-2/1.1.

TABLE 3
Elongation Requirements for Alternative B Specimen (1995)

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<th>Thickness in mm (in.)</th>
<th>5 (0.20)</th>
<th>10 (0.40)</th>
<th>15 (.60)</th>
<th>20 (.80)</th>
<th>25 (1.0)</th>
<th>30 (1.2)</th>
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### TABLE 4

Impact Properties of Ordinary-Strength Hull Structural Steel

100 mm (4.0 in.) and Under (1996)

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<tr>
<th>Grade</th>
<th>Temperature °C (°F)</th>
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<th>$50$ mm (2.0 in.) $&lt; t \leq 70$ mm (2.8 in.)</th>
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<td>$\text{Transv} ^1(2)$</td>
<td>$\text{Long} ^1(2)$</td>
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<tr>
<td>A</td>
<td>20 (68) $^{(3)}$</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>34 (3.5, 25) $^{(3)}$</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>B $^{(4)}$</td>
<td>0 (32)</td>
<td>27 (2.8, 20)</td>
<td>20 (2.0, 14)</td>
<td>34 (3.5, 25)</td>
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<td>D</td>
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**Notes:**

1. The energy shown is minimum for full size specimen. See 2-1-2/11.5 for subsize specimen requirements.
2. Either direction is acceptable.
3. Impact tests for Grade A are not required when the material is produced using a fine grain practice and normalized.
4. CVN test requirements for Grade B apply where such test is required by 2-1-2/Table 5.
### TABLE 5
Condition of Supply and Frequency of Impact Tests
Ordinary Strength Hull Structural Steel (1996)

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**Notes**

1. **Products:**
   - P = plate
   - S = sections
2. **Conditions of Supply:**
   - AR = As Rolled
   - N = normalized
   - CR = control rolled
   - TM = thermomechanical controlled processing
3. **Frequency of Impact Test (Impact Test Lot Size in Tons):**
   - (-) = no impact test required
   - (P) = each piece
4. Impact tests for Grade A are not required when material is produced using a fine grain practice and normalized.
PART 2

CHAPTER 1  Materials for Hull Construction

SECTION 3  Higher-strength Hull Structural Steel

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1 Higher-strength Hull Structural Steel (1996)

The requirements in this subsection are intended for products for the following thicknesses:

Plates and Wide Flats
AH32, DH32, EH32, AH36, DH36 and EH36 steels: up to and including 100 mm (4 in.)
AH40, DH40, EH40, FH32, FH36 and FH40 steels: up to and including 50 mm (2 in.)
Sections and Bars
up to and including 50 mm (2 in.)

3 General (1996)

The requirements in 2-1-2/3 through 2-1-2/15 are also applicable to higher-strength hull structural steels with the following paragraphs and Tables replaced by the higher-strength requirements as indicated.

2-1-2/Table 1 replaced by 2-1-3/Table 1
2-1-2/Table 2 replaced by 2-1-3/Table 2
2-1-2/Table 3 replaced by 2-1-3/Table 3
2-1-2/Table 4 replaced by 2-1-3/Table 4
2-1-2/Table 5 replaced by 2-1-3/Table 5
2-1-2/5.7 replaced by 2-1-3/5

5 Fine Grain Practice (1996)

Where steel is required to be made using fine grain practice, the requirement may be met by one of the following conditions.

i) A McQuaid-Ehn austenite grain size of 5 or finer in accordance with ASTM E112 for each ladle of each heat, or

ii) Minimum Acid-soluble Aluminum content of 0.015% or minimum total Aluminum content of 0.020% for each ladle of each heat, or
iii) Minimum Columbium (Niobium) content of 0.020% or minimum Vanadium content of 0.050% for each ladle of each heat, or

iv) When Vanadium and Aluminum are used in combination, minimum Vanadium content of 0.030% and minimum acid-soluble Aluminum content of 0.010% or minimum total Aluminum content of 0.015%.

v) When Columbium (Niobium) and Aluminum are used in combination, minimum Columbium (Niobium) content of 0.010% and minimum acid-soluble Aluminum content of 0.010% or minimum total Aluminum content of 0.015%.

7 Additional Requirements of TMCP Steel (1996)

7.1 Carbon Equivalent

The carbon equivalent $C_{eq}$ as determined from the ladle analysis in accordance with the following equation is to meet the requirements in 2-1-3/Table 6:

$$C_{eq} = C + \frac{Mn}{6} + \frac{Cr + Mo + V}{5} + \frac{Ni + Cu}{15} \%$$

7.3 Cold Cracking Susceptibility

Unless otherwise specified by the purchaser, the cold cracking susceptibility $P_{cm}$ may be calculated in accordance with the following equation:

$$P_{cm} = C + \frac{Si}{30} + \frac{Mn}{20} + \frac{Cu}{20} + \frac{Ni}{60} + \frac{Cr}{20} + \frac{Mo}{15} + \frac{V}{10} + 5B \%$$

Selection of the maximum value for $P_{cm}$ is a matter to be agreed between the fabricator and the steel mill when the steel is ordered.
### TABLE 1

**Chemical Properties of Higher-strength Hull Structural Steel**

**100 mm (4.0 in.) and Under (1996)**

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Grades</th>
<th>AH/DH/EH 32, AH/DH/EH 36 and AH/DH/EH 40</th>
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<td>Deoxidation</td>
<td>Killed, Fine Grain Practice (^{(1)})</td>
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<td>Chemical Composition (^{(2)})</td>
<td>(Ladle Analysis), % max. unless specified in range</td>
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<td>C</td>
<td>0.18</td>
<td>0.16</td>
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<td>Mn</td>
<td>0.90–1.60 (^{(3)})</td>
<td>0.90–1.60</td>
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<td>Si</td>
<td>0.10–0.50 (^{(4)})</td>
<td>0.10–0.50 (^{(4)})</td>
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<td>P</td>
<td>0.035</td>
<td>0.025</td>
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<td>0.025</td>
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<tr>
<td>Al (acid Soluble) min (^{(5)(6)})</td>
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<td>0.015</td>
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<td>Nb (^{(6)(7)})</td>
<td>0.02–0.05</td>
<td>0.02–0.05</td>
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<td>V (^{(6)(7)})</td>
<td>0.05–0.10</td>
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<td>Ti</td>
<td>0.02</td>
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<td>Cu (^{(8)})</td>
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<td>Cr (^{(8)})</td>
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<td>Ni (^{(8)})</td>
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<td>Mo (^{(8)})</td>
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<td>0.009 (0.012 if Al present)</td>
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**Marking \(^{(9)}\)**

- AB/XHYY (X = A, D, E or F  YY = 32, 36 or 40)

**Notes:**

1. The steel is to contain at least one of the grain refining elements in sufficient amount to meet the fine grain practice requirement (See 2-1-3/5).
2. The contents of any other element intentionally added is to be determined and reported.
3. AH steel 12.5 mm (0.50 in.) and under in thickness may have a minimum manganese content of 0.70%.
4. Where the content of soluble aluminum is not less than 0.015%, the minimum required silicon content does not apply.
5. The total aluminum content may be used in lieu of acid soluble content, in accordance with 2-1-3/5.
6. The indicated amount of aluminum, niobium and vanadium applies when any such element is used singly. When used in combination, the minimum content in 2-1-3/5 will apply.
7. These elements need not be reported on the mill sheet unless intentionally added.
8. These elements may be reported as \(\leq 0.02\%\) where the amount present does not exceed 0.02%.
9. The marking AB/DHYYN is to be used to denote Grade DHYY plates which have either been normalized, thermo-mechanically control rolled or control rolled in accordance with an approved procedure.
10. See 2-1-3/7 for carbon equivalent and cold cracking susceptibility requirements for thermo-mechanically controlled steel.
11. For other steels, the carbon equivalent (Ceq) may be calculated from the ladle analysis in accordance with the equation in 2-1-3/7.1. Selection of the maximum value of carbon equivalent for these steels is a matter to be agreed between the fabricator and steel mill when the steel is ordered.
### TABLE 2
Tensile Properties of Higher-strength Hull Structural Steel 100 mm (4.0 in.) and Under (1996)

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<th>Tensile Strength N/mm² (kgf/mm², ksi)</th>
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**Notes:**
1. Based on alternative A flat test specimen or alternative C round specimen in 2-1-1/Figure 1.
2. Minimum elongation for alternative B flat specimen in 2-1-1/Figure 1 is to be in accordance with 2-1-3/Table 3.
3. Minimum elongation for ASTM E8M/E8 or A370 specimen is 2-1-3/Table 3 for 200 mm (8 in.) specimen and 22% for 50 mm (2 in.) specimen.

### TABLE 3
Elongation Requirements for Alternative B Specimen (1996)

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Impact Properties of Higher-strength Steel
100 mm (4.0 in.) and Under (1996)

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**Notes:**
1. The energy shown is minimum for full size specimen. See 2-1-2/11.5 for sub size specimen requirement.
2. Either direction is acceptable.
## TABLE 5
Condition of Supply and Frequency of Impact Tests
Higher-strength Hull Structural Steel (1996)

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### Notes
1. Products: P = plate
   S = sections
2. Conditions of Supply: AR = As Rolled
   TM = thermo-mechanically controlled processing
   CR = controlled
   N = normalized
3. Frequency of Impact Test:
   (*) = upon application and approval, the impact frequency may be reduced
   (P) = each piece

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TABLE 6
Carbon Equivalent for Higher-strength Hull Structural Steel
100 mm (4.0 in.) and Under Produced by TMCP (1996)

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<th>Grade</th>
<th>Carbon Equivalent, Max. (%)</th>
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<td>$t \leq 50$ mm (2.0 in.)</td>
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<td>AH 32, DH 32, EH 32</td>
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CHAPTER 1 Materials for Hull Construction

SECTION 4 Low Temperature Materials

1 General

Materials for Liquefied Gas Carriers are also to comply with the requirements of Section 5-8-6.

3 Marking

In addition to the Bureau marking requirements, the name or brand of the manufacturer, the letter indicating the grade designation, the manufacturer’s identification numbers and for pressure vessel quality material the letters PV are to be legibly marked at each end of the finished plate.

Aluminum sheet and plate is to be identified at each end with the manufacturer’s name or trade mark, the applicable alloy and temper designation, and in addition for plate, with the lot number and the specification number.

5 Toughness Tests

5.1 Charpy V-notch

The specimen is to be transverse to the final direction of rolling for plates and longitudinal to the final direction of rolling for profiles, shapes and bars. Subject to special approval acceptance may be based on a minimum lateral expansion opposite the notch of 0.38 mm (0.015 in.) for transverse specimens and 0.50 mm (0.020 in.) for longitudinal specimens. See 2-1-1/11.11.

5.3 Drop-weight Test

Where drop-weight tests are required, they are to be conducted for no-break performance of two specimens in accordance with ASTM E208, Conducting Drop-weight Tests to Determine Nil-ductility Transition Temperature of Ferritic Steels.” Drop-weight tests are not to be conducted on material of less than 12.5 mm (0.5 in.) thickness. For thickness between 12.5 mm (0.5 in.) and 16 mm (0.63 in.), the E208 specimen P-3 machined to 12.5 mm (0.5 in.) thickness is to be used with a stop distance of 2.29 mm (0.09 in.).

7 Service Temperature 0°C (32°F) or Above

See 5-8-6/Table 1.
9  **Service Temperature at or Above -55°C (-67°F) up to 0°C (32°F)**

See 5-8-6/Table 2 (ABS). Steels intended for this temperature range are normally carbon manganese steels furnished fully killed fine grain normalized.

These steels meeting the requirements in 5-8-6/Table 2 (ABS) may be marked AB/V-OXX or AB/VH-OXX, indicating by XX the test temperature in Celsius below zero in accordance with 2-1-2/13.9.

11  **Service Temperature at or Above -196°C (-320°F) up to -55°C (-67°F)**

See 5-8-6/Table 3 and 5-8-6/Table 4. Steels intended for the temperature range are normally of the ferritic nickel-alloy type made with fine-grain practice, but austenitic stainless steels or aluminum alloys may be used. In general, the following ASTM grades of material or their equivalents may be used for the temperature listed below. The chemical composition, heat treatment, tensile and impact properties are to conform to the requirements of the applicable approved specification.

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<th>Steel Grade</th>
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<td>A203, 2/4% Ni</td>
<td>-62°C (-80°F) for Grade A, -59°C (-75°F) for Grade B</td>
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<td>-90°C (-130°F) for Grade D, -79°C (-110°F) for Grade E</td>
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<td>A645, 5% Ni</td>
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<td>A353, 9% Ni</td>
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<td>Austenitic stainless steels</td>
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<td>B209, Type 5083, Alum. Alloy</td>
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**Notes**

1. 5% Nickel steel may be used down to -165°C (-265°F) upon special consideration provided that impact tests are conducted at -196°C (-320°F).
2. Chemistry will be specially considered for lowering the coefficient of expansion.

13  **Service Temperatures below -196°C (-320°F)**

Austenitic low carbon (less than 0.10%) stainless steels and aluminum alloys are to be used for these temperatures. The chemical composition, heat treatment, and tensile properties are to conform to the requirements of the approved specification. Stainless steels types 304, 304L, and 347 and type 5083 aluminum alloy do not require toughness testing for service temperatures above -254°C (-425°F). Toughness tests for -254°C (-425°F) service temperature and below will be subject to special consideration.
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SECTION 5  Hull Steel Castings

Note: In substantial agreement with ASTM A27 Mild to Medium-strength Carbon-steel Castings for General Application. (Grade 60-30 Class I.)

1  Process of Manufacture

The following requirements cover carbon-steel castings intended to be used in hull construction and equipment as distinguished from high-temperature applications. This does not preclude the use of alloy steels in accordance with the permissibility expressed in Section 2-1-1. The steel is to be made by one or more of the following processes: open-hearth, basic-oxygen, electric-furnace, or such other process as may be approved.

3  Marking and Retests

3.1  Marking

The manufacturer’s name or identification mark and the pattern number is to be cast on all castings except those of such small size as to make this type of marking impracticable. The Bureau markings, indicating satisfactory compliance with the Rule requirements, and as furnished by the Surveyor, is to be stamped on all castings accepted in such location as to be discernible after machining and installation. In addition, identification numbers of the heats used for pouring the castings are to be stamped on all castings individually weighing 227 kg (500 lb) or more.

3.3  Retests

If the results of the physical tests for any casting or any lot of castings do not conform to the requirements specified, the manufacturer may reheat-treat the castings. Retests of additional specimen or specimens are to be made and are to conform to the requirements specified.

5  Heat Treatment

Except in cases specifically approved otherwise, all castings are to be either fully annealed, normalized or normalized and tempered in a furnace of ample proportions to bring the whole casting to a uniform temperature above the transformation range on the annealing or normalizing cycle. They are to be held “soaking” at the proper temperature for at least a length of time equivalent to one hour per 25.5 mm (1 in.) of thickness of the heaviest member for the first 127.5 mm (5.00 in.) plus an additional 15 minutes for each additional 25.5 mm (1.00 in.) over 127.5 mm (5.00 in.) of thickness.
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No annealed casting is to be removed from the furnace until the temperature of the entire furnace charge has fallen to or below a temperature of 455°C (850°F). Local heating or cooling, also bending and straightening of annealed castings, are not permitted except with the express sanction of the Surveyor.

7 Tensile Properties

Steel castings are to conform to the following requirements as to tensile properties.

- Tensile strength min., N/mm² (kgf/mm², psi) 415 (42, 60000)
- Yield point min., N/mm² (kgf/mm², psi) 205 (21, 30000)
- Elongation in 50 mm (2 in.) min., % 24
- Reduction of area min., % 35

9 Test Specimens

9.1 Material Coupons (1998)

The physical properties are to be determined from test specimens prepared from coupons which, except as specified in 2-1-5/9.3, are to be cast integral with the casting to be inspected. When this is impracticable, the coupons may be cast with and gated to the casting. In either case these coupons are not to be detached until the heat treatment of the castings has been completed, nor until the coupons have been stamped by the Surveyor for identification. Where the material identification system of the manufacture is found acceptable to the Bureau and is maintained in that condition through initial and periodical verification by the Bureau, it may be considered in lieu of stamping by the Surveyor before detachment.

9.3 Separately Cast Coupons

In the case of small castings having an estimated weight of less than 908 kg (2000 lb) each, the coupons may be cast separately, provided the Surveyor is furnished an affidavit by the manufacturer stating that the separately cast coupons were cast from the same heat as the castings represented and that they were heat-treated with the castings.

11 Number of Tests

At least one tension test is to be made from each heat in each heat-treatment charge. However, if the manufacturer’s quality-control procedure includes satisfactory automatic chart recording of temperature and time, then one tension test from each heat for castings subject to same heat-treating procedure may be allowed at the discretion of the attending Surveyor.

13 Inspection and Repair

13.1 General

All castings are to be inspected by the Surveyor after final heat treatment and thorough cleaning to insure that the castings are free from defects.
13.3 Minor Defects

Defects are to be considered minor when the cavity prepared for welding has a depth not greater than 20% of the actual wall thickness, but in no case greater than 25 mm (1 in.) and has no lineal dimension greater than 4 times the wall thickness nor greater than 150 mm (6 in.). Repairs of minor defects where welding is required are to be in accordance with an approved procedure.

13.5 Major Defects

Defects other than minor defects with dimensions greater than those given in 2-1-5/13.3 above, may, with the Surveyor’s approval, be repaired by welding using an approved procedure.

13.7 Welded Repair

The defects are to be removed to sound metal, and before welding the excavation is to be investigated by suitable approved non-destructive examination methods to ensure that the defect has been removed. In the case of repair of major defects on large castings such as rudder horns, stern frames, shoe pieces and rudder stocks, welding is not permitted on unheat-treated castings. Corrective welding is to be associated with the use of preheat.

13.9 Post Weld Repair Heat Treatment

All welded repairs of major defects are to be given a suitable post weld heat treatment.

13.11 Non-destructive Testing

Important hull castings such as cast-steel stern frames and rudder horns are to be subjected to surface inspection by magnetic particle, dye penetrant or other equivalent means. Cast-steel stern frames are to be subjected to such inspection over the entire skeg portion of the casting, including the enlarged portion forming the junction to the propeller post, and at such other critical locations as may be indicated on the approved plan of the stern frame. These surfaces are to be clean and free of all substances that will affect the sensitivity of the magnetic-particle test and the degree of magnetization are to produce a satisfactory magnetic potential on the surfaces being tested. In addition to surface inspection, cast-steel rudder horns are to be inspected by radiographic means or, at the discretion of the attending Surveyor, in accordance with an approved ultrasonic procedure at the area just below the connection to the shell, and at such other locations as may be indicated on the approved plan. The radiographic acceptance standard for all categories of defects is to be at least equivalent to severity level 4 of ASTM E186, E280 or E446. The ultrasonic acceptance standard is to be at least equivalent to quality level 4 of ASTM A609.
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SECTION 6 Hull Steel Forgings

Note: In substantial agreement with ASTM A668 Carbon-steel Forgings for General Industrial Use (Class B = Grade 2).

1 Process of Manufacture

1.1 General

The following requirements cover carbon-steel forgings intended to be used in hull construction and equipment as distinguished from high-temperature applications. This does not preclude the use of other steels as permitted by Section 2-1-1. The steel is to be fully killed and is to be made by one or more of the following processes: open-hearth, basic-oxygen, electric-furnace, or such other process as may be approved.

1.3 Degree of Reduction

The cross-sectional area of the main body of the unmachined, finished forging is not to exceed one-third of the area of the ingot; palms, flanges and similar enlargements on the forging are not to exceed two-thirds of the area of the ingot.

1.5 Discard

A sufficient discard is to be made from each ingot to secure freedom from piping and undue segregation.

1.7 Chemical Composition

The chemical composition is to be reported and the carbon content is not to exceed 0.35% unless specially approved. Specially approved grades having more than 0.35% carbon are to have S marked after the grade number.

3 Marking and Retests

3.1 Marking

In addition to appropriate identification markings of the manufacturer, the Bureau markings, indicating satisfactory compliance with the Rule requirements, and as furnished by the Surveyor are to be stamped on all forgings accepted in such location as to be discernible after machining and installation. Grade 2 forgings are to be stamped AB/2.
3.3 Retests

If the results of the physical tests for any forging or any lot of forgings do not conform to the requirements specified, the manufacturer may retreat the forgings, but not more than three additional times. Retests of additional specimen or specimens are to be made and are to conform to the requirements specified.

5 Heat Treatment

5.1 General

Unless a departure from the following procedures is specifically approved, all forgings are to be annealed, normalized or normalized and tempered in a furnace of ample proportions to bring the forgings to a uniform temperature.

5.3 Cooling Prior to Heat Treatment

After forging and before reheating for heat treatment, the forgings are to be allowed to cool in a manner to prevent injury and to accomplish transformation.

5.5 Annealing

The forgings are to be reheated to and held at the proper austenitizing temperature for a sufficient time to effect the desired transformation and then be allowed to cool slowly and evenly in the furnace until the temperature has fallen to about 455°C (850°F) or lower.

5.7 Normalizing

The forgings are to be reheated to and held at the proper temperature above the transformation range for a sufficient time to effect the desired transformation and then withdrawn from the furnace and allowed to cool in air.

5.9 Tempering

The forgings are to be reheated to and held at the proper temperature, which will be below the transformation range, and are to then be cooled under suitable conditions.

7 Tensile Properties

Grade 2 steel forgings are to conform to the following requirements as to tensile properties:

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<th>Elongation in 50 mm (2 in.) Min. %</th>
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Note: In the case of large forgings requiring two tension tests, the range of tensile strength is not to exceed 70 N/mm² (7 kg/mm², 10000 psi).
9 Test Specimens

9.1 Location and Orientation of Specimens
The mechanical properties are to be determined from test specimens taken from prolongations having a sectional area not less than that of the body of the forging. Specimens may be taken in a direction parallel to the axis of the forgings in the direction in which the metal is most drawn out or may be taken transversely. The axis of longitudinal specimens is to be located at any point midway between the center and the surface of solid forgings and at any point midway between the inner and outer surfaces of the wall of hollow forgings. The axis of transverse specimens may be located close to the surface of the forgings. In the case of carbon steel forgings, test results from other locations may be specially approved provided appropriate supporting information is presented, which indicates that the properties at the specified location will be in conformity with the specified tensile properties.

9.3 Hollow-drilled Specimens
In lieu of prolongations, the test specimens may be taken from forgings submitted for each test lot; or if satisfactory to the Surveyor, test specimens may be taken from forgings with a hollow drill.

9.5 Small Forgings
In the cases of small forgings weighing less than 114 kg (250 lb) each, where the foregoing procedures are impracticable, a special forging may be made for the purpose of obtaining test specimens, provided the Surveyor is satisfied that these test specimens are representative of the forgings submitted for testing. In such cases the special forgings are to be subjected to approximately the same amount of working and reduction as the forgings represented and are to be heat-treated with those forgings.

9.7 Specimen Identification (1998)
The test specimens are not to be detached from the forgings until the final heat treatment of the forgings has been completed nor until the test specimens have been stamped by the Surveyor for identification. Where the material identification system of the manufacture is found acceptable to the Bureau and is maintained in that condition through initial and periodical verification by the Bureau, it may be considered in lieu of stamping by the Surveyor before detachment.

11 Number of Tests

11.1 Tension Test

11.1.1 Large Forgings
In the case of large forgings with rough machined weights of 3180 kg (7000 lb) or over, one tension test is to be made from each end of the forging.

11.1.2 Intermediate-sized Forgings
In the case of forgings with rough machined weights less than 3180 kg (7000 lb), except as noted in the following paragraph, at least one tension test is to be made from each forging.

11.1.3 Small Forgings
In the case of small forgings with rough machined weights less than 2270 kg (5000 lb), one tension test may be taken from one forging as representative of a lot provided the forgings in each such lot are of similar size, are of one grade and kind only, are made from the same heat and are heat-treated in the same furnace charge.
11.3 **Brinell Hardness Test**

Each forging, except those with rough machined weights less than 113 kg (250 lb.) are to be Brinell Hardness tested and are to meet the following requirements.

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<th>Brinell Hardness Number Minimum</th>
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**Brinell Hardness Number Minimum**

*10 mm ball, 3000 kg load*

11.5 **Special Situations**

In the cases of a number of pieces cut from a single forging, individual tests need not necessarily be made for each piece, but forgings may be tested in accordance with whichever of the foregoing procedures is applicable to the primary forging involved.

11.7 **Inspection**

All forgings are to be inspected by the Surveyor after final heat treatment and they are to be found free from defects.
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1 Process of Manufacture

Anchors and anchor shackles are to be forged or cast from steel made by the open-hearth, basic-oxygen or electric-furnace process or such other materials or processes (e.g., plate or bar used in fabricated steel anchors) as may be specially approved. Anchor shackles are to be of a design and material suitable to the service for which the anchor is intended. The strength level of chain to which the shackle will be coupled should be a consideration.

3 Annealing

Each cast or forged part of a steel anchor is to be thoroughly annealed. Each part is to be held at the annealing temperature for at least a length of time equivalent to one hour per 25.5 mm (1.00 in.) of thickness of the heaviest member for the first 127.5 mm (5.00 in.), plus an additional 15 minutes for each additional 25.5 mm (1.00 in.) over 127.5 mm (5.00 in.) of thickness, and is not to be removed from the annealing furnace until the temperature has dropped to 370°C (700°F).

5 Testing and Inspection

5.1 Calibrated Testing Machines

All anchors are to be inspected and tested in the presence of a Surveyor, the proof testing being done in a machine recognized for such purposes. The Surveyor is to satisfy himself that the testing machines are maintained in a satisfactory and accurate condition and is to keep a record of the dates and by whom the machines were rechecked or calibrated.

5.3 Test Coupons

A coupon sufficient to provide two or three standard bend test specimens are to be cast integral with each casting submitted for approval, and is not to be detached from the casting until after the annealing is complete nor until it has been stamped by the Surveyor for identification.
7 Details of Tests for Anchors

7.1 Bend Tests
At least one bend test is to be carried out on each cast piece of cast-steel anchors by subjecting a standard bend test specimen to a cold bend through an angle of 120 degrees around a 25 mm (1 in.) radius without any appearance of fracture. See also 2-1-5/3.3 for retests.

7.3 Drop Tests
Each piece of a cast-steel anchor is to be raised to a height of 3.7 m (12 ft) and dropped on an iron slab without fracturing.

7.5 Hammering Tests
Hammering tests are to be carried out on each piece of a cast-steel anchor, which is to be slung clear of the ground and well hammered to test the soundness of the material.

7.7 Fabricated Steel Anchors
For specially approved fabricated steel anchors, a magnetic particle examination of welds is to be performed after proof testing and indicate freedom from injurious surface defects to the satisfaction of the Surveyor.

7.9 Proof Tests
Proof tests are to be carried out on all anchors after being temporarily assembled. The proof tests are to be in accordance with the values given in 2-2-1/Table 1. Anchors of proven superior holding ability are to be proof-tested for a weight equal to 1.33 times the actual weight of the anchor. Anchor flukes are to be free to rotate between stops. The proof load is to be applied on the fluke at a location one-third of the distance from the tip of the fluke to the center of the crown as shown in 2-2-1/Figure 1. Both flukes are to be tested at the same time, first on one side of the shank, then reversed and tested on the other. After proof testing, anchors are to be visually inspected to insure that they are free from surface defects and excessive deformation due to seating.

The gauge lengths (see 2-2-1/Figure 1) under a load equal to one-tenth of the proof test load are to be determined before and after the application of full proof load on each side. The gauge length after the application of full proof load is to be not more than 1% in excess of the corresponding gauge length before the application of full proof load.

**FIGURE 1**
Proof Load Application
9 Marking for Anchors

9.1 Kind of Markings
When anchors have satisfactorily passed the above requirements, they are to be clearly stamped by the manufacturer as shown in 2-2-1/Figure 2.

9.3 Provisions for Marks
One side of the anchor is to be reserved solely for the above marks and the other side used for the marker’s name or other trademarks that may be desired. If the design of the anchor does not admit of the above marks being placed or grouped as indicated, a suitable boss is to be cast on each arm, on which the marks are to be stamped.

FIGURE 2
Stockless Anchor

A The number of Certificate. (Furnished by the Surveyor) 00-PA123
B The Initials of the Surveyor who witnesses the Proof Test X.Y.X.
C Month and Year of Test 1-00
D Proof Test applied 34680
E Signifying that the Testing Machine is recognized by the Committee of the American Bureau of Shipping AB
F The Weight of Anchor 1906
G Signifying that the Anchor Head has been tested by a Surveyor to the American Bureau of Shipping AB
H The Weight of Anchor Head 1140
J The Initials of the Surveyor who witnesses the Drop Test X.Y.X.
K Month and Year of Drop Test 6-00
# TABLE 1
Proof Tests for Anchors

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SECTION 2 Anchor Chain

1 Scope

Three grades of stud-link anchor chain are covered, and are described as follows:

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3 General

All chain is to have a workmanlike finish and be free from injurious defects. There is to be an odd number of links in each shot of anchor chain cable to insure shackles leading over the windlass in the same position.

5 Specially Approved Chain

Steel chain made by processes or to requirements differing from those shown in 2-2-2/Table 1 and certain types of drop-forged chain will be subject to special consideration.

7 Qualification of Manufacturers

7.1 General

Manufacturers of Grades 2 and 3 chain and chain accessories are to submit their manufacturing process and material specifications for review. Data in support of mechanical properties, weld soundness (when applicable) and compliance with the Rules in all respects are also to be submitted for review and approval.
7.3 Locking Pins in Accessories

Locking pins in detachable connecting links are to have taper contact at both top and bottom in the link halves. Lead or other acceptable material is to be used for plugging the locking pin hole which is to contain an appropriate undercut recess or equivalent arrangement to secure the plug.

7.5 Stud Attachment (1993)

Studs are to be securely fastened by press fitting, or welding with an approved procedure. When the stud is welded in place, the weld is to be opposite the flash butt weld in the chain. The welding is to be carried out in the horizontal position at least on both faces of the link for a length sufficient to hold the stud securely in place. Any welding of chain subsequent to the approved manufacturing process is to be approved by the attending Surveyor.

9 Chain Dimensions and Tolerances

9.1 Shape

Each link is to be uniform and symmetrical, and is to have smooth internal radii that are to be at least 0.65 times the chain diameter.

9.3 Dimensions

After proof testing, measurements are to be taken on at least one link per each 27.5 m (15 fathoms) of chain tested, and conform to the dimensions shown below.

9.5 Tolerances (1999)

The minus tolerances on the diameter in the plane of the link at the crown are permitted to the extent shown below, provided the cross-sectional area of the link at that point is at least the theoretical area of the nominal diameter:
No minus tolerance on the diameter is allowed at locations other than the crown.

The plus tolerance on the diameter is not to exceed 5% of the nominal diameter. The manufacturer’s specification for plus tolerance in way of weld is to be submitted for approval.

Subject to 2-2-2/9.7, the tolerances on other dimensions in 2-2-2/9.3 are not to exceed ±2.5%.

Studs are to be located in the links centrally and at right angles to the sides of the link, except that the studs for the final link at each end of any length may be located off-center to facilitate the insertion of the joining shackle. The following tolerances are acceptable provided that the stud fits snugly and its ends lie practically flush against the inside of the link.

- Maximum off-center distance ‘‘X’’ : 10% of the nominal diameter, \(d\)
- Maximum deviation angle ‘‘\(\alpha\)’’ from the 90° position : 4°

The tolerances are to be measured as follows:

\[
X = \frac{A - a}{2}
\]

### 9.7 Length Over Five Links

After completion of the proof testing, the length over five links is to be measured while applying a tension of approximately 10% of the applied proof load. The Surveyor is to verify the length over a five link measurement from at least three locations per each 27.5 m (15 fathoms) of chain tested. The allowable tolerance for the length over any five common links is 0.0% of the chain diameter below, and 55% of the chain diameter above the length given in 2-2-2/Table 2.
11 Material for Chain

11.1 General

11.1.1 Process of Steel Manufacture and Deoxidation (1996)

The steel used for the manufacture of chain is to be made by the open-hearth, basic-oxygen, electric-furnace or such other process as may be specially approved.

Rimmed steel is not acceptable for any grade of chain.

11.1.2 Chemical Composition (1996)

The chemical composition of the material for chain manufacture is to be determined by the steelmaker on samples taken from each ladle of each heat and is to comply with the approved specification of the chain manufacturer.

13 Material Testing

13.1 Heat Treatment of Test Specimens

Test specimens are to be taken from material heat-treated in the same manner as intended for the finished chain, except that in the case of Grades 1 and 2a flash butt-welded chain, test specimens may be taken from material in either the as-rolled or heat-treated condition.

13.3 Number of Tests

One set of tests consisting of one tension, and one bend or three impact test specimens as required in 2-2-2/Table 1 are to be taken from the largest casting or drop forging from each lot of 50 tons or fraction thereof from each heat.

13.5 Tension Test Specimens (1996)

For cast or drop-forged links, machined type specimens are to be used. They are to be cut and notched as shown in 2-2-2/Figure 1. The tension-test results for stud-link anchor chain materials are to meet the applicable requirements shown in 2-2-2/Table 1.

The required minimum percentage elongation values in 2-2-2/Table 1 are based on specimens having gauge lengths equal to 5 times the diameter. For specimens having other gauge lengths the equivalent elongation value is to be calculated by the following equation:

\[ n = 2E(\sqrt{A/L})^{0.4} \]

where

- \( n \) = equivalent minimum elongation
- \( A \) = actual cross-sectional area of the specimen
- \( L \) = actual gauge length
- \( E \) = specified minimum percentage elongation for specimens having a gauge length of 5 times the diameter

The above equation is not applicable to quenched and tempered steel, for which the specimen is to have a gauge length of 5 times the specimen diameters.
13.7 **Bend Test Specimens**

For cast or drop-forged links, machined type specimens are to be used. Each specimen is to withstand, without fracture, cold bending around a mandril diameter and through the angle specified in 2-2-2/Table 1.

13.9 **Impact Test Specimens**

Impact test specimens are to be in accordance with 2-1-1/11.11. They are to be cut and notched as shown in 2-2-2/Figure 1. The average value of 3 specimens is to comply with the requirements of 2-2-2/Table 1.

13.11 **Additional Tests before Rejection** *(1996)*

When a specimen fails to meet the requirements of 2-2-2/Table 1 retest in accordance with 2-1-2/9.11, 2-1-2/9.13, 2-1-2/11.7 and 2-1-2/11.9 may be permitted, as applicable.

13.13 **Manufacturer’s Option**

At the option of the chain manufacturer, the above material tests (normally conducted prior to chain fabrication) may be waived, provided the required test specimens representative of each heat are taken from finished links after final heat treatment, if any, and in the same proportion of number of tests to tonnage as outlined in 2-2-2/13.3.

**FIGURE 1**

*Location and Orientation of Test Specimens*
**15 Heat Treatment of Chain Lengths**

**15.1 Flash Butt-welded Chain**
Grades 1 and 2a, flash butt-welded chain may be supplied in either the as-welded or normalized condition.

**15.3 Drop-forged, Cast-steel and Extra-high-strength Chain**
Grade 2a drop-forged chain, Grade 2b cast-steel chain and Grades 3a and 3b extra-high-strength chain are to be normalized, normalized and tempered or quenched and tempered in accordance with the manufacturer’s approved specification.

**15.5 Sequence of Heat Treatment**
Heat treatment is to be completed prior to the proof and breaking tests.

**17 Testing and Inspection of Chain Lengths**

**17.1 General (1996)**
All anchor chain is to be subjected to breaking and proof tests in the presence of a Surveyor. The Surveyor is to satisfy himself that the testing machines are maintained in a satisfactory and accurate condition and is to keep a record of the dates and by whom the machines were rechecked or calibrated. Prior to test and inspection the chain is to be free from paint or other coating which would tend to conceal defects. After proof testing, links are to be carefully examined for workmanship, concentricity, distortion, stud attachment, test grip damage, surface appearance and alignment of butt welds.

Provided their depth is not greater than 5% of the link diameter, surface discontinuities may be removed by grinding and blending to a smooth contour. The cross sectional area in way of the grinding is to be not less than the theoretical area of nominal chain diameter. Links repaired by grinding are to be subjected to magnetic particle or dye penetrant inspection.

**17.3 Chain Identification**
Each shot is to be stamped with a distinctive mark in order to identify it through the several processes of gauging, testing, measuring, examining, repairing and weighing, and in the event of the Surveyor being in attendance at the works while forged chains are being fabricated, which will be ultimately submitted for testing, he will select the break test specimens as far as possible during the process of fabrication.

**17.5 Testing Precautions**
Care is to be taken that arrangements are made for each link to be tested at least once. The gripping arrangements are to be such that they do not put any stress on the end links of the portion under test except such stress as is equally applied to every link tested.

**17.7 Weighing of Tested Chain**
When chains have satisfactorily passed the requirements, they are to be weighed, together with the shackles forming the outfit, and this actual weight will be given on the certificate of test.
17.9 Testing of Used Chain

When a chain, which has been in use, is submitted for testing or retesting, the size for testing purposes is to be the original chain diameter. The certificate issued for such chain will include for descriptive purposes the original chain diameter as well as the mean diameter of the part most worn, and will be marked, “This chain is not new, but has been previously used”.

19 Details of Tests on Chain Lengths

19.1 Breaking Test

A break-test specimen consisting of at least three links is to be taken from the chain or produced at the same time and the same way as the chain. Where produced separately, the specimen is to be securely attached to the chain during any heat treatment. One specimen is to be taken from each four 27.5 m, (15 fathoms) lengths or less, of flash butt-welded or drop-forged chain, and one from each heat treatment batch with a minimum of one from each four 27.5 m, (15 fathoms) lengths or less of cast-steel chain. Each specimen is to be subjected to the applicable breaking load given in 2-2-2/Table 2 (stud-link chain). A specimen will be considered to have successfully passed the test if there is no sign of fracture after application of the required load. Where the first test is not satisfactory, one more specimen may be cut out and subjected to the breaking load. If this test fails, the shot is to be rejected, and additional specimens are to be cut from each of the three remaining shots of 27.5 m, (15 fathoms) or less and subjected to the breaking load. In such cases, each shot from which the satisfactory break specimens have been taken is to be rejoined and may be accepted, provided it passes the required proof test. All breaking test specimens are to be subsequently discarded.

Alternative test procedures to the required breaking test of chain of Grades 2a, 2b, 3a, and 3b may be accepted. This alternative procedure consists of additional mechanical tests and the preparation of macro sections on a two or three link sample of chain taken from every four lengths of 27.5 m, (15 fathoms) or less of completed chain. In the case of Grade 3a or 3b chain, the two or three link sample is not to be taken from the same length of chain as that length from which the link to be mechanically tested according to 2-2-2/19.5 is taken.

19.3 Proof Test

Each shot of chain of 27.5 m, (15 fathoms) length or less and the entire length of chain when produced in lengths longer than 27.5 m, (15 fathoms) is to withstand the applicable proof load indicated in 2-2-2/Table 2 (stud-link chain). Upon special request and when approved by the Bureau, detachable links may be subjected to a greater proof load than required for the chain. After the proof test, the length of chain is to be ascertained and the chain carefully examined. Any link showing surface defects or excessive deformation is to be taken out and the chain repaired, after which the proof test is again to be applied and the chain re-examined. If one link breaks under the proof test, a joining link is to be inserted and the proof test again applied; if a second link breaks, the shot or length under test is to be rejected. For chain produced in long continuous lengths, if more than one link breaks, under proof test, the entire length is to be rejected unless approved otherwise.

19.5 Mechanical Tests on Completed Chain (1996)

One link from every 4 lengths of 27.5 m, (15 fathoms) or less of

Grade 2a flash butt welded chain delivered in as welded condition, and

Grades 3a or 3b chain

is to be subjected to a set of mechanical tests consisting of one tension and three impact tests.
In the case of a welded chain, the above mentioned test specimens are to be taken from the base metal of the link opposite to the weldment and, additionally, three impact specimens are to be taken with notches at the weld center. The results of the tests are to comply with the requirements given in 2-2-2/Table 1. When the results of original tests fail to meet the requirements, retests in accordance with 2-1-2/9.11 and 2-1-2/11.7 may be permitted, as applicable.

19.7 Mechanical and Breaking Tests on Chain Produced in Long Continuous Lengths

When chain is produced in lengths longer than 27.5 m, (15 fathoms), the test frequency for the mechanical and breaking tests required in 2-2-2/19.1 and 2-2-2/19.5 are to be based on tests at regular intervals according to the following table:

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If an order or a fraction of an order is less than the specified length, that length is to be subject to all tests required for a full length.

21 Marking for Chain (2001)

The shackles and the end links of each length and one link in every 27.5 m, (15 fathoms) of stud-link chain, made in a continuous length without joining shackles, are to be clearly stamped by the manufacturer as shown in 2-2-2/Figure 2 in location A, B, and C. When Kenter shackles are used, the marking is to be clearly stamped on the Kenter shackle and on both adjoining common links. Any accessory tested to a break load for a lower grade chain, as permitted in 2-2-2/23.13, is to be marked with the grade of the chain to which it is tested.

23 Anchor Chain Accessories

23.1 Dimensions and Dimensional Tolerances (1996)

The dimensions of anchor chain accessories are to be in accordance with a recognized standard such as ISO 1704. The following tolerances are applicable to anchor chain accessories.

nominal diameter : +5%, -0%
other dimensions : ±2.5%

23.3 Material Testing

Test specimens are to be taken either from finished accessories, or from special test bars indicated in 2-2-2/23.5 and 2-2-2/23.7. In all cases the specimens are to be taken from pieces representing the largest diameter accessory in the lot. A lot is defined as the accessories of the same grade, made from the same heat of steel and heat treated in the same furnace charge where the diameter does not differ by more than 25 mm (1 in.). Test results are to comply with 2-2-2/Table 1 or such other specification
as may be specially approved. When the results of original tests fail to meet the requirements, retests in accordance with 2-1-2/9.11 and 2-1-2/11.7 may be permitted, as applicable.

**FIGURE 2**
Marking for Chain

![Diagram of Anchor Chain Marking](image)

A The Number of the Certificate (Furnished by the Surveyor) 78 PT1234
B Signifying that the Chain has been satisfactorily tested to the Bureau Requirements and the Grade as Applicable AB/1, AB/2 or AB/3
C Nominal Chain Diameter in mm or in. (When chain manufacturers emboss the chain diameter in a permanent manner by some suitable means such as forging or casting, marking of the chain diameter in location C may be omitted.)

23.5 Cast Accessories

Test specimens may be taken from integrally or separately cast test blocks heat treated together with the accessories represented.

23.7 Forged Accessories

Test specimens may be taken from a special forging representative of the accessories in the lot. In such cases the special forging is to be subjected to approximately the same amount of working and reduction as the forging represented and is to be heat treated with the forgings represented.

23.9 Inspection

All accessories are to be inspected by magnetic particle or other suitable method to assure freedom from injurious surface defects. Special attention is to be given to welds.
23.11 Hardness Test

All accessories are to be subjected to a Brinell hardness test to meet the following:

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23.13 Break Test (2001)

Break tests are to be made on 1 out of 25 accessories (or 1 out of 50 in the case of Kenter shackles) representative of the same type, grade and heat treatment procedure, but not necessarily representative of each heat of steel, heat treatment charge or individual purchase order. When the range of Brinell hardness readings of these accessories in the batch exceed 30 Brinell hardness numbers, the accessories represented by the lowest and highest Brinell hardness readings are to be tested. This requirement may be waived when the range of properties represented by the Brinell hardness numbers is established to the satisfaction of the Surveyor. For accessories from the same lot (see 2-2-2/23.3), the Surveyor may reduce the number of break tests to a minimum of two per lot. All parts of the accessory subjected to a break test required by this subparagraph are to be subsequently discarded except where further use is permitted by 2-2-2/23.13.1 below.

23.13.1 Use of Break Tested Parts (2001)

Where it is demonstrated by either one of the following methods that the accessories can withstand at least 140% of the breaking test load prescribed in 2-2-2/Table 2 for the chain in which they are intended, such accessories may be used in service provided:

23.13.1(a) the material of the accessories is of higher grade than the chain (e.g., grade 3 accessories of grade 2 size in grade 2 chain), or

23.13.1(b) where an accessory of increased dimension is specially approved for the particular application and a procedure test is completed at 140% of the 2-2-2/Table 2 break test load. All parts of the accessories used in this procedure test are to be subsequently discarded.

In either case, each accessory requiring a break test is to be tested to 100% of the 2-2-2/Table 2 break load for the chain in which it is intended to be used.

23.15 Proof Tests

Each accessory is to be subjected to a proof test in accordance with 2-2-2/19.3.

23.17 Markings

The certificate number, AB/Chain Grade, and nominal chain diameter are to be steel die stamped on each accessory. The stamping of the nominal chain diameter may be omitted provided the nominal chain diameter is cast or forged into the accessory. Markings are to be located in such a manner as to be readily visible when completely assembled together with the chain.

25 Unstudded Short-link Chain

25.1 General

Unstudded short-link chain is to meet the requirements specified in 2-2-2/3 and 2-2-2/11. Material is to be in accordance with the manufacturer’s specification which is to be the equivalent of normal strength Grade 1 requirements of 2-2-2/Table 1.
25.3 Testing

Breaking and proof testing are to be in accordance with 2-2-2/19 and subjected to the applicable testing loads as given in 2-2-2/Table 3.

25.5 Marking

One link including the end link in every 4.5 m (2.5 fathoms) is to be steel die stamped as prescribed in locations A, B and C by the manufacturer as shown in 2-2-2/Figure 1. In special cases, shots of comparatively small size may be marked or stenciled in lieu of die stamping or the markings may be shown on a metal tag attached at every 4.5 m (2.5 fathoms).

### TABLE 1

**Chain Materials – Mechanical Properties (1999)**

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Average Impact Value @ 0°C (32°F). J (kgf-m, ft-lbf)

| base metal      | -       | 27 $^{(1)}$ (2.8, 20) | 60 (6, 43) |
| at weld center  | -       | 27 $^{(1)}$ (2.8, 20) | 50 (5, 36) |

Bend Test

| mandrel dia.$^{(2)}$ | 2T      | 3T      |
| Angle (degree)       | 180     | 180     |

Notes:

1. Impact test for Grade 2 chain material is required for flash butt welded chain to be delivered in as-welded condition.
2. $T =$ diameter or thickness of test specimen.
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Note: See also 2-2-2/9.

The weight of chain is not to be more than 2 1/2% under the weight specified.
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CHAPTER 2 Equipment

SECTION 3 Rolled Steel Bars for Chain

1 General (1999)

Rolled steel bars Grades U1, U2 or U3 for Grade 1, 2 or 3 chains are to be in accordance with this section. Bars for offshore mooring chains are to be in accordance with the Guide for the Certification of Offshore Mooring Chain. These Rules are not intended to replace or modify any part of a chain manufacturer’s specification approved by the Bureau.

1.1 Process of Manufacture (1999)

The steel is to be made by the open-hearth, basic oxygen, vacuum-arc remelt, electro-slag remelt electric-furnace or such other process as may be specially approved.

1.3 Deoxidation Practice

Bars are to be fully killed and in addition, Grade U2 or U3 bars are to be produced to a fine grain practice.

1.5 Chemical Composition and Heat Treatment (1999)

The chemical composition and heat treatment are to be in accordance with the manufacturer’s specification that is to be approved by the Bureau. In general, they are to conform to 2-2-3/Table 1.

1.7 Mechanical Properties (1999)

Mechanical tests are to be carried out in accordance with 2-2-3/3 and the results are to meet the requirements in 2-2-2/Table 1.

1.9 Dimensional properties (1999)

Unless otherwise approved, the tolerances on diameter and roundness \((d_{\text{max}} - d_{\text{min}})\) are to be within the limits listed in 2-2-3/Table 2, where \(d_{\text{max}}\) and \(d_{\text{min}}\) are the maximum and minimum diameter measured at the section under consideration.
3 Material Testing

3.1 Heat Treatment of Test Specimens

Test specimens are to be taken from material heat-treated in the same manner as intended for the finished chain.

3.3 Number of Tests

One tensile and three impact test specimens are to be taken from two different bars of steel from each heat unless the material from a heat is less than 50 metric tons (49.21 long tons) in which case tests from one bar will be sufficient. If, however, the material from one heat differs 9.5 mm (0.375 in.) or more in diameter, one set of tests is to be taken from the thinnest and thickest material rolled.

3.5 Tension Test Specimens (1996)

Tension test specimens for bar material are to be taken at 2/3r as shown in 2-2-3/Figure 1 or as close thereto as possible and machined to 2-1-1/Figure 1 or appropriate national standard specimen.

The required minimum percentage elongation values in 2-2-2/Table 1 are based on specimens having gauge lengths equal to 5 times the diameter. For specimens having other gauge lengths the equivalent elongation value is to be calculated by the following equation:

\[ n = 2E(\sqrt{A/L})^{0.4} \]

where

- \( n \) = equivalent minimum elongation
- \( A \) = actual cross-sectional area of the specimen
- \( L \) = actual gauge length
- \( E \) = specified minimum percentage elongation for specimens having a gauge length of 5 times the diameter

The above equation is not applicable to quenched and tempered steel, for which the specimen is to have a gauge length of 5 times the specimen diameters.

3.7 Bend Test Specimens

Bend test specimens may be either the full section of the bar or may be machined at the option of the manufacturer to a 25 mm (1 in.) diameter or to a rectangular cross section of 25 mm \( \times \) 12.5 mm (1 in. \( \times \) 0.5 in.) but not less than 12.5 mm \( \times \) 12.5 mm (0.5 in. \( \times \) 0.5 in.). Each specimen is to withstand, without fracture, cold bending around a mandrel diameter and through the angle specified in 2-2-2/Table 1.

3.9 Impact Test Specimens

Impact test specimens are to be in accordance with 2-1-1/11.11. They are to be cut and notched as shown in 2-2-2/Figure 1. The average value of 3 specimens is to comply with the requirements of 2-2-2/Table 1.

3.11 Additional Tests before Rejection (1996)

When a specimen fails to meet the requirements of 2-2-2/Table 1 retests in accordance with 2-1-2/9.11, 2-1-2/9.13, 2-1-2/11.7 and 2-1-2/11.9 may be permitted, as applicable.
### 3.13 Manufacturer’s Option

At the option of the chain manufacturer, the above material tests (normally conducted prior to chain fabrication) may be waived, provided the required test specimens representative of each heat are taken from finished links after final heat treatment, if any, and in the same proportion of number of tests to tonnage as outlined in 2-2-2/3.3.

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### TABLE 1

**Rolled Bars for Chain – Chemical Composition and Heat Treatment (1999)**

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#### Chemical Composition (1), (Ladle Analysis) - % max unless specified otherwise

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**Notes:**

1. Other intentionally added elements are to be reported on the mill sheet.
2. Specified aluminum contents may be partly replaced by other grain refining elements. See 2-1-3/5.
3. Bars impact tested in accordance with Note 1) to 2-2-2/Table 1 to be marked AB/U2AW.
4. Normalized bars for Grade 2 chains are to be marked AB/U2N.

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### TABLE 2

**Rolled Bar for Chain – Dimensional Tolerances (1999)**

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1 Testing and Inspection

1.1 General
All materials subject to test and inspection, intended for use in boilers, pressure vessels, and machinery of vessels classed or proposed for classification, are to be tested and inspected by the Surveyor in accordance with the following requirements or their equivalent. Materials, test specimens, and testing procedures having characteristics differing from those prescribed herein require special approval for each application of such materials and the physical tests may be modified to suit conditions as approved in connection with the design.

1.3 Test and Test Data

1.3.1 Witnessed Tests
The designation (W) indicates that the Surveyor is to witness the testing unless the plant and product is approved under the Bureau’s Quality Assurance Program.

1.3.2 Manufacturer’s Data
The designation (M) indicated that test data is to be provided by the manufacturer without verification by a Surveyor of the procedures used or the results obtained.

1.3.3 Other Tests
The designation (A) indicates those tests for which test data is to be provided by the supplier and audited by the Surveyor to verify that the procedures used and random tests witnessed are in compliance with Rule requirements.

See Part 2, Appendix 1 for complete listing of indicated designations for the various tests called out by Part 2, Chapter 3.

1.5 Rejection of Previously Accepted Material
In the event of any material proving unsatisfactory in the process of being worked, it is to be rejected, notwithstanding any previous certificate of satisfactory testing.
1.7 **Calibrated Testing Machines**

The Surveyor is to satisfy himself that the testing machines are maintained in a satisfactory and accurate condition and is to keep a record of the dates and by whom the machines were rechecked or calibrated.

1.9 **ASTM References**

For identification of ASTM references, see 2-1-1/1.13.

3 **Defects**

All materials are to be free from cracks, injurious surface flaws, injurious laminations, and similar defects. Except as indicated for specific materials, welding or dressing for the purpose of remedying defects is not permitted unless and until sanctioned by the Surveyor. In such cases, where sanction is required for materials to be so treated, the Surveyor may prescribe further probing and necessary heat treatment; then, if found satisfactory, the part treated is to be stamped with the Surveyor’s identification mark and surrounded by a ring of paint.

5 **Identification of Materials**

The manufacturer is to adopt a system of marking ingots, slabs, finished plates, shapes, castings and forgings which will enable the material to be traced to its original heat; and the Surveyor is to be given every facility for so tracing material.

7 **Manufacturer’s Certificates**

7.1 **Form of Certificate**

Unless requested otherwise, four copies of the certified mill test reports and shipping information (may be separate or combined documents) of all accepted material indicating the grade of steel, heat identification numbers, test results and weight shipped are to be furnished to the Surveyor. One copy of the mill test report is to be endorsed by the Surveyor and forwarded to the Purchaser, three to be retained for the use of the Bureau. Before the certified mill test reports and shipping information are distributed to the local Bureau office, the manufacturer is to furnish the Surveyor with a certificate stating that the material has been made by an approved process and that it has withstood satisfactorily the prescribed tests. The following form of certificate will be accepted if printed on each certified mill test report with the name of the firm and initialed by the authorized representative of the manufacturer:

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“We hereby certify that the material described herein has been made to the applicable specification by the _________ process (state process) and tested in accordance with the requirements of ______________ (the American Bureau of Shipping Rules or state other specification) with satisfactory results.”
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At the request of manufacturers, consideration may be given to modifications in the form of the certificate, provided it correspondingly indicates compliance with the requirements of the Rules to no less degree than indicated in the foregoing statement.

7.3 **Other Certificates**

Where steel is not produced in the works at which it is rolled or forged, a certificate is to be supplied to the Surveyor stating the process by which it was manufactured, the name of the manufacturer who supplied it and the number of the heat from which it was made. The number of the heat is to be marked on each plate or bar for the purpose of identification.
9 Marking and Retests

9.1 Identification of Test Specimens

Where test specimens are required to be selected by the Surveyor, they are not to be detached until stamped with his identification mark; but in no case, except as otherwise specified, are they to be detached until the material has received its final treatment. Satisfactory Bureau-tested material is to be stamped AB, or as specified for a particular material, to indicate compliance with the requirements.

**FIGURE 1**

Standard Rectangular Tension Test Specimen with 200 mm (8 in.) Gauge Length

![Diagram of test specimen](image)

**Notes**

1. When necessary, it is permissible to use a narrower specimen, but in such a case the reduced portion is not to be less than 25 mm (1 in.) in width.
2. Punch marks for measuring elongation after fracture are to be made on the flat or on the edge of the specimen and within the parallel section; either a set of nine punch marks 25 mm (1 in.) apart, or one or more sets of 200-mm (8 in.) punch marks may be used.
3. The dimension \( t \) is the thickness of the test specimen as provided for in the applicable material specifications.
4. The reduced section is to be parallel within 0.25 mm (0.01 in.) and may have a gradual taper in width from ends toward the center with the ends not more than 0.25 mm (0.01 in.) wider in the center. The ends of the specimen are to be symmetrical with the center line of the reduced section within 2.5 mm (0.10 in.).

9.3 Defects in Specimens

If any test specimen shows defective machining or develops defects, it may be discarded and another specimen substituted, except that for forgings a retest is not allowed if a defect develops during testing which is caused by rupture, cracks, or flakes in the steel.

9.5 Retests

If the percentage of elongation of any tension test specimen is less than that specified and any part of the fracture is more than 19 mm (0.75 in.) from the center of the gauge length of a 50 mm (2 in.) specimen, or is outside the middle half of the gauge length of a 200 mm (8 in.) specimen, as indicated by scribe scratches marked on the specimen before testing, a retest is to be allowed.

9.7 Rejected Material

In the event that any set of test specimens fails to meet the requirements, the material from which such specimens have been taken are to be rejected and the required markings withheld or obliterated.
11 Standard Test Specimens

11.1 General
Test specimens are to be taken longitudinally and of the full thickness or section of material as rolled, except as otherwise specified.

11.3 Test Specimens
Test specimens are to receive no other preparation than that prescribed and are to similarly and simultaneously receive all the treatment given the material from which they are cut, except as otherwise specified. Straightening of specimens distorted by shearing is to be carried out while the piece is cold.

11.5 Tension Test Specimens for Plates and Shapes
Tension test specimens for rolled plates, shapes and flats are to be cut from the finished material and machined to the form and dimensions shown in 2-3-1/Figure 1, or they may be prepared with both edges parallel throughout their length. Alternatives to the foregoing are indicated under specific materials.

11.7 Tension Test Specimens for Castings (Other than Iron) and Forgings
Tension test specimens for castings (other than iron) and forgings are to be machined to the form and dimensions shown in 2-3-1/Figure 2.

11.9 Tension Test Specimens (for Cast Iron)
Tension test specimens for cast iron are, unless otherwise approved, to be machined to the form and dimensions shown in 2-3-1/Figure 3 from test bars cast separately from the casting represented. Such test bars are to be poured from ladles of iron used to pour the castings and under the same sand conditions, and they are to receive the same thermal treatment as the castings they represent.

11.11 Transverse or Flexure Test Specimens for Cast Iron
Transverse or flexure test specimens for cast iron are, unless otherwise approved, to be a test bar as cast with a 50 mm (2 in.) diameter and 700 mm (27 in.) length. Such test bars are to be cast under the same conditions as described in 2-3-1/11.9.

11.13 Bend Test Specimens for Steel Castings and Forgings
When required, bend test specimens for steel castings and forgings may be machined to 25 mm × 12.5 mm (1 in. × 0.5 in.) in section. The length is unimportant, provided it is enough to perform the bending operation.

The sides of the bend test specimens may have the corners rounded to a radius of 1.5 mm (0.06 in.).
FIGURE 2
Standard Round Tension Test Specimen with 50 mm (2 in.)
Gauge Length

Gauge length for measuring elongation after fracture

*Note* The gauge length and fillets are to be as shown, but the ends may be of any shape to fit the holders of the testing machine in such a way that the load is to be axial. The reduced section may have a gradual taper from the ends toward the center, with the ends not more than 0.13 mm (0.005 in) larger in diameter than the center.

FIGURE 3
Tension Test Specimen Machined from Transverse or Flexure Test Bars
13  **Definition and Determination of Yield Point and Yield Strength**

13.1 **Yield Point**

The yield point is the first stress in a material, less than the maximum obtainable stress, at which an increase in strain occurs without an increase in stress. Yield point may be determined by the halt of the pointer, or autographic diagram. The 0.5% total extension under load method will also be considered acceptable.

13.3 **Yield Strength**

The yield strength is the stress at which a material exhibits a specified limiting deviation from the proportionality of stress to strain. Yield strength is to be determined by the 0.2% offset method. Alternatively, for material whose stress-strain characteristics are well known from previous tests in which stress-strain diagrams were plotted the 0.5% extension under load method may be used.

15  **Permissible Variations in Dimensions (1994)**

15.1 **Scope**

The under tolerance specified below represents the minimum material certification requirements and is to be considered as the lower limit of usual range of variations (plus/minus) from the specified dimension.

The responsibility for meeting the specified tolerances rests with the manufacturer who is to maintain a procedure acceptable to the Surveyor.

15.3 **Plates (1996)**

The maximum permissible under thickness tolerance for plates and wide flats for construction of machinery, excluding boilers, pressure vessels and independent tanks for liquefied gases and chemicals (see 2-3-2/1.15), is to be in accordance with the following:

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<td>$5 \leq t &lt; 8$ mm ($0.20 \leq t &lt; 0.32$ in.)</td>
<td>0.4 mm (0.016 in.)</td>
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<td>$8 \leq t &lt; 15$ mm ($0.32 \leq t &lt; 0.59$ in.)</td>
<td>0.5 mm (0.02 in.)</td>
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<td>$15 \leq t &lt; 25$ mm ($0.59 \leq t &lt; 0.98$ in.)</td>
<td>0.6 mm (0.024 in.)</td>
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<td>$25 \leq t &lt; 40$ mm ($0.98 \leq t &lt; 1.57$ in.)</td>
<td>0.8 mm (0.032 in.)</td>
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<td>1.0 mm (0.04 in.)</td>
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The thickness is to be measured at a distance of 10 mm (0.375 in.) or more from the edge.

The under thickness tolerance for plates and wide flats less than 5 mm (0.20 in.) in thickness will be specially considered.
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TABLE 2 Tensile Properties for Plate Grades MD, ME, MF, MG, H, I, J

TABLE 3 Chemical Composition for Plate Grades K, L, M, N

TABLE 4 Tensile Properties for Plate Grades K, L, M, N
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1 General Requirements for All Grades of Steel Plates for Machinery, Boilers, and Pressure Vessels

1.1 General

1.1.1 Inspection at Mills
The grades of steel covered in 2-3-2/3, 2-3-2/5 and 2-3-2/7 are rolled plates intended for use in machinery, boilers and other pressure vessels. All tests are to be conducted in the presence of the Surveyor at the place of manufacture prior to shipping, unless the plant is approved under the Bureau’s Quality Assurance Program for Rolled Products. The material will be surface-inspected by the Surveyor when specially requested by the purchaser. Plates are to be free from defects and have a workmanlike finish subject to the conditions given under 2-3-2/1.17.

1.1.2 Alloy Steels or Special Carbon Steels
When alloy steels or carbon steels differing from those indicated herein are proposed for any purpose, the purchaser’s specification is to be submitted for approval in connection with the approval of the design for which the material is proposed. Specifications such as ASTM A387 (Grade C or Grade D) or other steels suitable for the intended service will be considered.

1.3 Marking

1.3.1 Plates and Test Specimens
The name or brand of the manufacturer, the letter indicating the grade of steel, the manufacturer’s identification numbers and the letters PV to indicate pressure-vessel quality are to be legibly stamped (except as specified in 2-3-2/1.3.4) on each finished plate in two places, not less than 300 mm (12 in.) from the edges. Plates, the maximum lengthwise and crosswise dimensions of which do not exceed 1800 mm (72 in.), are to have the marking stamped in one place approximately midway between the center and an edge. The manufacturer’s test identification number is to be legibly stamped on each test specimen. All test specimens are to be ring-stamped, match-marked or otherwise suitably identified to the satisfaction of the attending Surveyor before being detached.
1.3.2 Heat-treatment Marking
When the heat treatment is to be carried out by the fabricator as covered in 2-3-2/5.5 and 2-3-2/7.5, the letter G is to also be stamped on each plate by the steel producer to indicate that the material is in the unheat-treated (green) condition. After heat treatment at the fabricator’s plant, the letter T is to be stamped following the letter G.

1.3.3 Bureau Markings
The Bureau markings AB, indicating satisfactory compliance with the Rule requirements and other markings as furnished by the Surveyor, are to be stamped on all plates near the marking specified in 2-3-2/1.3.1 to signify that the material has satisfactorily complied with the test prescribed, and that certificates for the material will be furnished to the Surveyor in accordance with 2-3-1/7. For coiled steel which is certified for chemical analysis only, the marking AB without grade designation is to be marked on the outer wrap of each coil shipped.

1.3.4 Thin Plates
Plates under 6.4 mm (0.25 in.) in thickness are to be legibly stenciled with the markings specified in 2-3-2/1.3.1 and 2-3-2/1.3.2 instead of stamped.

1.3.5 Special Impact Testing
When steel is impact tested in accordance with 2-3-2/9 the grade marking is to be followed by the test temperature in degrees Celsius. A prefix “0” to the test temperature is to indicate a temperature colder than zero degrees Celsius.

1.5 Process of Manufacture
The steel is to be made by one or more of the following processes: open-hearth, basic-oxygen or electric-furnace. The steel may be cast in ingots or may be strand (continuous) cast. The ratio of reduction of thickness from strand (continuous) cast slab to finished plate is to be a minimum of 3 to 1 unless specially approved.

1.5.1 Plates Produced from Coils
For coiled plate, the manufacturer or processor is to submit supporting data for review and approval to indicate that the manufacturing, processing, and testing will provide material which is in compliance with the Rules.

1.7 Chemical Composition

1.7.1 Ladle Analysis
An analysis of each heat of steel is to be made by the manufacturer to determine the percentage of the elements specified. This analysis is to be made from a test sample taken during pouring of the heat. The chemical composition thus determined is to be reported to the Surveyor and is to conform to the requirements as specified for each grade in 2-3-2/3.5, 2-3-2/5.7 or 2-3-2/7.7.

1.7.2 Check Analysis
The chemical composition determined by check analysis is to conform to the requirements as specified for each Grade in 2-3-2/3.5, 2-3-2/5.7, and 2-3-2/7.7.
1.9 Test Specimens

1.9.1 Selection of Specimens

One tension test specimen is to be taken from each plate as rolled in such manner that the longitudinal axis of the specimens is transverse to the final direction of rolling of the plate. The tension test specimen is to be taken from a corner of the plate. If the final rolling direction of the plate is parallel to the original longitudinal ingot axis, the tension test specimen is to be taken from the ‘‘bottom’’ end of the plate. If the final direction of rolling of the plate is transverse to the original longitudinal ingot axis, or if the relationship of final rolling direction and original ingot axis is unknown, the tension test specimen may be taken from either end. For plates produced from coils, two tension test specimens are to be made from each coil. One tension test specimen is to be obtained from a location immediately prior to the first plate produced and a second test specimen obtained from the approximate center lap. When required, impact tests are to be obtained adjacent to both tension test coupons and a third coupon is to be obtained immediately after the last plate produced to the qualifying grade or specification.

1.9.2 Specimens from Plates 19 mm (0.75 in.) and Under in Thickness

For plates 19 mm (0.75 in.) and under in thickness, tension test specimens are to be the full thickness of the material and are to be machined to the form and dimensions shown in 2-3-1/Figure 1 or with both edges parallel.

1.9.3 Specimens from Plates Over 19 mm (0.75 in.) Thickness

For plates over 19 mm (0.75 in.) in thickness, tension test specimens may be machined to the form and dimensions shown in 2-3-1/Figure 2, and the axis of each such specimen is to be located as nearly as practicable midway between the center and the surface of the plate, or for plates up to 101.6 mm (4 in.) inclusive in thickness, they may be the full thickness of the material and of the form shown in 2-3-1/Figure 1 when adequate testing-machine capacity is available.

1.9.4 Stress Relieving

When required, test specimens are to be stress-relieved by gradually and uniformly heating them to 590–650°C (1100–1200°F), holding at temperature for at least 1 hour per 25 mm (1 in.) thickness and cooling in still atmosphere to a temperature not exceeding 315°C (600°F). If applicable, in the case of plates which are to be heat-treated and subsequently stress-relieved, the test specimens for such plates are to, before testing, be stress-relieved following the heat treatment.

1.11 Tensile Properties

1.11.1 Tensile Requirements

The material is to conform to the tensile requirements as specified for each grade in 2-3-2/3.9, 2-3-2/5.11 or 2-3-2/7.11.

1.11.2 Elongation Deduction for Material Under 7.9 mm (0.313 in.) Thick

For material under 7.9 mm (0.313 in.) in thickness, a deduction from the specified percentage of elongation in 200 mm (8 in.) of 1.25% is to be made for each decrease of 0.8 mm (0.031 in.) of the specified thickness below 7.9 mm (0.313 in.).
1.11.3 Elongation Deduction for Material Over 88.9 mm (3.50 in.) Thick

For material over 88.9 mm (3.50 in.) in thickness, a deduction from the specified percentage of elongation in 50 mm (2 in.) of 0.50% is to be made for each increase of 12.7 mm (0.50 in.) of the specified thickness above 88.9 mm (3.50 in.). This deduction is not to exceed 3%.

1.13 Retests

1.13.1 For All Thicknesses

When the result of any of the physical tests specified for any of the material does not conform to the requirements, two additional specimens may, at the request of the manufacturer, be taken from the same plate and tested in the manner specified, but in such case, both of the specimens are to conform to the requirements (see 2-3-1/9.5).

1.13.2 For Heat-treated Material

If any heat-treated material fails to meet the mechanical requirements, the material may be reheat-treated, and all physical tests are to be repeated. Where plates are specially ordered requiring surface inspection, the Surveyor is to reinspect the plate surfaces following any additional heat treatment.

1.15 Thickness Variation

No plate is to vary more than 0.25 mm (0.01 in.) or 6% under the thickness specified, whichever is the lesser (See 4-4-1/1.4).

1.17 Finish

Except when ordered for riveted construction, plates may be conditioned by the manufacturer, for the removal of surface defects on either surface by grinding, provided the ground area is well faired and grinding does not reduce the thickness of the plate below the permissible minimum thickness.

1.19 Weldability

All of the grades covered in 2-3-2/3, 2-3-2/5 and 2-3-2/7 are intended for fusion welding, but welding technique is of fundamental importance and welding procedure is to be in accordance with approved methods. See Part 2, Chapter 4.

3 Steel Plates for Intermediate-temperature Service

3.1 Scope

Three grades of low and intermediate-tensile-strength carbon-steel plates designated MA, MB, and MC are covered.

3.3 General

The various grades are in substantial agreement with ASTM designations as follows.

ASTM – A285 Grades A, B, C

ABS – Grades MA, MB, MC

The maximum thickness of these grades is to be 50.8 mm (2.0 in.).
3.5 Chemical Composition

The steel is to conform to the following requirements as to chemical composition.

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</table>

Note: See 2-3-2/1.7.

*When specified, the maximum incidental copper content is to be 0.25%.

3.7 Specimen Preparation

Test specimens are to be prepared for testing from material in its rolled condition.

3.9 Tensile Properties

The material is to conform to the following requirements as to tensile properties.

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<tr>
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<th>Grade MA</th>
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<tr>
<td>Tensile Strength N/mm² (kgf/mm²) (psi)</td>
<td>310–450 (31.5–46)</td>
<td>345–485 (35–49)</td>
<td>380–515 (39–53)</td>
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<td>(psi)</td>
<td>(45000–65000)</td>
<td>(50000–70000)</td>
<td>(55000–75000)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Yield Strength, min., N/mm² (kgf/mm², psi)</td>
<td>165 (17, 24000)</td>
<td>185 (19, 27000)</td>
<td>205 (21, 30000)</td>
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<td>Elongation in 200 mm (8 in.) min., %*</td>
<td>27</td>
<td>25</td>
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<td>Elongation in 50 mm (2 in.) min., %</td>
<td>30</td>
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* See 2-3-2/1.11.2 and 2-3-2/1.11.3.

5 Steel Plates for Intermediate- and Higher-temperature Service

5.1 Scope

Seven grades of steel plates designated MD, ME, MF, MG, H, I and J are covered. Grades MD, ME, MF and MG cover intermediate and higher-tensile-strength ranges in carbon-silicon steel plates; Grades H, I and J cover three high-tensile-strength ranges in carbon-molybdenum steel plates.
5.3 General

The various grades are in substantial agreement with ASTM designations as follows:

ASTM – A515 Grades 55, 60, 65, 70  ABS – Grades MD, ME, MF, MG

ASTM – A204 Grades A, B, C  ABS – Grades H, I, J

Plates are limited in thickness as follows: Grade MD to 304.8 mm (12.0 in.); Grades ME, MF and MG to 203.2 mm (8.0 in.); Grades H and I to 152.4 mm (6.0 in.) and Grade J to 101.6 mm (4 in.).

5.5 Heat Treatment

5.5.1 Treatment

Plates of Grades MD, ME, MF and MG over 50.8 mm (2.0 in.) and Grades H, I and J over 38.1 mm (1.5 in.) in thickness are to be treated either by normalizing or heating uniformly for hot forming. If the required treatment is to be obtained in conjunction with the hot-forming operation, the temperature to which the plates are heated for hot forming is to be equivalent to and is not to exceed significantly the normalizing temperature. If this treatment is not done at the rolling mill, the testing is to be carried out in accordance with 2-3-2/5.5.3.

5.5.2 Heat-treatment Instructions on Orders

Orders to the plate manufacturer or the fabricator are to specify when plates are to be heat-treated and any special requirement that the test specimens be stress-relieved, so that proper provision may be made for the heat treatment of the test specimens. The purchaser is also to indicate in his orders to the mill whether the rolling mill or the fabricator is to perform the required heat treatment of the plates.

5.5.3 Responsibility for Heat Treatment

When a fabricator is equipped and elects to perform the required normalizing or fabricates by hot forming as provided in 2-3-2/5.5.1, the plates are to be accepted on the basis of tests made at the plate manufacturer’s plant on specimens heat-treated in accordance with the purchaser’s order requirements. If the heat-treatment temperatures are not indicated on the purchase order, the plate manufacturer is to heat-treat the specimens under conditions he considers appropriate to meet the test requirements. The plate manufacturer is to inform the fabricator of the procedure followed in treating the specimens at the mill for guidance in treating the plates. When the plates are to be normalized at the plate manufacturer’s plant, the mechanical properties are to be determined on specimens simultaneously treated with the plates.

5.7 Chemical Composition

The steel is to conform to the requirements of 2-3-2/Table 1 as to chemical composition.

5.9 Test Specimens

5.9.1 Plates Not Requiring Heat Treatment

For plates not requiring heat treatment (see 2-3-2/5.5.1), the test specimens are to be prepared for testing from the material in its rolled condition. When Grades H, I and J plates are to be used in a boiler or pressure vessel which is to be stress-relieved, the test specimens for Grades H, I and J are to be stress-relieved. See 2-3-2/1.9.
5.9.2 Plates Requiring Heat Treatment
For plates requiring heat treatment (see 2-3-2/5.5.1), the test specimens are to be prepared from the material in its heat-treated condition, or from full-thickness samples similarly and simultaneously treated. When Grades H, I and J plates are to be used in a boiler or pressure vessel which is to be stress-relieved, the test specimens for Grades H, I and J are to be stress-relieved following the heat treatment. See 2-3-2/1.9 and 2-3-2/5.5.

5.11 Tensile Properties
The material is to conform to the requirements of 2-3-2/Table 2 as to tensile properties.

7 Steel Plates for Intermediate- and Lower-temperature Service

7.1 Scope
Four grades of carbon-manganese-silicon steel plates made to fine-grain practice in four tensile-strength ranges designated K, L, M, N are covered.

7.3 General
The various grades are in substantial agreement with ASTM designations as follows.

ASTM – A516 Grades 55, 60, 65, 70
ABS – Grades K, L, M, N

Plates are limited in thickness as follows: Grade K to 304.8 mm (12.0 in.); Grades L, M and N to 203.2 mm (8.0 in.).

Materials for Liquefied Gas Carriers are to comply with Section 5-8-6.

7.5 Heat Treatment

7.5.1 Grain Refinement
Plates over 38.1 mm (1.5 in.) are to be heat-treated to produce grain refinement either by normalizing or heating uniformly for hot forming. If the required treatment is to be obtained in conjunction with hot forming, the temperature to which the plates are heated for hot forming is to be equivalent to and is not to exceed significantly the normalizing temperature. If this treatment is not done at the rolling mill, the testing is to be carried out in accordance with 2-3-2/7.5.3. When improved notch toughness is required for plates 38 mm (1.5 in.) and under in thickness, heat treatment is to be specified as above.

7.5.2 Heat-treatment Instructions on Orders
Orders to the plate manufacturer or the fabricator are to specify when plates are to be heat-treated for grain refinement, and any special requirements that the test specimens be stress-relieved, so that proper provision may be made for the heat treatment of the test specimens. The purchaser is also to indicate in his orders to the mill whether the rolling mill or the fabricator is to perform the required heat treatment of the plates.
7.5.3  Responsibility for Heat Treatment

When a fabricator is equipped and elects to perform the required normalizing or fabricates by hot forming as provided in 2-3-2/7.5.1, the plates are to be accepted on the basis of tests made at the plate manufacturer’s plant on specimens heat-treated in accordance with the purchaser’s order requirements. If the heat-treatment temperatures are not indicated on the purchase order, the plate manufacturer is to heat-treat the specimens under conditions he considers appropriate for grain refinement, and to meet the test requirements. The plate manufacturer is to inform the fabricator of the procedure followed in treating the specimens at the mill for guidance in treating the plates. When the plates are to be normalized at the plate manufacturer’s plant, the mechanical properties are to be determined on specimens simultaneously treated with the plates.

7.7  Chemical Composition

The steel is to conform to the requirements of 2-3-2/Table 3 as to chemical composition.

7.9  Test Specimens

7.9.1  Plates 38.1 mm (1.5 in.) and Under in Thickness

For plates 38.1 mm (1.5 in.) and under in thickness, not requiring heat treatment, the test specimens are to be prepared for testing from the material in its rolled condition.

7.9.2  Plates Requiring Heat Treatment

For plates 38.1 mm (1.5 in.) and under in thickness requiring heat treatment (see 2-3-2/7.5.1), or for plates over 38.1 mm (1.5 in.) in thickness, the test specimens are to be prepared from the material in its heat-treated condition, or from full-thickness samples similarly and simultaneously treated.

7.11  Tensile Properties

The material is to conform to the requirements of 2-3-2/Table 4 as to tensile properties.

9  Materials for Low Temperature Service [Below -18°C (0°F)]

Materials intended for service temperatures of below -18°C (0°F) may be provided in accordance with those listed in 2-1-4/7, or be other specially approved low temperature materials, if Charpy V-notch impact tests are conducted at 5°C (10°F) below minimum design temperature in accordance with 2-1-4/5.1 and meet the applicable requirements of 2-1-2/11 and 5-8-6/Table 2 (ABS). Such tests are not required for austenitic stainless steels, or aluminum alloys such as type 5083.
## TABLE 1
Chemical Composition for Plate Grades MD, ME, MF, MG, H, I, J

| Table 1.1 Chemical Composition for Plate Grades MD, ME, MF, MG, H, I, J |

| Note: See also 2-3-2/1.7 |

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<th>Carbon, max., %:</th>
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<th>MG</th>
<th>H</th>
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<td>For plates 25.4 mm (1.0 in.) and under in thickness</td>
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<td>0.20</td>
<td>0.23</td>
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<td>For plates over 50.8 mm (2.0 in.) to 101.6 mm (4.0 in.) incl., in thickness</td>
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<td>For plates over 101.6 mm (4.0 in.) to 203.2 mm (8.0 in.) incl., in thickness</td>
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## TABLE 2
Tensile Properties for Plate Grades MD, ME, MF, MG, H, I, J

A characteristic of certain types of alloy steels is a local disproportionate increase in the degree of necking down or contraction of the specimens under tension tests, resulting in a decrease in the percentage of elongation as the gauge length is increased. The effect is not so pronounced in the thicker plates.

| Table 2.1 Tensile Properties for Plate Grades MD, ME, MF, MG, H, I, J |

| Note: See also 2-3-2/1.11.2 |

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<th>MG</th>
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<td>Elongation in 200 mm, (8 in.), min., %</td>
<td>23 (a)</td>
<td>21 (a)</td>
<td>19 (a)</td>
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<td>19 (a,d)</td>
<td>17 (a,d)</td>
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<td>Elongation in 50 mm, (2 in.) min., %</td>
<td>27 (b)</td>
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Notes:

a See 2-3-2/1.11.2
b See 2-3-2/1.11.3
c When specimen shown in 2-3-1/Figure 2 is used.
d For plates over 6.4 mm (0.25 in.) to 19.1 mm (0.75 in.) inclusive, in thickness, if the percentage of elongation of a 200 mm (8 in.) gauge-length test specimen falls not more than 3% below the amount specified, the elongation is to be considered satisfactory, provided the percentage of elongation in 50 mm (2 in.) across the break is not less than 25%. 
### TABLE 3
Chemical Composition for Plate Grades K, L, M, N

**Note**
See also 2-3-2/1.7

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<td>For plates 12.7 mm (0.50 in.) and under in thickness</td>
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<td>0.25</td>
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**Notes**
- a See 2-3-2/1.11.2
- b See 2-3-2/1.11.3
- c When specimen shown in 2-3-1/Figure 2 is used.
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SECTION 3 Seamless Forged-steel Drums

Note: In substantial agreement with ASTM A266 as to physical properties for Classes 1 and 3.

1 Tests and Inspections

In the event that any seamless forged-steel drums are presented for inspection after special approval for each specific application, they are to be tested and inspected in general accordance with the applicable procedures given for steel forgings. One tension test is to be taken from each end of the forging midway between the inner and outer surfaces of the wall in a tangential direction, the two specimens being taken from opposite sides of the drum. Grade A material is to have the following minimum properties, tensile strength 415 N/mm² (42 kgf/mm², 60,000 psi), yield strength 205 N/mm² (21 kgf/mm², 30,000 psi), elongation 23% in a 50 mm (2 in.) gauge length; Grade B material is to have the following minimum properties, tensile strength 515 N/mm² (53 kgf/mm², 75,000 psi), yield strength 260 N/mm² (26.5 kgf/mm², 37,500 psi), elongation 19% in a 50 mm (2 in.) gauge length.

3 Heat Treatment

Except as specified herein, tests for acceptance are to be made after final treatment of the forgings. When the ends of drums are closed in by reforging after machining, the drums may be treated and tested prior to reforging. After reforging, the whole of the forging is to be simultaneously re-treated. If the original treatment was annealing the re-anneal is to be above the transformation range, but not above the temperature of the first anneal. If the original treatment was normalizing and tempering, the re-treatment is to be identical with the original.
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SECTION 4 Seamless-steel Pressure Vessels

1 General

The material for the manufacture of and the finished seamless pressure vessels are to be free from seams, cracks or other defects. Test specimens are to be cut from each cylinder before the necking-down process, stamped with the identification mark of the Surveyor and is to receive all heat treatments simultaneously with the cylinders.

3 Tension Test

A standard test specimen cut either longitudinally or circumferentially from each cylinder is to show the material to have a minimum tensile strength of 415 N/mm² (42 kgf/mm², 60,000 psi), maximum yield point of 70% of the tensile strength and a minimum elongation of 10% in 200 mm (8 in.).

5 Flattening Test

A ring 200 mm (8 in.) long is to be cut from each cylinder and is to stand being flattened, without signs of fracture, until the outside distance over the parallel sides is not greater than six times the thickness of the material.

7 Hydrostatic Test

Each cylinder is to be subjected to a hydrostatic pressure of not less than one and one-half times the working pressure while submerged in a water jacket for a period of at least thirty seconds. The permanent volumetric expansion is not to exceed 5% of the total volumetric expansion at the prescribed test pressure. This test is to be made without previously subjecting the cylinder to any pressure in excess of one-third of the working pressure.

9 Inspection

All cylinders are to be properly annealed and be free from dirt and scale. Before necking-down, the Surveyor is to examine the cylinders carefully for defects and gauge the cylinder walls to ascertain that the thickness of the material is in accordance with the approved plan.
11 Marking

Upon satisfactory compliance with the above requirements the cylinders will be stamped AB with the identification mark of the Surveyor, the serial number, hydrostatic pressure and the date of acceptance.
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SECTION 5  Boiler and Superheater Tubes

1  Scope (1998)


3  General

3.1  Grades D and F

Grades D and F cover electric-resistance-welded tubes made of carbon steel and intended for boiler tubes, boiler flues, superheater flues and safe ends. Grade F tubes are not suitable for safe-ending by forge-welding.

3.3  Grade G

Grade G covers electric-resistance-welded, steel boiler and superheater tubes intended for high-pressure service.

3.5  Grade H

Grade H covers seamless carbon-steel boiler tubes and superheater tubes intended for high-pressure service.

3.7  Grade J

Grade J covers seamless medium carbon-steel boiler tubes and superheater tubes, boiler flues, including safe ends, arch and stay tubes. Grade J tubes are not suitable for safe-ending by forge-welding.

3.9  Grades K, L and M

Grades K, L and M cover seamless carbon-molybdenum alloy-steel boiler and superheater tubes.

3.11  Grades N, O and P

Grades N, O and P cover seamless chromium-molybdenum alloy-steel boiler and superheater tubes.

Grades R and S cover seamless austenitic stainless steel superheater tubes.

3.15 ASTM Designation (1998)

The various Grades are in substantial agreement with ASTM as follows:

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5 Process of Manufacture

5.1 Grades D, F, and G

The steel is to be made by one or more of the following processes: open-hearth, basic-oxygen or electric-furnace. Special consideration may be given to other processes subject to such supplementary requirements or limits on application as will be specially determined in each case. Grade G is to be killed steel. All tubes of Grade D, F, and G are to be made by electric-resistance welding and are to be normalized at a temperature above the upper critical temperature.


The steel is to be killed steel made by one or more of the following processes: open hearth, electric furnace, or basic oxygen furnace. Tubes are to be made by the seamless process and are to be either hot-finished or cold-drawn. Cold-drawn tubes are to be heat treated by isothermal annealing or by full annealing at a temperature of 650°C (1200°F) or higher. Cold-drawn tubes of Grades H, and J may also be heat treated by normalizing. Cold-drawn tubes of Grades K, L, and M may also be heat treated by normalizing and tempering at 650°C (1200°F) or higher. Hot-finished Grades H and J tubes need not be heat treated. Hot-finished Grades K, L, and M tubes are to be heat treated at a temperature of 650°C (1200°F) or higher.

5.5 Grades N, O, and P (1998)

The steel is to be made by the electric-furnace process or other approved process, except that Grade N may be made by the basic oxygen process and Grade O by basic oxygen or open hearth process. Tubes are to be made by the seamless process and are to be either hot-finished or cold-drawn. All material is to be furnished in the heat-treated condition. The heat treatment for Grades N and P is to
consist of full annealing, isothermal annealing, or normalizing and tempering as necessary to meet the requirements. The tempering temperature following normalizing is to be 650°C (1200°F) or higher for Grade N and 680°C (1250°F) or higher for Grade P. The hot-rolled or cold drawn tubes Grade O, as a final heat treatment, are to be process annealed at 650°C (1200°F) to 730°C (1350°F).

5.7 Grades R and S (1998)

The steel is to be made by the electric-furnace or other approved process. Tubes are to be made by the seamless process and are to be either hot-finished or cold-drawn. After the completion of mechanical working, tubes are to be solution annealed at a minimum of 1040°C (1900°F) and then quenched in water or rapidly cooled by other means. Solution annealing above 1065°C (1950°F) may impair resistance to intergranular corrosion after subsequent exposure to sensitizing conditions. Subsequent to the initial high-temperature solution anneal, a stabilization or resolution anneal at 815°C to 900°C (1500°F to 1650°F) may be used to meet the requirements.

7 Marking (1998)

Identification markings are to be legibly stenciled on each tube 31.8 mm (1.25 in.) in outside diameter or over, provided the length is not under 900 mm (3 ft). For Grades R and S tube the marking fluid, ID tags and securing wire are not to contain any harmful metal or metal salt such as zinc, lead or copper, which cause corrosive attack upon heating. For tubes less than 31.8 mm (1.25 in.) in outside diameter and all tubes less than 900 mm (3 ft) in length, the required markings are to be marked on a tag securely attached to the bundle or box in which the tubes are shipped. The markings are to include: the name or brand of the manufacturer; either the ABS grade or the ASTM designation and grade for the material from which the tube is made; the hydrostatic test pressure or the letters NDET; whether electric-resistance-welded or seamless, hot-finished or cold-drawn; also the Bureau markings as furnished by the Surveyor and indicating satisfactory compliance with the Rule requirements. The markings are to be arranged as follows:

- The name or brand of the manufacturer
- The ABS grade or ASTM designation and type or grade
- The test pressure or the letters NDET
- The method of forming (i.e., seamless hot-finished or cold-drawn or electric-resistance-welded)
- The ABS markings from the Surveyor

9 Chemical Composition – Ladle Analysis

An analysis of each heat is to be made to determine the percentages of the elements specified. The chemical composition thus determined is to be reported to the Surveyor and is to conform to the requirements of 2-3-5/Table 1.

11 Check Analysis

11.1 General (1998)

A check analysis is required for Grades K, L, M, N, O, P, R, and S. Check analysis for other grades may also be made where required by the purchaser. The check analysis is to be in accordance with the following requirements and the chemical composition is to conform to the requirements in 2-3-5/Table 1.
11.3 Samples

Samples for check analysis are to be taken by drilling several points around each tube selected for analysis or, when taken from the billet, they are to be obtained by drilling parallel to the axis at any point midway between the outside and center of the piece or the samples may be taken as prescribed in ASTM E59 (Method of Sampling Steel for Determination of Chemical Composition).

11.5 Grades D, F, G, and H

For these Grades the check analysis is to be made by the supplier from one tube per heat or from one tube per lot.

*Note* A lot consists of 250 tubes for sizes 76.2 mm (3.0 in.) and under or 100 tubes for sizes over 76.2 mm (3.0 in.) prior to cutting length.


For these Grades, check analysis is to be made by the supplier from one tube or billet per heat.

11.9 Retests for Seamless Tubes *(1998)*

If the original test for check analysis for Grades H, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, R, or S tubes fails, retests of two additional billets or tubes are to be made. Both retests, for the elements in question, are to meet the requirements; otherwise all remaining material in the heat or lot is to be rejected or, at the option of the supplier, each billet or tube may be individually tested for acceptance.

11.11 Retests for Electric-resistance-welded Tubes

If the original test for check analysis for Grades D, F, or G tubes fails, retests of two additional lengths of flat-rolled stock or tubes are to be made. Both retests, for the elements in question, are to meet the requirements; otherwise all remaining material in the heat or lot is to be rejected or, at the option of the supplier, each length of flat-rolled stock or tube may be individually tested for acceptance.

13 Mechanical Tests Required

The type and number of mechanical tests are to be in accordance with 2-3-5/Table 2. For a description and requirements of each test see 2-3-5/17 through and including 2-3-5/33. For retests see 2-3-5/35.

15 Test Specimens

15.1 Selection of Specimens *(1998)*

Test specimens required for the flattening, flanging, flaring, tension, crushing and reverse flattening tests are to be taken from the ends of drawn tubes after any heat treatment and straightening, but prior to upsetting, swaging, expanding, or other forming operations, or being cut to length. They are to be smooth on the ends and free from burrs and defects.

15.3 Tension Test Specimens

If desirable and practicable, tension tests may be made on full sections of the tubes up to the capacity of the testing machine. For larger-size tubes, the tension test specimen is to consist of a strip cut longitudinally from the tube not flattened between gauge marks. The sides of this specimen are to be parallel between gauge marks; the width, irrespective of the thickness, is to be 25 mm (1 in.); the gauge length is to be 50 mm (2 in.).
15.5 **Testing Temperature**

All specimens are to be tested at room temperature.

17 **Tensile Properties**

The material is to conform to the requirements as to tensile properties in the grades specified in 2-3-5/Table 3.

19 **Flattening Test**

19.1 **Seamless and Electric-resistance-welded Tubes (1998)**

For all Grades of tubing, a section of tube, not less than 65 mm (2.5 in.) in length for seamless and not less than 100 mm (4 in.) in length for welded, is to be flattened cold between parallel plates in two steps. During the first step, which is a test for ductility, no cracks or breaks on the inside, outside or end surfaces of seamless tubes, or on the inside or outside surfaces of electric-resistance-welded tubes is to occur until the distance between the plates is less than the value $H$ obtained from the following equation:

$$H = \left(1 + \frac{e}{t}\right)\frac{t}{e + t/D}$$

where

- $H = \text{distance between flattening plates, in mm (in.)}$
- $t = \text{specified wall thickness of tube, in mm (in.)}$
- $D = \text{specified outside diameter of tube, in mm (in.)}$
- $e = \text{deformation per unit length, constant for a given grade as follows.}$
  - $= 0.09 \text{ for Grades D, G, H, R, and S}$
  - $= 0.08 \text{ for Grades K, L, M, N, O, and P}$
  - $= 0.07 \text{ for Grades F and J}$

During the second step, which is a test for soundness, the flattening is to be continued until the specimen breaks or the opposite walls of the tube meet. Evidence of laminated or unsound material, or of incomplete weld that is revealed during the entire flattening test is to be cause for rejection. Superficial ruptures as a result of surface imperfections are not to be cause for rejection.

19.3 **Electric-resistance-welded Tubes**

In the case of Grades D, F, and G tubes, the weld is to be placed 90 degrees from the line of direction of the applied force.

21 **Reverse Flattening Test**

For Grades D, F, and G tubes, a section 100 mm (4 in.) in length is to be taken from every 460 m (1500 ft) of finished welded tubing and it is to be split longitudinally 90 degrees on each side of the weld and the sample opened and flattened with the weld at the point of maximum bend. There is to be no evidence of cracks or lack of penetration or overlaps resulting from flash removal in the weld.
23 Flange Test

For Grades D, F, and G tubes, a section of tube is to be capable of having a flange turned over at a right angle to the body of the tube without cracking or developing defects. The width of the flange is not to be less than the following.

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<th>Outside Diameter of Tube mm (in.)</th>
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<td>Over 19.1 mm (0.75 in.) to 63.5 mm (2.50 in.) incl.</td>
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<td>Over 63.5 mm (2.5 in.) to 95.3 mm (3.75 in.) incl.</td>
<td>121/2% of outside diameter</td>
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<td>Over 95.3 mm (3.75 in.)</td>
<td>10% of outside diameter</td>
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25 Flaring Test (1998)

For Grades H, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, R, and S tubes a section of tube approximately 100 mm (4 in.) in length is to stand being flared with a tool having a 60-degree included angle until the tube at the mouth of the flare has been expanded to the following percentages, without cracking or developing defects.

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*In determining the ratio of inside diameter to outside diameter, the inside diameter is to be defined as the actual mean inside diameter of the material to be tested.

27 Crush Test

For Grade D tubes, when required by the Surveyor, crushing tests are to be made on sections of tube 65 mm (2.5 in.) in length which are to stand crushing longitudinally, without cracking, splitting or opening at the weld, as shown in the following table. For tubing less than 25.4 mm (1.0 in.) in outside diameter, the length of the specimen is to be 21/2 times the outside diameter of the tube. Slight surface checks are not to be cause for rejection.

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<th>Wall Thickness</th>
<th>Height of Section After Crushing</th>
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<tr>
<td>3.43 mm (0.135 in.) and under</td>
<td>19.1 mm (0.75 in.) or until outside folds are in contact</td>
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<tr>
<td>Over 3.43 mm (0.135 in.)</td>
<td>31.8 mm (1.25 in.)</td>
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29 Hardness Tests

29.1 Type of Test (1998)

Hardness tests are to be made on Grades G, H, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, R, and S tubes. For tubes 5.1 mm (0.2 in.) and over in wall thickness, the Brinell hardness test is to be used and on tubes having wall thicknesses from 5.1 mm (0.2 in.) to 9.5 mm (0.375 in.) exclusive, a 10 mm ball with a 1,500 kg load, or a 5 mm ball with a 750 kg load may be used, at the option of the manufacturer. For tubes less than 5.1 mm (0.2 in.) in wall thickness, the Rockwell hardness test is to be used, except that for tubes with wall thickness less than 1.65 mm (0.065 in.) no hardness tests are required. In making the Brinell and Rockwell hardness tests, reference should be made to the Standard Methods and Definitions for the Mechanical Testing of Steel Products ASTM 370.

29.3 Brinell Hardness Test

The Brinell hardness test may be made on the outside of the tube near the end or on the outside of a specimen cut from the tube, at the option of the manufacturer.

29.5 Rockwell Hardness Test

The Rockwell hardness test is to be made on the inside of a specimen cut from the tube.

29.7 Tubes with Formed Ends

For tubes furnished with upset, swaged, or otherwise formed ends, the hardness test is to be made as prescribed in 2-3-5/29.1 on the outside of the tube near the end after the forming operation and heat treatment.

29.9 Maximum Permissible Hardness (1998)

The tubes are to have hardness-numbers not exceeding the following values.

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<tr>
<th>Tube Grade</th>
<th>Brinell Hardness Number</th>
<th>Rockwell Hardness Number</th>
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<td></td>
<td>Tubes 5.1 mm (0.2 in.)</td>
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<td></td>
<td>and over in wall thickness</td>
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<td>G</td>
<td>125</td>
<td>B 72</td>
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<tr>
<td>H</td>
<td>137</td>
<td>B 77</td>
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<td>J</td>
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<td>B 79</td>
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<td>K</td>
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<td>B 80</td>
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<td>L</td>
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<td>B 81</td>
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<td>M</td>
<td>137</td>
<td>B 77</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>N, O, and P</td>
<td>163</td>
<td>B 85</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>R, S</td>
<td>192</td>
<td>B 90</td>
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</table>

31 Hydrostatic Test

31.1 General

Each tube is to be hydrostatically tested at the mill or be subjected to a non-destructive electric test in accordance with 2-3-5/33. The test may be performed prior to upsetting, swaging, expanding, bending or other forming operation. The hydrostatic test pressure is to be determined by the equation given in 2-3-5/31.3, but is not to exceed the following values except as provided in 2-3-5/31.7.2.
### 31.3 Maximum Hydrostatic Test Pressure

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Outside Diam. of Tubes, mm (in.)</th>
<th>Test Pressure, bar (kgf/cm², psi)</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Under 25.4 (1.0 in.)</td>
<td>69 (70.3, 1000)</td>
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<tr>
<td>25.4 (1.0 in.) to 38.1 (1.5 in.), excl.</td>
<td>103 (105, 1500)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>38.1 (1.5 in.) to 50.8 (2.0 in.), excl.</td>
<td>140 (140, 2000)</td>
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<tr>
<td>50.8 (2.0 in.) to 76.2 (3.0 in.), excl.</td>
<td>170 (175, 2500)</td>
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<tr>
<td>76.2 (3.0 in.) to 127 (5.0 in.), excl.</td>
<td>240 (245, 3500)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>127 (5.0 in.) and over</td>
<td>310 (315, 4500)</td>
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</tbody>
</table>

**SI Units**

\[
P = 20S/t/D
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**MKS Units**

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P = 200S/t/D
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**US Units**

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P = 2S/t/D
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where

- \( P \) = hydrostatic test pressure, in bar (kgf/cm², psi)
- \( S \) = allowable fiber stress of 110 N/mm² (11 kgf/mm², 16,000 psi)
- \( t \) = specified wall thickness, in mm (in.)
- \( D \) = specified outside diameter, in mm (in.)

### 31.5 Duration of Test

The test pressure is to be held for a minimum of 5 seconds.

### 31.7 Alternate Tests

**31.7.1**

When requested by the purchaser and so stated in the order, tubes are to be tested to one and one-half times the specified working pressure (when one and one-half times the specified working pressure exceeds the test pressure prescribed in 2-3-5/31.1), provided the fiber stress corresponding to those test pressures does not exceed 110 N/mm² (11 kgf/mm², 16,000 psi) as calculated in accordance with 2-3-5/31.3.

**31.7.2**

When requested by the purchaser and so stated in the order, or at the option of the manufacturer, tubes are to be tested at pressures, calculated in accordance with 2-3-5/31.1 corresponding to a fiber stress of more than 110 N/mm² (11 kgf/mm², 16,000 psi), but not more than 165 N/mm² (17 kgf/mm², 24,000 psi).

### 31.9 Rejection

If any tube shows leaks during the hydrostatic test, it is to be rejected.

### 33 Nondestructive Electric Test (NDET) (1998)

#### 33.1 General

When specified by the purchaser, each ferritic steel tube, Grades D, F, G, H, J, K, L, M, N, O, and P, is to be tested in accordance with ASTM E213, for Ultrasonic Examination of Metal Pipe and Tubing or ASTM E309, for Eddy-Current Examination of Steel Tubular Products Using Magnetic Saturation,
ASTM E570, for Flux Leakage Examination of Ferromagnetic Steel Tubular Products, or other approved standard. When specified by the purchaser, each austenitic stainless steel tube, Grades R and S, is to be tested in accordance with ASTM E213, for Ultrasonic Examination of Metal Pipe and Tubing or ASTM E426, for Electromagnetic (Eddy-Current) Examination of Seamless and Welded Tubular Products, Austenitic Stainless Steel and Similar Alloys, or other approved standard. It is the intent of this test to reject tubes containing defects and the Surveyor is to be satisfied that the nondestructive testing procedures are used in a satisfactory manner.

33.3 Ultrasonic Calibration Standards

Notches on the inside or outside surfaces may be used. The depth of the notch is not to exceed 12.5% of the specified wall thickness of the tube or 0.1 mm (0.004 in.), whichever is greater. The width of the notch is not to exceed two times the depth.

33.5 Eddy-current Calibration Standards

In order to accommodate the various types of nondestructive electric testing equipment and techniques in use, and manufacturing practices employed, any one of the following calibration standards may be used at the option of the producer, to establish a minimum sensitivity level for rejection. For welded tubing, they are to be placed in the weld if visible.

33.5.1 Drilled Hole

Three or more holes not larger than 0.785 mm (0.031 in.) in diameter and equally spaced about the pipe circumference and sufficiently separated longitudinally to ensure a separately distinguishable response are to be drilled radially and completely through tube wall, care being taken to avoid distortion of the tube while drilling. Alternatively, one hole may be used provided that the calibration tube is scanned at a minimum of three locations each 120 degrees apart, or at more frequent scans with smaller angular increments provided that the entire 360 degrees of the eddy-current coil is checked.

33.5.2 Transverse Tangential Notch

Using a round tool or file with a 6.35 mm (0.25 in.) diameter, a notch is to be filed or milled tangential to the surface and transverse to the longitudinal axis of the tube. Said notch is to have a depth not exceeding 12.5% of the nominal wall thickness of the tube or 0.1 mm (0.004 in.), whichever is greater.

33.5.3 Longitudinal Notch

A notch 0.785 mm (0.031 in.) or less in width is to be machined in a radial plane parallel to the tube axis on the outside surface of the tube, to have depth not exceeding 12.5% of the nominal wall thickness of the tube or 0.1 mm (0.004 in.), whichever is greater. The length of the notch is to be compatible with the testing method.

33.7 Flux Leakage Calibration Standards

The depth of longitudinal notches on the inside and outside surfaces is not to exceed 12.5% of the specified wall thickness of the tube or 0.1 mm (0.004 in.), whichever is greater. The width of the notch is not to exceed the depth, and the length of the notch is not to exceed 25.4 mm (1.0 in.). Outside and inside surface notches are to be located sufficiently apart to allow distinct identification of the signal from each notch.

33.9 Rejection

Tubing producing a signal equal to or greater than the calibration defect is to be subject to rejection.
33.11 Affidavits

When each tube is subjected to an approved nondestructive electric test as a regular procedure during the process of manufacture, an affidavit covering this test may be accepted by the Surveyor.

35 Retests (1998)

For all grades of tubes, if the results of the mechanical tests do not conform to the requirements, retests may be made on additional tubes from the same lot, double the original number specified, each of which is to conform to the requirements. If heat-treated tubes fail to conform to the test requirements, the individual tubes, groups or lots of tubes represented, may be re-heat-treated and resubmitted for retest as indicated. Only two reheat treatments will be permitted.

37 Finish (1998)

Tubes of all grades are to be surface inspected by the Surveyor prior to fabrication or installation, and are to be reasonably straight and have smooth ends free from burrs. At a minimum, the finished tubes are to be visually inspected at the same frequency as that required for the flattening test specified in 2-3-5/Table 2 for the applicable grade. They are to be free from defects and have a workmanlike finish. Grade R and S tubes are to be free from scale by pickling or by the use of bright annealing. Minor defects may be removed by grinding provided the wall thicknesses are not decreased beyond the permissible variations in dimensions. Welding repair to any tube is not to be carried out without the purchasers approval and is to be to the Surveyors satisfaction.


At a minimum, the finished tubes are to be measured at the same frequency as that required for the flattening test specified in 2-3-5/Table 2 for the applicable grade.

39.1 Wall Thickness

The permissible variations in wall thickness for all tubes are based on the ordered thickness and should conform to that given in the applicable ASTM designation for acceptance, but the minimum thickness for all tubes is not to be less than that required by the Rules for a specific application regardless of such prior acceptance.

39.3 Outside Diameter

Variations from the ordered outside diameter are not to exceed the amounts prescribed in 2-3-5/Table 4.
### TABLE 1 (1998)
Chemical Composition for Tubes

<table>
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<th>ABS Grades</th>
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**Note:**
- Grade R is to have a titanium content of not less than five times the carbon content and not more than 0.60%.
- Grade S is to have a columbium (niobium) plus tantalum content of not less than ten times the carbon content and not more than 1.00%.
### Table 2 (1998)
#### Mechanical Tests

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<th>Grade</th>
<th>Type of Test</th>
<th>Number of Tests</th>
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<td>D</td>
<td>Flattening</td>
<td>One test on specimens from each of two tubes from each lot (1) or fraction thereof and from each 610 m (2000 ft) or fraction thereof of safe-end material.</td>
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<td>Flanging</td>
<td>As for flattening test.</td>
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<td>Crushing</td>
<td>As for flattening test when required by the Surveyor.</td>
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<td>Reverse Flattening</td>
<td>One test per 460 m (1500 ft) of finished welded tubing.</td>
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<td>Hydrostatic or NDET (3)</td>
<td>All tubes.</td>
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<td>Flattening</td>
<td>One test on specimens from each of two tubes from each lot (1) or fraction thereof.</td>
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<td>One test per each 460 m (1500 ft) of finished welded tubing.</td>
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<td>One test per each 460 m (1500 ft) of finished welded tubing.</td>
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<td>Hardness</td>
<td>One Brinell or Rockwell hardness determination on 5% of the tubes when heat-treated in a batch-type furnace or 1% of the tubes when heat treated in a continuous furnace, but in no case less than 5 tubes.</td>
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<td>Flattening</td>
<td>One test on specimens from each end of two tubes from each lot (1) or fraction thereof but not the same tube used for the flaring test.</td>
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<td>Flaring</td>
<td>As for flattening test, but not the same tube used for the flattening test.</td>
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<td>Hardness</td>
<td>One Brinell or Rockwell hardness determination on 5% of the tubes when heat-treated in a batch-type furnace or 1% of the tubes when heat-treated in a continuous furnace, but in no case less than 5 tubes.</td>
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<td>Hydrostatic or NDET (3)</td>
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<td>J, K,</td>
<td>Flattening</td>
<td>One test specimens from each end of one finished tube per lot (2), but not the same tube used for the flaring test.</td>
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<td>L, M,</td>
<td>Flaring</td>
<td>One test on specimens from each end of one finished tube per lot (2), but not the same tube used for flattening test.</td>
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<td>N, O,</td>
<td>Tension</td>
<td>One test on one specimen from one tube from each lot (2).</td>
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<td>Hydrostatic or NDET (3)</td>
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<td>One test on specimens from each end of one finished tube per lot (2), but not the same tube used for the flaring test.</td>
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<td>One test on specimens from each end of one finished tubes per lot (2), but not the same tube used for flattening test.</td>
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<td>Tension</td>
<td>One test on one specimen from each lot of 50 tubes or less. One test on one specimen from each of two tubes for lots (4) of more than 50 tubes.</td>
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**Notes**

1. A lot consists of 250 tubes for sizes 76.2 mm (3.0 in.) and under and of 100 tubes for sizes over 76.2 mm (3.0 in.) prior to cutting to length.
2. (1998) The term lot used here applies to all tubes prior to cutting to length of the same nominal size and wall thickness which are provided from the same heat of steel. When final heat treatment is in a batch-type furnace, a heat-treatment lot is to include only those tubes of the same size and from the same heat which are heat-treated in the same furnace charge. When the final heat treatment is in a continuous furnace, the number of tubes of the same size and from the same heat in a lot is to be determined from the size of the tubes as prescribed below.
Size of Tube | Size of Lot
--- | ---
50.8 mm (2.0 in.) and over in outside diameter and 5.1 mm (0.2 in.) and over in wall thickness | Not more than 50 tubes
Less than 50.8 mm (2.0 in.) but over 25.4 mm (1.0 in.) in outside diameter or over 25.4 mm (1.0 in.) in outside diameter and under 5.1 mm (0.2 in.) in wall thickness | Not more than 75 tubes
25.4 mm (1.0 in.) or less in outside diameter | Not more than 125 tubes

3 In lieu of the hydrostatic pressure test, a nondestructive electric test may be used. See 2-3-5/33.
4 The term lot used here applies to all tubes prior to cutting to length of the same nominal size and wall thickness which are produced from the same heat of steel. When final heat treatment is in a batch-type furnace, a heat-treatment lot is to include only those tubes of the same size and from the same heat which are heat-treated in the same furnace charge. When the final heat treatment is in a continuous furnace, a lot is to include all tubes of the same size and heat, heat treated in the same furnace at the same temperature, time at heat, and furnace speed.

### TABLE 3

**Tensile Properties of Tubes (1998)**

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<td>365</td>
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<td>kgf/mm²</td>
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<td>Deduction in elongation for each 0.8 mm (0.031 in.) decrease in wall thickness below 7.9 mm (0.313 in.) on longitudinal strip tests</td>
<td>1.50</td>
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*No tensile tests are required for these grades, the data is given for design purposes only.*
TABLE 4
Permissible Variations in Outside Diameter for Tubes (1)

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<th>Millimeters</th>
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<td>101.6 and under</td>
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<td>Over 101.6 to 190.5 inclusive</td>
<td>0.4</td>
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<tr>
<td>Over 190.5 to 228.6 inclusive</td>
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<tr>
<td>Seamless, Cold-drawn Tubes (2) and Welded Tubes:</td>
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<tr>
<td>Under 25.4 (3)</td>
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<tr>
<td>25.4 to 28.1 inclusive (3)</td>
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<td>63.5 to 76.2 exclusive</td>
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<td>Over 190.5 to 228.6 inclusive</td>
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<th>Inches</th>
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<td>Over</td>
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<td>Seamless, Hot-finished Tubes:</td>
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<tr>
<td>4 and under</td>
<td>1/64</td>
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<tr>
<td>Over 4 to 7.5 inclusive</td>
<td>1/64</td>
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<tr>
<td>Over 7.5 to 9 inclusive</td>
<td>1/64</td>
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<td>Seamless, Cold-drawn Tubes (2) ; and Welded Tubes:</td>
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<tr>
<td>Under 1 (3)</td>
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<td>1 to 1.5 inclusive (3)</td>
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<td>Over 4 to 7.5 inclusive</td>
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<tr>
<td>Over 7.5 to 9 inclusive</td>
<td>0.015</td>
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</tbody>
</table>

Notes
1. The permissible variations in outside diameters apply only to the tubes as rolled or drawn and before swaging, expanding, bending, polishing or other fabricating operations.
2. (1998) Thin wall tubes usually develop significant ovality during final annealing or straightening. Thin wall tubes are those with a wall of 0.5mm (0.020 in.) or less, those with a specified outside diameter equal to or less than 50.8mm (2 in.) and with a wall thickness of 2% of the specified outside diameter or less, and those with a specified outside diameter of greater than 50.8mm (2 in.) and with a wall thickness of 3% of the specified outside diameter or less. The ovality allowance is 2% of the specified outside diameter for tubes over 25.4mm (1 in.) and is 0.5mm (0.020 in.) for tubes with the specified outside diameter equal to and less than 25.4mm (1 in.). In all cases, the average outside diameter must comply with the permissible variation allowed by this table.
3. (1998) Grade R and S austenitic stainless steel tube has an ovality allowance for all sizes less than 50.8 mm (2 in.) outside diameter. The allowance provides that the maximum and minimum diameter at any cross section is not to deviate from the nominal diameter by more than ±0.25 mm (±0.010 in.). In the event of conflict between the permissible variation allowed by this note and note 2, the larger ovality tolerance will apply. In all cases, the average outside diameter must comply with the permissible variation allowed by this table.
PART 2

CHAPTER 3 Materials for Machinery, Boilers, Pressure Vessels, and Piping

SECTION 6 Boiler Rivet and Staybolt Steel and Rivets

Note In substantial agreement with ASTM A31 Boiler Rivet Steel and Rivets.

1 Process of Manufacture

The steel is to be made by one or more of the following processes: open-hearth, basic-oxygen or electric-furnace. All such bars and rivets will be surface inspected at the mills by the Surveyor when specially requested by the purchaser. They are to be free from defects and have a workmanlike finish.

3 Marking and Retests

3.1 Manufacturer’s Markings

The bars and rivets, when loaded for shipment, are to be properly separated in bundles or containers marked with the name or brand of the manufacturer, the letter indicating the grade of steel and heat number of identification.

3.3 Bureau Markings

The Bureau markings, indicating satisfactory compliance with the Rule requirements, and as furnished by the Surveyor are to be marked on the material or on each bundle or container near the marking specified in 2-3-6/3.1.

3.5 Retests

When the result of any of the physical tests specified for any of the material does not conform to the requirements, two additional specimens may, at the request of the manufacturer, be taken from the same lot and tested in the manner specified, but in such case, both of the specimens must conform to the requirements. In the case of tension tests, this retest is to be allowed if the percent of elongation obtained is less than required.
5 Tensile Properties

The material is to conform to the following requirements as to tensile properties.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Grade</th>
<th>Grade A</th>
<th>Grade B</th>
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<tr>
<td>Tensile Strength N/mm² (kgf/mm², psi)</td>
<td>310–380 (31.5–39, 45000–55000)</td>
<td>400–470 (41–48, 58000–68000)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Yield Point, min., N/mm² (kgf/mm², psi)</td>
<td>155 (16, 23000)</td>
<td>195 (20, 29000)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Elongation in 200 mm (8 in.), min., %</td>
<td>27</td>
<td>22</td>
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</table>

7 Bending Properties

The test specimen for Grade A steel is to stand being bent cold through 180 degrees flat on itself without cracking on the outside of the bent portion. The test specimen for Grade B steel is to stand being bent cold through 180 degrees without cracking on the outside of the bent portion; as follows: for material 19.1 mm (0.75 in.) and under in diameter, around an inside diameter which is equal to one-half the diameter of the specimen; for material over 19.1 mm (0.75 in.) in diameter, around an inside diameter which is equal to the diameter of the specimen.

9 Test Specimens

Bend and tension test specimens are to be the full diameter of the bars as rolled and, in the case of rivet bars which have been cold-drawn, the test specimens shall be normalized before testing.

11 Number of Tests

Two tension and two cold-bend tests are to be made from each heat.

13 Tests of Finished Rivets

13.1 Bending Properties

The rivet shank of Grade A steel is to stand being bent cold through 180 degrees flat on itself without cracking on the outside of the bent portion. The rivet shank of Grade B steel is to stand being bent cold through 180 degrees without cracking on the outside of the bent portion, as follows: for material 19.1 mm (0.75 in.) and under in diameter, around an inside diameter which is equal to the diameter of the shank; for material over 19.1 mm (0.75 in.) in diameter, around an inside diameter which is equal to one and one-half times the diameter of the shank.

13.3 Flattening Tests

The rivet head is to stand being flattened, while hot, to a diameter two and one-half times the diameter of the shank without cracking at the edges.

13.5 Number of Tests

Three bend and three flattening tests are to be made from each size in each lot of rivets offered for inspection.
PART 2

CHAPTER 3 Materials for Machinery, Boilers, Pressure Vessels, and Piping

SECTION 7 Steel Machinery Forgings

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1.1.1 General
The following requirements cover carbon-steel forgings intended to be used in machinery construction. The steel is to be fully killed and is to be made by one or more of the following processes: open-hearth, basic-oxygen, electric-furnace, or such other process as may be approved. The cross-sectional area of the main body of the unmachined, finished forging is not to exceed one-third of the area of the ingot; palms, flanges and similar enlargements on the forging are not to exceed two-thirds of the area of the ingot or slab; A sufficient discard is to be made from each ingot to secure freedom from piping and undue segregation.

1.1.2 Chemical Composition
An analysis of each heat is to be made to determine the percentages of the elements specified. The chemical composition thus determined is to be reported to the Surveyor and is to conform to the requirements of 2-3-7/Table 1. The carbon content of Grades 2, 3 and 4 is not to exceed 0.35% unless specially approved. The carbon content of Grade 4C is not to exceed 0.55%. Welding of Grade 4C is not permitted unless specially approved. Specially approved grades having more than the maximum specified carbon are to have S marked after the grade designation.

1.1.3 ASTM Designations
The grades are in substantial agreement with ASTM as follows: 

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<tr>
<th>ABS Grade</th>
<th>ASTM Designation</th>
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<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>A668, Class B</td>
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<td>A668, Class D</td>
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<td>4</td>
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<td>4C</td>
<td>A668, Class E</td>
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</table>
1.3 Marking, Retests and Rejection

1.3.1 Marking
In addition to appropriate identification markings of the manufacturer, Bureau markings, indicating satisfactory compliance with the Rule requirements, and as furnished by the Surveyor, are to be stamped on all forgings in such locations as to be discernable after machining and installation. In addition Grade 2, Grade 3, Grade 4, and Grade 4C forgings are to be stamped AB/2, AB/3, AB/4 and AB/4C, respectively.

1.3.2 Retests
If the results of the mechanical tests for any forging or any lot of forgings do not conform to the requirements specified, a retest may be carried out in accordance with 2-3-1/9 or the manufacturer may re-treat the forgings in accordance with 2-3-1/1.5.6. After re-heat treating, the forgings are to be submitted for all mechanical testing.

1.3.3 Rejection
Any forging having injurious discontinuities that are observed prior to or subsequent to acceptance at the manufacturer’s plant is to be subject to rejection.

1.5 Heat treatment

1.5.1 General
Unless a departure for the following procedures is specifically approved, Grade 2 and 3 forgings are to be annealed, normalized or normalized and tempered. Grade 4 and 4C forgings are to be normalized and tempered or double-normalized and tempered. The furnace is to be of ample proportions to bring the forgings to a uniform temperature.

1.5.2 Cooling Prior to Heat Treatment
After forging and before reheating for heat treatment, the forgings are allowed to cool in a manner to prevent injury and to accomplish transformation. The cooling rate is to be approximately 55°C (100°F) per hour until temperature below 315°C (600°F) is reached.

1.5.3 Annealing
The forgings are to be reheated to and held at the proper austenitizing temperature for a sufficient time to effect the desired transformation and then be allowed to cool slowly and evenly in the furnace until the temperature has fallen to about 455°C (850°F) or lower.

1.5.4 Normalizing
The forgings are to be reheated to and held at the proper temperature above the transformation range for a sufficient time to effect the desired transformation and then withdrawn from the furnace and allowed to cool in air. Water sprays and air blasts may be specially approved for use to achieve more rapid cooling. The faster cooling rates are to be agreed by the purchaser.

1.5.5 Tempering
The forgings are to be reheated to and held at the proper temperature, which will be below the transformation range, and are then to be cooled under suitable conditions to 315°C (600°F) or lower.

1.5.6 Retreatment
The manufacturer may re-heat treat the forging, but not more than three additional times.
**1.7 Tensile Properties**

The forging tensile properties are to conform the requirements of 2-3-7/Table 2

**1.9 Test Specimens**

1.9.1 Location and Orientation of Specimens

Mechanical properties are to be determined from test specimens taken from prolongations having a sectional area not less than the body of the forging. Specimens may be taken in a direction parallel to the axis of the forging in the direction in which the metal is most drawn out or may be taken transversely. The axes of longitudinal specimens are to be located at any point midway between the center and the surface of the solid forgings and at any point midway between the inner and outer surfaces of the wall of hollow forgings. The axes of transverse specimens may be located close to the surface of the forgings. In the cases of reduction gears ring forgings, reduction gear pinions and gear forgings, and reduction gear shaft forgings, the test specimen location and orientation are specified in 2-3-7/1.11.1(d), 2-3-7/1.11.1(e) and 2-3-7/1.11.1(f) respectively. Test results from other locations may be specially approved, provided appropriate supporting information is presented, which indicates that the specified location will be in conformity with the specified tensile properties.

1.9.2 Hollow-drilled Specimens

In lieu of prolongations, the test specimens may be taken from forgings submitted for each test lot; or if satisfactory to the Surveyor, test specimens, may be taken from forgings with a hollow drill.

1.9.3 Very Small Forgings

In the cases of very small forgings weighing less than 113 kg (250 lb) each, where the foregoing procedures are impractical, a special forging may be made for the purpose of obtaining test specimens, provided the Surveyor is satisfied that these test specimens are representative of the forgings submitted for test. In such cases the special forgings should be subjected to the same amount of working and reduction as the forgings represented and should be heat-treated with those forgings.

1.9.4 Identification of Specimens

The test specimens are not to be detached from the forgings until the final heat treatment of the forgings has been completed and test specimens have been stamped by the Surveyor for identification. Where the material identification system of the manufacturer is found acceptable to the Bureau and is maintained in that condition through initial and periodical verification by the Bureau, it may be considered in lieu of stamping by the Surveyor before detachment.

**1.11 Number and Location of Tests**

1.11.1 Tension Test

1.11.1(a) Large Forgings. In the case of large forgings with rough machined weights of 3180 kg (7000 lb) or over, one tension test specimen is to be taken from each end of the forging. In the case of ring and hollow cylindrical forgings, the two tensile test specimens may be taken 180 degrees apart from the same end of the forging.

1.11.1(b) Intermediate-Sized Forgings. In the case of forgings with rough machined weights less than 3180 kg (7000 lb), except as noted in the following paragraph, at least one tension test specimen is to be taken form each forging.
1.11.1(c) Small Forgings. In the case of small forgings with rough machined weights less than 2270 kg (5000 lb), one tension test specimen may be taken from one forging as representative of a lot provided the forgings in the lot are of a similar size, are of one grade and kind only, are made from the same heat and are heat-treated in the same furnace charge. The maximum lot size for testing purposes is twenty-five (25) forgings.

1.11.1(d) Reduction Gear Ring Forgings. In the case of ring forgings for reduction gears, two tension tests are to be taken 180 degrees apart from a full-size prolongation left on one end of each individual forging or both ends of each multiple forging. Test specimens are to be in a tangential orientation at mid-wall of the ring as close as practical to the end of the rough machined surface of the forging.

1.11.1(e) Reduction Gear Pinion and Gear Forgings. In the case of pinion and gear forgings for reduction gears, the tension test is to be taken in the longitudinal or tangential orientation from a location as close as practical to the mid-radius location of the main body (toothed portion) of solid forgings or the mid-wall of bored forgings. Extending the axial length of the main body (toothed portion) of the forging for a sufficient distance would be an acceptable location for tension specimen removal.

1.11.1(f) Reduction Gear Shaft Forgings. In the case of shaft forgings for reduction gears, the tension test is to be taken in the longitudinal direction at the mid-radius location of a full size prolongation.

1.11.2 Hardness Tests

1.11.2(a) Large, Intermediate and Small Sized Forgings. Each forging except those with rough machined weights of less than 113 kg (250 lbs) is to be hardness tested to meet the following requirements. The variation in hardness of any forging is not to exceed 30 Brinell Hardness numbers.

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<th>ABS Grade</th>
<th>Hardness, BHN, Minimum, (10 mm dia. ball, 3000 kg load)</th>
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<td>2</td>
<td>120</td>
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<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>150</td>
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<tr>
<td>4, 4C</td>
<td>170</td>
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</table>

1.11.2(b) Reduction Gear Forgings. In the case of ring forgings for reduction gears, Brinell hardness tests are to be taken at approximately 1/4 of the radial thickness from the outside diameter and in accordance with the following frequency and locations:

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<thead>
<tr>
<th>Outside Diameter, cm.(in)</th>
<th>Number of Hardness Tests</th>
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<tr>
<td>To 102 (40)</td>
<td>1 on each end, 180 degrees apart</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>102 to 203 (40 to 80)</td>
<td>2 on each end, 180 degrees apart</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>203 to 305 (80 to 120)</td>
<td>3 on each end, 120 degrees apart</td>
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<tr>
<td>Over 305 (120)</td>
<td>4 on each end, 90 degrees apart</td>
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</table>

1.11.2(c) Reduction Gear Pinion and Gear Forgings. In the case of pinion and gear forgings with diameters 203 mm (8 in) and over, four Brinell hardness tests are to be made on the outside surface of that portion of the forging on which teeth will be cut, two tests being made on each helix 180 degrees apart and the tests on the two Helices are to be 90 degrees apart. On each forging under 203 mm (8 in) in diameter, two Brinell hardness tests are to be made on each helix 180 degrees apart. Hardness tests are to be taken at the quarter-face width of the toothed portion diameter.
1.11.2(d) Disc, Ring and Hollow Forgings. Each forging except those with rough machined weights of less than 113 kg (250 lbs) is to be hardness tested to meet the requirements of 2-3-7/1.11.2(a). Forgings are to be tested at the approximate mid-radius and 180 degrees apart on each flat surface of the forging; the testing locations on opposite sides are to be offset by 90 degrees.

1.11.2(e) Very Small Forgings. In cases involving very small forgings weighing less than 113 kg (250 lb) each, where the foregoing procedures are impractical, the hardness tests may be made from broken tension test specimens, or on a special forging representing the lot; see 2-3-7/1.9.3.

1.13 Inspection

All forgings are to be inspected by the Surveyor after the final heat treatment and they are to be found free from defects.

1.13.1 Surface Inspection of Tail Shaft Forgings

All tail shaft forgings are to be subjected to a nondestructive examination such as magnetic particle, dye penetrant or other nondestructive method. Discontinuities are to be removed to the satisfaction of the Surveyor. (See 4-3-2/3.7.3 of the Rules for Building and Classing Steel Vessels, for surface inspection requirements in finished machined condition.)

1.13.2 Ultrasonic Examination of Tail Shaft Forgings

Forgings for tail shafts 455 mm (18 in.) and over in finished diameter are to be ultrasonically examined to the satisfaction of the attending Surveyor. Conformity with the Bureau’s separately issued Guideline for Ultrasonic Examination of Carbon Steel Forgings for Tail Shafts, or equivalent, will be considered to meet this requirement.

3 Alloy Steel Gear Assembly Forgings (2000)

3.1 Process of Manufacture

3.1.1 General

The following requirements cover gear and pinion alloy steel forgings intended to be used principally for propulsion units and auxiliary turbines. Typical components include forging rims and blanks for steel gears and pinions, used in shipboard gear assemblies. The steel is to be fully killed and is to be made by one or more of the following processes: open-hearth, basic-oxygen, electric-furnace or such other processes as may be approved. The cross-sectional area of the main body of the unmachined, finished forging is not to exceed one-third of the area of the ingot or slab; palms, flanges and similar enlargements on the forging are not to exceed two-thirds of the area of the ingot. A sufficient discard is to be made from each ingot to secure freedom from piping and undue segregation. The forging process is to have ample power to adequately flow the metal within the maximum cross-section of the forging.

3.1.2 Chemical Composition

An analysis of each heat is to be made to determine the percentages of the elements specified. The chemical composition thus determined is to be reported to the Surveyor and is to conform to the requirements of 2-3-7/Table 3. The analysis is to be carried out with a coupon cast during the pouring of the heat.
3.1.3 ASTM Designations

The grades are in substantial agreement with ASTM as follows:

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<tr>
<th>ABS Grade</th>
<th>ASTM Designation</th>
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<tr>
<td>A1</td>
<td>A291 Class 2</td>
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<td>A2</td>
<td>A291 Class 3</td>
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<td>A3</td>
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<td>A291 Class 6</td>
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<td>A6</td>
<td>A291 Class 7</td>
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3.3 Marking, Retests and Rejection

3.3.1 Marking

In addition to appropriate identification markings of the manufacturer, Bureau markings, indicating satisfactory compliance with the Rule requirements, and as furnished by the Surveyor, are to be stamped on all forgings in such locations as to be discernable after machining and installation. In addition, Grade A1 through Grade A6 forgings are to be stamped AB/A1, AB/A2, AB/A3, AB/A4, AB/A5, and AB/A6, respectively.

3.3.2 Retests

If the results of the mechanical tests for any forging or any lot of forgings do not conform to the requirements specified, a retest may be carried out in accordance with 2-3-7/9 or 2-1-2/11.7, or the manufacturer may re-treat the forgings in accordance with 2-3-7/3.5.7. After re-heat treating, the forgings are to be submitted for all mechanical testing.

3.3.3 Rejection

Any forging having injurious discontinuities that are observed prior to or subsequent to acceptance at the manufacturer's plant is to be subject to rejection.

3.5 Heat Treatment

3.5.1 General

The required heat treatment for each forging grade is as follows:

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<tr>
<th>Grade</th>
<th>Heat Treatment</th>
<th>Temperature, in °C (°F)</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>A1</td>
<td>Quench + Temper</td>
<td>620 (1150)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>A2</td>
<td>Quench + Temper</td>
<td>580 (1075)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>A3</td>
<td>Quench + Temper</td>
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</tr>
<tr>
<td>A4</td>
<td>Quench + Temper</td>
<td>565 (1050)</td>
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<td>A6</td>
<td>Quench + Temper</td>
<td>565 (1050)</td>
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</table>

Alternative heat treatment procedures may be specially approved with due consideration given to the section thickness and the intended function of the forged component. The furnace is to be of ample proportions to bring the forgings to a uniform temperature.
3.5.2 Cooling Prior to Heat Treatment
After forging and before reheating for heat treatment, the forgings are allowed to cool in a manner to prevent injury and to accomplish transformation. The cooling rate is to be approximately 55°C (100°F) per hour until temperature below 315°C (600°F) is reached.

3.5.3 Annealing
The forgings are to be reheated to and held at the proper austenitizing temperature for a sufficient time to effect the desired transformation and then be allowed to cool slowly and evenly in the furnace until the temperature has fallen to about 455°C (850°F) or lower.

3.5.4 Normalizing
The forgings are to be reheated to and held at the proper temperature above the transformation range for a sufficient time to effect the desired transformation and then withdrawn from the furnace and allowed to cool in air.

3.5.5 Tempering
The forgings are to be reheated to and held at the proper temperature, which is to be below the transformation range but above the minimum temperature in 2-3-7/3.5.1, and are then to be cooled at a rate not exceeding 100°F (55°C) per hour until temperature below 315°C (600°F) is reached.

3.5.6 Stress Relieving
Where heat treatment for mechanical properties is carried out before final machining, the forgings are to be stress relieved at a temperature 28°C (50°F) to 55°C (100°F) below the previous tempering temperature, but in no case less than 540°C (1000°F). The cooling rate is not to exceed 100°F (55°C) per hour until temperature below 315°C (600°F) is reached.

3.5.7 Retreatment
The manufacturer may re-heat treat the forging, but not more than three additional times.

3.7 Mechanical Properties

3.7.1 Tensile Properties
The forging tensile properties are to conform to the requirements of 2-3-7/Table 4.

3.7.2 Hardness
Each forging except those with rough machined weights of less than 113 kg (250 lbs) is to be hardness tested to meet the following requirements.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>ABS Grade</th>
<th>Hardness, BHN, (10 mm dia. ball, 3000 kg load)</th>
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<tr>
<td>A1</td>
<td>201 to 241</td>
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<td>A2</td>
<td>223 to 262</td>
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<td>A3</td>
<td>248 to 293</td>
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<td>A4</td>
<td>285 to 331</td>
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<tr>
<td>A5</td>
<td>302 to 352</td>
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<tr>
<td>A6</td>
<td>341 to 415</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
3.9 Test Specimens

3.9.1 Location and Orientation of Specimens
Mechanical properties are to be determined from tensile test specimens taken from prolongations having a sectional area not less than the body of the forging. The tensile test specimens may be taken in a direction parallel to the axis of the forging in the direction in which the metal is most drawn out or tangential to that direction, as indicated by the ductility requirements in 2-3-7/Table 4. The axes of the longitudinal specimens are to be located at any point 32 mm (1.25 in) below the surface of the forging. The axes of the tangential specimens are to be located as near to the surface of the forging as practicable. In the cases of reduction gear ring forgings, reduction gear pinions and gear forgings, and reduction gear shaft forgings, the test specimen location and orientation are specified in 2-3-7/3.9.3(d), 2-3-7/3.9.3(e) and 2-3-7/3.9.3(f) respectively.

3.9.2 Identification of Specimens
The test specimens are not to be detached from the forgings until the final heat treatment of the forgings has been completed and test specimens have been stamped by the Surveyor for identification. Where the material identification system of the manufacturer is found acceptable to the Bureau and is maintained in that condition through initial and periodical verification by the Bureau, it may be considered in lieu of stamping by the Surveyor before detachment.

3.9.3 Tension Tests
3.9.3(a) Large Forgings. In the case of large forgings with rough machined weights of 3180 kg (7000 lb) or over, one tension test is to be taken from each end of the forging. In the case of ring and hollow cylindrical forgings, the tests may be taken 180 degrees apart from the same end of the forging.

3.9.3(b) Intermediate-Sized Forgings. In the case of forgings with rough machined weights less than 3180 kg (7000 lb), except as noted in the following paragraph, at least one tension test is to be taken from each forging.

3.9.3(c) Small Forgings. In the case of small forgings with rough machined weights less than 227 kg (500 lb), one tension test may be taken from one forging as representative of a lot provided the forgings in the lot are of a similar size, are of one grade and kind only, are made from the same heat and are heat-treated in the same furnace charge. The maximum lot size for testing purposes is twenty-five (25) forgings.

3.9.3(d) Reduction Gear Ring Forgings. In the case of ring forgings for reduction gears, two tension tests are to be taken 180 degrees apart from a full-size prolongation left on one end of each individual forging or both ends of each multiple forging. Test specimens are to be in a tangential orientation as close as practical to the end of the rough machined surface of the forging.

3.9.3(e) Reduction Gear Pinion and Gear Forgings. In the case of pinion and gear forgings for reduction gears, the tests are to be taken in the longitudinal or tangential orientation. Extending the axial length of the main body (toothed portion) of the forging for a sufficient distance would be an acceptable location for test specimen removal.

3.9.3(f) Reduction Gear Shaft Forgings. In the case of shaft forgings for reduction gears, the tests are to be taken in the longitudinal direction from a full size prolongation.

3.9.4 Hardness
3.9.4(a) Large, Intermediate and Small Sized Forgings. Each forging except those with rough machined weights of less than 113 kg (250 lbs) is to be hardness tested.
3.9.4(b) Reduction Gear Forgings. In the case of ring forgings for reduction gears, Brinell hardness tests are to be taken at approximately \( \frac{1}{4} \) of the radial thickness from the outside diameter and in accordance with the following frequency and locations:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Outside Diameter, cm.(in)</th>
<th>Number of Hardness Tests</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>To 102 (40)</td>
<td>1 on each end, 180 degrees apart</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>102 to 203 (40 to 80)</td>
<td>2 on each end, 180 degrees apart</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>203 to 305 (80 to 120)</td>
<td>3 on each end, 120 degrees apart</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Over 305 (120)</td>
<td>4 on each end, 90 degrees apart</td>
</tr>
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</table>

3.9.4(c) Reduction Gear Pinion and Gear Forgings. In the case of pinion and gear forgings with diameters 203 mm (8 in) and over, four Brinell hardness tests are to be made on the outside surface of that portion of the forging on which teeth will be cut, two tests being made on each helix 180 degrees apart and the tests on the two helices are to be 90 degrees apart. On each forging under 203 mm (8 in) in diameter, two Brinell hardness tests are to be made on each helix 180 degrees apart. Hardness tests are to be taken at the quarter-face width of the toothed portion diameter.

3.9.4(d) Reduction Gear Shaft Forgings. In the case of shaft forgings for reduction gears, two hardness tests at each end, spaced at 180 degrees apart are to be taken.

3.11 Inspection

After final heat treatment, all forgings are to be inspected by the Surveyor and found free from defects. The finish is to be free of cracks, seams, laps, cold shuts, laminations, shrinkage and burst indications.

5 Alloy Steel Shaft and Stock Forgings (2000)

5.1 Process of Manufacture

5.1.1 General

The following requirements cover shaft and stock alloy steel forgings intended to be used principally for propulsion units and stock type applications. Typical components include tailshafts, intermediate shafts, thrust shafts, other torsional shafts, sleeves, couplings, propeller nuts, rudder stocks, canard stocks, used in shipboard units. The steel is to be fully killed and is to be made by one or more of the following processes: open-hearth, basic-oxygen, electric-furnace or such other processes as may be approved. The cross-sectional area of the main body of the unmachined, finished forging is not to exceed one-third of the area of the ingot or slab; palms, flanges and similar enlargements on the forging are not to exceed two-thirds of the area of the ingot. A sufficient discard is to be made from each ingot to secure freedom from piping and undue segregation. The forging process is to have ample power to adequately flow the metal within the maximum cross-section of the forging.

5.1.2 Chemical Composition

An analysis of each heat is to be made to determine the percentages of the elements specified. The chemical composition thus determined is to be reported to the Surveyor and is to conform to the requirements of 2-3-7/Table 5. The analysis is to be carried out with a coupon cast during the pouring of the heat.
5.1.3 Product Analysis
The forgings are to be subjected to a product chemical analysis and meet the requirements of 2-3-7/Table 5, as modified by the product variation requirements specified in A778, General Requirements for Steel Forgings.

5.1.4 ASTM Designations
The grades are in substantial agreement with ASTM as follows:

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<tr>
<th>ABS Grade</th>
<th>ASTM Designation</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>A7</td>
<td>A470 Class 2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>A8</td>
<td>A470 Class 4</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>A9</td>
<td>A470 Class 6</td>
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<tr>
<td>A10</td>
<td>A470 Class 7</td>
</tr>
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</table>

5.3 Marking, Retests and Rejection

5.3.1 Marking
In addition to appropriate identification markings of the manufacturer, Bureau markings, indicating satisfactory compliance with the Rule requirements, and as furnished by the Surveyor, are to be stamped on all forgings in such locations as to be discernable after machining and installation. In addition, Grade A7 through Grade A10 forgings are to be stamped AB/A7, AB/A8, AB/A9 and AB/A10 respectively.

5.3.2 Retests
If the results of the mechanical tests for any forging or any lot of forgings do not conform to the requirements specified, a retest may be carried out in accordance with 2-3-1/9 or 2-1-2/11.7, or the manufacturer may re-treat the forgings in accordance with 2-3-7/5.5.7. After re-heat treating, the forgings are to be submitted for all mechanical testing.

5.3.3 Rejection
Any forging having injurious discontinuities that are observed prior to or subsequent to acceptance at the manufacturer’s plant is to be subject to rejection.

5.5 Heat Treatment

5.5.1 General
The required heat treatment for each forging grade is as follows:

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<tr>
<th>Grade</th>
<th>Heat Treatment</th>
<th>Temperature, in °C (°F)</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>A7</td>
<td>Double Normalize + Temper</td>
<td>580 (1075)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>A8</td>
<td>Double Normalize + Temper</td>
<td>580 (1075)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>A9</td>
<td>Normalize, Quench + Temper</td>
<td>580 (1075)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>A10</td>
<td>Normalize, Quench + Temper</td>
<td>580 (1075)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Alternative heat treatment procedures may be specially approved with due consideration given to the section thickness and the intended function of the forged component. The furnace is to be of ample proportions to bring the forgings to a uniform temperature.
5.5.2 Cooling Prior to Heat Treatment
After forging and before reheating for heat treatment, forgings are allowed to cool in a manner to prevent injury and to accomplish transformation. The cooling rate is to be approximately 55°C (100°F) per hour until temperature below 315°C (600°F) is reached.

5.5.3 Annealing
Forgings are to be reheated to and held at the proper austenitizing temperature for a sufficient time to effect the desired transformation and then be allowed to cool slowly and evenly in the furnace until the temperature has fallen to about 455°C (850°F) or lower.

5.5.4 Normalizing
Forgings are to be reheated to and held at the proper temperature above the transformation range for a sufficient time to effect the desired transformation and then withdrawn from the furnace and allowed to cool in air. Water sprays and air blasts may be specially approved for use with Grade A7 and A8 forgings to achieve more rapid cooling. The faster cooling rates are to be agreed by the purchaser.

5.5.5 Tempering
Forgings are to be reheated to and held at the proper temperature, which is to be below the transformation range but above the minimum temperature in 2-3-7/5.5.1, and are then to be cooled at a rate not exceeding 100°F (55°C) per hour until temperature below 315°C (600°F) is reached.

5.5.6 Stress Relieving
Where heat treatment for mechanical properties is carried out before final machining, the forgings are to be stress relieved at a temperature not more than 55°C (100°F) below the previous tempering temperature, but in no case less than 550°C (1025°F). The cooling rate is not to exceed 100°F (55°C) per hour until temperature below 315°C (600°F) is reached. Stress relieving may be used to augment tempering, in order to make final adjustments to the mechanical properties. If the stress relief temperature is within 14°C (25°F) of the final tempering temperature or higher for quenched and tempered steel, mechanical tests are to be made to assure that these temperatures have not adversely affected the mechanical properties of the steel.

5.5.7 Retreatment
The manufacturer may re-hear treat the forging, but not more than three additional times.

5.7 Mechanical Properties

5.7.1 Tensile Properties
The forging tensile properties are to conform to the requirements of 2-3-7/Table 4.

5.7.2 Hardness
Each forging except those with rough machined weights of less than 113 kg (250 lbs) is to be hardness tested to meet the following requirements. The variation in hardness of any forging is not to exceed 30 Brinell Hardness numbers.

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<tr>
<th>ABS Grade</th>
<th>Hardness, BHN, (10 mm dia. ball, 3000 kg load)</th>
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<tr>
<td>A7</td>
<td>163 to 207</td>
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<td>A8</td>
<td>223 to 262</td>
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<td>A9</td>
<td>223 to 262</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>A10</td>
<td>248 to 293</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
5.7.3 Charpy Impact
Charpy V-notch impact testing is not required for applications where the service design temperature is ambient.

5.7.4 Thermal Stability Test
The thermal stability test is not required for applications where the service design temperature is ambient.

5.9 Test Specimens

5.9.1 Location and Orientation of Specimens
Mechanical properties are to be determined from tensile test specimens taken from prolongations having a sectional area not less than the body of the forging. The tensile test specimens may be taken in a direction parallel to the axis of the forging in the direction in which the metal is most drawn out or may be taken in a radial direction, as indicated by the ductility requirements in 2-3-7/Table 4. The axes of the specimens are to be located at any point midway between the center and the surface of the solid forgings and at any point midway between the inner and outer surfaces of the wall of hollow forgings. In the cases of sleeves, couplings and nut forgings, the test specimen location and orientation are specified in 2-3-7/5.9.3(d).

5.9.2 Identification of Specimens
The test specimens are not to be detached from the forgings until the final heat treatment of the forgings has been completed and test specimens have been stamped by the Surveyor for identification. Where the material identification system of the manufacturer is found acceptable to the Bureau and is maintained in that condition through initial and periodical verification by the Bureau, it may be considered in lieu of stamping by the Surveyor before detachment.

5.9.3 Tension Tests
5.9.3(a) Large Forgings. In the case of large forgings with rough machined weights of 3180 kg (7000 lb) or over, one tension test is to be taken from each end of the forging. In the case of ring and hollow cylindrical forgings, the tests may be taken 180 degrees apart from the same end of the forging.

5.9.3(b) Intermediate-Sized Forgings. In the case of forgings with rough machined weights less than 3180 kg (7000 lb), except as noted in the following paragraph, at least one tension test is to be taken from each forging.

5.9.3(c) Small Forgings. In the case of small forgings with rough machined weights less than 2270 kg (5000 lb), one tension test may be taken from one forging as representative of a lot provided the forgings in the lot are of a similar size, are of one grade and kind only, are made from the same heat and are heat-treated in the same furnace charge. The maximum lot size for testing purposes is twenty-five (25) forgings.

5.9.3(d) Sleeves, Couplings and Nut Forgings. In the case of ring-type or cylinder-type forgings for use as sleeves, coupling or nuts, the tension test is to be taken from a full-size prolongation left on one end of each individual forging. Test specimens are to be in a longitudinal orientation at mid-wall of the ring or cylinder as close as practical to the end of the rough machined surface of the forging.

5.9.4 Hardness
5.9.4(a) Large, Intermediate and Small Sized Forgings. Each forging except those with rough machined weights of less than 113 kg (250 lbs) is to be hardness tested to meet the requirements of 2-3-7/5.7.2. The forging is to be tested at locations 180 degrees apart on each end.
5.9.4(b) Sleeves, Couplings and Nut Forgings. In the case of ring-type or cylinder-type forgings for use as sleeves, coupling or nuts, Brinell hardness tests are to be taken at approximately \( \frac{1}{4} \) of the radial thickness from the outside diameter and in accordance with the following frequency and locations:

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Outside Diameter, cm.(in)</th>
<th>Number of Hardness Tests</th>
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<tr>
<td>To 102 (40)</td>
<td>1 on each end, 180 degrees apart</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>102 to 203 (40 to 80)</td>
<td>2 on each end, 180 degrees apart</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

5.11 Inspection

After final heat treatment, all forgings are to be inspected by the Surveyor and they are to be found free from defects. The finish is to be free of cracks, seams, laps, cold shuts, laminations, shrinkage and burst indications. Surface or volumetric nondestructive examination is not required, except as detailed below.

5.11.1 Surface Inspection of Tail Shaft Forgings

All tail shaft forgings are to be subjected to a nondestructive examination such as magnetic particle, dye penetrant or other nondestructive method. Discontinuities are to be removed to the satisfaction of the Surveyor. (See 4-3-2/3.7.3, Rules for Building and Classing Steel Vessels for surface inspection requirements in finished machined condition.)

5.11.2 Ultrasonic Examination of Tail Shaft Forgings

Forgings for tail shafts 455 mm (18 in) and over in finished diameter are to be ultrasonically examined to the satisfaction of the attending Surveyor. Conformity with the Bureau’s separately issued, Guidelines for Ultrasonic Examination of Carbon Steel Forgings of Tail Shafts, or equivalent, will be considered to meet this requirement.

7 General Shipboard Alloy Steel Forgings (2000)

7.1 Process of Manufacture

7.1.1 General

The following requirements cover alloy steel forgings intended to be used for general shipboard applications. The steel is to be fully killed and is to be made by one or more of the following processes: open-hearth, basic-oxygen, electric-furnace or such other processes as may be approved. The cross-sectional area of the main body of the unmachined, finished forging is not to exceed one-third of the area of the ingot or slab; palms, flanges and similar enlargements on the forging are not to exceed two-thirds of the area of the ingot. A sufficient discard is to be made from each ingot to secure freedom from piping and undue segregation. The forging process is to have ample power to adequately flow the metal within the maximum cross-section of the forging.

7.1.2 Chemical Composition

An analysis of each heat is to be made to determine the percentages of the elements specified. The chemical composition thus determined is to be reported to the Surveyor and is to conform to the requirements of 2-3-7/Table 7. The analysis is to be carried out with a coupon cast during the pouring of the heat.
7.1.3 ASTM Designations

The grades are in substantial agreement with ASTM as follows:

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<tr>
<th>ABS Grade</th>
<th>ASTM Designation</th>
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<tr>
<td>A11</td>
<td>A668 Class J</td>
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<tr>
<td>A12</td>
<td>A668 Class K</td>
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<tr>
<td>A13</td>
<td>A668 Class L</td>
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<tr>
<td>A14</td>
<td>A668 Class M</td>
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<tr>
<td>A15</td>
<td>A668 Class N</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

7.3 Marking, Retests and Rejection

7.3.1 Marking

In addition to appropriate identification markings of the manufacturer, Bureau markings, indicating satisfactory compliance with the Rule requirements, and as furnished by the Surveyor, are to be stamped on all forgings in such locations as to be discernable after machining and installation. In addition, Grade A11 through Grade A15 forgings are to be stamped AB/A11, AB/A12, AB/A13, AB/A14 and AB/A15, respectively.

7.3.2 Retests

If the results of the mechanical tests for any forging or any lot of forgings do not conform to the requirements specified, a retest may be carried out in accordance with 2-3-1/9 or 2-1-2/11.7, or the manufacturer may re-treat the forgings in accordance with 2-3-7/7.5.6. After re-heat treating, the forgings are to be submitted for all mechanical testing.

7.3.3 Rejection

Any forging having injurious discontinuities that are observed prior to or subsequent to acceptance at the manufacturer’s plant is to be subject to rejection.

7.5 Heat Treatment

7.5.1 General

Unless a departure for the following procedures is specifically approved, Grade A11 forgings are to be normalized and tempered, or normalized, quenched and tempered. Grades A12, A13, A14 and A15 forgings are to be normalized, quenched and tempered. The furnace is to be of ample proportions to bring the forgings to a uniform temperature.

7.5.2 Cooling Prior to Heat Treatment

After forging and before reheating for heat treatment, forgings are allowed to cool in a manner to prevent injury and to accomplish transformation. The cooling rate is to be approximately 100°F (55°C) per hour until temperature below 315°C (600°F) is reached.

7.5.3 Annealing

Forgings are to be reheated to and held at the proper austenitizing temperature for a sufficient time to effect the desired transformation and then be allowed to cool slowly and evenly in the furnace until the temperature has fallen to about 455°C (850°F) or lower.

7.5.4 Normalizing

Forgings are to be reheated to and held at the proper temperature above the transformation range for a sufficient time to effect the desired transformation and then withdrawn from the furnace and allowed to cool in air. Water sprays and air blasts may be specially approved for use to achieve more rapid cooling. The faster cooling rates are to be agreed by the purchaser.
7.5.5 Tempering
Forgings are to be reheated to and held at the proper temperature, which will be below the transformation range, and are then to be cooled under suitable conditions to 315°C (600°F) or lower.

7.5.6 Retreatment
The manufacturer may re-heat treat the forging, but not more than three additional times.

7.7 Mechanical Properties

7.7.1 Tensile Properties
The forging tensile properties are to conform to the requirements of 2-3-7/Table 8.

7.7.2 Hardness
Each forging except those with rough machined weights of less than 113 kg (250 lbs) is to be hardness tested to meet the following requirements. The variation in hardness of Grade A11 forgings is not to exceed 40 Brinell Hardness numbers. The variation in hardness of Grades A12 forgings through A15 forgings is not to exceed 50 Brinell Hardness numbers.

<table>
<thead>
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<th>ABS Grade</th>
<th>Size, in mm (in)</th>
<th>Hardness, BHN, (10 mm dia. ball, 3000 kg load)</th>
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<tr>
<td>A11</td>
<td>≤ 180 (7)</td>
<td>197 to 255</td>
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<td>&gt; 180 (7), ≤ 255 (10)</td>
<td>187 to 235</td>
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<td>&gt; 255 (10), ≤ 510 (20)</td>
<td>187 to 255</td>
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<td>A12</td>
<td>≤ 180 (7)</td>
<td>212 to 269</td>
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<td>&gt; 180 (7), ≤ 510 (20)</td>
<td>207 to 269</td>
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<td>A13</td>
<td>≤ 100 (4)</td>
<td>255 to 321</td>
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<td></td>
<td>&gt; 100 (4), ≤ 180 (7)</td>
<td>235 to 302</td>
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<td>&gt; 180 (7), ≤ 510 (20)</td>
<td>223 to 293</td>
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<td>A14</td>
<td>≤ 100 (4)</td>
<td>293 to 352</td>
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<td></td>
<td>&gt; 100 (4), ≤ 180 (7)</td>
<td>285 to 341</td>
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<td>&gt; 180 (7), ≤ 255 (10)</td>
<td>269 to 331</td>
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<td></td>
<td>&gt; 255 (10), ≤ 510 (20)</td>
<td>269 to 341</td>
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<td>A15</td>
<td>≤ 180 (7)</td>
<td>331 to 401</td>
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<td>&gt; 180 (7), ≤ 255 (10)</td>
<td>321 to 388</td>
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<td></td>
<td>&gt; 255 (10), ≤ 510 (20)</td>
<td>321 to 402</td>
</tr>
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</table>

7.9 Mechanical Testing

7.9.1 Location and Orientation of Specimens
Mechanical properties are to be determined from tensile test specimens taken from prolongations having a sectional area not less than the body of the forging. The length of the prolongation is to be such that the distance from the test specimen mid-gage to the end of the prolongation is to be 89 mm (3.5 in) or one-half the forging section thickness or diameter, whichever is less. The tensile test specimens may be taken in a direction parallel to the axis of the forging in the direction in which the metal is most drawn out or tangential to that direction, as indicated by the ductility requirements in 2-3-7/Table 8. The axes of the specimens are to be located at any point midway between the center and the surface of the solid forgings and at any point midway between the inner and outer surfaces of the wall of hollow forgings.
7.9.2 Hollow-drilled Specimens
In lieu of prolongations, the test specimens may be taken from forgings submitted for each test lot; or if satisfactory to the Surveyor, test specimens, may be taken from forgings with a hollow drill.

7.9.3 Very Small Forgings
In the cases of very small forgings weighing less than 113 kg (250 lb) each, where the foregoing procedures are impractical, a special forging may be made for the purpose of obtaining test specimens, provided the Surveyor is satisfied that these test specimens are representative of the forgings submitted for test. In such cases the special forgings should be subjected to the same amount of working and reduction as the forgings represented and should be heat-treated with those forgings.

7.9.4 Identification of Specimens
The test specimens are not to be detached from the forgings until the final heat treatment of the forgings has been completed and test specimens have been stamped by the Surveyor for identification. Where the material identification system of the manufacturer is found acceptable to the Bureau and is maintained in that condition through initial and periodical verification by the Bureau, it may be considered in lieu of stamping by the Surveyor before detachment.

7.11 Number and Location of Tests

7.11.1 Tension Tests

7.11.1(a) Large Forgings. In the case of large forgings with rough machined weights of 3180 kg (7000 lb) or over, one tension test is to be taken from each end of the forging. In the case of ring and hollow cylindrical forgings the tests may be taken 180 degrees apart from the same end of the forging.

7.11.1(b) Intermediate-Sized Forgings. In the case of forgings with rough machined weights less than 3180 kg (7000 lb), except as noted in the following paragraph, at least one tension test is to be taken from each forging.

7.11.1(c) Small Forgings. In the case of small forgings with rough machined weights less than 2270 kg (5000 lb), one tension test may be taken from one forging as representative of a lot provided the forgings in the lot are of a similar size, are of one grade and kind only, are made from the same heat and are heat-treated in the same furnace charge. The maximum lot size for testing purposes is twenty-five (25) forgings.

7.11.1(d) Sleeves, Couplings and Nut Forgings. In the case of ring-type or cylinder-type forgings for use as sleeves, coupling or nuts, the tension test is to be taken from a full-size prolongation left on one end of each individual forging. Test specimens are to be in a longitudinal orientation at mid-wall of the ring or cylinder as close as practical to the end of the rough machined surface of the forging.

7.11.2 Hardness Tests

7.11.2(a) Large, Intermediate and Small Sized Forgings. Each forging except those with rough machined weights of less than 113 kg (250 lbs) is to be hardness tested to meet the requirements of 2-3-7/7.7.2. Forgings are to be tested at locations 180 degrees apart on each end.

7.11.2(b) Discs, Rings and Hollow Forgings. Each forging except those with rough machined weights of less than 113 kg (250 lbs) is to be hardness tested to meet the requirements of 2-3-7/7.7.2. Forgings are to be tested at the approximate mid-radius and 180 degrees apart on each flat surface of the forging; the testing locations on opposite sides are to be offset by 90 degrees.
7.11.2(c) **Very Small Forgings.** In cases involving very small forgings weighing less than 113 kg (250 lb) each, where the foregoing procedures are impractical, the hardness tests may be made from broken tension test specimens, or on a special forging representing the lot; see 2-3-7/7.9.3.

### 7.13 Inspection

After final heat treatment, all forgings are to be inspected by the Surveyor and found free from defects. The finish is to be free of scale, cracks, seams, laps, fins, cold shuts, laminations, nicks, gouges, pipe, shrinkage, porosity and burst indications.

#### TABLE 1

Chemical Composition Requirements \(^{(1)}\), in percent

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Element</th>
<th>Grade 2</th>
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<th>Grade 4</th>
<th>Grade 4C</th>
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<tr>
<td>Carbon</td>
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<td>0.35</td>
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<td>0.36 to 0.55</td>
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<td>1.35</td>
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<tr>
<td>Silicon (^{(2)})</td>
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<td>0.10 min.</td>
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<td>Sulfur</td>
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<td>0.050</td>
<td>0.050</td>
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<tr>
<td>Phosphorus</td>
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**Note:**

1. Single values are maxima, unless noted.
2. Silicon minimum is applicable if the steel is silicon killed.
### TABLE 2
Tensile Property Requirements $^{(1)}$
for Carbon-steel Machinery Forgings

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Grade</th>
<th>Size, in mm (in)</th>
<th>Tensile Strength $^{(2)}$ in N/mm² (kgf/mm², ksi)</th>
<th>Yield Strength $^{(3)}$ in N/mm² (kgf/mm², ksi)</th>
<th>Longitudinal $^{(4)}$ Elongation (5), in percent</th>
<th>RA, in percent</th>
<th>Tangential $^{(4)}$ Elongation (5), in percent</th>
<th>RA, in percent</th>
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<td>≤ 300 (12)</td>
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<td>4, 4C</td>
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**Notes:**

1. All tensile property requirements are minima, unless indicated.
2. In the case of large forgings requiring two tension tests, the range of tensile strength is not to exceed 70 N/mm² (7 kgf/mm², 10000 psi).
3. Yield strength is determined by the 0.2% offset method.
4. When tangential specimens are taken from wheels, rings, rims, discs, etc. in which the major final hot working is in the tangential direction, the tension test results are to meet the requirements for longitudinal specimens.
5. Elongation gage length is 50 mm (2 in); see 2-3-1/Figure 2.

RA = Reduction of Area
### TABLE 3
Chemical Composition Requirements (1), in percent

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<tr>
<th>Element</th>
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<th>Grades A3, A4, A5 and A6</th>
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<td>0.40 to 0.90</td>
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<td>0.040</td>
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<td>Phosphorus</td>
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<td>0.040</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Nickel</td>
<td>Note (3)</td>
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<td>1.65 min.</td>
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<td>Note (3)</td>
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<td>0.60 min.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Molybdenum</td>
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<td>0.15 min.</td>
<td>0.20 to 0.60</td>
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<td>Copper</td>
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<td>Vanadium</td>
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Notes:

1. Single values are maxima, unless noted.
2. If the steel is vacuum-carbon deoxidized, the silicon content is to be 0.10 maximum.
3. The nickel, chromium and molybdenum contents are to be specially approved.
### TABLE 4
Tensile Property Requirements (1)

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<tr>
<th>Grade</th>
<th>Diameter, in mm (in)</th>
<th>Tensile Strength (1), in N/mm² (kgf/mm², ksi)</th>
<th>Yield Strength (2), in N/mm² (kgf/mm², ksi)</th>
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<th>Tangential</th>
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<td>655 (67, 95)</td>
<td>485 (49, 70)</td>
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**Notes:**
1. All tensile property requirements are minima, unless indicated.
2. Yield strength is determined by the 0.2% offset method.
3. Elongation gage length is 50 mm (2 in); see 2-3-1/Figure 2
4. RA = Reduction of Area
# TABLE 5
Chemical Composition Requirements (1), in percent

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<th>Grade A7</th>
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<td>Silicon</td>
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<td>0.15 to 0.30 (2)</td>
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<td>Phosphorus</td>
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<td>3.25 to 4.00</td>
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<td>Chromium</td>
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<td>1.25 to 2.00</td>
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<td>Molybdenum</td>
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<td>0.05 to 0.15</td>
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<td>Antimony</td>
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Notes:
1 Single values are maxima, unless noted.
2 If the steel is vacuum-carbon deoxidized, the silicon content is to be 0.10 maximum.
3 If the steel is vacuum arc remelted, the silicon content range may be 0.15% to 0.30%.
4 The antimony content is to be reported for information.

# TABLE 6
Tensile Property Requirements (1)

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<th>Tensile Strength, in N/mm² (kgf/mm², ksi)</th>
<th>Yield Strength(2), in N/mm² (kgf/mm², ksi)</th>
<th>Yield Strength(3), in N/mm² (kgf/mm², ksi)</th>
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<th>Radial</th>
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<td>Elongation(4), RA, in percent</td>
<td>Elongation(4), RA, in percent</td>
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<td>550 (56, 80)</td>
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<td>380 (39, 55)</td>
<td>22, 50</td>
<td>20, 50</td>
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<td>A8</td>
<td>725 (74, 105)</td>
<td>620 (63, 90)</td>
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<td>17, 45</td>
<td>16, 40</td>
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<td>A9</td>
<td>725 (74, 105) to 860 (88, 125)</td>
<td>620 (63, 90)</td>
<td>585 (60, 85)</td>
<td>18, 52</td>
<td>17, 50</td>
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<td>A10</td>
<td>825 (84, 120) to 930 (95, 135)</td>
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<td>655 (67, 95)</td>
<td>18, 52</td>
<td>17, 50</td>
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Notes:
1 All tensile property requirements are minima, unless indicated.
2 Yield strength is determined by the 0.2% offset method.
3 Yield strength is determined by the 0.2% offset method.
4 Elongation gage length is 50 mm (2 in); see 2-3-1/Figure 2.

RA = Reduction of Area
### TABLE 7
Chemical Composition Requirements *(1)*, in percent

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2. The indicate contents are to be reported.
3. Silicon minimum is applicable if the steel is silicon killed.
### TABLE 8
Tensile Property Requirements \(^{(1)}\)

<table>
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<th>Tensile Strength, in N/mm(^2) (kgf/mm(^2), ksi)</th>
<th>Yield Strength (^{(2)}), in N/mm(^2) (kgf/mm(^2), ksi)</th>
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<td>965 (98, 140)</td>
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<td>40</td>
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<td></td>
<td>&gt; 100 (4) ≤ 180 (7)</td>
<td>1140 (116, 165)</td>
<td>930 (95, 135)</td>
<td>12</td>
<td>35</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>&gt; 180 (7) ≤ 255 (10)</td>
<td>1105 (112, 160)</td>
<td>895 (91, 130)</td>
<td>11</td>
<td>35</td>
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<tr>
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<td>&gt; 255 (10) ≤ 510 (20)</td>
<td>1105 (112, 160)</td>
<td>895 (91, 130)</td>
<td>11</td>
<td>35</td>
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Notes:
1. All tensile property requirements are minima, unless indicated.
2. Yield strength is determined by the 0.2% offset method.
3. Elongation gage length is 50 mm (2 in); see 2-3-1/Figure 2

RA = Reduction of Area
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SECTION 8 Hot-rolled Steel Bars for Machinery

1 Hot-rolled Steel Bars

Hot-rolled steel bars up to and including 305 mm (12 in.) diameter, presented for inspection after special approval for each specific application, are to be made by one or more of the following processes: open-hearth, basic-oxygen, electric-furnace or such other process as may be approved. Hot-rolled bars used in lieu of carbon-steel forgings (see Section 2-3-7) are to be fully killed, heat treated in accordance with 2-3-7/1.5, and the cross-sectional area of the unmachined finished bar is not to exceed one-sixth of the cross-sectional area of the ingot. In addition, hot-rolled bars used in lieu of forgings for tail shafts are to meet the nondestructive examination requirements of 2-3-7/1.13.1. The tensile properties are to meet the requirements of 2-3-7/1.7 for the proposed application.

3 Number of Tests

Four tension tests are to be taken from each lot of material exceeding 907 kg (2000 lb) in weight. When the weight of a lot is 907 kg (2000 lb) or less, two tension tests may be taken. In any case only one tension test will be required from any one bar. A lot is to consist of bars from the same heat; if the bars are heat-treated, then a lot is to consist of bars from the same heat which have been heat-treated in the same furnace charge. If the bars in a lot differ 9.5 mm (0.375 in.) or more in diameter, the test specimens taken are to be representative of the greatest and least diameter bar.
1 General

1.1 Process of Manufacture

The following requirements cover carbon-steel castings intended to be used in machinery, boiler and pressure-vessel construction. This does not preclude the use of alloy steels in accordance with the permissibility expressed in 2-3-1/1. The steel is to be made by one or more of the following processes: open-hearth, basic-oxygen, electric-furnace, or such other process as may be approved by the Committee.

1.3 ASTM Designations

The various Grades are in substantial agreement with ASTM as follows:

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<tr>
<th>ABS Grade</th>
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<td>A27, Grade 60–30</td>
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<td>A27, Grade 70–36</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>A216, Grade WCA</td>
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<tr>
<td>4</td>
<td>A216, Grade WCB</td>
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3 Marking and Retests

3.1 Marking

The manufacturer’s name or identification mark and pattern number is to be cast on all castings except those of such small size as to make this type of marking impracticable. The Bureau markings, indicating satisfactory compliance with the Rule requirements, and as furnished by the Surveyor is to be stamped on all castings accepted in such location as to be discernible after machining and installation; Grade 1, 2, 3 and 4 castings are to be stamped AB/1, AB/2, AB/3 and AB/4, respectively. In addition identification numbers of the heats used for pouring the castings are to be stamped on all castings individually weighing 227 kg (500 lb) or more.
3.3 Retests

If the results of the physical tests for any casting or any lot of castings do not conform to the requirements specified, the manufacturer may re-heat-treat the castings. Retests of additional specimen or specimens are to be made and are to conform to the requirements specified.

5 Heat Treatment

Except in cases specifically approved otherwise, all castings are to be either fully annealed, normalized or normalized and tempered in a furnace of ample proportions to bring the whole casting to uniform temperature above the transformation range on the annealing or normalizing cycle. They are to be held soaking at the proper temperature for at least a length of time equivalent to one hour per 25.5 mm (1 in.) of thickness of the heaviest member. No annealed casting is to be removed from the furnace until the temperature of the entire furnace charge has fallen to or below a temperature of 455°C (850°F). Local heating or cooling, also bending and straightening of annealed castings are not permitted except with the express sanction of the surveyor.

7 Tensile Properties

Steel castings are to conform to the following requirements as to tensile properties.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>ABS Grade</th>
<th>Tensile Strength, Min., N/mm² (kgf/mm², psi)</th>
<th>Yield Point/ Y yield Strength, Min., N/mm² (kgf/mm², psi)</th>
<th>Elongation Min. 50 mm (2 in.), Min%</th>
<th>Reduction of Area Min%</th>
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<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>415 (42, 60000)</td>
<td>205 (21.0, 30000)</td>
<td>24</td>
<td>35</td>
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<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>485 (49, 70000)</td>
<td>250 (25.5, 36000)</td>
<td>22</td>
<td>30</td>
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<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>415 (42, 60000)</td>
<td>205 (21.0, 30000)</td>
<td>24</td>
<td>35</td>
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<tr>
<td>4</td>
<td>485 (49, 70000)</td>
<td>250 (25.5, 36000)</td>
<td>22</td>
<td>35</td>
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9 Application

9.1 General and High-temperature Applications

Any of the above grades may be used for miscellaneous applications. Grade 3 or Grade 4 castings are to be used for boiler mountings, valves, fittings and for pressure parts of boilers and other pressure vessels where the temperature does not exceed 427°C (800°F). See 4-6-2/3.1.2 of the Rules for Building and Classing Steel Vessels.

9.3 Propeller and Forging Applications

Any of the above grades may be used for propellers and for castings which have been approved to take the place of forgings.

9.5 Alloy Steels or Special Carbon Steels

When alloy steels or carbon steels differing from the requirements of 2-3-9/7 are proposed for any purpose, the purchaser’s specification shall be submitted for approval in connection with the approval of the design for which the material is proposed. Specifications such as ASTM A356 or A217 Grades WC1, WC6, or WC9, or other steels suitable for the intended service will be considered.
11 Test Specimens

11.1 Preparation and Identification of Test Coupons (1998)

The physical properties are to be determined from test specimens prepared from coupons which, except as specified in 2-3-9/11.3, are to be cast integral with the casting to be inspected. When this is impracticable, the coupons may be cast with and gated to the casting. In either case these coupons are not to be detached until the heat treatment of the castings has been completed, nor until the coupons have been stamped by the Surveyor for identification. Where the material identification system of the manufacture is found acceptable to the Bureau and is maintained in that condition through initial and periodical verification by the Bureau, it may be considered in lieu of stamping by the Surveyor before detachment.

11.3 Small Castings

In the case of small castings having an estimated weight of less than 907 kg (2000 lb), each of the coupons may be cast separately, provided the Surveyor is furnished an affidavit by the manufacturer stating that the separately cast coupons were cast from the same heat as the castings represented and that they were heat-treated with the castings.

13 Number of Tests

13.1 Machinery Castings

At least one tension test is to be made from each heat in each heat-treatment charge. However, if the manufacturer’s quality-control procedure includes satisfactory automatic chart recording of temperature and time, then one tension test from each heat for castings subject to the same heat-treating procedure may be allowed at the discretion of the attending Surveyor.

13.3 Steel Propeller Castings

One tension test is to be made from each blade of a built-up propeller, and for solid propellers there is to be one tension test from each of two opposite blades when the propeller is over 2130 mm (7 ft) in diameter and one tension test from one of the blades when the diameter of the propeller is 2130 mm (7 ft) or smaller.

15 Inspection and Repair

15.1 General

All castings are to be inspected by the Surveyor after final heat treatment and thorough cleaning to insure that the castings are free from defects.

15.3 Minor Defects

Defects are to be considered minor when the cavity prepared for welding has a depth not greater than 20% of the actual wall thickness, but in no case greater than 25 mm (1 in.) and has no lineal dimension greater than 4 times the wall thickness nor greater than 150 mm (6 in.). Repairs of minor defects where welding is required are to be in accordance with an approved procedure.

15.5 Major Defects

Defects other than minor defects with dimensions greater than those given in 2-3-9/15.3 above, may, with the Surveyor’s approval, be repaired by welding using an approved procedure.
15.7 **Welded Repair**

The defects are to be removed to sound metal, and before welding the excavation is to be investigated by suitable approved non-destructive examination methods to ensure that the defect has been removed. In the case of repair of major defects, welding is not permitted on unheat-treated castings. Corrective welding is to be associated with the use of preheat.

15.9 **Postweld-repair Heat Treatment**

All welded repairs of major defects are to be given a suitable postweld heat treatment.

15.11 **Crankshaft Castings**

The foregoing provisions may not apply in their entirety to the repair of crankshaft castings. In the case of repair of crankshaft castings, the applicable procedures and extent of repairs will be specially considered.

17 **Castings for Ice-strengthened Propellers**

Castings for ice-strengthened propellers are to comply with 2-3-14/5.
1 Manufacture and Test

1.1 General

These requirements cover ductile (nodular) iron castings. The melting method and metal treatment is to be optional with the foundry. All castings are to be inspected by the Surveyor after final heat treatment (as applicable) and thorough cleaning, and they are to be free from defects. The Bureau markings, indicating satisfactory compliance with the Rule requirements, and as furnished by the Surveyor, are to be stamped on all castings accepted at such location as to be discernible after machining.

1.3 Tension Test Requirements

The metal represented by the appropriate test specimen is to conform to the following minimum tensile requirements.

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<tr>
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<th>Grade 60-40-18</th>
<th>Grade 65-45-12</th>
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<tr>
<td>Tensile strength, min., N/mm² (kgf/mm², psi)</td>
<td>415 (42, 60000)</td>
<td>450 (46, 65000)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Yield strength, min., N/mm² (kgf/mm², psi)</td>
<td>275 (28, 40000)</td>
<td>310 (31.5, 45000)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Elongation in 50 mm, (2 in.), min., %</td>
<td>18</td>
<td>12</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
The yield strength is to be determined by the 0.2% offset method in accordance with the Methods of Tension Testing of Metallic Materials (ASTM E8).

1.5 Size of Test Coupon

The size of test coupon is recommended as follows. Consideration should also be given to the intended heat treatment of the casting and coupon.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Thickness of Critical Section, mm (in.)</th>
<th>Size of Coupon, mm (in.)</th>
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<tr>
<td>Less than 13 (0.5)</td>
<td>13 (0.5)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>13 (0.5) to 38 (1.5)</td>
<td>25 (1.0)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>38 (1.5) to 75 (3.0)</td>
<td>75 (3.0)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Over 75 (3.0)</td>
<td>Larger test coupons may be used by agreement between the manufacturer and the purchaser</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The separately cast test coupons from which the tension test specimens are to be machined is to be cast to size and shape as shown in 2-3-10/Figure 1. They are to be cast in open molds made of suitable core sand having minimum wall thicknesses of 38 mm (1.5 in.) for the 25-mm (1-in.) size and 75 mm (3 in.) for the 75-mm (3-in.) size. The coupons are to be left in the mold until they have cooled to black color, approximately 480°C (900°F), or less. The keel block as shown in 2-3-10/Figure 2 may be substituted for the 25 mm (1 in.) “Y” block shown in 2-3-10/Figure 1. The blank for the tension test is to be taken at X.
The test coupons are to be cast immediately after the castings are cast and are to represent each quantity of metal, or ladle, treated with the appropriate nodularizing alloy. For heat treated castings a test coupon is to be provided for each heat in each heat-treatment charge and it is to be heat-treated with the casting or castings it represents. Satisfactory evidence is to be furnished the Surveyor to identify the test coupons as representing the material to be tested. For castings to be provided in the as-cast condition a test coupon is to be provided for each heat.

The tension test specimen is to be machined to the dimensions shown in 2-3-1/Figure 2. If an apparently sound test specimen fails to conform to the requirements, the castings may be heat treated or reheat treated and two retests made. If either retest specimen fails to meet the requirements, the castings they represent are to be rejected.

1.7 Chemical Composition

The chemical composition of the metal is to conform to the following requirements.

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<th>Grade 60-40-18</th>
<th>Grade 65-45-12</th>
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<tr>
<td>Total carbon, min., %</td>
<td>3.0</td>
<td>None</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Silicon, max., %</td>
<td>2.75</td>
<td>None</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Phosphorus, max., %</td>
<td>0.08</td>
<td>None</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

FIGURE 2  
Keel Blocks for Test Coupons

Note: The length of the keel block is to be 152 mm (6 in.)
3 **Heat Treatment**

3.1 **Grade 60-40-18 Castings**

Grade 60-40-18 castings are to be given a ferritizing anneal which is to produce a substantially ferritic matrix structure. When specially approved, castings may be stress-relieved in lieu of *ferritizing*.

3.3 **Grade 65-45-12 Castings**

Grade 65-45-12 castings may be furnished in the as-cast or heat treated condition.

5 **Weld Repairs**

Weld repairs to ductile (nodular) iron castings are subject to special approval. See 2-4-2/1.7.
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SECTION 11 Gray-iron Castings

Note In substantial agreement with ASTM A48 (Class No. 20).

1 Process of Manufacture

Iron for castings is to be made by the “Cupola” or other process approved by the Committee. The material must be of uniform grain, free from injurious blowholes, injurious porous spots, or other defects. The tensile strength of the material is to be determined by a tension test (2-3-1/Figure 3 and 2-3-1/11), or by a transverse or flexure test. The test bars are to be poured separately and from ladles of iron used to pour the castings, and under the same sand conditions and they are to receive the same thermal treatment as the castings represented. The bars are to have a diameter of 50 mm (2 in.). Satisfactory evidence is to be furnished the Surveyor to identify the test bars as representing the material to be tested.

3 Tensile Strength

The minimum tensile strength of the machined test specimen is not to be less than 138 N/mm² (14 kgf/mm², 20,000 psi) and the minimum breaking strength of the test bars in the transverse of flexure test are not to be less than 26,700 N (2720 kgf, 6000 lbf) with the points of support 610 mm (24 in.) apart.

5 Higher-strength Castings

When higher-strength cast iron is proposed for any purpose, the purchaser’s specifications are to be submitted specially for approval in connection with the approval of the design for which the material is intended.
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1 Scope (1998)

The following specifications cover thirteen grades of steel pipe designated 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 13 and 14.

3 General

3.1 Grades 1, 2 and 3

Grades 1, 2 and 3 cover seamless and welded steel pipe. Pipe ordered under these grades is nominal (average) wall thickness suitable for welding and suitable for forming operations involving coiling, bending and flanging, subject to the following limitations: Grade 1 furnace-butt-welded pipe is not intended for flanging; when seamless or electric-resistance-welded pipe is required for close-coiling or cold-bending, Grade 2 should be specified; this provision is not intended to prohibit the cold-bending of Grade 3 pipe. When pipe is required for close-coiling, this is to be specified on the order. Electric-resistance-welded Grades 2 and 3 may be furnished either non-expanded or cold-expanded at the option of the manufacturer. When pipe is cold expanded, the amount of expansion is not to exceed 1.5% of the outside diameter pipe size.

3.3 Grades 4 and 5

Grades 4 and 5 cover seamless carbon-steel pipe for high-temperature service. Pipe ordered to these grades is nominal (average) wall thickness and is to be suitable for bending, flanging and similar forming operations. Grade 4 rather than Grade 5 pipe should be used for close-coiling, cold-bending or forge-welding; this provision is not intended to prohibit the cold-bending of Grade 5 pipe.

3.5 Grade 6

Grade 6 covers seamless carbon-molybdenum alloy-steel pipe for high-temperature service. Pipe ordered to this grade is nominal (average) wall thickness and is to be suitable for bending, flanging (vanstoning) and similar forming operations, and for fusion-welding.

3.7 Grades 7, 11, 12, 13 and 14 (1998)

Grades 7, 11, 12, 13 and 14 cover seamless chromium-molybdenum alloy-steel pipe for high-temperature service. Pipe ordered to these grades is nominal (average) wall thickness and is to be suitable for bending, flanging (vanstoning) and similar forming operations, and for fusion-welding.
3.9 Grades 8 and 9

Grades 8 and 9 cover electric-resistance-welded steel pipe 762 mm (30 in.) and under in diameter. Pipe ordered to these grades is nominal (average) wall thickness and is intended for conveying liquid, gas or vapor. Only Grade 8 is adapted for flanging and bending; this provision is not intended to prohibit the cold-bending of Grade 9 pipe. The pipe may be furnished either cold-expanded or non-expanded.


The various grades are in substantial agreement with ASTM as follows:

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<td>A53, Furnace-welded</td>
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<td>2</td>
<td>A53, Grade A Seamless or Electric-resistance-welded</td>
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</table>

5 Process of Manufacture

5.1 Grades 1, 2 and 3

The steel for welded or seamless steel pipe in these Grades is to be made by one or more of the following processes: open-hearth, basic-oxygen or electric-furnace. Special consideration may be given to other processes subject to such supplementary requirements or limits on application as are to be specially determined in each case.

5.3 Grades 4 and 5

The steel for seamless steel pipe in these Grades is to be killed steel made by one or more of the following processes: open-hearth, basic-oxygen or electric-furnace. Pipe 60.3 mm in outside diameter (2 in. nominal diameter) and over is to be, unless otherwise specified, furnished hot-finished. Hot-finished pipe need not be annealed. Cold-drawn pipe is to be process-annealed after the final cold-draw pass at a temperature of 650°C (1200°F) or higher.
5.5 Grades 6 and 7

The steel for seamless steel pipe in these Grades is to be made by either or both the open-hearth or electric-furnace process or other approved process. A sufficient discard is to be made from each ingot to secure freedom from injurious piping and undue segregation. Pipe 60.3 mm in outside diameter (2 in. nominal size) and over is to be, unless otherwise specified, furnished hot-finished and pipe under 60.3 mm O.D. (2 in. diameter) may be furnished either hot-finished or cold-drawn. The hot-rolled or cold-drawn pipe Grades 6 and 7 as a final heat treatment, are to be stress-relief-annealed at 650°C (1200°F) to 705°C (1300°F). The steel from which Grade 7 pipe is made is to be a coarse-grained steel having a carburized austenitic grain size of 1 to 5 as determined in accordance with the Methods for Estimating the Average Grain Size of Metals (ASTM E112) and its Plate IV, by carburizing at 925°C (1700°F) for 8 hours. The specimen is to be taken from the bloom or billet.

5.7 Grades 8 and 9

The steel for electric-resistance-welded steel pipe in these Grades is to be made by one or more of the following processes: open-hearth, basic-oxygen or electric-furnace.

5.9 Grades 11, 12, 13 and 14 (1998)

The steel for seamless alloy steel pipe is to be made by the electric-furnace process or other approved process, except that Grade 12 may be made by the open-hearth process. A sufficient discard is to be made from each ingot to secure freedom from injurious piping and undue segregation. Pipe 60.3 mm in outside diameter (2 in. nominal diameter) and over is to be, unless otherwise specified, furnished hot-finished and pipe under 60.3 mm O.D. (2 in. nominal diameter) may be furnished either hot-finished or cold-drawn. The steel for Grade 12 pipe is to be made by coarse-grain melting practice. Grades 11, 13 and 14 pipe are to be reheated and furnished in the full-annealed, isothermal annealed or normalized and tempered condition; if furnished in the normalized and tempered condition, or if cold drawn pipe is furnished, the temperature for tempering following normalizing or cold drawing is to be 677°C (1250°F) or higher for Grades 13 and 14, and 650°C (1200°F) or higher for Grade 11. The hot-rolled or cold-drawn Grade 12 pipe, as a final heat treatment, is to be given a stress-relieving treatment at 650°C (1200°F) to 705°C (1300°F).

7 Marking (1998)

Identification markings are to be legibly stenciled, stamped, or rolled on each length of pipe, except that in the case of small-diameter pipe which is bundled, the required markings are to be placed on a tag securely attached to the bundle. The markings are to be arranged and are to include the following information:

Name or brand of the manufacturer

ABS Grade or ASTM Designation and Type or Grade Heat number or manufacturer’s number by which the heat can be identified (For Grades 6, 7, 11, 12, 13 and 14 pipe only)

Test pressure or the letters NDE

Method of forming (i.e. butt-welded, lap-welded, electric-resistance-welded or seamless hot-finished or cold-drawn)

‘‘XS’’ for extra strong or ‘‘XXS’’ for double-extra strong (when applicable for Grades 1, 2 and 3 pipe only)

ABS markings by the Surveyor
9 Chemical Composition

The material for pipe is to conform to the applicable requirements as to chemical composition shown in 2-3-12/Table 1.

11 Ladle Analysis \((1998)\)

For Grades 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 13 and 14 the manufacturer is to submit a report showing the ladle analysis of each heat of steel from which the pipe has been made and the chemical composition is to conform to the requirements specified in 2-3-12/9. In lieu of a report of the ladle analysis, a report of check analysis as provided for in 2-3-12/13 will be acceptable.

13 Check Analysis

13.1 General

A check analysis may be made where so specified by the purchaser. The chemical composition thus determined is to conform to the requirements specified in 2-3-12/9. If check analyses are made, they are to be in accordance with the following requirements.

13.3 Samples

Samples for check analysis are to be taken by drilling several points around each pipe selected for analysis or when taken from the billet they are to be obtained by drilling parallel to the billet axis at a point midway between the outside and center or when taken from a broken tension test specimen they are to be taken so as to represent the entire cross section of the specimen.

13.5 Grades 1, 2 and 3

For these grades, analyses of two pipes from each lot of 500 lengths or fraction thereof are to be made.

13.7 Grades 4 and 5

For these grades, analyses of two pipes from each lot of 400 lengths or fraction thereof, of each size and heat 60.3 mm O.D. (2 in. nominal diameter) up to, but not including 168.3 mm O.D. (6 in. nominal diameter), and from each lot of 200 lengths or fraction thereof of each size and heat 168.3 mm O.D. (6 in. nominal diameter) and over, are to be made.

13.9 Grades 6, 7, 11, 12, 13 and 14 \((1998)\)

For these grades, analyses of two pipes from each lot and heat, as specified in 2-3-12/Table 2, are to be made.

13.11 Grades 8 and 9

For these grades, analyses of two pipes from each lot of 400 lengths or fraction thereof of each size under 168.3 mm O.D. (6 in. nominal), from each lot of 200 lengths or fraction thereof of each size 168.3 mm O.D. (6 in. nominal diameter) to 508 mm (20 in.) O.D., and from each lot of 100 lengths or fraction thereof of each size over 508 mm (20 in.) O.D. to 762 mm (30 in.) O.D., are to be made. With the Surveyor’s permission, the analysis may be made of the skelp and the number is to be determined in the same manner as when taken from the finished pipe.
13.13 Retests for Grades 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5

If an analysis for these grades does not conform to the requirements specified, analyses are to be made on additional pipes of double the original number from the same lot, each of which is to conform to the requirements specified.

13.15 Retests for Grades 6, 7, 11, 12, 13 and 14 (1998)

If a check or ladle analysis for these grades does not conform to the requirements specified, an analysis of each billet or pipe from the same heat or lot may be made, and all billets or pipe conforming to the requirements are to be accepted.

13.17 Retests for Grades 8 and 9

For these grades, if the analysis of either length of pipe or length of skelp does not conform to the requirements, analyses of two additional lengths from the same lot are to be made, each of which is to conform to the requirements specified.

15 Mechanical Tests Required (1998)

The type and number of mechanical tests are to be in accordance with 2-3-12/Table 3. For a description and the requirements of each test see 2-3-12/17 through and including 2-3-12/29. For retests see 2-3-12/33.

17 Tension Test Specimens

17.1 Grades 1, 2 and 3

For these grades, tension test specimens are to be cut longitudinally from the end of the pipe and not flattened between gauge marks. The sides of strip specimens are to be parallel between gauge marks; the width is to be 38 mm (1.5 in.) and the gauge length 50 mm (2 in.). If desired, tension test specimens may consist of a full section of pipe. When impracticable to pull a test specimen in full thickness, the tension test specimen shown in 2-3-1/Figure 2 may be used. The transverse-weld tension test specimens from electric-resistance-welded Grade 2 and Grade 3 pipe are to be taken with the weld at the center of the specimen and are to be 38 mm (1.5 in.) wide in the gauge length.

17.3 Grades 4, 5, 6, 7, 11, 12, 13 and 14 (1998)

For these grades, the tension test specimens are to be cut longitudinally, but may be cut transversely for pipe 219.1 mm in outside diameter (8 in. nominal diameter) and over.

17.3.1 Longitudinal Tension Test Specimens

The longitudinal tension test may be made in full section of the pipe up to the capacity of the testing machine. For larger sizes, tension test specimens are to consist of strips cut from the pipe; the width of these specimens is to be 38 mm (1.5 in.) and they are to have a gauge length of 50 mm (2 in.). When the pipe-wall thickness is 19.1 mm (0.75 in.) and over, the tension test specimen shown in 2-3-1/Figure 2 may be used. Longitudinal tension test specimens are not to be flattened between gauge marks. The sides of the specimens are to be parallel between gauge marks.

17.3.2 Transverse Tension Test Specimens

Transverse tension test specimens may be taken from a ring cut from the pipe or from sections resulting from the flattening tests. Test specimens are to consist of strips cut transversely from the pipe; the width of the specimens is to be 38 mm (1.5 in.) and their gauge length 50 mm
(2 in.). When the pipe-wall thickness is 19.1 mm (0.75 in.) and over, the tension test specimen shown in 2-3-1/Figure 2 may be used. Specimens cut from the ring section are to be flattened cold and are to be parallel between gauge marks. Specimens from Grades 6, 7, 11, 12, 13 and 14 pipes are to be flattened cold and heat-treated in the same manner as the pipe. Transverse tension test specimens may be machined off on either or both surfaces to secure uniform thickness.

17.5 Grades 8 and 9

For these grades, the tension test specimens are to be cut longitudinally from the end of the pipe, or by agreement between the manufacturer and the Surveyor the specimens may be taken from the skelp, at a point approximately 90 degrees from the weld. The specimens are not to be flattened between the gauge marks. Transverse tension test specimens are to be taken across the weld and from the same end of the pipe as the longitudinal test specimens. The sides of each strip specimen are to be parallel between gauge marks; the width is to be 38 mm (1.5 in.) and the gauge length 50 mm (2 in.). When impracticable to pull a test specimen in full thickness, the tension test specimen shown 2-3-1/Figure 2 may be used.

19 Bend and Flattening Test Specimens

Test specimens for the bend and flattening tests are to consist of sections cut from a pipe and the specimens for flattening tests are to be smooth on the ends and free from burrs, except when made on crop ends.

21 Testing Temperature

All test specimens are to be tested at room temperature.

23 Tensile Properties

The material is to conform to the applicable requirements as to tensile properties shown in 2-3-12/Table 4.

25 Bend Test

25.1 General

This test is required for Grades 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 pipe having outside diameters of 60.3 mm (2 in. nominal diameter) and under except that double-extra-strong pipe over 42.2 mm in outside diameter (1.25 in. nominal diameter) need not be subjected to a bend test.

25.3 Details of Test

A sufficient length of pipe is to stand being bent cold around a cylindrical mandrel without developing cracks at any portion or without opening the weld. The requirements for bending angle, mandrel diameter, and pipe diameter are tabulated below.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Pipe Grade</th>
<th>Bending Angle in degrees</th>
<th>Ratio of Mandrel Diameter to Nominal Pipe Diameter</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1, 2, 3, 4, 5</td>
<td>90</td>
<td>12</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1, 2, 3, 4, 5 for close-coiling</td>
<td>180</td>
<td>8</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
27 Flattening Test

27.1 General

Flattening tests are to be made for all Grades of pipe except Grades 1, 2 and 3 double extra strong and Grades 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 in sizes 60.3 mm in outside diameter (2 in. nominal diameter) and under. The test is to consist of flattening cold a section of pipe between parallel plates.

27.3 Furnace-welded Pipe

For Grade 1 furnace-welded pipe, the test section is not to be less than 100 mm (4 in.) in length and the weld is to be located 45 degrees from the line of direction of the applied force. The test is to be made in three steps.

27.3.1 Test Step No. 1

During the first step, which is a test for quality of the weld, no cracks or breaks on the inside, outside or end surfaces are to occur until the distance between the plates is less than three-fourths of the original outside diameter.

27.3.2 Test Step No. 2

During the second step, which is a test for ductility exclusive of the weld, the flattening is to be continued and no cracks or breaks on the inside, outside or end surfaces are to occur until the distance between the plates is less than 60% of the original outside diameter for butt-welded pipe.

27.3.3 Test Step No. 3

During the third step, which is a test for soundness, the flattening is to be continued until the test specimen breaks or the opposite walls of the pipe meet. Evidence of laminated or unsound material or of incomplete weld that is revealed during the entire flattening test is to be cause for rejection. Superficial ruptures as a result of surface imperfections are not to be cause for rejection.

27.5 Electric-resistance-welded Pipe

For electric-resistance-welded pipe of Grades 2, 3, 8 and 9 the crop ends, at least 100 mm (4 in.) in length, cut from each end of each single length of pipe are to be flattened and the tests from each end are to be made alternately with the welds at 0 degrees and 90 degrees from the line of direction of force. When produced in multiple lengths, flattening tests are required from each end of each multiple length or coil with the weld at 90 degrees from the line of direction of force; in addition tests are to be made on two intermediate rings cut from each multiple length or coil with the weld at 0 degrees from the line of direction of force. The test is to be made in three steps.

27.5.1 Test Step No. 1

During the first step, which is a test for ductility of the weld, no cracks or breaks on the inside or outside surfaces are to occur until the distance between the plates is less than two-thirds of the original outside diameter of the pipe.

27.5.2 Test Step No. 2

During the second step, which is a test for ductility exclusive of the weld, the flattening is to be continued and no cracks or breaks on the inside or outside surfaces, elsewhere than in the weld, are to occur until the distance between the plates is less than one-third of the original outside diameter of the pipe.
27.5.3 Test Step No. 3
During the third step, which is a test for soundness, the flattening is to be continued until the test specimen breaks or the opposite walls of the pipe meet. Evidence of laminated, burned or unsound material or of incomplete weld that is revealed during the entire flattening test is to be cause for rejection. Superficial ruptures as a result of surface imperfections are not to be cause for rejection.

27.7 Seamless Pipe (1998)
For seamless pipe of Grades 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 11, 12, 13 and 14 the test section is not to be less than 63.5 mm (2.5 in.) in length. The test is to be made in two steps.

27.7.1 Test Step No. 1
During the first step, which is a test for ductility, no cracks or breaks on the inside or outside or end surfaces are to occur until the distance between the plates is less than the value of $H$ obtained from the following equation:

$$H = (1 + e)t/e + tD$$

where

- $H$ = distance between flattening plates, in mm (in.)
- $t$ = specified wall thickness of pipe, in mm (in.)
- $D$ = specified outside diameter of pipe, in mm (in.)
- $e$ = deformation per unit length, constant for a given Grade as follows.
  - 0.09 for Grade 2
  - 0.08 for Grades 4, 6, 7, 11, 12, 13 and 14
  - 0.07 for Grades 3 and 5

27.7.2 Test Step No. 2
During the second step, which is a test for soundness, the flattening is to be continued until the specimen breaks or the opposite walls of the pipe meet. Evidence of laminated, burned or unsound material that is revealed during the entire flattening test is to be cause for rejection.

29 Hydrostatic Test

29.1 General (1998)
Except when intended for structural use, such as stanchions, each length of pipe of all grades is to be hydrostatically tested at the mill in accordance with the following requirements, or when specified by the purchaser, seamless pipe is to be subjected to a non-destructive electric test in accordance with 2-3-12/31. When each pipe is hydrostatically tested as a regular procedure during process of manufacture, an affidavit covering this test may be accepted by the Surveyor.

29.3 Grades 1, 2 and 3 (1999)
For these grades, each pipe is to withstand an internal hydrostatic pressure as shown in 2-3-12/Table 5. This does not prohibit testing at a higher pressure, but the maximum fiber stress produced by the test is not to exceed 90% of the minimum specified yield strength of the material. Welded pipe 60.3 mm O.D. (2 in. nominal diameter) and larger is to be jarred near one end while under test pressure. The hydrostatic pressure is to be maintained for not less than 5 seconds for all sizes of seamless and electric-welded pipe.
29.5 **Grades 4, 5, 6, 7, 11, 12, 13 and 14 (1999)**

For these grades, each pipe is to withstand an internal hydrostatic test pressure which will produce in the pipe wall a stress of not less than 60% of the minimum specified yield point at room temperature. This pressure is to be determined by the equation given in 2-3-12/29.9. The hydrostatic test pressure determined by the equation is to be rounded to the nearest 5 bar (5 kgf/cm², 50 psi) for pressures below 70 bar (70 kgf/cm², 1000 psi) and to the nearest 10 bar (10 kgf/cm², 100 psi) for pressures 70 bar (70 kgf/cm², 1000 psi) and above. Regardless of the pipe wall stress determined by the equation in 2-3-12/29.9, the minimum hydrostatic test pressure required to satisfy this requirement need not exceed 170 bar (170 kgf/cm², 2500 psi) for sizes 88.9 mm O.D. (3 in. nominal diameter) and under, or 190 bar (190 kgf/cm², 2800 psi) for all sizes over 88.9 mm O.D. (3 in. nominal diameter). This does not prohibit testing at a higher pressure, but the maximum fiber stress produced by the test is not to exceed 90% of the minimum specified yield strength of the material. The hydrostatic pressure is to be maintained for not less than 5 seconds.

29.7 **Grades 8 and 9**

For these grades, each pipe is to withstand an internal hydrostatic test pressure calculated from the equation given in 2-3-12/29.9. The maximum test pressure is not to exceed 172 bar (176 kgf/cm², 2500 psi). For pipe with a wall thickness greater than 3.9 mm (0.154 in.) the pipe is to be jarred near both ends with a 1 kg (2 lb.) hammer or its equivalent while under the test pressure. The hydrostatic pressure is to be maintained for not less than 5 seconds.

29.9 **Test Pressures (1999)**

The test pressures for applicable grades are to be determined by the following equation.

\[
P = \frac{KSt}{D}
\]

where

- \(K\) = 20 (200, 2)
- \(P\) = maximum hydrostatic-test pressure, in bar (kgf/cm², psi)
- \(t\) = specified thickness of pipe wall, in mm (in.)
- \(D\) = specified outside diameter of pipe, in mm (in.)
- \(S\) = permissible fiber stress
  - = 0.60 times the specified yield point, in N/mm² (kgf/mm² or psi), for ABS Grades 4, 5, 6, 7, 11, 12, 13 and 14
  - = 110 N/mm² (11 kgf/mm², 16000 psi) to 125 N/mm² (12.5 kgf/mm², 18000 psi), but in no case is the stress produced to exceed 80% of the specified yield point for ABS Grade 8
  - = 140 N/mm² (14 kgf/mm², 20000 psi) to 150 N/mm² (15.5 kgf/mm², 22000 psi), but in no case is the stress produced to exceed 80% of the specified yield point for ABS Grade 9

29.11 **Exceptions (1999)**

The maximum test pressure for special service pipes, such as diesel engine high pressure fuel injection piping, will be specially considered. The manufacturer is to submit the proposed maximum test pressure along with technical justification and manufacturing control process for the piping. The justification is to include pipe fiber stress analysis and substantiating prototype test results.
31 Nondestructive Electric Test (NDET) for Seamless Pipe (1998)

31.1 General

When specified by the purchaser, seamless pipe is to be tested in accordance with ASTM E213, for Ultrasonic Examination of Metal Pipe and Tubing, ASTM E309, for Eddy-Current Examination of Steel Tubular Products Using Magnetic Saturation, ASTM E570, for Flux Leakage Examination of Ferromagnetic Steel Tubular Products, or other approved standard. It is the intent of this test to reject tubes containing defects and the Surveyor is to be satisfied that the nondestructive testing procedures are used in a satisfactory manner.

31.3 Ultrasonic Calibration Standards

Notches on the inside or outside surfaces may be used. The depth of the notch is not to exceed 12.5% of the specified wall thickness of the pipe or 0.1 mm (0.004 in.), whichever is greater. The width of the notch is not to exceed two times the depth.

31.5 Eddy-Current Calibration Standards

In order to accommodate the various types of nondestructive electric testing equipment and techniques in use, and manufacturing practices employed, any one of the following calibration standards may be used at the option of the producer, to establish a minimum sensitivity level for rejection.

31.5.1 Drilled Hole

Three or four holes equally spaced about the pipe circumference and sufficiently separated longitudinally to ensure a separately distinguishable response are to be drilled radially and completely through pipe wall, care being taken to avoid distortion of the pipe wall while drilling. The diameter of the holes is to be as follows:

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<tr>
<th>Calibration Pipe Diameter in mm (inch)</th>
<th>Hole Diameter in mm (inch)</th>
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<tr>
<td>under 12.5 (0.5)</td>
<td>1 (0.039)</td>
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<tr>
<td>12.5 (0.5) to 31.8 (1.25), excl.</td>
<td>1.4 (0.055)</td>
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<tr>
<td>31.8 (1.25) to 50 (2.0), excl.</td>
<td>1.8 (0.071)</td>
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<td>50 (2.0) to 125 (5.0), excl.</td>
<td>2.2 (0.087)</td>
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<td>125 (5.0) and over</td>
<td>2.7 (0.106)</td>
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</tbody>
</table>

31.5.2 Transverse Tangential Notch

Using a round file or tool with a 6.35 mm (0.25 in.) diameter, a notch is to be filed or milled tangential to the surface and transverse to the longitudinal axis of the pipe. Said notch is to have a depth not exceeding 12.5% of the nominal wall thickness of the pipe or 0.1 mm (0.004 in.), whichever is greater.

31.5.3 Longitudinal Notch

A notch 0.785 mm. (0.031 in.) or less in width is to be machined in a radial plane parallel to the pipe axis on the outside surface of the tube, to a depth not exceeding 12.5% of the nominal wall thickness of the pipe or 0.1 mm (0.004 in.), whichever is greater. The length of the notch is to be compatible with the testing method.
31.7 Flux Leakage Calibration Standards

The depth of longitudinal notches on the inside and outside surfaces is not to exceed 12.5% of the specified wall thickness of the pipe or 0.1 mm (0.004 in.), whichever is greater. The width of the notch is not to exceed the depth, and the length of the notch is not to exceed 25.4 mm (1.0 in.). Outside and inside surface notches are to be located sufficiently apart to allow distinct identification of the signal from each notch.

31.9 Rejection

Tubing producing a signal equal to or greater than the calibration defect is to be subject to rejection.

31.11 Affidavits

When each tube is subjected to an approved nondestructive electric test as a regular procedure during the process of manufacture, an affidavit covering this test may be accepted by the Surveyor.

33 Retests

33.1 General (1998)

For all grades of pipe, if the results of the mechanical tests of any lot do not conform to the requirements, retests may be made on additional pipe of double the original number from the same lot, each of which is to conform to the requirements specified.

33.3 Grades 1, 2, 3, 8 and 9

For these grades, should any section fail when flattening tests are made on the crop ends of each length of welded pipe, other pieces from the length may be cut until satisfactory tests are obtained, otherwise the length is to be rejected.

33.5 Grades 4 and 5

For these grades, should a crop end of a finished pipe fail in the flattening test, one retest may be made from the failed end. Pipe may be normalized either before or after the first test, but pipe is to be subjected to only two normalizing treatments.

33.7 Grades 6, 7, 11, 12, 13 and 14 (1998)

For these grades, should individual lengths of pipe selected to represent any lot fail to conform to the mechanical requirements the lot may be re-heat-treated and resubmitted for test, except that any individual lengths which meet the test requirements before re-treating will be accepted.

35 Pipe Testing and Inspection

35.1 Group I Piping (1998)

Pipes intended for use in Group I piping systems (Class I and Class II, see 4-6-1/3, Rules for Building and Classing Steel Vessels) are to be tested, preferably at the mill, to the satisfaction of the Surveyor. The material will be surface inspected by the Surveyor when specially requested by the purchaser. See also 4-6-7/3.5.1 of the Rules for Building and Classing Steel Vessels.
35.3 Group I and II Piping (1998)

The pipes are to be reasonably straight, free from defects, and have a workmanlike finish. At a minimum, the finished pipe is to be visually inspected at the same frequency as that required for the tension test specified in 2-3-12/Table 3 for the applicable grade. Welding repair to the pipe is not to be carried out without the purchaser's approval and is to be the Surveyor's satisfaction.

37 Permissible Variation in Wall Thickness (1998)

The permissible variations in wall thickness for all pipe are based on the ordered thickness and are to conform to that given in the applicable ASTM designation for acceptance, but the minimum thickness for all pipe is not to be less than that required by the Rules for a specific application regardless of such prior acceptance. At a minimum, the finished pipe is to be measured at the same frequency as that required for the tension test specified in 2-3-12/Table 3 for the applicable grade.

39 Permissible Variations in Outside Diameter

39.1 Grades 1, 2, 3

For pipe of these grades 48.3 mm O.D. (1.5 in. nominal diameter) and under, the outside diameter at any point is not to vary more than 0.4 mm (0.016 in.) over nor more than 0.8 mm (0.131 in.) under the specified diameter. For pipe 60.3 mm O.D. (2 in. nominal diameter) and over, the outside diameter is not to vary more than plus or minus 1% from the specified diameter.

39.3 Grades 4, 5, 6, 7, 11, 12, 13 and 14 (1998)

For these grades, variation in outside diameter from that specified is not to exceed the amount prescribed in 2-3-12/Table 6.

39.5 Grades 8 and 9

For these grades, the outside diameter is not to vary more than plus or minus 1% from the nominal diameter specified.

39.7 Inspection (1998)

At a minimum, the finished pipe is to be measured at the same frequency as that required for the tension test specified in 2-3-12/Table 3 for the applicable grade.
### TABLE 1
Maxima or Permissible Range of Chemical Composition in Percent for Pipe (1998)

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<th>ABS Grades</th>
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### TABLE 2
Lot Sizes for Pipe Grades 6, 7, 11, 12, 13 and 14 (1998)

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<td>200 or fraction thereof</td>
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<td>168.3 mm and over (6 in. and over)*</td>
<td>100 or fraction thereof</td>
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*Dimensions refer to nominal pipe diameter.
### TABLE 3
**Mechanical Tests for Pipe (1998)**

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<th>Number of Tests</th>
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<td>1,2,3</td>
<td>Tension (Longitudinal) Transverse Weld Tension</td>
<td>One test on one length of pipe from each lot of 500 lengths or fraction thereof of each size. As for tension test only for electric-resistance-welded pipe 219.1 mm in outside diameter (8 in. nominal diameter) and over.</td>
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<td>As for tension test only for pipe 60.3 mm in outside diameter (2 in. nominal diameter) and under except not required for double-extra-strong-pipe over 42.2 mm in outside diameter (1-3/4 in. nominal diameter).</td>
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<td>4,5</td>
<td>Flattening</td>
<td>As for tension test except: 1 Not required for pipe 60.3 mm in outside diameter (2 in. nominal diameter) and under. 2 Not required for double-extra strong pipe. 3 In the case of welded pipe ordered for flanging and electric-resistance-welded pipe, the crop ends cut from each length are to be subjected to this test. 4 (1998) When pipe is produced in multiple lengths, tests are required on the crop ends from the front and back ends of each coil and on two tests are required on the crop ends from the intermediate rings representing each coil.</td>
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<td>Hydrostatic</td>
<td>All pipes.</td>
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<td>6,7,11, 12,13,14 (1998)</td>
<td>Tension (Longitudinal or Transverse)</td>
<td>One test on one length of pipe from each lot of 400 lengths or fraction thereof of each size under 168.3 mm in outside diameter (6 in. nominal diameter) and one test on one length of pipe from each lot of 200 lengths or fraction thereof of each size 168.3 mm in outside diameter (6 in. nominal diameter) and over.</td>
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<td>Bend</td>
<td>One test on one length of pipe from each lot of 400 lengths or fraction thereof of each size 60.3 mm in outside diameter (2 in. nominal diameter) and under except not required for double-extra-strong-pipe over 42.2 mm in outside diameter (1-3/4 in. nominal diameter).</td>
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<td>Hydrostatic</td>
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<td>8,9</td>
<td>Tension (Longitudinal)</td>
<td>One test on one length of pipe from each of 400 lengths or fraction thereof of each size 168.3 mm in outside diameter (6 in. nominal diameter) and one test on one length of pipe from each lot of 200 lengths or fraction thereof of each size from 168.3 mm in outside diameter (6 in. nominal diameter) and including 508 mm (20 in.) in outside diameter and one test on one length of pipe from each lot of 100 length or fraction thereof of each size over 508 mm (20 in.) in outside diameters.</td>
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<td>Flattening</td>
<td>One test on each of both crop ends cut from each length of pipe. When pipe is produced in multiple lengths, tests are required on the crop ends from the front and back ends of each coil and on two intermediate rings representing each coil.</td>
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### Mechanical Tests for Pipe (1998)

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<td>Pipes intended for structural use, such as stanchions, need <em>not</em> be subjected to this test.</td>
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<td>2</td>
<td>A lot, in this case, consists of all pipe of the same size and wall thickness from any one heat.</td>
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<td>The term “lot” used here applies to all pipe of the same nominal size and wall thickness which is produced from the same heat of steel and subjected to the same finishing heat treatment in a continuous furnace; when final heat treatment is in a batch-type furnace, the lot is to include only that pipe which is heat-treated in the same furnace charge. When no heat treatment is performed following the forming operations, the lot is to include hot-rolled material only or cold-drawn material only.</td>
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<td>When taken from the skelp, the number of tests is to be determined in the same manner as when taken from finished pipe.</td>
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<td>The transverse tension test may <em>not</em> be made on pipe under 219.1 mm in outside diameter (8 inch nominal diameter).</td>
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# TABLE 4
Tensile Requirements for Pipe (1998)

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<td>Tensile Strength, min. N/mm² (kgf/mm²)</td>
<td>310 (31.5) 330 (33.7) 415 (42) 330 (33.7) 415 (42) 380 (39) 330 (33.7) 415 (42) 415 (42)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Yield Strength, min. N/mm² (kgf/mm²)</td>
<td>170 (17.5) 205 (21) 240 (24.5) 205 (21) 240 (24.5) 205 (21) 205 (21) 240 (24.5) 205 (21)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Elongation in 200 mm, min., %</td>
<td>20 (a)</td>
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<td>Elongation in 50 mm, min., percent. Basic minimum elongation for walls 7.9 mm and over, strip tests, and for all small sizes tested in full section.</td>
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<td>Transverse Longitudinal</td>
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<td>When standard round 50 mm gauge length test specimen is used.</td>
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<td>Deduction in elongation for each 0.8 mm decrease in wall thickness below 7.9 mm for strip test.</td>
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a  Gauge distances for measuring elongation on pipe of 26.7 mm O.D. and smaller are to be as follows:

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<td>17.1 mm and 13.7 mm</td>
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<td>103 mm</td>
<td>50 mm</td>
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b  The test specimen taken across the weld is to show a tensile strength not less than the minimum specified for the grade pipe ordered. This test will not be required for pipe under 168.3 mm in outside diameter.

c  The test specimen taken across the weld is to show a tensile strength not less than the minimum specified for the grade of pipe ordered. This test will not be required for pipe under 219.1 mm in outside diameter.
### TABLE 4 (continued)

#### Tensile Requirements for Pipe (1998)

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<th>6 and 7</th>
<th>8 (b)</th>
<th>9 (b)</th>
<th>11, 12, 13, 14 (1998)</th>
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**Notes**

- **a** Gauge distances for measuring elongation on pipe of nominal sizes $\frac{3}{4}$ in. and smaller are to be as follows:

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- **b** The test specimen taken across the weld is to show a tensile strength not less than the minimum specified for the grade pipe ordered. This test will not be required for pipe under 6 in. in nominal diameter.

- **c** The test specimen taken across the weld is to show a tensile strength not less than the minimum specified for the grade of pipe ordered. This test will not be required for pipe under 8 in. in nominal diameter.
### TABLE 5
Hydrostatic-test Pressure for Welded and Seamless Plain-end Steel Pipe

#### SI Units

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Hydrostatic-test Pressure for Welded and Seamless Plain-end Steel Pipe

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<td>18</td>
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<td>20</td>
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<tr>
<td>24</td>
<td>550</td>
<td>650</td>
<td>750</td>
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</table>
### TABLE 6

#### Millimeters

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Pipe Outside Diameter</th>
<th>Over</th>
<th>Under</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>10.3 to 48.3 incl.</td>
<td>0.38</td>
<td>0.79</td>
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<tr>
<td>Over 48.3 to 114.3 incl.</td>
<td>0.79</td>
<td>0.79</td>
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<td>Over 114.3 to 219.1 incl.</td>
<td>1.57</td>
<td>0.79</td>
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<tr>
<td>Over 219.1 to 457.2 incl.</td>
<td>2.36</td>
<td>0.79</td>
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<tr>
<td>Over 457.2 to 660.4 incl.</td>
<td>3.17</td>
<td>0.79</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Over 660.4 to 863.6 incl. (1998)</td>
<td>4.0</td>
<td>0.8</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Over 863.6 to 1219.2 incl. (1998)</td>
<td>4.8</td>
<td>0.8</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

#### Inches

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Nominal Pipe Size</th>
<th>Over</th>
<th>Under</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1/8 to 1 1/2 incl.</td>
<td>1/64 (0.015)</td>
<td>1/32 (0.031)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Over 1 1/2 to 4 incl.</td>
<td>1/32 (0.031)</td>
<td>1/32 (0.031)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Over 4 to 8 incl.</td>
<td>1/16 (0.062)</td>
<td>1/32 (0.031)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Over 8 to 18 incl.</td>
<td>1/32 (0.093)</td>
<td>1/32 (0.031)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Over 18 to 26 incl.</td>
<td>5/64 (0.125)</td>
<td>1/32 (0.031)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Over 26 to 34 incl. (1998)</td>
<td>1/32 (0.156)</td>
<td>1/32 (0.031)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Over 34 to 48 incl. (1998)</td>
<td>3/16 (0.187)</td>
<td>1/32 (0.031)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
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SECTION 13 Piping, Valves and Fittings for Low-temperature Service
[ Below -18°C (0°F) ]

1 Scope

The following specifications cover six representative grades of steel for pipes, valves and fittings for use in piping systems designed for temperatures lower than -18°C (0°F). Steels differing in chemical composition, mechanical properties or heat treatment will be specially considered. The requirements for aluminum alloys or other non-ferrous materials will be specially considered.

Materials for Liquefied Gas Carrier are to comply with Section 5-8-6

3 Designation

The various grades are to be in substantial agreement with ASTM as follows.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>ABS Grade</th>
<th>Nominal Composition</th>
<th>ASTM</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1L</td>
<td>Carbon Steels</td>
<td>A333 Grades 1 and 6; A334 Grades 1 and 6; A350 Grades LF1 and LF2; A352 Grade LCB; A420 Grade WPL6</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2L</td>
<td>1/2 Mo</td>
<td>A352 Grade LC1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3L</td>
<td>21/2 Ni</td>
<td>A333 Grades 4 and 7; A334 Grade 7; A350 Grade LF4; A352 Grade LC2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4L</td>
<td>31/2 Ni</td>
<td>A333 Grade 3; A334 Grade 3; A350 Grade LF3; A352 Grade LC3; A420 Grade WPL3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5L</td>
<td>9 Ni</td>
<td>A333 Grade 8; A334 Grade 8; A522; A420 Grade WPL8</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6L</td>
<td>10 Ni 20 Cr or 20 Ni 25 Cr</td>
<td>A351 Grades CF8C and CK20</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
5 **Manufacture**

The steel is to be made by the basic oxygen, open hearth or electric furnace process. The steel is to be killed and made with fine-grain deoxidation practice.

7 **Heat Treatment**

The steel is to be furnished in the normalized condition or as required by the applicable specification.

9 **Marking**

The name or brand of the manufacturer is to be legibly marked on each pipe, flange, and fitting. The Bureau grade and initials AB are to be placed on the material near the marking of the manufacturer.

11 **Chemical Composition**

The materials selected from 2-3-13/3 are to conform to the chemical requirements given in the ASTM designation indicated except as modified by 2-3-13/5 or otherwise specially approved.

13 **Mechanical Tests**

The materials selected from 2-3-13/3 are to be tested in accordance with the requirements of the applicable ASTM designation as to tension test, hydrostatic test, flattening test, etc., unless otherwise specially approved.

15 **Impact Properties**

The materials selected from 2-3-13/3 are to conform to the toughness requirements of 2-3-13/23.

17 **Steels for Service Temperatures Between -18°C (0°F) and -196°C (-320°F)**

The following grades may be used for the minimum design service temperature indicated.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Grade</th>
<th>Minimum Design Service Temperature °C (°F)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1L</td>
<td>-34 (-30)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2L</td>
<td>-46 (-50)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3L</td>
<td>-73 (-100)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4L</td>
<td>-101 (-150)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5L &amp; 6L</td>
<td>-196 (-320)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

19 **Steels for Service Temperatures Below -196°C (-320°F)**

Steels intended for service temperatures below -196°C (-320°F) are to be austenitic stainless steels. The chemical composition, heat treatment and tensile properties of these materials are to be submitted for each application.
21 Materials for Nuts and Bolts

Ferritic-alloy nuts and bolts conforming to ASTM A194 Grade 4 and A320 L43 may be used where system service temperatures are not below \(-101°C (-150°F)\). Austenitic-alloy nuts and bolts conforming to ASTM A194 Grades 8T and 8F and A320 Grades B8T, B8F and B8M may be used where the design service temperature is not below \(-196°C (-320°F)\).

23 Toughness

Low temperature notch toughness is to be determined by impact testing using Charpy V-notch specimens. Testing is to consist of at least three longitudinally oriented specimens from each lot. Lot size is as defined in the applicable ASTM designation except that at least one set of impact tests is to be made from each heat in each heat treatment charge. The energies absorbed by each set of impact specimens for Grades 1L and 2L is to conform to the requirements specified below.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Specimen Size</th>
<th>Minimum Average</th>
<th>Minimum-One Specimen</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>mm</td>
<td>J (kgf-m, ft-lbf)</td>
<td>J (kgf-m, ft-lbf)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10× 10</td>
<td>27.0 (2.8, 20)</td>
<td>18.5 (1.9, 13.5)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10× 7.5</td>
<td>22.5 (2.3, 16.5)</td>
<td>15.0 (1.5, 11)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10× 5.0</td>
<td>18.5 (1.9, 13.5)</td>
<td>12.0 (1.2, 9)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10× 2.5</td>
<td>13.5 (1.4, 10)</td>
<td>9.0 (0.9, 6.5)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The Charpy impact requirements for Grades 3L, 4L and 5L are 125% of the values shown above. Charpy impact tests are not required for Grade 6L. Where material thicknesses are such that the quarter size impact specimen cannot be obtained, the requirements for toughness testing will be specially considered.

25 Impact Test Temperature

Materials selected from 2-3-13/3 are not to be used at temperatures lower than those indicated in 2-3-13/17 and are to be tested at temperatures at least 5.5°C (10°F) below the minimum design service temperature. Where the test temperature is determined to be below \(-196°C (-320°F)\), testing may be conducted at \(-196°C (-320°F)\).

27 Witnessed Tests

Piping intended for temperatures below \(-18°C (0°F)\) is to be tested in the presence of the Surveyor. Valves, fittings, and piping intended for fabrication of valves and fittings are to be tested by the manufacturers and upon request the test results are to be submitted to the Bureau.

29 Retests

When the material fails to meet the minimum impact requirements of 2-3-13/23 by an amount not exceeding 15%, retests are permitted in accordance with 2-1-2/11.7.

31 Welding

Weld procedure is to be approved in accordance with the requirements of 2-4-3/5.3. See also 2-4-2/9.9.
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SECTION 14 Bronze Castings

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SECTION 14  Bronze Castings

1  For General Purposes

1.1  Tensile Properties

The castings are to be free from injurious defects. The material is to have the following tensile properties.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Type</th>
<th>Tensile Strength Minimum, N/mm² (kgf/mm², psi)</th>
<th>Elongation in 50 mm (2 in.) Minimum percent</th>
<th>Stamping</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>205 (21, 30000)</td>
<td>15</td>
<td>AB/1</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

1.3  Number of Tests

At least one tension test is to be made from each melt and the tension test specimen is to be machined to the dimensions shown in 2-3-1/Figure 2.

3  Propellers and Propeller Blades

3.1  Castings

The castings are to be free from defects.

3.3  Chemical Composition

The chemical composition in % is to conform to an approved specification, four of which are listed in the table below as representative of bronze alloys currently used for propellers and propeller blades. See also 2-3-14/3.19. The samples for chemical analysis may be taken from test coupons or representative castings.
Table 3.5

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th>Type 2 Mn Bronze</th>
<th>Type 3 Ni-Mn Bronze</th>
<th>Type 4 Ni-Al Bronze</th>
<th>Type 5 Mn-Ni-Al Bronze</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Copper</td>
<td>55–60</td>
<td>53.5–57</td>
<td>78 min</td>
<td>71 min</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tin</td>
<td>1.00 max</td>
<td>1.00 max</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>—</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Lead</td>
<td>0.40 max</td>
<td>0.20 max</td>
<td>0.03 max</td>
<td>0.03 max</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Iron</td>
<td>0.4–2.0</td>
<td>1.0–2.5</td>
<td>3.0–5.0</td>
<td>2.0–4.0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Manganese</td>
<td>1.5 max</td>
<td>2.5–4.0</td>
<td>3.5 max</td>
<td>11.0–14.0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Aluminum</td>
<td>0.5–1.5</td>
<td>2.0 max</td>
<td>8.5–11.0</td>
<td>7.0–8.5</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Nickel</td>
<td>0.5 max</td>
<td>2.5–4.0</td>
<td>3.0–5.5</td>
<td>1.5–3.0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Silicon</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>0.10 max</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Zinc</td>
<td>Remainder</td>
<td>Remainder</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>—</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Total Others</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>0.50 max</td>
<td>0.50 max</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

### 3.5 Zinc Equivalent

The chemical composition of Type 2 and Type 3 alloys are to be so controlled that the zinc equivalent, based on the following equation, does not exceed 45.0%.

\[
\text{% zinc equivalent} = 100 - \left( \frac{100 \times \text{copper}}{100 + A} \right)
\]

where \( A \) is the algebraic sum of the following zinc replacement factors:

- Tin = +1.0 \times \% Sn
- Iron = -0.1 \times \% Fe
- Aluminum = +5.0 \times \% Al
- Lead = 0.0
- Manganese = -0.5 \times \% Mn
- Nickel = -2.3 \times \% Ni

### 3.7 Alternative Zinc Equivalent

When the alpha content of a specimen taken from the end of the acceptance test bar is determined by microscopic measurement to be 20% or more, the foregoing ‘‘zinc equivalent’’ requirement will be waived.

### 3.9 Tensile Properties (1998)

The material represented by the test specimens machined from separately cast test coupons is to conform to the following minimum tensile properties.
## Tensile Properties of Separately Cast Test Coupons

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Type</th>
<th>Tensile Strength</th>
<th>Yield Strength (3)</th>
<th>Elongation (4)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>N/mm² (kgf/mm², psi)</td>
<td>N/mm² (kgf/mm², psi)</td>
<td>in percent</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>450 (46, 65,000)</td>
<td>175 (18, 25,000)</td>
<td>20</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>515 (53, 75,000)</td>
<td>220 (22.5, 32,000)</td>
<td>18</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4</td>
<td>590 (60, 86,000)</td>
<td>245 (25, 36,000)</td>
<td>16</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5</td>
<td>630 (64, 91,000)</td>
<td>275 (28, 40,000)</td>
<td>20</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Notes**

1. These properties are generally not representative of the tensile properties of the propeller casting itself, which could be substantially lower than that of a separately cast test coupon.
2. The tensile requirements of integral-cast test coupons are to be specially approved.
3. Yield strength is to be determined in accordance with 2-3-1/13.3.
4. See 2-1-1/Figure 1, Round Specimen.

### 3.11 Test Specimens

The test-coupon casting from which the tension test specimen is machined is to be of an approved form. The tension test specimen is to be machined to the dimensions shown in 2-3-1/Figure 2. The test coupons may be separately cast or integral with the casting.

### 3.13 Separately Cast Coupons (1996)

Separately cast test coupons as shown in 2-3-14/Figure 1 (test coupon according to the broken line may also be accepted) or in accordance with a recognized national standard, are to be poured from the same ladles of metal used to pour the castings, and into molds of the same material as used for the casting. In cases where more than one ladle of metal is required for a casting, a test coupon is to be provided for each ladle. Satisfactory evidence is to be furnished the Surveyor to identify the test coupons as representing the material to be tested.

### 3.15 Integrally Cast Coupons

Integrally cast coupons are to be furnished as coupons cast on the surfaces of the castings.

### 3.17 Number of Tests

One tension test is to be made for each casting when integrally cast test coupons are provided and one tension test is to be made from each ladle when separately cast test coupons are provided. The test results are to comply with the requirements prescribed in 2-3-14/3.9.
3.19 Special Compositions

It is recognized that other bronze alloys have been developed and proven by tests and service experience to be satisfactory. When propeller materials not meeting the chemical compositions in 2-3-14/3.3 are proposed, specifications are to be submitted for approval in connection with the approval of the design for which the material is intended.

3.21 Inspection and Repair

The entire surface of the finished propeller is to be visually examined. A liquid penetrant examination of critical areas is to be made on all propellers over 2 m (78 in.) in diameter. In addition, liquid penetrant examination is to be conducted on all suspect areas. All inspections and repairs are to be to the satisfaction of the Surveyor. Conformity with the Bureau’s separately issued Guidance Manual for Bronze and Stainless Steel Propeller Castings, will be considered to meet requirements for the inspection and repair of propeller castings.

3.23 Marking

The manufacturer’s name and other appropriate identification markings are to be stamped on each propeller or propeller blade in such location as to be discernible after finishing and assembly. In addition, Type 2, 3, 4 and 5 castings are to be stamped AB/2, AB/3, AB/4 or AB/5, respectively, to indicate satisfactory compliance with Rule requirements. Bronze alloys produced to specifications other than those covered herein in accordance with the permissibility expressed in 2-3-14/3.19 are to be stamped AB/S and with the applicable specification number.
5 Castings for Ice-Strengthened Propellers

Castings for ice-strengthened propellers are to meet the requirements for bronze, carbon, alloy, or stainless steel propeller alloy, as applicable, and the following additional requirements.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Ice Strengthening Class</th>
<th>Additional Requirements</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>All ice classes except ice class D0</td>
<td>Minimum Charpy V-Notch absorbed energy 20.5 J (2.1 kgf-m, 15 ft-lbs) at -10°C (14°F) 19% minimum elongation in 5D</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
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SECTION 15 Austenitic Stainless Steel Propeller Castings

Note In substantial agreement with ASTM A-743, Grade CF-3

1 Process of Manufacture

The following requirements cover austenitic stainless steel castings intended to be used for propellers and propeller blades. The stainless steel is to be melted by the electric arc or electric induction process, or other process as may be approved.

3 Inspection and Repair

The entire surface of the finished propeller is to be visually examined. A liquid penetrant examination of critical areas is to be made. In addition, all suspect areas should be examined by the liquid penetrant method. The surfaces of all propellers are to be suitably protected from the corrosive effects of industrial environments until fitted on the vessel. All inspections and repairs are to be to the satisfaction of the Surveyor. Conformity with the Bureau’s separately issued Guidance Manual for Bronze and Stainless Steel Propeller Castings, will be considered to meet requirements for the inspection and repair of propeller castings.

5 Chemical Composition

An analysis of each heat is to be made by the manufacturer from a test sample that is representative of the heat and that is taken during the pouring of the heat. The chemical composition in % thus determined is to conform to the requirements specified below.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Element</th>
<th>Requirement</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Carbon max.</td>
<td>0.03</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Manganese max.</td>
<td>1.50</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Silicon max.</td>
<td>2.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Phosphorus max.</td>
<td>0.04</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sulfur max.</td>
<td>0.04</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Chromium</td>
<td>17.0–21.0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Nickel</td>
<td>8.0–12.0</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

A carbon content up to and including 0.0345% is considered to meet the 0.03 maximum requirement.
7 Tensile Properties

The metal represented by the test specimens is to conform to the following minimum tensile properties.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Grade</th>
<th>Tensile Strength N/mm² (kgf/mm², psi)</th>
<th>Yield Strength N/mm² (kgf/mm², psi)</th>
<th>Elongation in 50 mm (2 in.) %</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>CF-3</td>
<td>485 (49, 70,000)</td>
<td>205 (21, 30,000)</td>
<td>35</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

9 Tests and Marking

9.1 Test Specimens

The test-coupon casting from which the tension test specimen is machined is to be of an approved form. The tension test specimen is to be machined to the dimensions shown in 2-3-1/Figure 2. The test coupons may be separately or integrally cast.

9.3 Separately Cast Coupons

Separately cast test coupons are to be poured from the same ladles of metal used to pour the castings, and into molds of the same material as used for the casting. In cases where more than one ladle of metal is required for a casting, a test coupon is to be provided for each ladle. Satisfactory evidence is to be furnished the Surveyor to identify the test coupons as representing the material to be tested.

9.5 Integral Coupons

Integral test coupons are to be furnished as coupons cast on the surfaces of the castings.

9.7 Number of Tests

One tension test is to be made for each casting when integrally cast test coupons are provided and one tension test is to be made from each ladle when separately cast test coupons are provided. The test results are to comply with the requirements prescribed in 2-3-15/7.

9.9 Special Compositions

It is recognized that other alloys have been developed and proven by tests and service experience to be satisfactory. When propeller materials not meeting the chemical compositions in 2-3-15/5 are proposed, specifications are to be submitted for approval in connection with the approval of the design for which the material is intended.

9.11 Marking

The manufacturer’s name and other appropriate identification markings are to be stamped on each propeller or propeller blade in such location as to be discernible after finishing and assembly. In addition, Grade CF-3 castings are to be stamped AB/CF–3 to indicate satisfactory compliance with Rule requirements. Alloys produced to specifications other than those covered herein in accordance with the permissibility expressed in 2-3-15/9.9 are to be stamped AB/S, and with the applicable specification number.

11 Castings for Ice-strengthened Propellers

Castings for ice-strengthened propellers are to comply with 2-3-14/5.
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SECTION 16 Seamless Copper Piping (1998)

Note: In substantial agreement with ASTM B42.

1 Scope

The following specifications cover seven grades of seamless copper pipe designated C1, C2, C3, C4, C5, C6 and C7.

3 General

3.1 Grades C1, C2, C3, C4, C5, C6 and C7

These grades cover seamless copper pipe intended for boiler feed-water lines, plumbing, and other similar service. Pipe ordered in all standard pipe sizes both regular and extra strong, under these grades is considered suitable for welding and brazing.

3.3 ASTM Designation

These grades are in substantial agreement with ASTM as follows:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>ABS Grade</th>
<th>ASTM Designation</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>C1</td>
<td>UNS C10100</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>C2</td>
<td>B42, UNS C10200</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>C3</td>
<td>B42, UNS C10300</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>C4</td>
<td>B42, UNS C10800</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>C5</td>
<td>B42, UNS C12000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>C6</td>
<td>B42, UNS C12200</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>C7</td>
<td>UNS C14200</td>
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5 Process of Manufacture

The material is to be produced by either hot or cold working operations, or both. It is to be finished, unless otherwise specified, by such cold working and annealing or heat treatment as may be necessary to meet the properties specified. All pipe is to be normally furnished in the drawn-temper condition, (H55). Hard-drawn temper (H80) may be furnished also. When pipe is required for bending, the pipe
is to be furnished with a proper bending temper, or annealed temper (061). All pipes for working
pressures over 10 bar (10.5 kgf/cm², 150 psi) are to be tested and inspected at the mills by the
Surveyor. The pipe is to be commercially round and is to be free from defects that interfere with
normal applications.

7 Marking

7.1 Manufacturer's Marking

The name or brand of the manufacturer, the designation B42, and the test pressure are to be legibly
marked by stamping or stenciling on each length of pipe. On small-diameter pipe, which is bundled,
this information may be marked on a tag securely attached to each bundle.

7.3 Bureau Markings

The Bureau markings, indicating satisfactory compliance with the Rule requirements, and as
furnished by the Surveyor, are to be placed on the material near the markings specified in 2-3-16/7.1.

9 Chemical Composition

The material is to conform to the applicable requirements as to chemical composition as shown in
2-3-16/Table 1.

11 Tension Test

11.1 Tension Test Specimens

Tensile test specimens are to be full section of the pipe. For larger sizes, tension test specimens are to
consist of longitudinal strips cut from the pipe in accordance with ASTM E8.

11.3 Tensile Properties

The material is to conform to the applicable requirements as to tensile properties shown in
2-3-16/Table 2.

13 Expansion Test

Specimens selected for test, after annealing, are to withstand an expansion of 25% of the outside
diameter when expanded by a tapered pin having a 60-degree included angle. The expanded tube is to
show no cracking or rupture visible to the unaided eye.

15 Flattening Test

As an alternate to the expansion test for pipe over 114.3 mm outside diameter (4 in. nominal size) in
the annealed condition, a section 100 mm (4 in.) in length is to be cut from the end of one of the
lengths for a flattening test. This 100 mm (4 in.) specimen is to be flattened so that a gauge set at three
times the wall thickness will pass over the pipe freely throughout the flattened part. The pipe so tested
is to develop no cracks or defects visible to the unaided eye as a result of this test. In making the
flattening test the specimens are to be slowly flattened by one stroke of the press.
17 Hydrostatic Test

17.1 Limiting Test Pressures

Each length of the pipe is to stand, without showing weakness or defects, an internal hydrostatic pressure sufficient to subject the material to a fiber stress of 41 N/mm$^2$ (4.22 kgf/mm$^2$, 6000 psi), determined by the following equation. No pipe is to be tested beyond a hydrostatic pressure of 69 bar (70.3 kgf/cm$^2$, 1000 psi) unless so specified. At the option of the manufacturer annealed pipe with wall thickness up to 2.11 mm (0.083 in.) inclusive, may be tested in the hard-drawn condition prior to annealing.

\[ P = \frac{KS}{t(D - 0.8t)} \]

where

- \( P \) = pressure in bar (kgf/cm$^2$, psi)
- \( S \) = allowable unit stress of the material, 41 N/mm$^2$ (4.22 kgf/mm$^2$, 6000 psi)
- \( t \) = thickness of pipe wall, in mm (in.)
- \( D \) = outside diameter of the pipe, in mm (in.)
- \( K \) = 20 (200, 2)

17.3 Affidavits of Tests

Where each pipe is hydrostatically tested as a regular procedure during process of manufacture, an affidavit covering this test may be accepted by the Surveyor.

19 Number of Tests

The lot is to consist of pipe of the same size and temper. The lot size is to be 2270 kg (5000 lb) or fraction thereof for pipe up to 48.3 mm O.D. (1.5 in. nominal size) incl.; 4550 kg (10,000 lb) or fraction thereof for pipe over 48.3 mm O.D. (1.5 in. nominal size) to 114.3 mm O.D. (4 in. nominal size) incl., 18,150 kg (40,000 lb) or fraction thereof for pipe over 114.3 mm O.D. (4 in. nominal size). Sample pieces are to be taken for test purposes from each lot as follows:

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<td>201 to 1500</td>
<td>3</td>
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<tr>
<td>Over 1500</td>
<td>0.2% of total number of pieces in the lot, but not to exceed 10 sample pieces</td>
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Chemical analyses, where required, tensile tests, expansion tests, flattening tests, bend tests, where required, dimensional examinations and visual examinations are to be made on each of the sample pieces selected for test. Each length of pipe is to be subjected to the hydrostatic test specified in 2-3-16/17.

21 Retests

If the results of the test on one of the specimens made to determine the mechanical properties fails to meet the requirements, this test is to be repeated on each of two additional specimens taken from different pieces and the results of both of these tests is to comply with the requirements. Failure of more than one specimen to meet the requirements for a particular property is to be cause for rejection of the entire lot.
23 Permissible Variations in Dimensions

The permissible variations in wall thickness and diameter are based on the ordered thickness and are to conform to that given in the applicable ASTM designation for acceptance, but the minimum thickness for all pipe is not to be less than that required by the Rules for a specific application regardless of such prior acceptance.

### TABLE 1
Chemical Composition for Copper Pipe and Tube (1998)

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<th>Pipe Grade</th>
<th>Tube Grade</th>
<th>Minimum Copper*, %</th>
<th>Phosphorus, %</th>
<th>Arsenic, %</th>
<th>Maximum Oxygen, ppm</th>
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<td>C1</td>
<td>CA</td>
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<td>C2</td>
<td>CB</td>
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<tr>
<td>C3</td>
<td>CC</td>
<td>99.95**</td>
<td>0.001 to 0.005</td>
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<td>C4</td>
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<td>0.005 to 0.012</td>
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<td>CE</td>
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<td>C6</td>
<td>CF</td>
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<td>0.015 to 0.040</td>
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<td>CG</td>
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<td>0.015 to 0.040</td>
<td>0.15-0.50</td>
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* Including silver.
** Total of copper, silver and phosphorus.

### TABLE 2
Tensile Properties for Copper Pipe and Tube (1998)

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<th>Temper Designation</th>
<th>Tensile Strength, min</th>
<th>Yield Strength*, min.</th>
</tr>
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<tr>
<td>Standard</td>
<td>Former</td>
<td>N/mm² (kgf/mm², ksi)</td>
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<tr>
<td>061/060 annealed</td>
<td>205 (21,30)</td>
<td>62 (6.9)**</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>H55 light drawn</td>
<td>250 (25,36)</td>
<td>205 (21,30)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>H80 hard drawn</td>
<td>310 (32,45)</td>
<td>275 (28,40)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Notes:
* At 0.5% extension under load.
** Light straightening operation is permitted.
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CHAPTER 3 Materials for Machinery, Boilers, Pressure Vessels, and Piping

SECTION 17 Seamless Red-brass Piping

Note: In substantial agreement with ASTM B43.

1 Process of Manufacture

The material is to be produced by either hot or cold working operations, or both. It is to be finished, unless otherwise specified, by such cold working and annealing or heat treatment as may be necessary to meet the properties specified. All pipe is normally to be furnished in the annealed condition. The degree of anneal is to be sufficient to show complete recrystallization and to enable the pipe to meet the test requirements prescribed in these specifications. The pipe may be furnished in the drawn-temper condition instead of the annealed condition if so specified by the purchaser. All pipes for working pressures over 10 bar (10.5 kgf/cm², 150 psi) are to be tested and inspected at the mills by the Surveyor. The pipe is to be commercially round and is to be free from defects that interfere with normal applications.

3 Marking

3.1 Manufacturer’s Marking

The name or brand of the manufacturer, the designation B43, and the test pressure is to be legibly marked by stamping or stenciling on each length of pipe. On small-diameter pipe, which is bundled, this information may be marked on a tag securely attached to each bundle.

3.3 Bureau Marking

The Bureau markings, indicating satisfactory compliance with the Rule requirements, and as furnished by the Surveyor, are to be marked on the material near the markings specified in 2-3-17/3.1.

5 Scope

These specifications cover seamless red-brass pipe in all standard sizes both regular and extra strong.

7 Chemical Composition

The material is to conform to the following requirements as to chemical composition.
Analysis is regularly to be made only for the elements specifically mentioned in this table. If, however, the presence of other elements is suspected or indicated in the course of routine analysis, further analysis is to be made to determine that the total of these other elements is not in excess of the limit specified.

### 9 Expansion Test
Specimens selected for test, after annealing, are to withstand an expansion of 25% of the inside diameter, without cracking, when expanded by a tapered pin having a 60-degree included angle. The expanded tube is to show no cracking or rupture visible to the unaided eye.

### 11 Flattening Test
As an alternate to the expansion test for pipe over 114.3 mm outside diameter (4 in. nominal size) in the annealed condition, a section 100 mm (4 in.) in length is to be cut from the end of one of the lengths for a flattening test. This 100 mm (4 in.) specimen is to be flattened so that a gauge set at three times the wall thickness will pass over the pipe freely through the flattened part. The pipe so tested is to develop no cracks or defects visible to the unaided eye as a result of this test. In making the flattening test the elements are to be slowly flattened by one stroke of the press.

### 13 Mercurous Nitrate Test
A test specimen 150 mm (6 in.) in length is to be taken from each pipe selected for test and, after proper cleaning, is to withstand, without cracking, an immersion of 30 minutes in an aqueous mercurous nitrate solution containing 10 grams of mercurous nitrate and 10 milliliters of nitric acid (specific gravity 1.42) per liter of solution. Immediately after removal from the solution, the specimen is to be wiped free of excess mercury and examined for cracks.

### 15 Bend Test
In the case of pipe required for bending, annealed full sections of the pipe are to stand being bent cold through an angle of 180 degrees around a pin the diameter of which is one and one-half times the inside diameter of the pipe, without cracking on the outside of the bent portion. This test is to apply only to sizes 50.8 mm (2 in.) and under in outside diameter.

### 17 Hydrostatic Test

#### 17.1 Limiting Test Pressures
Each length of the pipe is to stand, without showing weakness or defects, an internal hydrostatic pressure sufficient to subject the material to a fiber stress of 48 N/mm² (4.92 kgf/mm², 7000 psi), determined by the following equation. No pipe is to be tested beyond a hydrostatic pressure of 69 bar (70.3 kgf/cm², 1000 psi) unless so specified.
\[ P = K S t / (D - 0.8t) \]

where

- \( P \) = pressure, in bar (kgf/cm\(^2\), psi)
- \( S \) = allowable unit stress of the material, 48 N/mm\(^2\) (4.92 kgf/mm\(^2\), 7000 psi)
- \( t \) = thickness of pipe wall, in mm (in.)
- \( D \) = outside diameter of the pipe, in mm (in.)
- \( K \) = 20 (200, 2)

### 17.3 Affidavits of Tests

Where each pipe is hydrostatically tested as a regular procedure during process of manufacture, an affidavit covering this test may be accepted by the Surveyor.

### 19 Number of Tests

The lot size is to be 2270 kg (5000 lb) or fraction thereof for pipe up to 48.3 mm O.D. (1.5 in. nominal size) incl., 4540 kg (10,000 lb) or fraction thereof for pipe over 48.3 mm O.D. (1.5 in. nominal size) to 114.3 mm O.D. incl. (4 in. nominal size), 18,150 kg (40,000 lb) or fraction thereof for pipe over 114.3 mm O.D. (4 in. nominal size). Sample pieces are to be taken for test purposes from each lot as follows.

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Expansion, flattening and bend tests, where required, are to be made on each of the sample pieces selected for test. Each length of pipe is to be subjected to the hydrostatic test specified in 2-3-17/17.1.

### 21 Retests

If the results of the test on one of the specimens made to determine the physical properties fails to meet the requirements, this test is to be repeated on each of two additional specimens taken from different pieces and the results of both of these tests are to comply with the requirements. Failure of more than one specimen to meet the requirements for a particular property is to be cause for rejection of the entire lot.

### 23 Permissible Variations in Dimensions

The permissible variations in wall thicknesses are based on the ordered thicknesses and is to conform to that given in the applicable ASTM designation for acceptance, but the minimum thickness for all pipe is not to be less than that required by the Rules for a specific application regardless of such prior acceptance.
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SECTION 18 Seamless Copper Tube (1998)

Note: In substantial agreement with ASTM B75.

1 Scope

The following specifications cover seven grades of seamless copper tube designated CA, CB, CC, CD, CE, CF and CG.

3 General

3.1 Grades CA, CB, CC, CD, CE, CF and CG

These grades cover seamless copper tube intended for boiler feedwater lines, plumbing, and general engineering applications. Tube is to be ordered to outer diameter and wall thickness specified by the purchaser and approved for the application. Tube ordered under these grades are considered suitable for welding and brazing. Seamless round copper tube in standard pipe sizes and schedules is considered to be pipe and is covered by Section 2-3-16.

3.3 ASTM Designation

The grades are in substantial agreement with ASTM as follows:

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<tr>
<th>ABS Grade</th>
<th>ASTM Designation</th>
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<td>CA</td>
<td>B75, UNS C10100</td>
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<td>CB</td>
<td>B75, UNS C10200</td>
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<td>B75, UNS C14200</td>
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</table>

5 Process of Manufacture

The material is to be produced by either hot or cold working operations, or both. It is to be finished, unless otherwise specified, by such cold working and annealing or heat treatment as may be necessary to meet the properties specified. All tube is to be normally furnished in the drawn-temper condition.
(H55). Hard-drawn temper (H80) may be furnished also. When tube is required for bending, the tube is to be furnished with a proper bending temper, or annealed temper (O60). All tubes for working pressures over 10 bar (10.5 kgf/cm², 150 psi) are to be tested and inspected at the mills by the Surveyor. The tube is to be commercially round and is to be free from defects that interfere with normal applications.

7 Marking

7.1 Manufacturer’s Marking

The name or brand of the manufacturer, the designation B75, and the test pressure are to be legibly marked by stamping or stenciled on each length of tube. On small-diameter tube, which is bundled, this information may be marked on a tag securely attached to each bundle.

7.3 Bureau Markings

The Bureau markings, indicating satisfactory compliance with the Rule requirements, and as furnished by the Surveyor, are to be placed on the material near the markings specified in 2-3-18/7.1.

9 Chemical Composition

The material is to conform to the applicable requirements as to chemical composition as shown in 2-3-16/Table 1.

11 Tension Test

11.1 Tension Test Specimens

Tensile test specimens are to be full section of the tube. For larger sizes, tension test specimens are to consist of longitudinal strips cut from the tube in accordance with ASTM E8.

11.3 Tensile Properties

The material is to conform to the applicable requirements as to tensile properties shown in 2-3-16/Table 2.

13 Expansion Test

Note: This test is required for tubes manufactured in the annealed temper.

Specimens selected for test, after annealing, are to withstand an expansion of the outside diameter when expanded by a tapered pin having a 60-degree included angle to 30 percent for tube over 19.0 mm (3/4 in.) in outside diameter and to 40 percent for smaller sized tube. The expanded tube is to show no cracking or rupture visible to the unaided eye.

15 Flattening Test

As an alternate to the expansion test for tube over 114.3 mm outside diameter (4 in. nominal size) in the annealed condition, a section 100 mm (4 in.) in length is to be cut from the end of one of the lengths for a flattening test. This 100 mm (4 in.) specimen is to be flattened so that a gauge set at three times the wall thickness will pass over the pipe freely throughout the flattened part. The tube so tested is to develop no cracks or defects visible to the unaided eye as a result of this test. In making the flattening test the specimens are to be slowly flattened by one stroke of the press.
### 17 Hydrostatic Test

#### 17.1 Limiting Test Pressures

Each length of the tube is to stand, without showing weakness or defects, an internal hydrostatic pressure sufficient to subject the material to a fiber stress of 41 N/mm² (4.22 kgf/mm², 6000 psi), determined by the following equation. No pipe is to be tested beyond a hydrostatic pressure of 69 bar (70.3 kgf/cm², 1000 psi) unless so specified. At the option of the manufacturer annealed tube with wall thickness up to 2.11 mm (0.083 in.) inclusive, may be tested in the hard-drawn condition prior to annealing.

\[ P = \frac{KS}{D - 0.8t} \]

where

- \( P \) = pressure, in bar (kgf/cm², psi)
- \( S \) = allowable unit stress of the material, 41 N/mm² (4.22 kgf/mm², 6000 psi)
- \( t \) = thickness of pipe wall, in mm (in.)
- \( D \) = outside diameter of the pipe, in mm (in.)
- \( K \) = 20 (200, 2)

#### 17.3 Affidavits of Tests

Where each tube is hydrostatically tested as a regular procedure during process of manufacture, an affidavit covering this test may be accepted by the Surveyor.

### 19 Number of Tests

The lot is to consist of tubes of the same size and temper. The lot size is to be 4540 kg (10,000 lb) or fraction thereof. Sample pieces are to be taken for test purposes at random from each lot as follows:

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Chemical analyses, where required, tensile tests, expansion tests, flattening tests, bend tests, where required, dimensional examinations and visual examinations are to be made on each of the sample pieces selected for test. Each length of pipe is to be subjected to the hydrostatic test specified in 2-3-18/19.

### 21 Retests

If the results of the test on one of the specimens made to determine the mechanical properties fails to meet the requirements, this test is to be repeated on each of two additional specimens taken from different pieces and the results of both of these tests is to comply with the requirements. Failure of more than one specimen to meet the requirements for a particular property is to be cause for rejection of the entire lot.
23  Permissible Variations in Dimensions

The permissible variations in wall thickness and diameter are based on the ordered thickness and are to conform to that given in the applicable ASTM for acceptance, but the minimum thickness for all pipe is not to be less than that required by the Rules for a specific application regardless of any prior acceptance.
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SECTION 19 Condenser and Heat Exchanger Tube (1998)

Note: In substantial agreement with ASTM B111.

1 Scope

The following specifications covers two grades of seamless copper-nickel tube designated CNA and CNB.

3 General

3.1 Grades CNA and CNB

Grades CNA, and CNB cover seamless copper-nickel tube intended for use in condensers, evaporators, and heat exchanger which may use sea water as the cooling medium. Tube ordered under these grades are considered suitable for welding, and suitable for forming operations involving coiling, bending, flaring, and tube rolling. Tube is to be ordered to outer diameter and wall thickness specified by the purchaser and approved for the application.

3.3 ASTM Designation

The grades are in substantial agreement with ASTM as follows:

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<th>ABS Grade</th>
<th>ASTM Designation</th>
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<tr>
<td>CNA</td>
<td>B111, UNS C70600</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CNB</td>
<td>B111, UNS C71500</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

5 Process of Manufacture

5.1 Grade CNA

Grade CNA tube is to be cold worked to the specified size. The tube may be supplied either in the annealed temper (O61) or in the light drawn temper (H55).
5.3 Grade CNB

Grade CNB tube is to be cold worked to the specified size. The tube may be supplied either in the annealed temper (O61) or in the drawn and stress relieved temper (HR50).

All grades of tube shall be round, straight, clean, smooth and free from harmful defects and deleterious films in the bore.

7 Marking

Identification markings are to be legibly stenciled, or suitably marked on each length of tube, except that in the case of smaller-diameter tube which is bundled, the required markings are to be placed on a tag securely attached to the bundle. The markings are to be arranged and are to include the following information:

- Name or brand of the manufacturer
- ABS Grade or ASTM Designation and Grade
- Temper number
- Tube diameter
- Wall thickness
- Test Pressure, or the letters NDET
- ABS markings by the Surveyor

9 Chemical Composition

9.1 Chemical Requirements

The material is to conform to the applicable requirements as to chemical composition as shown in 2-3-19/Table 1.

9.3 Chemical Analysis Sampling

Samples may be taken at the time the metal is cast or may be taken from semi-finished product, or from finished product in accordance with sampling in 2-3-19/21.

11 Tension Test

11.1 Tension Test Specimens

Tensile test specimens are to be full section of the tube. For larger sizes, tension test specimens are to consist of longitudinal strips cut from the tube in accordance with ASTM E8, for Tension Testing of Metallic Materials.

11.3 Tensile Properties

The material is to conform to the applicable requirements as to tensile properties shown in 2-3-19/Table 2.
13 Expansion Test
Specimens selected for testing in accordance with ASTM B153, for Expansion (Pin Test) of Copper and Copper-Alloy Pipe and Tubing, are to withstand an expansion of the outside diameter to 30 percent for annealed temper (O61) tube and to 20 percent for drawn temper (H55 or HR50) tube. The expanded tube is to show no cracking or rupture visible to the unaided eye.

15 Flattening Test
The specimen selected for testing is to be at least 450 mm (18 in.) in length, and is to be flattened so that a gauge set a three times the wall thickness will pass over the tube freely throughout the flattened part. The tube so tested is to develop no cracks or defects visible to the unaided eye as a result of this test. In making the flattening test the specimens are to be slowly flattened by one stroke of the press. Specimens not initially in the annealed temper (O61), are to be annealed prior to flattening.

17 Nondestructive Electric Test (NDET)
All tubes are to be eddy-current tested in accordance with ASTM E243, for Electromagnetic (Eddy-Current) Examination of Copper and Copper-Alloy Tubes or, alternatively, when specified, may be hydrostatically tested in accordance with 2-3-19/19. A calibration reference standard is to be made from a length tube of the same type, wall thickness, and outside diameter as that to be tested. The standard is to have transverse notches or drilled holes in accordance with the dimensions shown. Tubing producing a signal equal to or greater than the calibration defect is to be rejected.

### Diameter of Drilled Hole

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Tube OD, in mm (inch)</th>
<th>Diameter, in mm (inch)</th>
</tr>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>6.0 (0.25) ≤ OD ≤ 19.0 (0.75)</td>
<td>0.635 (0.025)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>19.0 (0.75) &lt; OD ≤ 25.4 (1.0)</td>
<td>0.785 (0.031)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>25.4 (1.0) &lt; OD ≤ 31.8 (1.25)</td>
<td>0.915 (0.036)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>31.8 (1.25) &lt; OD ≤ 38.1 (1.5)</td>
<td>1.07 (0.042)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>38.1 (1.5) &lt; OD ≤ 44.4 (1.75)</td>
<td>1.17 (0.046)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>44.4 (1.75) &lt; OD ≤ 50.8 (2.0)</td>
<td>1.32 (0.052)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

### Notch Depth

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Tube Wall Thickness, in mm (inch)</th>
<th>Tube OD, in mm (inch)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>0.43 (0.17) ≤ T &lt; 0.8 (0.032)</td>
<td>6.4 (0.25) ≤ 19.1 (0.75) ≤ 31.8 (1.25) &lt; 80 (3.125)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>0.80 (0.032) ≤ T ≤ 1.24 (0.049)</td>
<td>0.127 (0.005) ≤ 0.152 (0.006) ≤ 0.179 (0.007)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1.24 (0.049) ≤ T ≤ 2.10 (0.083)</td>
<td>0.152 (0.006) ≤ 0.152 (0.006) ≤ 0.191 (0.0075)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2.10 (0.083) ≤ T ≤ 2.77 (0.109)</td>
<td>0.216 (0.008) ≤ 0.216 (0.0085) ≤ 0.241 (0.0095)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2.77 (0.109) ≤ T ≤ 3.05 (0.120)</td>
<td>0.229 (0.009) ≤ 0.229 (0.009) ≤ 0.279 (0.011)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
19 Hydrostatic Test

19.1 Limiting Test Pressures

As an alternate to the eddy-current test, hydrostatic testing may be performed. Each tube that is tested is to stand, without showing evidence of leakage, an internal hydrostatic pressure sufficient to subject the material to a fiber stress of 48 N/mm$^2$ (4.92 kgf/mm$^2$, 7000 psi), determined by the following equation for thin hollow cylinders under tension. The tube is not to be tested at a hydrostatic pressure of over 69 bar (70.3 kgf/cm$^2$, 1000 psi) unless so specified.

\[
P = \frac{KSt}{(D - 0.8t)}
\]

where

- \(P\) = pressure in bar (kgf/cm$^2$, psi)
- \(S\) = allowable unit stress of the material, 48 N/mm$^2$ (4.92 kgf/mm$^2$, 7000 psi)
- \(t\) = thickness of pipe wall, in mm (in.)
- \(D\) = outside diameter of the pipe, in mm (in.)
- \(K\) = 20 (200, 2)

19.3 Affidavits of Tests

Where each tube is hydrostatically tested as a regular procedure during process of manufacture, an affidavit covering this test may be accepted by the Surveyor.

21 Number of Tests

The lot is to consist of tubes of the same size and temper. The lot size is to be 4540 kg (10,000 lb) or fraction thereof. Sample pieces are to be taken for test purposes at random from each lot as follows:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Number of Pieces in Lot</th>
<th>Number of Sample Pieces to be Taken</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1 to 50</td>
<td>1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>51 to 200</td>
<td>2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>201 to 1500</td>
<td>3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>over 1500</td>
<td>0.2% of total number of pieces in the lot, but not to exceed 10 sample pieces</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Chemical analyses, where required, tensile tests, expansion tests, flattening tests, dimensional examinations and visual examinations are to be made on each of the sample pieces selected for test. Each length of pipe is to be subjected to the eddy-current test or the hydrostatic test.

23 Retests

If the results of the test on one of the specimens made to determine the mechanical properties fails to meet the requirements, this test is to be repeated on each of two additional specimens taken from different pieces and the results of both of these tests is to comply with the requirements. Failure of more than one specimen to meet the requirements for a particular property is to be cause for rejection of the entire lot.
25 Finish

Tubes selected for testing are to be examined for finish and workmanship. Tubes are to be free from cracks, injurious surface flaws, and similar defects to the extent determinable by visual or NDET examination. Tubes are to be clean and free of any foreign material that would render the tubes unfit for the intended use. Cut ends of tubes are to be deburred.

27 Dimensions and Tolerances

Tubes selected for testing are to be measured and examined for dimensions and tolerances.

27.1 Diameter

The tube outside diameter is to not vary from the specified values by more than the amounts shown.

_Diameter Tolerances, mm (inches)_

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Outside Diameter, mm (inch)</th>
<th>Wall Thickness, mm (inch)</th>
</tr>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>0.51 to 0.71 (0.020 to 0.028*)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Up to 12.5, incl.</td>
<td>0.81 (0.032)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Up to (0.500), incl.</td>
<td>0.89 (0.035)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Over 12.5-19.0, incl.</td>
<td>1.07 (0.042)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Over (0.500-0.740), incl.</td>
<td>1.24 and Over (0.049) and Over</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Over 19.0-25.4, incl</td>
<td>0.102</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Over (0.740-1.000), incl.</td>
<td>0.102</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Over 25.4-31.8, incl.</td>
<td>0.152</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Over (1.000-1.250), incl</td>
<td>0.152</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Over 31.8-35.0, incl.</td>
<td>0.152</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Over (1.250-1.375), incl</td>
<td>0.152</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Over 35.0-50.8, incl.</td>
<td>0.152</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Over (1.375-2.000), incl.</td>
<td>0.152</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

* Tolerances in this column are applicable to light and drawn tempers only. Tolerances for annealed tempers are to be as agreed upon between the manufacturer and the purchaser.

27.3 Wall Thickness Tolerances

For tubes ordered to minimum wall, no tube wall at its thinnest point is to be less than the specified wall thickness and no tube at its thickest point is to have a plus deviation greater than twice the value shown. For tubes ordered to nominal wall thickness, the maximum plus and minus deviation in inches from the nominal wall at any point is to not exceed the values shown.
27.5 Length

The length of tubes is to not be less than that specified when measured at a temperature of 20°C (68°F) and may exceed the specified values by the amounts shown.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Specified Length, m (feet)</th>
<th>Tolerance, All Plus, mm (inch)</th>
</tr>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Up to 4.5 (15)</td>
<td>2.4 (1/32)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Over 4.5 (15) to 6.0 (20), incl.</td>
<td>3.2 (1/8)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Over 6.0 (20) to 10 (30), incl.</td>
<td>4.0 (5/32)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Over 10 (30) to 18 (60), incl.</td>
<td>9.5 (3/8)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Over 18 (60) to 30 (100), incl.*</td>
<td>13.0 (1/2)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

* Length tolerances for wall thickness 0.51 mm (0.020 in.) to 0.81 mm (0.032 in.) are to be as agreed upon between the manufacturer or supplier and the purchaser.

27.7 Squareness of Cut

The departure from squareness of the end of the tube is to not exceed the following.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Specified Outside Diameter</th>
<th>Tolerance</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Up to 15.9 mm (5/8 in.) incl.</td>
<td>0.25 mm (0.010 in.)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Over 15.9 mm (5/8 in.)</td>
<td>0.016 mm/mm (0.016 in./in.) of diameter</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
### TABLE 1
Chemical Composition for Copper Nickel Pipe and Tube *(1998)*

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Element</th>
<th>Grade CNA</th>
<th>Grade CN1</th>
<th>Grade CN2</th>
<th>Grade CN3</th>
<th>Grade CN4</th>
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<tr>
<td>Copper</td>
<td>Remainder</td>
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<td>Remainder</td>
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<tr>
<td>Nickel + Cobalt</td>
<td>9.0 to 11.0</td>
<td>29.0 to 33.0</td>
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<tr>
<td>Iron</td>
<td>1.0 to 1.8</td>
<td>0.40 to 1.0</td>
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<tr>
<td>Managnese</td>
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<td>1.0</td>
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<td>Zinc</td>
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<td>Lead</td>
<td>0.02</td>
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<td>Carbon</td>
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<tr>
<td>Sulfur</td>
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<td>0.02</td>
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<td>Phosphorus</td>
<td>0.02</td>
<td>0.02</td>
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</table>

Single values are maximum

### TABLE 2
Tensile Properties for Seamless Copper Nickel Pipe and Tube *(1998)*

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Grade</th>
<th>Temper Designation</th>
<th>Tensile Strength, min. N/mm² (kgf/mm², ksi)</th>
<th>Yield Strength, min. N/mm² (kgf/mm², ksi)</th>
<th>Elongation, min. percent</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>CNA</td>
<td>061</td>
<td>275 (28,40)</td>
<td>105 (11,15)</td>
<td>—</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CNA</td>
<td>H55</td>
<td>310 (32,45)</td>
<td>240 (25,35)</td>
<td>—</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CNB</td>
<td>061</td>
<td>360 (36,52)</td>
<td>125 (13,18)</td>
<td>—</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CNB</td>
<td>HR50</td>
<td>495 (51,72)</td>
<td>345 (35,50)</td>
<td>12*;15**</td>
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</tbody>
</table>

* for wall thickness 1.21 mm (0.048 in.) and less
** for wall thickness over 1.21 mm (0.048 in.).
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<th>Retests</th>
<th>Finish</th>
<th>Dimensions and Tolerances</th>
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SECTION 20  Copper-Nickel Tube and Pipe (1998)

Note: In substantial agreement with ASTM B466 and B467.

1 Scope

This specification covers four grades of seamless and welded copper-nickel tube and pipe designated CN1, CN2, CN3 and CN4.

3 General

3.1 Grades CN1 and CN2

Grades CN1 and CN2 cover seamless copper-nickel tube and pipe intended for use general engineering applications requiring seawater corrosion resistance. Tube and pipe ordered under these grades are considered suitable for welding, and suitable for forming operations involving bending, flaring, and flanging. Tube is to be ordered to outer diameter and wall thickness specified by the purchaser and approved for the application.

3.3 Grades CN3 and CN4

Grades CN3 and CN4 cover welded copper-nickel pipe intended for use general engineering applications requiring seawater corrosion resistance. Pipe ordered under these grades are considered suitable for welding, and suitable for forming operations involving bending, flaring, and flanging.

3.5 ASTM Designation

These grades are in substantial agreement with ASTM as follows:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>ABS Grade</th>
<th>ASTM Designation</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>CN1</td>
<td>B466, UNS C70600</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CN2</td>
<td>B466, UNS C71500</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CN3</td>
<td>B467, UNS C70600</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CN4</td>
<td>B467, UNS C71500</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
5 **Process of Manufacture**

The material is to be produced by either hot or cold working operations, or both. The tubing is to be finished, unless otherwise specified, by such cold working or annealing or heat treatment as may be necessary to meet the properties for either annealed or light drawn material. The light drawn properties apply only to grades CN1 and CN3.

5.1 **Grades CN1 and CN2**

Grade CN1 may be supplied in either annealed (O60) or light drawn (H55) tempers. Grade CN2 may be supplied in only annealed (O60) temper.

5.3 **Grades CN3 and CN4**

Grade CN3 may be supplied in either the welded from annealed skelp temper (WM50), or the welded and fully finished as annealed temper (WO61). Grade CN4 may be supplied in the welded and fully finished as annealed temper (WO61). The internal and external flash is to be removed by scarffing and there is to be no crevice in the weld seam visible to the unaided eye.

7 **Marking**

Identification markings are to be legibly stenciled, or suitably marked on each length of tubular, except that in the case of small-diameter tubular which is bundled, the required markings are to be placed on a tag securely attached to the bundle. The markings are to be arranged and are to include the following information:

- Name or brand of the manufacturer
- ABS Grade or ASTM Designation and Grade
- Temper number
- Diameter
- Wall thickness or Pipe Schedule
- Test Pressure, or the letters NDET
- ABS markings by the Surveyor

9 **Chemical Composition**

9.1 **Chemical Requirements**

The material is to conform to the chemical requirements specified in 2-3-19/Table 1.

9.3 **Chemical Analysis Sampling**

Samples may be taken at the time the metal is cast or may be taken from semi-furnished product, or from finished product in accordance with sampling in 2-3-20/21.
11 Tension Test

11.1 Tension Test Specimens
Tensile test specimens are to be full section of the tube. For larger sizes, tension test specimens are to consist of longitudinal strips cut from the tube in accordance with ASTM E8, for Tension Testing of Metallic Materials.

11.3 Seamless Tensile Properties
Seamless material is to conform to the applicable requirements as to tensile properties shown.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Temper Number</th>
<th>Temper</th>
<th>Grade</th>
<th>Tensile Strength, min. N/mm² (kgf/mm², ksi)</th>
<th>Yield Strength, min. N/mm² (kgf/mm², ksi)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>060</td>
<td>Soft anneal</td>
<td>CN1</td>
<td>260 (27, 38)</td>
<td>90 (9, 13)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>CN2</td>
<td>360 (37, 52)</td>
<td>125 (13, 18)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>H55</td>
<td>Light Drawn</td>
<td>CN1</td>
<td>310 (32, 45)</td>
<td>240 (25, 35)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

11.5 Welded (WO61) Tensile Properties
Welded and fully finished pipe furnished in the annealed temper (WO61) is to conform to the applicable requirements as to the tensile properties shown.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Grade</th>
<th>Outside Diameter, mm (inch)</th>
<th>Tensile Strength, min. N/mm² (kgf/mm², ksi)</th>
<th>Yield Strength, min. N/mm² (kgf/mm², ksi)</th>
<th>Elongation percent</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>CN3</td>
<td>Up to 114 (4.5), incl. over 114 (4.5)</td>
<td>275 (28, 40) 260 (27, 38)</td>
<td>105 (11, 15) 90 (9, 13)</td>
<td>25.0 25.0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CN4</td>
<td>Up to 114 (4.5), incl. over 114 (4.5)</td>
<td>345 (35, 50) 310 (32, 45)</td>
<td>140 (14, 20) 105 (11, 15)</td>
<td>30.0 30.0</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

11.7 Welded (WO50) Tensile Properties
As-welded pipe fabricated from annealed strip (WO50) is to conform to the applicable requirements as to the tensile properties shown.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Grade</th>
<th>Outside Diameter, mm (inch)</th>
<th>Tensile Strength, min. N/mm² (kgf/mm², ksi)</th>
<th>Yield Strength, min. N/mm² (kgf/mm², ksi)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>CN3</td>
<td>up to 114 (4.5), incl.</td>
<td>310 (32, 45)</td>
<td>205 (21, 30)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

13 Expansion Test
Note: This test is required for tubes manufactured in the annealed temper.

13.1 Grades CN1 and CN2
Annealed specimens selected for testing in accordance with ASTM B153, for Expansion (Pin Test) of Copper and Copper-Alloy Pipe and Tubing, are to withstand an expansion of the outside diameter to 30 percent. The expanded specimen is to show no cracking or rupture visible to the unaided eye.
13.3 Grades CN3 and CN4

Annealed specimens selected for testing in accordance with ASTM B153, for Expansion (Pin Test) of Copper and Copper-Alloy Pipe and Tubing, are to withstand an expansion of the outside diameter to 30 percent. As welded specimens are to withstand an expansion of the outside diameter to 20 percent when similarly tested. The expanded specimen is to show no cracking or rupture visible to the unaided eye.

15 Flattening Test

As an alternate to the expansion test for seamless material over 100 mm (4 in.) in diameter and in the annealed condition, a flattening test may be carried out. This specimen selected for testing is to be at least 450 mm (18 in.) in length, and is to be flattened so that a gauge set at three times the wall thickness will pass over the tube freely throughout the flattened part. The tube so tested is to develop no cracks or defects visible to the unaided eye as a result of this test. In making the flattening test the specimens are to be slowly flattened by one stroke of the press. Specimens not initially in the annealed temper (O60), are to be annealed prior to flattening.

17 Nondestructive Examination

17.1 Nondestructive Electric Test (NDET)

All tubes are to be eddy-current tested in accordance with ASTM E243, for Electromagnetic (Eddy-Current) Examination of Copper and Copper-Alloy Tubes or, alternatively, when specified, may be hydrostatically tested in accordance with 2-3-19/19. A calibration reference standard is to be made from a length tube of the same type, wall thickness, and outside diameter as that to be tested. The standard is to have transverse notches of depth when rounded to 0.25 mm (0.001 in.) represents 22 percent of the wall thickness. The notch depth tolerance is to be 0.013 mm (0.0005 in.). Tubulars producing a signal equal to or greater than the calibration defect are to be rejected.

17.3 Radiographic Examination

When specified, the welds of Grades CN3 and CN4 are to be examined by radiography.

19 Hydrostatic Test

19.1 Limiting Test Pressures

As an alternate to the eddy-current test, hydrostatic testing may be performed. Each tube that is tested to stand, without showing evidence of leakage, an internal hydrostatic pressure sufficient to subject the material to a fiber stress of 48 N/mm² (4.92 kgf/mm², 7000 psi), determined by the following equation for thin hollow cylinders under tension. The tube is not to be tested at a hydrostatic pressure of 69 bar (70.3 kgf/cm², 1000 psi) unless so specified.

\[ P = \frac{KSt}{(D - 0.8t)} \]

where

- \( P \) = pressure in bar (kgf/cm², psi)
- \( S \) = allowable unit stress of the material, 48 N/mm² (4.92 kgf/mm², 7000 psi)
- \( t \) = thickness of tube wall, in mm (in.)
- \( D \) = outside diameter of the tube, in mm (in.)
- \( K \) = 20 (200, 2)
19.3 Affidavits of Tests

Where each tube is hydrostatically tested as a regular procedure during process of manufacture, an affidavit covering this test may be accepted by the Surveyor.

21 Number of Tests

The lot is to consist of tubulars of the same size and temper. The lot size is to be 5000 kg (10000 lb) or fraction thereof. For Grades CN3 and CN4 over 100 mm (4 in.) in diameter, the lot size is to be 9100 kg (20000 lb) or fraction thereof. Sample pieces are to be taken for test purposes from each lot as follows:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Number of Pieces in Lot</th>
<th>Number of Sample Pieces to Be Taken</th>
</tr>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1 to 50</td>
<td>1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>51 to 200</td>
<td>2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>201 to 1500</td>
<td>3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>over 1500</td>
<td>0.2% of total number of pieces in the lot, but not to exceed 10 sample pieces</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Chemical analyses, where required, tensile tests, expansion tests, flattening tests, dimensional examinations and visual examinations are to be made on each of the sample pieces selected for test. Each length of pipe is to be subjected to the hydrostatic test or when specified in radiographic examination.

23 Retests

If the results of the test on one of the specimens made to determine the mechanical properties fails to meet the requirements, this test is to be repeated on each of two additional specimens taken from different pieces and the results of both of these tests is to comply with the requirements. Failure of more than one specimen to meet the requirements for a particular property is to be cause for rejection of the entire lot.

25 Finish

Tubes selected for testing are to be examined for finish and workmanship. Tubes are to be free from cracks, injurious surface flaws, and similar defects to the extent determinable by visual or NDET examination. Tubes are to be clean and free of any foreign material that would render the tubes unfit for the intended use.

27 Dimensions and Tolerances

Each sample selected for testing is to be examined for dimensions and tolerances.

27.1 Diameter

The tubular outside diameter is to not vary from the specified values by more than the amounts shown. When all minus diameter tolerances or all plus diameter tolerances are specified, the tolerances shown may be doubled.
### Average Diameter

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Specified Diameter (mm (inch))</th>
<th>Tolerance, Plus and Minus (mm (inch))</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Up to 15.9 (5/8), incl.</td>
<td>0.064 (0.0025)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Over 15.9 (5/8) to 25.4 (1.0), incl.</td>
<td>0.076 (0.003)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Over 25.4 (1.0) to 50 (2.0), incl.</td>
<td>0.102 (0.004)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Over 50 (2.0) to 76 (3.0), incl.</td>
<td>0.127 (0.005)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Over 76 (3.0) to 100 (4.0) incl.</td>
<td>0.152 (0.006)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Over 100 (4.0) to 125 (5.0), incl.</td>
<td>0.203 (0.008)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Over 125 (5.0) to 150 (6.0), incl.</td>
<td>0.229 (0.009)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Over 150 (6.0) to 200 (8.0), incl.</td>
<td>0.254 (0.010)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Over 200 (8.0) to 255 (10.0), incl.</td>
<td>0.330 (0.013)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Over 255 (10.0) to 305 (12.0), incl.</td>
<td>0.381 (0.015)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Over 305 (12.0)</td>
<td>0.5%</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

#### 27.3 Roundness

The difference between the major diameter and the minor diameter as determined at any one cross section is not the following.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Grade</th>
<th>t/D (2)</th>
<th>Tolerance Percent (3)</th>
</tr>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>CN1 (1) and CN2 (1)</td>
<td>0.01 to 0.03, incl.</td>
<td>1.5</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Over 0.03 to 0.05, incl.</td>
<td>1.0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Over 0.05 to 0.10, incl.</td>
<td>0.8*</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Over 0.10</td>
<td>0.7*</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CN3 and CN4</td>
<td>All ratios</td>
<td>3.0</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

1. Drawn, unannealed straight lengths, wall thickness not less than 0.41 mm (0.016 in.)
2. Ratio of wall thickness to outside diameter
3. Percent of outside diameter, to nearest 0.025mm (0.001 in.)

* Or 0.051 mm (0.002 in.) whichever is greater

#### 27.5 Wall Thickness Tolerances

The permissible variations in wall thickness for all tubulars are based upon the ordered thickness and are to conform to that given in the applicable ASTM designation for acceptance.

#### 27.7 Length

The length of tubulars is to not be less than that specified when measured at a temperature of 20°C (68°F) and may exceed specified values by the amounts shown. The tolerance for stock lengths and for specific lengths with ends is 25.4 mm (1.0 in.).
27.9 **Squareness of Cut**

The departure from squareness of the end of the tube is to not exceed the following:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Specified Outside Diameter</th>
<th>Tolerance</th>
</tr>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Up to 15.9 mm (5/8 in.) incl. of CN1 and CN2</td>
<td>0.25 mm (0.010 in.)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>All diameters of CN3 and CN4.</td>
<td>0.016 mm/mm (0.016 in./in.) of diameter</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

27.11 **Straightness Tolerances**

For seamless tubulars of any drawn temper, 6.0 mm (0.25 in.) to 100 mm (3.5 in.) in outside diameter, inclusive, but not for redrawn, extruded or annealed tubulars, the straightness tolerances are as shown.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Length, mm (feet)</th>
<th>(Depth of Arc), mm (inch)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Over 1000 to 2000 (3 to 6), incl.</td>
<td>5.0 (3/16)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Over 2000 to 2500 (6 to 8), incl.</td>
<td>8.0 (5/16)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Over 2500 to 3000 (8 to 10), incl.</td>
<td>12.0 (1/2)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

For lengths greater than 3000 mm (10 ft.) the maximum curvature is to not exceed 12.5 mm (1/2 in.) in any 3000 mm (10 ft.) portion of the total length.
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SECTION 21  Monel Pipe and Tube (1999)

1  Scope

This specification covers four grades of seamless and welded nickel-copper (Monel) pipe and tube, designated M1, M2, M3, and M4.

3  General

3.1 Grades M1 and M2

Grades M1 and M2 cover cold-worked, seamless nickel-copper pipe and pipe intended for use in general engineering applications requiring superior seawater corrosion resistance. Pipe and tube ordered under these grades are considered suitable for welding, and suitable for forming operations involving bending, flaring, and flanging. Pipe is to be ordered to ANSI B36.19. Tube is to be ordered to an outer diameter and a nominal or minimum wall thickness specified by the purchaser and approved for the application.

3.3 Grades M3 and M4

Grades M3 and M4 cover welded, cold-worked nickel-copper pipe and pipe intended for use in general engineering applications requiring superior seawater corrosion resistance. Pipe and tube ordered under these grades are considered suitable for welding, and suitable for forming operations involving bending, flaring, and flanging. Pipe is to be ordered to ANSI B36.19. Tube is to be ordered to an outer diameter and a nominal or minimum wall thickness specified by the purchaser and approved for the application.

3.5 ASTM Designation

The grades are in substantial agreement with ASTM as follows:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>ABS Grade</th>
<th>Heat Treatment</th>
<th>ASTM Designation</th>
<th>Product Form</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>M1</td>
<td>Annealed</td>
<td>B165, UNS N04400</td>
<td>Seamless Pipe and Tube</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>M2</td>
<td>Stress Relieved</td>
<td>B165, UNS N04400</td>
<td>Seamless Pipe and Tube</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>M3</td>
<td>Annealed</td>
<td>B730, UNS N04400</td>
<td>Welded Pipe and Tube</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>M4</td>
<td>Stress Relieved</td>
<td>B730, UNS N04400</td>
<td>Welded Pipe and Tube</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
5 Process of Manufacture

5.1 Grades M1 and M2

These grades are to be finished by cold-working in order to assure that acceptable corrosion resistance in the weld area and base metal will be developed during heat treatment. These grades of pipe and tube are to be supplied in the annealed, Grade M1, or stress-relieved, Grade M2, condition.

5.3 Grades M3 and M4

These grades are to be made from flat-rolled material by an automatic welding process with no addition of filler metal. After welding but before heat treatment, the pipe and tube are to be cold worked in order to assure that acceptable corrosion resistance in the weld area and base metal will be developed during heat treatment. Heat treatment is to consist of annealing, as Grade M3, or stress-relieving, as Grade M4. Welded pipe and tube are to be furnished with a scale-free finish. When bright annealing is used, descaling is not necessary.

7 Marking

Identification markings are to be legibly stenciled, or marked on each length of pipe and tube. The marking fluid is not to be harmful to the pipe and tube and is not to rub off or smear in normal handling. The fluid is not to be affected by solvents used in subsequent cleaning and preservation operations, but is to be readily removed by hot alkaline solution. In the case of small-diameter tube or pipe with an outside diameter less than 19.0 mm (3/4 in.) which is bundled or boxed, the required markings are to be placed on a tag securely attached to the bundle or box or on the box. The markings are to be arranged and are to include the following information:

- Name or brand of the manufacturer
- ABS Grade or ASTM Specification and Grade
- UNS Alloy Number
- Heat number or manufacturer’s number by which the heat can be identified
- Temper designation
- Tube diameter/NPS Designation
- Wall thickness (specify minimum or nominal)/NPS schedule
- Test pressure
- NDET if so tested
- ABS markings by Surveyor
9 Chemical Composition

9.1 Ladle Analysis

The material is to conform to the chemical requirements specified below.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Element</th>
<th>Content*, in percent</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Nickel</td>
<td>63.0 min.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Copper</td>
<td>28.0 to 34.0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Iron</td>
<td>2.5</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Manganese</td>
<td>2.0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Carbon</td>
<td>0.3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Silicon</td>
<td>0.5</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sulfur</td>
<td>0.024</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

* Single values are maxima, unless noted.

9.3 Chemical Composition – Check Analysis

A check analysis may be made where so specified by the purchaser. The chemical composition thus determined is to conform to the requirements specified in 2-3-21/9.1, as modified by the product analysis tolerances of the relevant ASTM specification.

11 Tension Test

11.1 Tension Test Specimens

Tensile test specimens are to be full section of the pipe or tube. For larger sizes, tension test specimens are to consist of longitudinal strips cut from the pipe or tube in accordance with ASTM E8, for Tension Testing of Metallic Materials.

11.3 Annealed Tensile Properties

Annealed pipe and tube, Grades M1 and M3, is to conform to the applicable requirements as to the tensile properties shown.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Outside Diameter in mm (in.)</th>
<th>Tensile Strength, min in N/mm² (ksi)</th>
<th>0.2% Offset Yield Strength, min in N/mm² (ksi)</th>
<th>Percent Elongation, min, in 50mm (2in.), or 4 D</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>127 mm (5 in.) and less</td>
<td>480 (70)</td>
<td>195 (28)</td>
<td>35</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Over 127 mm (5 in.)</td>
<td>480 (70)</td>
<td>170 (25)</td>
<td>35</td>
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</table>

11.5 Stress Relieved Tensile Properties

Stress relieved pipe and tube, Grades M2 and M4, is to conform to the applicable requirements as to the tensile properties shown.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Tensile Strength, min in N/mm² (ksi)</th>
<th>0.2% Offset Yield Strength, min in N/mm² (ksi)</th>
<th>Percent Elongation, min, in 50mm (2in.), or 4 D</th>
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</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>585 (85)</td>
<td>380 (55)</td>
<td>15</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
13 Flattening Test

Test specimens taken from samples of welded pipe and tube, Grades M3 or M4, having lengths not less than three times the specified outside diameter or 102 mm (4 in.), whichever is longer, are to be flattened under a load applied gradually at room temperature until the distance between the platens is not greater than five times the wall thickness. The weld is to be positioned 90 degrees from the direction of the applied flattening force. The flattened specimen is to show no cracking, breaks or ruptures on any surface when viewed with the unaided eye.

15 Flare Test

Grades M1 and M3 pipe and tube 76 mm (3 in.) or less in specified outside diameter are to be subjected to a flare test. The flare test specimen is to be expanded by means of an expanding tool having an included angle of 60 degrees until the specified outside diameter has been increased by 30 percent. The expanded specimen is to show no cracking or rupture visible to the unaided eye.

17 Flange Test

Test specimens taken from samples of welded pipe and tube, Grade M4, having lengths not less than three times the specified outside diameter or 102 mm (4 in.), whichever is longer, are to be flanged at a right angle to the tube until the width of the flange is not less than 15 percent the diameter of the tube. The flanged specimen is to show no cracking, breaks or ruptures on any surface when viewed with the unaided eye.

19 Number of Tests

19.1 Chemical Analysis

A chemical analysis (ladle) is to be carried out for each heat of material. Certificates issued by the material producer may be used to satisfy this requirement.

19.3 Other Tests

The lot is to consist of tubulars of the same heat, same size (diameter and wall), same condition, and heat treated together in the same batch or in continuous furnace under the same conditions of temperature, time at temperature, furnace speed, and furnace atmosphere. The lot size for continuously heat treated tubulars is to be 9100 kg (20,000 lb) or fraction thereof. Where the material cannot be identified by heat, the lot weight is not to exceed 277 kg (500 lb). For test purposes sample pieces are to be taken at random from each lot at the following frequency for each of the following tests, as specified.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Test or Examination</th>
<th>Frequency</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Tension</td>
<td>One</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Flattening</td>
<td>One</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Flare</td>
<td>One</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Flange</td>
<td>One</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Hydrostatic</td>
<td>Every Piece</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Nondestructive</td>
<td>Every Piece</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Finish</td>
<td>1%, minimum of 1, maximum of 10</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Dimensions</td>
<td>1%, minimum of 1, maximum of 10</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
21 Hydrostatic Test

21.1 Limiting Test Pressures

Each pipe or tube is to stand, without showing evidence of leakage, an internal hydrostatic pressure of 69 bar (70.3 kgf/cm², 1000 psi), provided the fiber stress as calculated from the following equation does not exceed the allowable fiber stress for the material under test.

\[ P = \frac{KSt}{D} \]

where

\[ K = 20 \]

\[ P = \text{pressure, in bar (kgf/cm}^2, \text{ psi)} \]

\[ t = \text{thickness of tubular wall, in mm (in.)} \]

\[ D = \text{outside diameter of the tubular, in mm (in.)} \]

\[ S = \text{allowable fiber stress of the material, in N/mm}^2, \text{ (kgf/mm}^2, \text{ psi)} \]

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Condition</th>
<th>Grade</th>
<th>Outside Diameter</th>
<th>Allowable Fiber Stress, S</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Annealed</td>
<td>M1, M3</td>
<td>127 mm (5 in.) and less</td>
<td>120 N/mm², (12 kgf/mm², 17,500 psi)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>M1</td>
<td>Over 127 mm (5 in.)</td>
<td>115 N/mm², (11.5 kgf/mm², 16,700 psi)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>M3</td>
<td>Over 127 mm (5 in.)</td>
<td>120 N/mm², (12 kgf/mm², 17,500 psi)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Stress Relieved</td>
<td>All</td>
<td>All diameters</td>
<td>145 N/mm², (14.5 kgf/mm², 21,200 psi)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

21.3 Exceeding Limiting Test Pressures

When so agreed, the hydrostatic test pressure may exceed the limits stated in Section 2-3-3 to a maximum of 1.5 times the allowable fiber stress values shown above.

21.5 Affidavits of Tests

Where each tube is hydrostatically tested as a regular procedure during process of manufacture, an affidavit covering this test may be accepted by the Surveyor.

23 Nondestructive Electric Test (NDET)

23.1 General

When specified by the purchaser, welded pipe or tube is to be tested in accordance with ASTM E213, for Ultrasonic Inspection of Metal Pipe and Tubing, ASTM E571, for Electromagnetic (Eddy-current) Examination of Nickel and Nickel Alloy Tubular Products, or other approved standard. It is the intent of these tests to reject tubes containing defects, and the Surveyor is to be satisfied that the nondestructive testing procedures are used in a satisfactory manner.
23.3 Ultrasonic Calibration Standards

Longitudinal notches machined on the outside surface and on the inside surface are to be used. The notch depth is to not exceed 12.5 % of the specified wall thickness or 0.004 inch (0.10 mm), whichever is greater. The notch is to be placed in the weld if visible.

23.5 Eddy-Current Calibration Standards

In order to accommodate the various types of nondestructive electric testing equipment and techniques in use, and manufacturing practices employed, any one of the following calibration standards may be used at the option of the producer, to establish a minimum sensitivity level for rejection. The holes and notches are to be placed in the weld if visible.

23.5.1 Drilled Hole

A hole not larger than 0.79 mm (0.031 in.) in diameter to be drilled radially and completely through tube wall, care being taken to avoid distortion of the tube while drilling.

23.5.2 Transverse Tangential Notch

Using a round file or tool with a 6.4 mm (0.25 in.) diameter, a notch is to be filed or milled tangential to the surface and transverse to the longitudinal axis of the tube. Said notch is to have a depth not exceeding 12.5 % of the nominal wall thickness of the tube or 0.10 mm (0.004 in.), whichever is greater.

23.5.3 Longitudinal Notch

A notch 0.79 mm. (0.031 in.) or less in width is to be machined in a radial plane parallel to the tube axis on the outside surface of the tube, to a depth not exceeding 12.5 % of the nominal wall thickness of the tube or 0.10 mm (0.004 in.), whichever is greater. The length of the notch is to be compatible with the testing method.

23.7 Rejection

Tubulars producing a signal equal to or greater than the calibration defect are to be subject to rejection.

23.9 Affidavits

When each tubular is subjected to an approved nondestructive electric test as a regular procedure during the process of manufacture, an affidavit covering this test may be accepted by the Surveyor.

25 Retests

If the results of the test on one of the specimens made to determine the mechanical properties fails to meet the requirements, this test is to be repeated on each of two additional specimens taken from different pieces from same group or lot, and the results of both of these tests are to comply with the requirements. Failure of more than one specimen to meet the requirements for a particular property is to be cause for rejection of the entire lot.

27 Finish

Pipe or tube selected for testing is to be examined for finish and workmanship. The samples examined are to be free from cracks, injurious surface flaws, and similar defects to the extent determinable by visual or NDET examination. All pipe or tube is to be clean and free of any foreign material that would render the tubulars unfit for the intended use.
29 **Dimensions and Tolerances**

Pipe or tube selected for testing is to be examined and measured for dimensions and tolerances.

29.1 **Diameter**

The outside diameter of pipe and tube, including ovality, is not to exceed the following permissible variations.

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<td>Over 38 (1 1/2) to 76 (3), incl.</td>
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<td>Over 76 (3) to 114 (4 1/2), incl.</td>
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<td>Over 114 (4 1/2) to 152 (6), incl.</td>
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<td>Over 152 (6) to 168 (6 5/8), incl.</td>
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<td>Over 168 (6 5/8) to 219 (8 5/8), incl.</td>
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For pipe and tube having a nominal wall thickness of 3% or less of the nominal outside diameter, the mean outside diameter is to conform to the above permissible variations and individual measurements (including ovality) are to conform to the over and under values, with the values increased by 0.5% of the nominal outside diameter. For pipe and tube over 114 mm (4 1/2 in.) in outside diameter with a nominal wall thickness greater than 3% of the nominal outside diameter, the mean outside diameter is to conform to the above permissible variations, and individual measurements are not to exceed twice the above permissible variations.

29.3 **Wall Thickness – Seamless**

The wall thickness of seamless pipe and tube is not to exceed the permissible variations shown below for the type (nominal or minimum) of specified wall thickness ordered.

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29.7 Cut Ends

Ends are to be plain or cut and deburred unless otherwise specified.

29.9 Straightness

Pipe and tube are to be reasonably straight and free of bends and kinks.
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SECTION 1 Hull Construction

1 General

1.1 Hull Welding
Welding in hull construction is to comply with the requirements of this section, unless specially approved otherwise. It is recommended that appropriate permanent markings be applied to the side shell of welded vessels to indicate the location of bulkheads for reference. In all instances welding procedures and filler metals are to produce sound welds having strength and toughness comparable to the base material. For weld design, see Section 3-2-19.

1.3 Plans and Specifications
The plans submitted are to indicate clearly the proposed extent of welding to be used in the principal parts of the structure. The welding process, filler metal and joint design are to be shown on the detail drawings or in separate specifications submitted for approval which should distinguish between manual and automatic welding. The shipbuilders are to prepare and file with the Surveyor a planned procedure to be followed in the erection and welding of the important structural members.

1.5 Workmanship and Supervision
The Surveyor is to satisfy himself that all welders and welding operators to be employed in the construction of vessels to be classed are properly qualified and are experienced in the work proposed. The Surveyor is also to be satisfied as to the employment of a sufficient number of skilled supervisors to ensure a thorough supervision and control of all welding operations. Inspection of welds employing methods outlined in 2-4-1/5.17 is to be carried out to the satisfaction of the Surveyor.

1.7 Welding Procedures

1.7.1 General
Procedures for the welding of all joints are to be established before construction for the welding processes, types of electrodes, edge preparations, welding techniques, and positions proposed. See 2-4-3/5. Details of proposed welding procedures and sequences may be required to be submitted for review depending on the intended application.

1.7.2 Weld Metal Toughness – Criteria for ABS Grades of Steel
For steels shown in 2-1-2/Table 5 and 2-1-3/Table 5. Approved filler metals appropriate to the grades shown in Part 2, Appendix 3 may be used.
1.7.3 Weld Metal Toughness – Criteria for Other Steels

Weld metal is to exhibit Charpy V-notch toughness values at least equivalent to transverse base metal requirements (2/3 of the longitudinal base metal requirements).

1.9 TMCP Plates – Note to Users (1996)

When considering thermo-mechanically controlled steels for further heating for forming or stress relieving, or for high heat input welding, the attention of fabricator is drawn to the possible reduction in the mechanical properties. A procedure test using representative material is to be considered.

3 Preparation for Welding

3.1 Edge Preparation and Fitting

The edge preparation is to be accurate and uniform and the parts to be welded are to be fitted in accordance with the approved joint detail. All means adopted for correcting improper fitting are to be to the satisfaction of the Surveyor. The Surveyor may accept a welding procedure for build up of each edge that does not exceed one half the thickness of the member or 12.5 mm (0.5 in.), whichever is the lesser. The Surveyor may accept edge build up in excess of the above up to the full thickness of the member on a case-by-case basis provided he is notified of such cases before the members are welded together. Where plates to be joined differ in thickness and have an offset on either side of more than 3 mm (1/8 in.), a suitable transition taper is to be provided. For the transverse butts in bottom shell, sheerstrake, and strength deck plating within the midship portion of the hull, and other joints which may be subject to comparatively high stresses, the transition taper length is to be not less than three times the offset. The transition may be formed by tapering the thicker member or by specifying a weld joint design which will provide the required transition.

3.3 Alignment

Means are to be provided for maintaining the parts to be welded in correct position and alignment during the welding operation. In general, strong backs, or other appliances used for this purpose are to be so arranged as to allow for expansion and contraction during production welding. The removal of such items is to be carried out to the satisfaction of the Surveyor.

3.5 Cleanliness

All surfaces to be welded are to be free from moisture, grease, loose mill scale, excessive rust, or paint. Primer coatings of ordinary thickness, thin coatings of linseed oil, or equivalent coatings may be used provided it is demonstrated that their use has no adverse effect in the production of satisfactory welds. Slag and scale are to be removed not only from the edges to be welded but also from each pass or layer before the deposition of subsequent passes or layers. Weld joints prepared by arc-air gouging may require additional preparation by grinding or chipping and wire brushing prior to welding to minimize the possibility of excessive carbon on the scarfed surfaces. Compliance with these cleanliness requirements is of prime importance in the welding of higher-strength steels especially those which are quenched and tempered.

3.7 Tack Welds

Tack welds of consistent good quality, made with the same grade of filler metal as intended for production welding and deposited in such a manner as not to interfere with the completion of the final weld, need not be removed provided they are found upon examination to be thoroughly clean and free from cracks or other defects. Preheat may be necessary prior to tack welding when the materials to be joined are highly restrained. Special consideration is to be given to use the same preheat as specified in the welding procedure when tack welding higher-strength steels, particularly those materials which are quenched and tempered. These same precautions are to be followed when making any permanent welded markings.
3.9 Run-on and Run-off Tabs

When used, run-on and run-off tabs are to be designed to minimize the possibility of high-stress concentrations and base-metal and weld-metal cracking.

3.11 Stud Welding

The attachment of pins, hangers, studs, and other related items to ordinary and higher-strength hull structural steels or equivalent, by stud welding may be approved at the discretion of the Surveyor. Stud welded attachment to quenched and tempered steel is to be specially approved. At the Surveyor’s discretion, trial stud welds may be tested to demonstrate that the base material in way of the stud welds is free from cracking and excessively high hardness. The use of stud welding for structural attachments is subject to special approval and may require special procedure tests appropriate to each application.

3.13 Forming

Steel is not to be formed between the upper and lower critical temperatures; forming in the range between 205°C (400°F) and 425°C (800°F) should be avoided. If the forming temperature exceeds 650°C (1200°F) for as-rolled, controlled rolled, thermo-mechanical controlled rolled or normalized steels, or is not at least 28°C (50°F) lower than the tempering temperature for quenched and tempered steels, mechanical tests are to be made to assure that these temperatures have not adversely affected the mechanical properties of the steel. See 2-4-1/1.9.

For applications where toughness is of particular concern (such as Class IV or Class V 3-1-2/Table 2), when steel is formed below 650°C (1200°F) beyond 3% strain* on the outer fiber supporting data is to be provided to the satisfaction of the Surveyor indicating that the impact properties meet minimum requirements after forming. After straining, specimens used in charpy impact tests are to be subjected to an artificial aging treatment of 288°C (550°F) for 1 hour before testing. Rule steels of 2-1-2/Table 5 and 2-1-3/Table 5 or equivalent steels used for radius gunwales (in accordance with 3-1-2/Table 1) may be cold formed to a minimum radius of 15 \( t \) without requiring stress relieving or other supporting data.

* Calculated on the basis of \( \% \text{ strain} = \frac{65 \times \text{plate thickness}}{\text{outer radius}} \)

5 Production Welding

5.1 Environment

Proper precautions are to be taken to insure that all welding is done under conditions where the welding site is protected against the deleterious effects of moisture, wind and severe cold.

5.3 Sequence

Welding is to be planned to progress symmetrically so that shrinkage on both sides of the structure will be equalized. The ends of frames and stiffeners should be left unattached to the plating at the subassembly stage until connecting welds are made in the intersecting systems of plating, framing and stiffeners at the erection stage. Welds are not to be carried across an unwelded joint or beyond an unwelded joint which terminates at the joint being welded unless specially approved.

5.5 Preheat

The use of preheat and interpass temperature control are to be considered when welding higher-strength steels, materials of thick cross-section or materials subject to high restraint. When welding is performed under high humidity conditions or when the temperature of steel is below 0°C (32°F) the base metal is to be preheated to at least 16°C (60°F) or temperature appropriate to the alloy and the thickness, whichever is higher. The control of interpass temperature is to be specially considered when welding quenched and tempered higher-strength steels. When preheat is used, the preheat and
interpass temperatures are to be in accordance with the accepted welding procedure and to the satisfaction of the Surveyor. In all cases preheat and interpass temperature control are to be sufficient to maintain dry surfaces and minimize the possibility of the formation of fractures.

5.7 **Low-hydrogen Electrodes or Welding Processes**

5.7.1 **Welding of Ordinary and Higher Strength Steel**
The use of low-hydrogen electrodes or welding processes is recommended for welding all higher-strength steel and may also be considered for ordinary-strength steel weldments subject to high restraint. When using low-hydrogen electrodes or processes, proper precautions are to be taken to ensure that the electrodes, fluxes and gases used for welding are clean and dry.

5.7.2 **Welding of Quenched and Tempered Steels**
Unless approved otherwise matching strength, low-hydrogen electrodes or welding processes are to be used for welding quenched and tempered steels and overmatching should be generally avoided. When welding quenched and tempered steels to other steels, the weld filler metal selection is to be based on the lower strength base material being joined and low hydrogen practice being comparable to that for the higher strength material. In all cases, filler metal strength is to be no less than that of the lowest strength member of the joint unless approved otherwise. The Surveyor is to be satisfied that the procedures for handling and baking filler metals and fluxes are commensurate with the low-hydrogen practices appropriate to the highest strength steel.

5.9 **Back Gouging**
Chipping, grinding, arc-air gouging or other suitable methods are to be employed at the root or underside of the weld to obtain sound metal before applying subsequent beads for all full-penetration welds. When arc-air gouging is employed, a selected technique is to be used so that carbon buildup and burning of the weld or base metal is minimized. Quenched and tempered steels are not to be flame gouged.

5.11 **Peening**
The use of peening is not recommended for single-pass welds and the root or cover passes on multipass welds. Peening, when used to correct distortion or to reduce residual stresses, is to be effected immediately after depositing and cleaning each weld pass.

5.13 **Fairing and Flame Shrinking**
Fairing by heating or flame shrinking and other methods of correcting distortion or defective workmanship in fabrication of main strength members within the midship portion of the vessel and other plating which may be subject to high stresses is to be carried out only with the express approval of the Surveyor. These corrective measures are to be kept to an absolute minimum when the higher-strength steels are involved, due to high local stresses and the possible degradation of the mechanical properties of the base material. See 2-4-1/1.9.

5.15 **Surface Appearance and Weld Soundness**

5.15.1 **Surface Appearance**
The surfaces of welds are to be visually inspected and are to be regular and uniform with a minimum amount of reinforcement and reasonably free from undercut and overlap. Welds and adjacent base metal are to be free from injurious arc strikes.
5.15.2 Weld Soundness

Welds are to be sound, crack free throughout the weld cross section, and fused to the base material to the satisfaction of the attending Surveyor and should generally be considered on the basis of 2-4-1/1.5 Workmanship and Supervision, 2-4-1/1.7 Welding Procedure Qualification, and 2-4-1/5.17 Nondestructive Inspection of Welds.

5.17 Inspection of Welds

Inspection of welded joints in important locations is to be carried out by an approved nondestructive test method such as radiographic, ultrasonic, magnetic-particle or dye-penetrant inspection. The Bureau’s separately issued Rules for Nondestructive Inspection of Hull Welds or an approved equivalent standard is to be used in evaluating radiographs and ultrasonic indications. Evaluation of radiographs and ultrasonic indications is one of the factors in assessing shipyard weld quality control. Radiographic or ultrasonic inspection, or both, is to be used when the overall soundness of the weld cross section is to be evaluated. Magnetic-particle or dye-penetrant inspection or other approved methods are to be used when investigating the outer surface of welds or may be used as a check of intermediate weld passes such as root passes and also to check back-gouged joints prior to depositing subsequent passes. Surface inspection of important tee or corner joints in critical locations, using an approved magnetic particle or dye penetrant method, is to be conducted to the satisfaction of the Surveyor. Extra high-strength steels, [415-690 N/mm² (42-70 kgf/mm², 60,000–100,000 psi) minimum yield strength] may be susceptible to delayed cracking. When welding these materials the final nondestructive testing is to be delayed sufficiently to permit detection of such defects. Weld run-on or run-off tabs may be used where practical and be sectioned for examination. Where a method (such as radiographic or ultrasonic) is selected as the primary nondestructive method of inspection, the acceptance standards of such method govern. However, if additional inspection by any method should indicate the presence of defects that could jeopardize the integrity of structure, removal and repair of such defects are to be to the satisfaction of the attending Surveyor.

5.19 Repair Welding

Defective welds and other injurious defects, as determined by visual inspection, nondestructive test methods, or leakage are to be excavated in way of the defects to sound metal and corrected by rewelding, using a suitable repair welding procedure to be consistent with the material being welded. Removal by grinding of minor surface imperfections such as scars, tack welds and arc strikes may be permitted at the discretion of the attending Surveyor. Special precautions, such as the use of preheat, interpass temperature control, and low-hydrogen electrodes, are to be considered when repairing welds in all higher strength steel, ordinary strength steel of thick cross section, or steel subject to high restraint. Materials thicker than approximately 19 mm (3/4 in.) are considered to be of thick cross-section. In all cases preheat and interpass temperature control are to be sufficient to maintain dry surfaces and minimize the possibility of the formation of fractures.

7 Butt Welds

7.1 Manual Welding Using Covered Electrodes

Manual welding using covered electrodes may be ordinarily employed for butt welds in members not exceeding 6.5 mm (1/4 in.) in thickness without beveling the abutting edges. Members exceeding 6.5 mm (1/4 in.) are to be prepared for welding in a manner acceptable to the Surveyor by using an appropriate edge preparation, root opening and root face (land) to provide for welding from one or both sides. For welds made from both sides, the root of the first side welded is to be removed to sound metal by an approved method before applying subsequent weld passes on the reverse side. Where welding is to be deposited from one side only, using ordinary welding techniques, appropriate backing (either permanent or temporary) is to be provided. The backing is to be fitted so that spacing between the backing and the members to be joined is in accordance with established procedures. Unless specially approved otherwise, splices in permanent backing strips are to be welded with full penetration welds prior to making the primary weld.
7.3 Submerged-arc Welding

Submerged-arc welding, using wire-flux combinations for butt welds in members not exceeding 16 mm (5/8 in.) in thickness, may be ordinarily employed without beveling the abutting edges. Members exceeding 16 mm (5/8 in.) are normally to be prepared for welding in a manner acceptable to the Surveyor by using an appropriate edge preparation, root opening and root face (land) to provide for welding from one or both sides. When it is determined that sound welds can be made without back gouging, the provisions of 2-4-1/5.9 are not applicable. Where the metal is to be deposited from one side only, using ordinary welding techniques, backing (either permanent or temporary) is to be provided and the members are to be beveled and fitted in accordance with established procedures.

7.5 Gas Metal-arc and Flux Cored-arc Welding

Manual semiautomatic or machine automatic gas metal-arc welding and flux cored-arc welding using wire-gas combinations and associated processes, may be ordinarily employed utilizing the conditions as specified in 2-4-1/7.1, except that specific joint designs may differ between processes.

Gas metal-arc welding utilized short circuiting-arc transfer technique (the consumable electrode is deposited during repeated short circuits) is to be restricted to welding thickness up to 6.5 mm (0.25 in.) unless specially approved otherwise, (see 2-4-3/11.3 for special requirement for welder qualification)

7.7 Electroslag and Electrogas Welding

The use of electroslag and electrogas welding processes will be subject to special consideration, depending upon the specific application and the mechanical properties of the resulting welds and heat-affected zones. See 2-4-1/1.9.

7.9 Special Welding Techniques

Special welding techniques employing any of the basic welding processes mentioned in 2-4-1/7.1 through 2-4-1/7.7 will be specially considered, depending upon the extent of the variation from the generally accepted technique. Such special techniques include one-side welding, narrow-gap welding, tandem-arc welding, open-arc welding and consumable-nozzle electroslag welding. The use of gas tungsten-arc welding will also be subject to special consideration, depending upon the application and whether the process is used manually or automatically.
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PART

2

CHAPTER 4 Welding and Fabrication

SECTION 2 Boilers, Unfired Pressure Vessels, Piping and Engineering Structures

1 General Considerations

1.1 Fabrication
Drums or shells, other pressure parts of boilers, unfired pressure vessels, pipes and pipe connections, and other engineering structures may be fabricated by means of an approved process of fusion welding in accordance with the following requirements provided they comply in all other respects with the applicable requirements of Part 4, Chapter 4 and Part 4, Chapter 6 respectively.

1.3 Welding Approval
Before undertaking the welding of any structure subject to the requirements of these Rules, a manufacturer is to prove to the satisfaction of the Surveyor that electrodes and the process he proposes to use have been approved and that his welders and welding operators are duly qualified for the work intended. See 2-4-3/3 and 2-4-2/5.

1.5 Grouping of Welded Structures
While in general all welding and tests are to be executed in accordance with the requirements of this section, the Rules necessarily vary according to the application in each case and the work is therefore divided into the following groups for the purpose of these Rules.
### Limitations

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Category</th>
<th>Service</th>
<th>Pressure</th>
<th>Temperature</th>
<th>Max. Metal Thickness (See Note 1)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Boilers and Group I</td>
<td>Boilers: All pressure parts.</td>
<td>Over 3.4 bar (3.5 kgf/cm², 50 psi)</td>
<td>All</td>
<td>None</td>
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<tr>
<td>Unfired Pressure Vessels</td>
<td>Group I Unfired Pressure Vessels for:</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>a Vapors or Gases</td>
<td>Over 41.4 bar (42.2 kgf/cm², 600 psi)</td>
<td>Over 371°C (700°F)</td>
<td>None</td>
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<td>b Liquids</td>
<td>Over 41.4 bar (42.2 kgf/cm², 600 psi)</td>
<td>Over 204°C (400°F)</td>
<td>None</td>
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<tr>
<td>Group II Pressure Vessels</td>
<td>Unfired Pressure Vessels for:</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>a Vapors or Gases</td>
<td>41.4 bar (42.2 kgf/cm², 600 psi) and</td>
<td>371°C (700°F) and under</td>
<td>38.1 mm (1.5 in.)</td>
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<td>b Liquids</td>
<td>under (See Note 2)</td>
<td>204°C (400°F) and under</td>
<td>38.1 mm (1.5 in.)</td>
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**Notes**

1. The maximum metal thickness does not apply to heads made from a single plate.
2. Pressure limit does not apply to hydraulic pressure at atmospheric temperature.

### 1.5.1 Boilers and Pressure Vessels

The group designation of a pressure vessel is determined by the design pressure or temperature or material thickness in accordance with the table above.

### 1.5.2 Pipe Connections

1. **1.5.2(a) Application – General.** Group I in general includes all piping intended for working pressures or temperatures in various services as follows:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Service</th>
<th>Pressure bar (kgf/cm², psi)</th>
<th>Temperature °C (°F)</th>
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<tr>
<td>Vapor and gas</td>
<td>Over 10.3 (10.5, 150)</td>
<td>over 343 (650)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Water</td>
<td>Over 15.5 (15.8, 225)</td>
<td>over 177 (350)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Lubricating oil</td>
<td>Over 15.5 (15.8, 225)</td>
<td>over 204 (400)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Fuel oil</td>
<td>Over 10.3 (10.5, 150)</td>
<td>over 66 (150)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Hydraulic fluid</td>
<td>Over 15.5 (15.8, 225)</td>
<td>over 204 (400)</td>
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Group II includes all piping intended for working pressures and temperatures at or below those stipulated under Group I, cargo-oil and tank-cleaning piping, and in addition such open-ended lines as drains, overflows, vents and boiler escape pipes.

2. **1.5.2(b) Application – Rules for Building and Classing Steel Vessels.** For piping intended for vessels to be built in accordance with the Rules for Building and Classing Steel Vessels (SVR), the pipe classes are as defined in 4-6-1/Table 1 of the Rules for Building and Classing Steel Vessels, and the welding and fabrication requirements are to be in accordance with Section 2-4-4 of this Chapter.
1.5.3 Engineering Structures

Group I includes turbine casings, valve bodies, manifolds and similar constructions which normally would come under Group I Pressure Vessels with the same requirements for workmanship tests, except that where there is no longitudinal seam, no test plates will be required. See also 4-6-2/5.5. Group I also includes gear elements, gear casings and diesel engine entablatures, frames, bedplates and other load support structures.

Group II includes turbine casings, valve bodies, manifolds and similar constructions which normally would come under Group II Pressure Vessels and are to meet the same requirements, except that where there is no longitudinal seam, no workmanship tests are required; Group II includes also engine frames, base plates and other machinery parts not exposed to internal pressures or direct load support. See also 4-6-2/5.13.

1.7 Weld Repairs to Ductile (Nodular) Iron

Weld repairs to ductile (nodular) iron castings are subject to special approval. For applications where reduced strength and ductility are permitted, welds which demonstrate satisfactory tensile strength and soundness in procedure tests may be approved.

3 Plans and Specifications

3.1 Details

All details regarding the process and extent of welding proposed for use in the fabrication of the pressure parts of boilers, unfired pressure vessels, piping and engineering structures, together with the types of joints and welds and the proposed method of procedure are to be clearly shown on the plans and specifications submitted for approval.

3.3 Base Materials

All base materials used in fusion-welding construction are to conform to the specifications approved for the design in each case and in ordinary carbon steels the carbon content is not to exceed 0.35% unless specially approved otherwise.

5 Workmanship and Supervision

5.1 Construction

Construction is to be carried out in accordance with approved plans and in compliance with Rule requirements. Manufacturers, in all cases, are to be responsible for the quality of the work and, where special supervision is required as stipulated in the applicable section of the Rules, the Surveyor is to satisfy himself that procedure and workmanship, as well as the material used, are in accordance with the Rule requirements and approved plans. Inspection of welds is to be carried out to the satisfaction of the Surveyor in accordance with the acceptance criteria of 2-4-3/9.3.

5.3 Joint Tolerance

Plates, shapes or pipes which are to be joined by fusion welding are to be accurately cut to size and, where forming is necessary, this should be done by pressure and not by blows. A tapered transition having a length not less than three times the offset between the adjacent surfaces of abutting sections is to be provided at joints between sections that differ in thickness by more than one-fourth the thickness of the thinner section or by 3 mm (1/8 in.) whichever is less. The transition may be formed by any process that will provide a uniform taper. The weld may be partly or entirely in the tapered section or adjacent to it. Alignment of sections at edges to be butt welded are to be such that the maximum offset is not greater than the applicable amount as listed in the following table, where $t$ is the nominal thickness of the thinner section at the joint.
### Offset in mm (in.) Direction of Joints in Cylindrical Shells

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Section Thickness in mm(in.)</th>
<th>Longitudinal</th>
<th>Circumferential</th>
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<tr>
<td>Up to 12.5 (0.5), incl.</td>
<td>( \frac{1}{4} t )</td>
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<tr>
<td>Over 12.5 (0.5) to 19 (0.75), incl.</td>
<td>3.2 (( \frac{3}{16} ) in.)</td>
<td>( \frac{1}{4} t )</td>
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<tr>
<td>Over 19 (0.75) to 38 (1.5), incl.</td>
<td>3.2 (( \frac{1}{8} ) in.)</td>
<td>4.8 (( \frac{3}{16} ) in.)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Over 38 (1.5) to 51 (2.0), incl.</td>
<td>3.2 (( \frac{1}{8} ) in.)</td>
<td>( \frac{1}{8} t )</td>
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<tr>
<td>Over 51 (2.0)</td>
<td>( \frac{1}{16} t )</td>
<td>( \frac{1}{8} t )</td>
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<td>(9.5 (( \frac{3}{16} ) in.) max.)</td>
<td>(19 (( \frac{3}{4} ) in.) max.)</td>
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**Note**

Any offset within the allowable tolerance above should be faired at a 3 to 1 taper over the width of the finished weld or, if necessary, by adding additional weld metal beyond what would otherwise be the edge of the weld.

5.5 **Surfaces of Parts**

The surfaces of parts to be welded are to be cleaned of scale, rust and grease for at least 12.5 mm (0.50 in.) from the welding edge. When it is necessary to deposit metal over a previously welded surface, any scale or slag is to be removed to prevent the inclusion of impurities; if for any reason the welding is stopped, special care is to be taken in restarting to secure thorough fusion.

5.7 **Out of Roundness**

The cylinder or barrel or drum or shell is to be circular at any section within a limit of 1% of the mean diameter, based on the differences between the maximum and minimum mean diameters at any section, and if necessary to meet this requirement, is to be reheated, rerolled or reformed. In fabrications of plates of unequal thickness, the measurements are to be corrected for the plate thickness as they may apply, to determine the diameters at the middle line of the plate thickness.

7 **Details of Joints**

7.1 **Dimensions and Shape**

The dimensions and shape of the edges to be joined are to be such as to insure thorough fusion and complete penetration at the root of the joint.

7.3 **Double-welded Butt Joints**

In this type joint the filler metal is deposited from both sides, whether the joint is of the single- or double-grooved type. In manual welding the reverse side is to be prepared by chipping, grinding or otherwise cleaning out, so as to secure sound metal at the base of weld metal first deposited before applying weld metal from the reverse side unless approved otherwise. The weld reinforcement on each side of the plate is not to exceed the thickness specified in 2-4-2/23.1.1.

7.5 **Single-welded Butt Joints**

This type of joint is a butt joint with the filler metal applied from one side only. A single-welded butt joint may be made the equivalent of a double-welded butt joint by providing means for accomplishing complete penetration and meeting the requirements for weld reinforcement as indicated in 2-4-2/7.3. In the case of boilers, backing strips used at longitudinal welded joints are to be removed.

7.7 **Joint Finish**

Butt joints are to have complete joint penetration and are to be free from overlaps or abrupt ridges or grooves and reasonably free from undercuts. The reinforcements permitted for both double-and single-welded butt joints may be removed upon completion to provide a smooth finish.
7.9 Lap Joints
Where lapped joints are permitted, they are to be made with an overlap of the edges not less than four times the thickness of the thinner plate, except as noted in 2-4-2/Figure 1.

7.11 Head to Shell Attachments

7.11.1 Length of Flange
Dished heads other than concaved hemispherical to the pressure which are to be attached by butt-welding, and flanged heads or flanged furnace connections which are to be fillet-welded are to have a length of flange not less than 25 mm (1 in.) for heads or furnace openings not over 610 mm (24 in.) in external diameter and not less than 38 mm (1.5 in.) for heads or furnace openings over 610 mm (24 in.) in diameter. For unfired pressure vessels, see 2-4-2/Figure 1 for details.

7.11.2 Inserted Heads
When dished heads are fitted inside or over a shell, they are to have a driving fit before welding.

7.11.3 Connections
Acceptable types of fusion-welded connections of heads to shells are illustrated in 2-4-2/Figure 1, subject to the tabulated limitations in 4-4-1A1/Table 1.

7.13 Bending Stresses in Welds
The design of a Group I or II welded container is to be such that the weld will not be subjected to direct bending stresses [see 2-4-2/Figure 1(m)]. Corner welds are not to be used unless the plates forming the corner are supported independently of the welds.

7.15 Connections
All welding for fusion-welded connections is to be equivalent to that required for the joints of the vessel to which they are attached.

7.17 Nozzles
Acceptable types of fusion-welded nozzle connections are illustrated in 2-4-2/Figure 2 and are to comply with the following.

7.17.1 2-4-2/Figure 2(a) and (b)
Necks abutting the vessel wall are to be attached by a full penetration groove weld.

7.17.2 2-4-2/Figure 2(c) through (h)
Necks inserted into or through a hole cut in the vessel wall and without additional reinforcing elements are to be attached by a full penetration groove weld or by two partial penetration welds, one on each face of the vessel wall. These may be any desired combination of fillet, single-bevel and single-J welds.

7.17.3 2-4-2/Figure 2(l), (m), (n), (o) and (p)
Inserted type necks having added reinforcement in the form of one or more separate reinforcing plates are to be attached by welds at the outer edge of the reinforcing plate and at the nozzle-neck periphery. The welds attaching the neck to the vessel wall and to the reinforcement plate are to consist of one of the following combinations.

7.17.3(a) Single-bevel or single-J weld in the shell plate, and full penetration groove weld or a single-bevel or single-J weld in each reinforcement plate. See 2-4-2/Figure 2(n) and (p).
7.17.3(b) A full penetration groove weld in the shell plate, and a fillet, single-bevel, or single-J weld or a full penetration groove weld in each reinforcement plate. See 2-4-2/Figure 2(m) and (o).

7.17.3(c) A full penetration groove weld in each reinforcement plate, and a fillet, single-bevel, or single-J weld in the shell plate. See 2-4-2/Figure 2(l).

7.17.4 2-4-2/Figure 2(k), (q), (r), (s) and (t)
Nozzles with integral reinforcement in the form of extended necks or saddle type pads are to be attached by a full penetration weld or by means of a fillet weld along the outer edge and a fillet, single-bevel, or single-J weld along the inner edge.

7.17.5 2-4-2/Figure 2(u), (v), (w) and (x)
Fittings with internal threads are to be attached by a full penetration groove weld or by two fillet or partial penetration welds, one on each face of the vessel wall. See 2-4-2/Figure 2(u), (v), (w) and (x). Internally threaded fittings not exceeding 89 mm OD (3 in. NPS) may be attached by a fillet groove weld from the outside only. See 2-4-2/Figure 2(w-3).

For all cases the strength of the welded connection is to be in accordance with the requirements of 4-4-1A1/7.9.3ii).

7.19 Limitations
The use of various types of welded construction is subject to the limitations of the group for which it is intended as well as the limitations tabulated in 4-4-1A1/Table 1.

9 Forms of Welded Joints Required

9.1 Boilers and Group I Pressure Vessels
Joints are to be in accordance with the following details.

9.1.1 Double-welded
All joints are to be of the double-welded butt type, single-or double-grooved, except where a single-welded butt joint is made the equivalent of a double-welded butt joint. See 2-4-2/7.5.

9.1.2 Nozzles and Other Connections
Some acceptable types of welded nozzles and other connections to shells, drums and headers are shown in 2-4-2/Figure 2.

9.1.3 Closing Plates
Closing plates of headers for boilers and superheaters as well as flat heads of other pressure vessels may be attached by welding as indicated in 2-4-2/Figure 1(g) or (h) and 4-4-1A1/Figure 7.

9.3 Group II Pressure Vessels
Joints are to be the same as Group I except as noted below.

9.3.1 Single-welded
Butt joints welded from one side, with or without backing strips, are subject to the tabulated limitations in 4-4-1A1/Table 1. When backing strips are used, they may be left in place or removed.
9.3.2 Full-fillet Lap

Double full-fillet lap joints or single full-fillet lap joints, with or without plug welds, when used, are subject to the tabulated limitations in 4-4-1A1/Table 1. See also 2-4-2/Figure 1.

9.5 Group I Pipe Connections

Welded joints are to be in accordance with the following.

9.5.1 Pipes Over 89 mm OD (3 in. NPS)

Joints for connecting two lengths of pipe or a pipe to a welding fitting, valve or flange are to be of the grooved type. In welding single-welded butt joints, complete penetration at the root is required and is to be demonstrated by the qualification of the procedure used. If complete penetration cannot otherwise be secured, the procedure is to include backing. The depth of weld is to be not less than the minimum thickness permitted by the applicable material specifications for the particular size and thickness of the pipe used.

9.5.2 Pipes 89 mm OD (3 in. NPS) and Below

Joints for connecting two lengths of pipe may be made by sleeves fitted over the joint and attached by fillet welds or by using socket-type joints with a fillet weld. For sleeve joints, the inside diameter of the sleeve is not to exceed the outside diameter of the pipe by more than 2.0 mm (0.080 in.). The fit and fillet weld sizes are to be in accordance with an applicable recognized standard (e.g., ANSI B16.11 for socket-type joints, ASTM F682 for sleeve-type joints and ANSI B31.1 for fillet weld sizes). The depth of insertion of the pipe into the sleeve or socket fitting is to be at least 9.5 mm (0.375 in.). A minimum gap of approximately 2.0 mm (0.080 in.) is to be provided between the ends of the pipe for a sleeve joint or between the pipe and socket shoulder for socket-type joints prior to welding. The fittings are to be reasonably centered around the pipe.

9.5.3 Flanges

ANSI slip-on flanges may be attached to piping by double-fillet welds for applications with service rating no higher than ANSI 300 Class provided the throats of the fillet welds are not less than 0.7 times the thickness of the part to which the flange is attached. For boiler external piping, the use of slip-on flanges is additionally limited to sizes not exceeding 114 mm OD (4 in. NPS) and the throats of fillet welds may be not less than 0.7 times the thickness of the part to which the flange is attached. Slip-on flanges for higher ratings which comply with ASME or other recognized standards will be subject to special consideration.

Socket-type flanges up to and including ANSI 600 Class may be used in piping 89 mm OD (3 in. NPS) or less and up to and including the ANSI 1500 Class in piping 73 mm OD (2.5 in. NPS) pipe size or less.

9.5.4 Backing

Backing for grooved joints may be omitted in pipes under 33 mm OD (1 in. NPS). Backing is recommended for welding pipes on shipboard for all sizes 33 mm OD (1 in. NPS) and above when welded with single butt joints.

9.5.5 Welding

Welding in pipe lines is to be done in the shop as far as practicable and joints made in the installation on board ship are to be in positions accessible for proper welding.
9.7 **Group II Pipe Connections**

The type of welded joints in the construction of piping under this Group is to be similar to those in Group I except for the following modifications. For 2-4-2/9.7.1, 2-4-2/9.7.2 and 2-4-2/9.7.3 below, full penetration welds are required.

9.7.1 **Single-groove**

Single-groove welded-butt joints may be without backing in all sizes if the weld is chipped or ground off flush on the root side.

9.7.2 **Backin**

Backing may also be dispensed with, without grinding the root of the weld in such services as tank-vent and overflow pipes.

9.7.3 **Square-groove Welds**

Square-groove welds may be used in lieu of the single-V groove weld for tank vent and overflow pipes where the thickness of the pipe does not exceed 4.8 mm (3/16 in.).

9.7.4 **Sleeves**

Sleeves fitted over the joint and attached by fillet welds or socket-type joints with a fillet weld will be acceptable in all sizes. The fit and fillet weld sizes are to be in accordance with an applicable recognized standard (e.g., ANSI B16.11 for socket joints, ASTM F682 for sleeve type joints and ANSI B31.1 for fillet weld sizes.) The depth of insertion and gap are to be as per 2-4-2/9.5.2. The fittings are to be reasonably centered around the pipe.

9.9 **Low-temperature Piping Systems (Below -18°C (0°F))**

For service temperatures lower than -18°C (0°F), each welding procedure is to be approved in accordance with the requirements of 2-4-3/5 and Part 5, Chapter 8. All piping systems over 10.3 bar (10.5 kgf/cm², 150 psi) are to be considered Group I piping systems except that socket-weld joints, slip-on flanges, single-welded butt joints with backing strips left in place, pipe-joining sleeves and threaded joints are not to be used except where permitted by Part 5, Chapter 8.

9.11 **Engineering Structures**

The type of welded joints used in either Group I or II in this class of construction is subject to special consideration in connection with the design in each case.

11 **Preheat**

11.1 **Boilers, Pressure Vessels, and Group I Piping**

When ambient temperatures are below 10°C (50°F), the welded parts of boilers, pressure vessels, and Group I piping are to be preheated, prior to welding, so that the parts to be joined by welding will be at a temperature not less than 10°C (50°F). Higher preheat is required for material composition, thicknesses, and carbon content in accordance with the following paragraphs.

11.1.1 **General**

The thicknesses referred to are nominal at the weld for the parts to be joined. Where the qualification procedure specifies a higher preheat, this higher preheat is to be used. Where different materials having different preheat requirements are joined by welding, the higher preheat is to be used. For materials refer to 2-3-2/1, 2-3-2/3, 2-3-2/5, 2-3-2/7, Section 2-3-5 and Section 2-3-12.
11.1.2 Preheat Temperatures

Welds joining pressure parts or attachments to pressure parts are to be preheated to not less than the following temperatures.

11.1.2(a) ABS Plate Grades MA, MB, MC, MD, ME, MF, MG, K, L, M, N, Tube Grades D, F, H, J, and Pipe Grades 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, and 9. to 79°C (175°F) for material which has both specified maximum carbon content in excess of 0.30% and a thickness at the joint in excess of 25.4 mm (1.0 in.).

11.1.2(b) ABS Plate Grades H, I, J, Tube Grades K, L, M and Pipe Grades 6 and 7. to 79°C (175°F) for material which has either a specified minimum tensile strength in excess of 485 N/mm² (49 kgf/mm², 70,000 psi) or a thickness at the joint in excess of 16.0 mm (0.625 in.).

11.1.2(c) ABS Tube Grades N and O and Piping Grades 11 and 12. to 121°C (250°F) for material which has a thickness at the joint in excess of 12.5 mm (0.5 in.).

11.1.2(d) ABS Tube Grade P and Piping Grade 13. to 149°C (300°F) regardless of thickness.

11.1.2(e) Other Materials. The preheating of other materials will be subject to special consideration.

11.3 Group I Pipe Connections

All Group I pipe connections defined in 2-4-2/1.5.2 are to be preheated in accordance with 2-4-2/11.

13 General Requirements for Postweld Heat Treatment

13.1 General

Prior to the application of the following requirements, satisfactory weld-procedure qualifications of the procedures to be used are to be performed in accordance with all the essential variables of Section 2-4-3, including conditions of postweld heat treatment or lack of postweld heat treatment and other restrictions as listed in the following paragraphs.

13.3 Heat-treatment Determination

Except as otherwise specifically provided for, all welded pressure parts of boilers and all welded pressure vessels or pressure parts are to be given a postweld heat treatment at a temperature not less than that specified in the following paragraphs. Where pressure parts of two different materials are joined by welding, the postweld heat treatment is to be that specified for the material requiring the higher postweld temperature. When nonpressure parts are welded to pressure parts, the postweld-heat-treatment temperature of the pressure part is to control.

15 Fusion-welded Boilers

15.1 Postweld Heat Treatment

All boilers of plate, pipe, and tube materials listed in 2-3-2/3, 2-3-2/5, 2-3-2/7, Section 2-3-5 and Section 2-3-12 are to be given a post-weld heat treatment after all pads, flanges, or nozzles have been welded in place. Postweld heat treatment is to be as follows.
### Minimum Holding Time at Normal Temperature for Weld Thickness (Nominal)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Grades</th>
<th>Minimum Holding Temperature</th>
<th>Up to 51 mm (2 in.)</th>
<th>Over 51 mm (2 in.)</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>All Plates, Tubes and Pipes except Grade N, O and P Tubes and Grade 11, 12 and 13 Pipes</td>
<td>593°C (1100°F)</td>
<td>1 hr/25 mm (1 in.) 15 min minimum</td>
<td>2 hr plus 15 min. for each additional 25 mm (1 in.)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tube Grades N and O and Pipe Grades 11 and 12</td>
<td>593°C (1100°F)</td>
<td>1 hr/25 mm (1 in.) 15 min. minimum</td>
<td>1 hr/25 mm (1 in.) to 127 mm (5 in.) plus 15 min. for each additional 25 mm (1 in.)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tube Grade P and Pipe Grade 13</td>
<td>677°C (1250°F)</td>
<td>1 hr/25 mm (1 in.) 15 min. minimum</td>
<td>1 hr/25 mm (1 in.) to 127 mm (5 in.) plus 15 min. for each additional 25 mm (1 in.)</td>
</tr>
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</table>

* Maximum temperature is to be at least 28°C (50°F) below base material tempering temperature.

### 15.3 Lower Temperatures – Carbon and Carbon Molybdenum Steels

When it is impractical to postweld heat-treat materials listed in 2-4-2/15.5 and 2-4-2/15.7 at the temperature specified in 2-4-2/15.1, it is permissible to heat-treat at lower temperatures for longer periods as follows.

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Lower Min. Temp. degrees °C (°F)</th>
<th>Min. Holding Time at Decreased Temp. in hr/25 mm (hr/in.)</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>566 (1050)</td>
<td>2</td>
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<tr>
<td>538 (1000)</td>
<td>3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>510 (950)</td>
<td>5</td>
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<tr>
<td>482 (900)</td>
<td>10</td>
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</table>


Postweld heat treatment of these materials and other equivalent pipe plate, and tube material is not required under the following conditions.

#### 15.5.1 Circumferential Welds

For circumferential welds in pipes, tubes or headers where the pipe, tube or header complies with a nominal wall thickness of 19.1 mm (0.75 in.) or less at the joint.

#### 15.5.2 Fillet Welds

For fillet welds, attaching nonpressure parts to pressure parts that have a throat thickness of 12.7 mm (0.50 in.) or less, provided preheat to a minimum temperature of 93°C (200°F) is applied when the thickness of the pressure part exceeds 19.1 mm (0.75 in.).
15.5.3 Heat-absorbing Surfaces
For welds used to attach extended heat-absorbing surfaces to tubes and insulation attachment pins to pressure parts.

15.5.4 Tubes
For tubes or pressure retaining hand hole and inspection plugs or fittings that are secured by physical means (rolling, shoulder construction, machine threads, etc.) and seal welded, provided the seal weld has a throat thickness of 9.5 mm (0.375 in.) or less.

15.5.5 Studs
For studs welded to pressure parts for purposes not included in 2-4-2/15.5.3, provided preheat to a minimum temperature of 93°C (200°F) is applied when the thickness of the pressure part exceeds 19.1 mm (0.75 in.).

Postweld heat treatment of these materials and other equivalent pipe, plate, and tube material is not required under the following conditions.

15.7.1 Circumferential Welds
For circumferential welds in pipes, tubes or headers where the pipes, tubes, or headers comply with both a nominal wall thickness of 16 mm (0.625 in.) or less, and a specified maximum carbon content of not more than 0.25%.

15.7.2 Fillet Welds
For fillet welds attaching nonpressure parts having a specified maximum carbon content not more than 0.25% that have a throat thickness of 12.7 mm (0.5 in.) or less, provided preheat to a minimum temperature of 93°C (200°F) is applied when the pressure part exceeds 15.9 mm (0.625 in.).

15.7.3 Heat-absorbing Surfaces
For welds used to attach extended heat-absorbing surfaces to tubes and insulation attachment pins to pressure parts.

15.7.4 Tubes
For tubes or pressure-retaining handhole and inspection plugs or fittings that are secured by physical means (rolling, shoulder construction, machine threads, etc.) and seal welded, provided the seal weld has a throat thickness of not more than 9.5 mm (0.375 in.).

15.7.5 Studs
Postweld heat treatment is not mandatory for studs welded to pressure parts for purposes not included in 2-4-2/15.7.3 and which have a specified maximum carbon content of not more than 0.25%, provided a preheat to a minimum temperature of 93°C (200°F) is applied when the thickness of the pressure part exceeds 16 mm (0.625 in.).

15.9 Heat Treatment Exceptions for Fusion-welded Boilers – ABS Tube Grades N, O and Group I Pipe Grades 11 and 12
Postweld heat treatment of these materials and other equivalent pipe and tube material with 0.15% carbon maximum is not required under the following conditions.
15.9.1 Circumferential Welds
For circumferential welds where the pipe or tubes comply with all of the following.

15.9.1(a) a maximum outside diameter of 101.6 mm (4 in.)
15.9.1(b) a maximum thickness of 16 mm (0.625 in.)
15.9.1(c) a minimum preheat of 121°C (250°F)

15.9.2 Fillet Welds
For fillet welds attaching non-pressure parts to pressure parts, provided the fillet weld has a specified throat thickness of 12.5 mm (0.5 in.) or less and the pressure part meets the requirements of 2-4-2/15.9.1(a) and 2-4-2/15.9.1(b).

15.9.3 Heat-absorbing Surfaces and Studs
For heat-absorbing surfaces and non-load-carrying studs provided the material is preheated to 121°C (250°F) minimum and the pressure part meets the requirements of 2-4-2/15.9.1(a) and 2-4-2/15.9.1(b).

15.9.4 Tubes
For tubes or pressure retaining handhole and inspection plugs or fittings that are secured by physical means (rolling, shoulder construction, machine threads, etc.) and seal welded, provided the seal weld has a throat thickness of 9.5 mm (0.375 in.) or less.

15.11 Heat Treatment Exceptions for Fusion Welded Boilers – ABS Tube Grade P and Group I Pipe Grade 13
Postweld heat treatment of this material and other equivalent pipe and tube material with 0.15% carbon maximum is not required under the following conditions.

15.11.1 Circumferential Welds
For circumferential welds where the pipe or tube complies with all of the following.

15.11.1(a) a maximum outside diameter of 101.6 mm (4 in.)
15.11.1(b) a maximum thickness of 16 mm (0.625 in.)
15.11.1(c) a minimum preheat of 149°C (300°F)

15.11.2 Fillet Welds
For fillet welds attaching non-pressure parts that have a specified throat thickness of 12.5 mm (0.5 in.) or less, provided the pressure part meets the requirements of 2-4-2/15.11.1(a) and 2-4-2/15.11.1(b).

15.11.3 Heat-absorbing Surfaces and Studs
Heat-absorbing surfaces and non-load-carrying studs provided the material is preheated to 149°C (300°F) and the pressure part meets the requirements of 2-4-2/15.11.1(a) and 2-4-2/15.11.1(b).

15.11.4 Tubes
For tubes or pressure retaining handhole and inspection plugs or fittings with a specified maximum chrome content of 6% that are secured by physical means (rolling, shoulder construction, machine threads, etc.) and seal welded, provided the seal weld has a throat thickness of 9.5 mm (0.375 in.) or less.
15.13 Other Materials
Postweld heat treatment of other materials for boilerplate and tubes will be subject to special consideration.

15.15 Other Welded Connections
Nozzles or other welded attachments for which postweld heat treatment is required may be locally postweld heat-treated by heating a circumferential band around the entire vessel with the welded connection located at the middle of the band. The width of the band is to be at least three times the wall thickness of the vessel wider than the nozzle or other attachment weld, and is to be located in such a manner that the entire band will be heated to the temperature and held for the time specified in 2-4-2/15.1 for post-weld heat treatment.

15.17 Welded Joints
In the case of welded joints in pipes, tubes and headers the width of the heated circumferential band is to be at least three times the width of the widest part of the welding groove, but in no case less than twice the width of the weld reinforcement.

17 Fusion-welded Pressure Vessels

17.1 Postweld Heat Treatment
17.1.1 General
All pressure vessels and pressure-vessel parts are to be given a postweld heat treatment at a temperature not less than that specified in 2-4-2/15.1 and 2-4-2/15.3 when the nominal thickness, including corrosion allowance of any welded joint in the vessel or vessel part exceeds the limits as noted in 2-4-2/17.3 and 2-4-2/17.5. In addition, postweld heat treatment is required for the following.

17.1.1(a) For all independent cargo tanks where required by Part 5, Chapter 8.
17.1.1(b) For all carbon or carbon manganese steel pressure vessels and independent cargo pressure vessels not covered by 2-4-2/17.1.1(a), when the metal temperature is below -29°C (-20°F).
17.1.1(c) For all pressure vessels and independent cargo pressure vessels, which are fabricated of carbon or carbon manganese steel and intended to carry anhydrous ammonia.

17.1.2 Welded Joints
When the welded joint connects parts that are of different thickness, the thickness to be used in applying these requirements is to be the thinner of two adjacent butt-welded plates, including head to shell connections, the thickness of the head or shell plate in nozzle attachment welds, and the thickness of the nozzle neck at the joint in nozzle neck to flange connections, the thickness of the shell in connections to tube sheets, flat heads, covers or similar connections, and the thicker of plate in connections of the type shown in 2-4-2/ Figure 1(f).

Postweld heat treatment of these materials is not required under the following conditions.
17.3.1 38.1 mm (1.5 in.) and Under
For material up to and including 38.1 mm (1.5 in.) thickness, provided that material over 31.8 mm (1.25 in.) thickness is preheated to a minimum temperature of 93°C (200°F) during welding.

17.3.2 Over 38.1 mm (1.5 in.)
For material over 38.1 mm (1.5 in.) thickness, all welded connections and attachments are to be postweld heat-treated except that postweld heat treatment is not required for:

17.3.2(a) Nozzle Connections. Fillet welds with a throat not over 12.7 mm (0.50 in.) and groove welds not over 12.7 mm (0.50 in.) in size that attach nozzle connections having a finished inside diameter not greater than 50.8 mm (2 in.), provided the connections do not form ligaments that require an increase in shell or head thickness, and preheat to a minimum temperature of 93°C (200°F) is applied.

17.3.2(b) Nonpressure Attachments. Fillet welds having a throat not over 12.7 mm (0.5 in.), or groove welds not over 12.7 mm (0.50 in.) in size, used for attaching nonpressure parts to pressure parts, and preheat to a minimum temperature of 93°C (200°F) is applied when the thickness of the pressure part exceeds 19 mm (0.75 in.).

17.5 Heat-treatment Exceptions – ABS Plate Grades, H, I, J and Tube Grades K, L, M
Postweld heat treatment of these materials is not required under the following conditions.

17.5.1 15.9 mm (0.625 in.) and Under
For material up to and including 15.9 mm (0.625 in.) in thickness having a specified maximum carbon content of not more than 0.25%, provided a welding procedure qualification has been made in equal or greater thickness than the production weld.

17.5.2 Over 15.9 mm (0.625 in.)
For material over 15.9 mm (0.625 in.) thicknesses all welded connections and attachments are to be postweld heat-treated except that postweld treatment is not required for:

17.5.2(a) Nonpressure Attachments. Attaching to pressure parts which have a specified maximum carbon content of not more than 0.25% and nonpressure parts with fillet welds that have a throat thickness of 12.7 mm (0.50 in.) or less, provided preheat to a minimum temperature of 80°C (175°F) is applied.

17.5.2(b) Tube or Pipe Attachments. Circumferential welds in pipes or tubes where the pipes or tubes have both a nominal wall thickness of 12.7 mm (0.50 in.) or less, and a specified maximum carbon content of not more than 0.25%.

17.7 Heat-treatment Exceptions – Attachments
On pressure vessels which do not require postweld heat treatment as a whole, connections and other attachments after being attached by fusion welding need not be post-weld heat-treated. See also 2-4-2/21.11 for nozzles or other welded attachments for which postweld heat treatment is not required.

17.9 Other Materials
Postweld heat treatment of other materials for boiler plate and tubes will be subject to special consideration.
17.11 Welded Connections
Nozzles or other welded attachments for which postweld heat treatment is required may be heat-treated by heating a circumferential band around the entire vessel in such a manner that the entire band is to be brought up uniformly to the required temperature and held for the specified time. The circumferential band is to extend around the entire vessel and include the nozzle or welded attachment, and is to extend at least six times the plate thickness beyond the welding which connects the nozzle or other attachment to the vessel. The portion of the vessel outside of the circumferential band is to be protected so that the temperature gradient is not harmful.

19 Pipe Connections and Engineering Structures

19.1 Group I Pipe Connections
All Group I Pipe connections defined in 2-4-2/1.5 are to be postweld heat-treated in accordance with 2-4-2/15 or the American National Standard ANSI B31.1.

19.3 Group II Pipe Connections
Unless specially required, connections in Group II piping need not be postweld heat-treated.

19.5 Group I Engineering Structures
All welded structures under this group are to be postweld heat-treated in accordance with the applicable requirements of 2-4-2/17.

19.7 Group II Engineering Structures
Postweld heat treatment of structures under this group depends on the type and purpose of the construction, and the matter will be subject to special consideration in connection with the approval of the design.

19.9 Low-temperatures Piping Systems [Below -18°C (0°F)]
In general, all piping weldments except socket-weld joints and slip-on flanges, where permitted, are to be postweld heat-treated. Exceptions will be considered for specific materials where it can be shown that postweld heat treatment is unnecessary.

21 Postweld Heat-treatment Details

21.1 Boilers and Pressure Vessels
The weldment is to be heated uniformly and slowly to the temperature and time specified in 2-4-2/15.1, and is to be allowed to cool slowly in a still atmosphere to a temperature not exceeding 427°C (800°F). The postweld heat treatment may be done either by heating the complete welded structure as a whole or by heating a complete section containing the parts to be postweld heat-treated. The postweld-heat-treatment temperature is to be controlled by at least two pyrometric instruments to avoid the possibility of error.

21.3 Pipe Connections
In the case of welded pipe connections requiring postweld heat treatment the adjacent pipes or fittings are to be heated in a circumferential band at least 3 times the width of the widest part of the welding groove but not less than twice the width of the weld reinforcement.

21.5 Other Steels
The postweld heat treatment of other steels not specifically covered in Part 2, Chapter 3 will be subject to special consideration.
21.7 Clad Pressure Vessels
Postweld heat treatment of vessels or parts of vessels constructed of integrally clad or applied corrosion-resistant lining material will be subject to special consideration.

21.9 Opening Connections
Welded connections may be added to a vessel after post-weld heat treatment without requiring repostweld heat treatment, provided the following conditions are met.

21.9.1 Size of Weld
The inside and outside attachment welds do not exceed 9.5 mm (0.375 in.) throat dimension.

21.9.2 Opening Diameter
The diameter of the attachment opening in the vessel shell does not exceed that allowed for an unreinforced opening, or does not exceed 50.8 mm (2 in.), whichever is smaller.

21.9.3 Exception
This provision does not apply to those connections so placed as to form ligaments in the shell, the efficiency of which will affect the shell thickness. Such added connections are to be postweld heat-treated.

21.11 Seal Welding
Seal welding consisting of a fillet weld under 9.5 mm (0.375 in.) without subsequent stress relieving may be applied to secure tightness of connections where the construction is such that no design stress is placed upon the weld even though the structure itself has to be stress-relieved in accordance with these Rules.

23 Radiography

23.1 General

23.1.1 Welded-joint Preparation
All welded joints to be radiographed are to be prepared as follows: The weld ripples or weld surface irregularities, on both the inside and outside, are to be removed by any suitable mechanical process to such a degree that the resulting radiographic contrast due to any irregularities cannot mask or be confused with the image of any objectionable defect. Also, the weld surface is to merge smoothly into the plate surface. The finished surface of the reinforcement of all butt-welded joints may be flush with the plate or may have a reasonably uniform crown not to exceed the following thickness.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Plate Thickness, in mm (in.)</th>
<th>Thickness of Reinforcement, in mm (in.)</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Up to 12.7 (0.5) incl.</td>
<td>1.6 ((1/16))</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Over 12.7 (0.5) to 25.4 (1.0)</td>
<td>2.4 ((3/32))</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Over 25.4 (1.0) to 50.8 (2.0)</td>
<td>3.2 ((1/8))</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Over 50.8 (2.0)</td>
<td>4.0 ((5/32))</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
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23.1.2 Radiographic Examination with Backing Strip
A single-welded circumferential butt joint with backing strip may be radiographed without removing the backing strip, provided it is not to be removed subsequently and provided the image of the backing strip does not interfere with the interpretation of the resultant radiographs.

23.1.3 Details of Radiographic Search
See 2-4-3/9 for further details of radiographic search of finished joints.

23.3 Boilers
All circumferential, longitudinal, and head joints are to be examined for their full length by radiography except that parts of boilers fabricated of pipe material, such as drums, shells, downcomers, risers, cross-pipes, headers, and tubes are to be nondestructively examined as required by 2-4-2/23.7.

23.5 Other Pressure Vessels
23.5.1 Full Radiography
Double-welded butt joints or their equivalent are to be examined radiographically for their full length under any of the following conditions.

23.5.1(a) Joint Efficiency. Where the design of the vessel or vessel section is based on the use of the joint efficiency tabulated in column (a) of 4-4-1A1/Table 1.

23.5.1(b) Material Used. Complete radiographic examination is required for each butt-welded joint in vessels built of Steel Plate for Boilers and Pressure Vessels ABS Grades, MA, MB, MC, MD, ME, MF, MG, K, L, M and N having a thickness in excess of 31.8 mm (1.25 in.) as well as for ABS Grades H, I and J having a thickness in excess of 19 mm (0.75 in.). Other steels not specifically covered in Part 2, Chapter 3 will be subject to special consideration.

23.5.2 Spot (Random) Radiography
All longitudinal and circumferential double-welded butt joints or their equivalent which are not required to be fully radiographed in 2-4-2/23.5.1 are to be examined by spot (random) radiography where the pressure vessel or pressure vessel section is based on the use of the joint efficiency tabulated in column (b) of 4-4-1A1/Table 1. The extent of spot radiography is to compare favorably with accepted practice such as that specified in the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code and is to be the satisfaction of the Surveyor.

23.7 Group I Pipe Connections (1999)
Group I pipe connections are to be radiographically examined according to either of the conditions indicated below, as applicable.

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<tr>
<th>Pipe Size</th>
<th>Extent of Radiography¹ ²</th>
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<tr>
<td>Wall Thickness &gt; 9.5 mm (3/8 in.)</td>
<td>100%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Diameter &gt; 76.1 mm (3.0 in) O.D.</td>
<td>100%</td>
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</tbody>
</table>

Notes
1 Where radiographic testing is not practicable, such as for fillet welds, another effective method of nondestructive testing is to be carried out.
2 Where radiographic testing is not required in the above table, alternative nondestructive testing, magnetic particle or penetration methods, may be required by the attending Surveyor when further inspection deems it necessary.

23.9 Group II Pipe Connections (1999)
Spot (random) radiographic or ultrasonic examination of welded joints with an outer diameter greater than 101.6 mm (4.0 in) may be required by the Surveyor when further inspection deems it necessary.
23.11 Low Temperature Piping Connections (Below -18°C (0°F))

In all carbon and alloy steel piping with a service temperature below -18°C (0°F) and an inside diameter of more than 75 mm (3 in.) or where the wall thickness exceeds 10 mm or 0.375 in., welds made in accordance with this group are to be subjected to 100% radiographic search or to other approved method of test if the former is not practicable. For pipe of smaller diameter or thickness, welds are to be subjected to spot (random) radiographic examination or to other approved methods of test of at least 10% of the welds, to the satisfaction of the Surveyor.

23.13 Group I Engineering Structures

Group I Engineering Structures are to meet the same radiographic requirements as Group I Pressure Vessels.

23.15 Group II Engineering Structures

Group II Engineering Structures which correspond in service requirements to Group II Pressure Vessels are not required to be subjected to a full or spot (random) radiographic examination of welded joints.

23.17 Engine Bedplates

Bedplates for main propulsion internal-combustion engines with cylinders 458 mm (18 in.) in diameter and over are to be examined radiographically or ultrasonically in way of principal welds.

23.19 Miscellaneous

23.19.1 Alloy and Clad Pressure Vessels

The radiographic examination of vessels or parts of vessels constructed of alloy, integrally clad or applied corrosion-resistant lining materials will be subject to special consideration.

23.19.2 Nozzles, Sumps, etc.

Butt welds of inserted-type nozzles are to be radiographed when used for attachment to a vessel or vessel section that is required to be radiographed or the joint efficiency tabulated in column (a) of 4-4-1A1/Table 1 is used. Nozzles and manhole attachment welds which are not of the double-welded butt-type need not be radiographed. Joints used in the fabrication of nozzles, sumps, etc. are to be radiographed when intended for installation in a vessel or vessel section that is required to be radiographed or when the joint efficiency tabulated in column (a) of 4-4-1A1/Table 1 is used, except that circumferential-welded butt joints of nozzles and sumps not exceeding 254 mm (10 in.) nominal pipe size or 28.6 mm (1.125 in.) wall thickness need not be radiographed.

25 Hydrostatic Test

25.1 Boilers and Pressure Vessels

Hydrostatic tests are to be conducted in accordance with 4-4-1A1/Table 1.

25.3 Group I Piping Welded Joints

Hydrostatic tests are to be conducted in accordance with 4-6-2/7.3 and 4-6-7/5.3.3.

25.5 Group II Piping

Tests on the fabricated piping after bending and the attachment of flanges, etc. are to be made in accordance with the requirements of 4-6-2/7.3.
25.7 **Defects**

Pinholes, cracks or other defects are to be repaired only by chipping, machining or burning out the defects and rewelding. Boiler drums and vessels requiring stress relieving are to be stress-relieved after any welding repairs have been made.

25.9 **Retest**

After repairs have been made, the drum, vessel or piping is to be again subjected to the hydrostatic test required in 2-4-2/25.1 through 2-4-2/25.5 inclusive.
FIGURE 1
Head to Shell Attachments

a Single fillet lap weld

b Double fillet lap weld
c Single fillet lap weld with plug welds

d Butt weld
FIGURE 1 (continued)

Head to Shell Attachments

Butt weld and fillet weld if used, are to be designed to take shear at 1.5 times the differential pressure that can exist

Min. $3t_h$ but need not exceed 38.1 mm (1.50 in.)

Need not exceed 25.4 mm (150 in.)

Tangent Point

Seal or fillet weld optional

L.D.

$t_{s1}$ and $t_{s2}$ may be different

Min. $1.3t_s$

Min. $2t_s$

Min. $t_s$

Taper Optional

Tangent Line

12.7 mm (0.5 in.)

Bevel Optional

2½ $t_{max}$

Min. $t_{min}$

$t_{min} = 1.25t$ or $1.25t_s$ whichever is the smaller.

t or $t_s = 15.9$ mm (5/8 in.) max.

Avoid sharp break

Depth of offset = $t_s$

Pressure on this side

As Desired

Min. $30^\circ$

Max $45^\circ$

$t_{min} = t$ or $t_s$ whichever is the greater

e. Single fillet lap weld

f. Intermediate head

g. 

h.

j. Butt weld with one plate edge offset
FIGURE 1 (continued)
Head to Shell Attachments

- Preferred method
- Permissible for circumferential joints only
- Not permissible

k Butt welding of plates of unequal thickness

Note: Dished heads of full hemispherical shape, concave to pressure, intended for butt-welded attachment, need not have an integral skirt, but where one is provided, the thickness of the skirt is to be at least that required for a seamless shell of the same diameter.
FIGURE 2
Types of Fusion-welded Construction Details

- Backing strip if used may be removed after welding

\[ t_1 + t_2 = 1 \frac{1}{4} t_{min} \]

- or \( t_1 \) or \( t_2 \) not less than the smaller of 6.4 mm (1/4 in.) or 0.7 \( t_{min} \)

- Typical flush type nozzles

\[ t_w = 0.7 t_{min} \]

\[ -1/2 t_{min} \]

Weld to shell

\[ 1/2 t_{min} \]

Weld to pad

\[ t_e = 0.7 t_{min} \]
FIGURE 2 (continued)
Types of Fusion-welded Construction Details

- **n**: $t_w = 0.7t_{\text{min}}$
- **o**: $t_w = 0.7t_{\text{min}}$
- **p**: $t_w = 0.7t_{\text{min}}$
- **q-1**: $t_1 = t_2 = 0.7t_{\text{min}}$
- **q-3**: $t_1 = t_2 = 0.7t_{\text{min}}$
- **q-2**: $t_1 = t_2 = 0.7t_{\text{min}}$
- **q-4**: $t_1 = t_2 = 0.7t_{\text{min}}$
- **r-1**: $t_1 = t_2 = 0.7t_{\text{min}}$
- **r-2**: $t_1 = t_2 = 0.7t_{\text{min}}$
- **s**: $t_1 = t_2 = 0.7t_{\text{min}}$
- **t**: $t_1 = t_2 = 0.7t_{\text{min}}$

- $t_1 + t_2 \leq 0.2t$ but not greater than 6.4 mm (¼ in.)
- $30' \text{min} - 12.7 \text{ mm (⅛ in.) }$
- $6.4 \text{ mm (¼ in.) } R$ min.
- $19.1 \text{ mm (⅜ in.) } R$ min.
- $6.4 \text{ mm (¼ in.) }$
- Less than $30'$
- $t_{\text{min}}$
- $6.4 \text{ mm (¼ in.)}$
FIGURE 2 (continued)
Types of Fusion-welded Construction Details

Either method of attachment is satisfactory

\[ t_1 + t_2 = 1\frac{1}{4}t_{\text{min}} \text{ or } t_2 \text{ not less than the smaller of } 6.4 \text{ mm (0.25 in.) or } 0.7t_{\text{min}} \]

u-1 u-2 v-1 v-2 w-1 w-2

89mm OD (3in. NPS) max

64 mm (¼ in.) min.

w-3

\[ t_w = 0.7t_{\text{min}} \]

x

1.6 mm (¼ in.) recess

\[ t_1 \text{ but not less than } 6.4 \text{ mm (¼ in.)} \]

y

1.6 mm (¼ in.) recess

z section 1-1

Typical Tube Connections
(When used for other than square, round, or oval headers, round off corners)

\[ t = \text{ thickness of vessel shell or head, less corrosion allowance, in mm (in.)} \]

\[ t_n = \text{ thickness of nozzle wall, less corrosion allowance, in mm (in.)} \]

\[ t_e = \text{ thickness of reinforcing element, mm (in.)} \]

\[ t_w = \text{ dimension of partial-penetration attachment welds (fillet, single-bevel, or single-J), measured as shown, mm (in.)} \]

\[ t_c = \text{ the smaller of } 6.4 \text{ mm (¼ in.) or } 0.7t_{\text{min}} \text{. (Inside corner welds may be further limited by a lesser length of projection of the nozzle wall beyond the inside face of the vessel wall.)} \]

\[ t_{\text{min}} = \text{ the smaller of } 19.1 \text{ mm (⅜ in.) or the thickness of either of the parts joined by a fillet, single-bevel, or single-J weld, mm (in.)} \]
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CHAPTER 4 Welding and Fabrication

SECTION 3 Weld Tests

1 General

The steps to be taken in obtaining approval by the Bureau of electrodes and welding procedure for qualifying welders and for demonstrating satisfactory workmanship are given below.

1.1 Weld Groups

The various groups of welds are designated by index letters and numbers, by which they are referred to in subsequent paragraphs, as follows.

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<td>E2</td>
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1.3 Tests

Details of tests, preparation of specimens and test results required for approval in each application are given in 2-4-3/3 to 2-4-3/9, and 2-4-3/Figure 1 to 2-4-3/Figure 13. Where position of welding is referred to, the same is to be defined in the American Welding Society definitions.

3 Filler Metals

3.1 General (1997)

Filler metals are to be a type suitable to produce sound welds that have strength and toughness comparable to the materials being welded. The Bureau maintains a separately issued list of approved filler metals entitled, “Approved Welding Consumables.” This list indicates the grade and general application for which such filler metals may be employed. It is intended that this list will serve as a useful guide in the selection of suitable filler metals for various welding applications.
3.3 Approval Basis
Filler metals will be approved and listed subject to tests conducted at a manufacturer’s plant. Upon satisfactory completion of tests, a certificate will be issued for general approval, indicating, where applicable, the ABS Grade, operating characteristics, and limits of application. Test assemblies are to be prepared in the presence of the Surveyor and all tests are to be carried out in his presence and to his satisfaction. Procedure and testing is to comply with either of the following standards.

3.3.1 Bureau Standards
Approval of filler metals for welding vessels and other engineering structures will be granted upon compliance with the Requirements for the Approval of Filler Metals, contained in Part 2, Appendix 2.

3.3.2 Standards of Other Agencies
Filler metals will be considered for approval based upon tests conducted to standards established by The American Welding Society or other recognized agencies.

3.3.3 Special Approval
Under circumstances where exact specifications have not been established, the Bureau will consider approval on the basis of a filler metal manufacturer’s guaranteed requirements. Qualified approvals will also be considered, with and without classifying as to grade, for special applications with reliance upon procedure tests at a user’s plant.

5 Approval of Welding Procedures

5.1 Approved Filler Metals
The type of approved filler metals used on Bureau classed weldments will depend upon the specific application for which the filler metal is intended. Procedure tests may be required at the discretion of the attending Surveyor to determine the shipyard or fabricator’s capability in the application of the proposed filler metal to the base material. The extent of such tests may vary depending upon the intended application, but generally are to follow those tests outlined in 2-4-3/5.7.

5.3 Surveyor’s Acceptance
The Surveyor may, at his discretion, accept a filler metal, welding procedure, or both, in a shipyard or fabricator’s plant where it is established to his satisfaction that they have been effectively used for similar work under similar conditions.

5.5 New Procedures and Methods
Weld tests using procedures and materials similar to those intended for production welding may be required to be prepared by each shipyard or fabricator when new or unusual methods, base metals or filler metals are proposed. All tests are to be made in the presence of the Surveyor and carried out to his satisfaction.

5.7 Tests
Unless otherwise approved, the number of specimens is to be as indicated. The minimum test results required are stated with the following figures.

Test No. 1 (For butt welds) Reduced-section Tension Test (2-4-3/Figure 3 or 2-4-3/Figure 4). Two specimens made in each position involved.

Test No. 2 (For butt welds) Guided Bend Test (2-4-3/Figure 5 and 2-4-3/Figure 6). For material 19 mm (0.75 in.) thick and under, two face-bend and two root-bend specimens for each position except that, at the option of the fabricator, four side bends may be substituted for material thickness
over 9.5 mm (3/8 in.). For material over 19 mm (0.75 in.) thick, four side-bend specimens for each position involved. The bending jig and test requirements are indicated in 2-4-3/Figure 7.

**Test No. 3** Fillet-weld Test (2-4-3/Figure 8). One specimen made in each position involved.

### 5.9 Special Tests
All weld-metal tension, Charpy V-notch impact, macro-etch or other relevant tests may be required for certain applications, such as higher-strength steels, electroslag welding, one-side welding, etc., and the results submitted for consideration. 2-4-3/Figure 13 defines the location of Charpy V-notch impact tests when heat affected zone tests are required. A Charpy V-notch test is to consist of three specimens per location.

### 5.11 Repair and Cladding of Stern Tube and Tail Shafts
Weld repairs and cladding on stern tube shafts and tail shafts are to be performed in an approved facility.

Approval of welding procedures for the repair or cladding of stern tube shafts and tail shafts is to be in accordance with the ABS *Guide for Repair and Cladding of Shafts*.

### 7 Workmanship Tests

#### 7.1 Hull Construction
The Surveyor may, when it is considered desirable, require welders to prepare specimens for Fillet-weld Tests (Test No. 3) for the positions involved. Details of the specimen are shown in 2-4-3/Figure 8.

#### 7.3 Boilers and Group I Pressure Vessels

**7.3.1 Required Tests**
The following tests are to be made using equivalent material of the same thickness as the boiler or pressure vessel. The results required are stated with the applicable figures and in 2-4-3/9.3.

**Test No. 1** Reduced-section Tension Test (2-4-3/Figure 3)
**Test No. 2** Guided Bend Test, (2-4-3/Figure 5 or 2-4-3/Figure 6)
**Test No. 3** Radiographic Search of Welds on Finished Joint

**7.3.2 Test Exceptions**
Test Nos. 1 and 2 are not required for cylindrical pressure parts of Boilers and Group I Pressure Vessels constructed of ABS Steel Plate for Boilers and Pressure Vessels Grades A through G inclusive and Grades K through N inclusive whose welded joints are fully examined by radiography.

**7.3.3 Attached Test Plates**
Structures made in accordance with the requirements of Group B1 of materials other than those given in 2-4-3/7.3.2 are to have test plates attached as shown in 2-4-3/Figure 2 to permit the longitudinal joint of the shell and test plates to be welded continuously. The test plate is to be of sufficient length to provide two specimens for each of Tests Nos. 1 and 2 detailed above. One specimen is to be tested; the other specimen is for use in retesting, if necessary.
7.3.4 Separate Test Plates
Circumferential joints of a boiler or pressure vessel need not be provided with test plates unless there be no longitudinal welded joint, in which case test plates are required to be welded separately.

7.3.5 Number of Test Plates
Where several drums or vessels of the same design and grade of material are welded in succession, a set of test plates for each linear 61 m (200 ft) of longitudinal joints, or 61 m (200 ft) of circumferential joints where there are no longitudinal joints, will be acceptable, provided the joints are welded by the same operators and the same welding method. Shells having no longitudinal joints may be considered as being of the same design if the plate thicknesses fall within a range of 6.4 mm (0.25 in.) and the shell diameters do not vary by more than 150 mm (6 in.).

7.3.6 Test-plate Heat Treatment and Retests
In all cases the welded test plates are to be treated as to stress relieving, etc., in the same manner as the work which they represent. Should any of the tests fail, one retest is to be made for each failure; and should the retest also fail, the welding represented is to be chipped or gouged out and rewelded and new test plates provided.

7.5 Other Pressure Vessels
Workmanship test plates are not required for structures in this Group. Test No. 3 is to be carried out when required in 2-4-2/23.3.

7.7 Group I Pipe Connections
In carbon and carbon-molybdenum steel piping for all diameters where the thickness exceeds 9.5 mm (0.375 in.) and other alloy-steel piping 76 mm (3 in.) in diameter and over regardless of thickness, welds made in accordance with the requirements of this group are to be subjected to 100% Radiographic Search - Test No. 3, or to other approved method of test, where the former is not applicable.

7.9 Group II Pipe Connections
No workmanship tests are required.

7.11 Group I Engineering Structures
Group I Engineering Structures are to meet the same requirements as 2-4-3/7.3, except that where there is no longitudinal joint, no test plates will be required.

7.13 Group II Engineering Structures
Welds in structures in this group which correspond in service requirements to Group B2 are to be tested in the same manner as Group B2, except that where there is no longitudinal joint, no tests will be required.

9 Radiographic or Ultrasonic Inspection

9.1 Hull Construction
Where radiographic or ultrasonic inspection is required such testing should be carried out in accordance with the Bureau’s separately issued *Rules for Nondestructive Inspection of Hull Welds*.
9.3 **Boilers and Pressure Vessels**

9.3.1 **General**
When radiographic search of the finished joint is required, as indicated in 2-4-3/7.3, 2-4-3/7.5, 2-4-3/7.7 and 2-4-3/7.11, the radiographs are to be obtained by means of an approved technique and are to compare favorably with accepted standards.

9.3.2 **Acceptability of Welds—Full Radiography**
In general, sections of weld that are shown by full radiography to have any of the following types of imperfections are to be considered unacceptable and are to be repaired.

9.3.2(a) **Incomplete Fusion or Penetration.** Any type of crack or zone of incomplete fusion or penetration

9.3.2(b) **Elongated Slag Inclusions or Cavities.** Any elongated slag inclusion or cavity which has a length greater than the following, where \( t \) is the thickness of the thinner plate being welded

\[
\begin{align*}
6.4 \text{ mm (0.25 in.)} & \quad \text{for } t \text{ up to } 19.1 \text{ mm (0.75 in.)} \\
\frac{2}{3} t & \quad \text{for } t \text{ from } 19.1 \text{ mm (0.75 in.) to } 57.2 \text{ mm (2.25 in.)} \\
19.1 \text{ mm (0.75 in.)} & \quad \text{for } t \text{ over } 57.2 \text{ mm (2.25 in.)}
\end{align*}
\]

9.3.2(c) **Slag Inclusion in Line.** Any group of slag inclusions in line that have an aggregate length greater than \( t \) in a length of \( 12t \), except when the distance between the successive imperfections exceeds \( 6L \) where \( L \) is the length of the longest imperfection in the group

9.3.2(d) **Porosity Standards.** Porosity in excess of that permitted by accepted porosity standards such as given in the American Society of Mechanical Engineers’ (ASME) Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code.

9.3.3 **Acceptability of Welds—Spot (Random) Radiography**
The inspection of the production welds by spot radiography is to compare favorably with accepted standards and methods, such as given in the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code.

9.3.4 **Survey Report Data**
In each case a statement on the extent and the results of the radiographic examination is to accompany the Surveyor’s report. The inspection procedure and technique is to be maintained on file by the manufacturer and is to compare favorably with accepted practice such as that specified in the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code.

9.3.5 **Pipe-joint Exception**
An approved method of test may be used in lieu of the radiographic inspection of pipe joints, where the latter cannot be applied.

11 **Welders**

11.1 **General Requirements**
The Surveyor is to be satisfied that the welders are proficient in the type of work which they are called upon to perform either through requiring any or all of the tests outlined in the following paragraphs or through due consideration of the system of employment, training, apprenticeship, plant testing, inspection, etc., employed.
11.3 Qualification Tests

The tests, if required for qualification in the various positions for different materials and thicknesses, are given in 2-4-3/Table 1. The tests are referred to by Nos. Q1 to Q4 inclusive for which specimens are to be prepared in accordance with 2-4-3/Figure 9 to 2-4-3/Figure 12 respectively, and physically tested if the welder is qualified by this method. Alternatively, upon the request of the employer, the welder may be qualified by use of radiography except for gas metal arc welding with the short circuit transfer technique for which bend tests are required. Test assemblies for either physical testing or radiographic examination are to be prepared according to material thickness and welding position as indicated in 2-4-3/Table 1.

11.5 Tests Nos. Q1, Q2, Q3, and Q4

Specimens for qualification Tests Nos. Q1, Q2, Q3 and Q4 are to be bent in a bending jig having the profile shown in 2-4-3/Figure 7.

### TABLE 1
Welder Qualification Tests

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Construction Material</th>
<th>Position in Which Welding Is To Be Done on Job</th>
<th>Flat and Vertical</th>
<th>Flat Position Only</th>
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<tr>
<td>Plate Material of 19.1 mm (3/4 in.) or less in thickness (Note 1)</td>
<td>Test No. Q1 in vertical (3G) and overhead (4G) positions</td>
<td>Test No. Q1 in vertical (3G) position</td>
<td>Test No. Q1 in flat (1G) position</td>
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<tr>
<td>Plate material of any thickness (Note 2)</td>
<td>Test No. Q2 in vertical (3G) and horizontal positions</td>
<td>Test No. Q2 in vertical (3G) position (Note 3)</td>
<td>Test No. Q2 in flat (1G) position</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Piping or tubing of any thickness (Note 3)</td>
<td>Test No. Q3 in inclined fixed (6G) position (Note 4)</td>
<td>Test No. Q3 in horizontal fixed (5G) position (Note 5)</td>
<td>Test No. Q3 in horizontal rolled (1G) position (Note 5)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Piping or tubing of any thickness (Note 6)</td>
<td>Test No. Q3R in horizontal and vertical positions</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>For tack welders</td>
<td>Test No. Q4 in vertical and overhead positions</td>
<td>Test No. Q4 in vertical position</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Notes:**

1. Where the maximum plate thickness to be welded is less than 9.5 mm (3/8 in.), the test plate thickness is to be 4.8 mm (3/16 in.) or greater.
2. Where the maximum plate thickness to be welded is between 19.1 mm (3/4 in.) and 38.1 mm (11/2 in.), qualification Test No. Q2 may be conducted on plate of maximum thickness to be welded in production.
3. Welders qualified under the requirements of Test No. Q3 will be considered as qualified to make welds governed by Test Nos. Q1 and Q2, in accordance with test thickness; test thickness over 4.8 mm (3/16 in.) but less than 19.1 mm (3/4 in.) qualifies for range of 1.6 mm (1/16 in.) to 2r test thickness 19.1 mm (3/4 in.) and greater qualifies for range of 4.8 mm (3/16 in.) to unlimited thickness. Welders qualified to weld on plate in the vertical position may be permitted to weld on pipe in the horizontal rolled position.
4. For qualification of T, K and Y joints Test No. Q3 in the inclined fixed position with restriction ring (6GR) is required.
5. Test No. Q3 in the horizontal fixed (5G) position also qualifies for overhead (4G) welding. Test No. Q3 in the vertical fixed (2G) position qualifies for flat (1G) and horizontal rolled (1G) welding.
6. Test No. Q3R may be used when special qualification for welding in areas of restricted access is required.
FIGURE 1
Preparation of Test Plates and Pipes for Weld Tests Nos. 1 and 2

For Plate Over 19.1 mm (3/4 in.) Thick

Discard
Side bend
Reduced section
Side bend
Reduced section
Side bend
Discard

250 mm (10 in.) min

9.5 mm (3/8 in.)

1.5t

5° max

Note: Edge preparation, welding procedure and postweld heat treatment, if any, are to be the same as those for the work represented.

For Plate Up To 19.1 mm (3/4 in.) Thick

Discard
Reduced section
Root bend
Face bend
Root bend
Face bend
Reduced section
Discard

400 mm (16 in.) min

280 mm (11 in.)

See 2-4-3/Figure 3

About 280 mm (11 in.)

38 mm (1 1/2 in.)

9.5 mm (3/8 in.)
FIGURE 1 (continued)
Preparation of Test Plates and Pipes for Weld Tests Nos. 1 and 2

For Pipe Over 19.1 mm (3/4 in.) Thick

For Pipe Up To 19.1 mm (3/4 in.) Thick

Note: Edge preparation, welding procedure and postweld heat treatment, if any, are to be the same as those for the work represented.
FIGURE 2
Typical Arrangement of Test Plates for Workmanship Tests in Group B1

Test plate

Tack welded

Welded seam

Boiler or pressure vessel

Length to suit No. of tests required

Test Plate

Note: Tack weld test plates together and support test assembly so that warping due to welding does not cause deflection of more than 5 degrees. Should straightening of any test assembly within this limit be necessary to facilitate making test specimens, the test assembly is to be straight-ended after cooling and before any postweld heat treatment.
FIGURE 3
Test No. 1 – Reduced-section Tension Test for Plate

Notes
1. Both faces of weld are to be machined flush with plate.
2. For procedure qualification \( t = 9.5 \text{ mm (3/8 in.)} \) for construction materials up to 19.1 mm (3/4 in.). For construction material over 19.1 mm (3/4 in.) \( t \) = thickness of material.
3. For workmanship tests \( t \) = thickness of construction material.
4. \( W \) = approximately 38 mm (1.5 in.) where \( t \) is 25.4 mm (1 in.) or less. \( W = 25.4 \text{ mm (1 in.)} \) where \( t \) is more than 25.4 mm (1 in.).
5. When the capacity of the available testing machine does not permit testing the full thickness specimen, two or more thinner than full thickness specimens may be prepared by cutting the full thickness specimen into sections, each which is to meet the requirements.

Requirements
1. The tensile strength of each specimen, when it breaks in the weld, is not to be less than the minimum specified tensile strength of the base material.
2. The tensile strength of each specimen, when it breaks in the base metal and the weld shows no signs of failure, is not to be less than 95% of the minimum specified tensile strength of the base material.
FIGURE 4
Test No. 1 – Reduced-section Tension Test for Pipe

Notes

1. Both faces of weld are to be machined flush with plate. The minimum amount needed to obtain plane parallel faces over 19 mm (3/4 in.) wide reduced section may be machined at the option of the testing facility.

2. For procedure qualification $t = 9.5$ mm (3/4 in.) for construction materials up to 19.1 mm (3/4 in.). For construction material over 19.1 mm (3/4 in.) $t = $ thickness of material.

3. For workmanship tests $t = $ thickness in material.

4. When the capacity of the available testing machine does not permit testing the full thickness specimen, two or more thinner than full thickness specimens may be prepared by cutting the full thickness specimen into sections each which is to meet the requirements.

Requirements

1. The tensile strength of each specimen, when it breaks in the weld, is not to be less than the minimum specified tensile strength of the base material.

2. The tensile strength of each specimen, when it breaks in the base metal and the weld shows no signs of failure, is not to be less than 95% of the minimum specified tensile strength of the base material.
FIGURE 5
Test No. 2 – Guided Bend Test for Root Bend and Face Bend
(Plate or Pipe)

Required for Procedure Qualification, Workmanship Tests in Groups B1, B2, and E1

Note Both faces of weld to be machined flush with base metal.

FIGURE 6
Test No. 2 – Guided Bend Test for Side Bend (Plate or Pipe) (1996)

Full material thickness is to be tested. Where the thickness is over 38 mm (1 1/2 in.) cut the specimen into multiple strips of approximately equal width between 19 mm (3/4 in.) and 38 mm (1 1/2 in.) and test each strip.

Note Faces of weld to be machined flush with base metal.
FIGURE 7
Guided Bend Test Jig

The specimen is to be bent in this jig or in an equivalent guided bend roller jig around a mandrel with the following maximum dimensions proportional to the specimen thickness (t).

- Ordinary strength steel: $A = 2t$, $B = 3t + 1.6$ mm ($\frac{1}{16}$ in.)
- Higher strength steel: $A = 2.5t$, $B = 3.5t + 1.6$ mm ($\frac{1}{16}$ in.)

*Requirement*
After bending, the specimen is not to show any cracking or other open defect exceeding 3.2 mm ($\frac{1}{8}$ in.) on the convex side except at the corners.
FIGURE 8
Test No. 3 – Fillet-weld Test

Notes
1. For procedure qualification $t = 9.5 \text{ mm (3/8 in.)}$ for construction materials up to 19.1 mm (3/4 in.). For construction material over 19.1 mm (3/4 in.) $t$ = thickness of material.
2. Base and standing web is to be straight and in intimate contact and securely tacked at ends before fillet-weld is made, to insure maximum restraint.
3. The test plate may be flame cut into short sections to facilitate breaking open.

Requirements
The fillet is to be of the required contour and size, free from undercutting and overlapping. When broken, as indicated, the fractured surface is to be free from cracks. Visible porosity, incomplete fusion at the root corners and inclusions may be acceptable, provided the total length of these discontinuities is not more than 10% of the total length of the weld.
FIGURE 9
Welder Qualification Test No. Q1

For Plate Material 19.1 mm (3/4 in.) or less

Direction of plate rolling

Discard
Face bend
Root bend
Discard

29 mm (1 1/8 in.)
38 mm (1 1/2 in.)
38 mm (1 1/2 in.)
29 mm (1 1/8 in.)

250 mm (10 in.)

Diameter of electrode core wire

60°

25 mm (1 in.)

Warping 5° max.

6mm (1/4 in.) min.

9.5mm (3/8 in.)

Notes
1. Weld is to be made with the maximum size of electrodes that will be used in production.
3. Machining is to be done transverse to weld.
4. All specimens are to be machined or sawed from plate.
5. Backing strap is to be contiguous with plates.
6. Joints welded in the vertical position are to be welded upwards.
7. Welding is to be done from one side only.
8. Break edges of specimens to a radius of t/6 maximum.
9. Bend specimens in Guided Bend Test Jig (2-4-3/Figure 7)
10. 1 Face Bend and 1 Root Bend required.
FIGURE 10
Welder Qualification Test No. Q2

For Materials Of Any Thickness.

Notes
1. When welding in the flat and vertical positions of welding, the groove angle is to be 25 degrees; when welding in the horizontal position, the groove angle is to be 35 degrees and the unbeveled plate is to be located on the top side of the joint.
2. Backing strap is to be contiguous with plates.
3. Each pass of the weld is to be made with the same size of electrodes that will be used in production.
4. Joints welded in the vertical position are to be welded upwards.
5. Welding is to be done from one side only.
7. All specimens are to be machined or sawed from plate.
8. Machining is to be done transverse to weld.
9. Break edges of specimens to a radius of t/6 maximum.
10. Bend Specimen in Guided Bend Test Jig (2-4-3/Figure 7).
11. 2 Side Bends required for plate. 4 Side Bends required for pipe.
FIGURE 11
Welder Qualification Test No. Q3R

See also 2-4-3/Table 1
Positions of test pipe or tubing

a Horizontal rolled (1G) ^9

b Vertical fixed (2G) ^9

c Horizontal fixed (5G) ^9

d Inclined fixed (6G) ^9

Restriction ring to be within 12.5mm (1/2 in.) of the joint edge and min. 150mm (6 in.) extension beyond the surface of the pipe or tube

e Inclined fixed with restriction ring (6GR) ^9
FIGURE 11 (continued)
Welder Qualification Test No. Q3R

Positions of test pipe or tubing

![Diagram showing welder qualification test setup]

location of test specimens

![Diagram showing test specimen locations]
FIGURE 11 (continued)
Welder Qualification Test No. Q3R

Use 150 mm (6 in.) piping (min.)

Notes
1. Welds are to be made with electrode sizes representative of production.
3. All specimens are to be machined or sawed from piping.
4. Break edges of bend specimens to a radius of \( t/6 \) maximum.
5. Mark top and front of piping to insure proper location of specimens.
6. Remove face-bend specimens from 45 and 225 degree points, and root-bend specimens from 135 and 315 degree points as indicated. If piping of greater wall thickness than 9.5 mm (\( \frac{3}{8} \) in.) is used in this test 4 side bend tests are to be conducted in lieu of root and face bends.
7. Welding is to be done from one side only.
8. Bend specimens in Guided Bend Test Jig (2-4-3/Figure 7).
10. For piping with greater wall thickness than 9.5 mm (\( \frac{3}{8} \) in.), side bend tests are to be conducted in lieu of root and face bends.
**FIGURE 12**
Welder Qualification Test No. Q4

For Tack Welders

Notes

1. 3.2 mm (1/8 in.) diameter electrodes are to be used to make a 6.4 mm (1/4 in.) maximum size tack weld.
2. Welding in the vertical position is to be welded upwards.
3. The tack weld is to present a reasonably uniform appearance and is to be free of overlap, cracks and excessive undercut. There is to be no visible surface porosity.
4. The fractured surface of the tack weld is to be free of incomplete fusion or porosity larger than 2.4 mm (3/32 in.)
FIGURE 13
Orientation and Location of Charpy V-notch Specimens for Weld and Heat Affected Zone Properties

The largest size Charpy specimens possible for the material thickness are to be machined with the center of the specimen located as near as practicable to a point midway between the surface and the center of the thickness. In all cases, the distance from the surface of the material to the edge of the specimen should be approximately 1 mm (0.039 in.) or greater. For double-vee butt welds, specimens are to be machined closer to the surface of the second welded side.
PART 2

CHAPTER 4 Welding and Fabrication

SECTION 4 Piping (2002) *

*Note: This Section is applicable only to piping for installation on vessels to be built in accordance with the Rules for Building and Classing Steel Vessels.

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1 General

1.1 Application

The provisions of this section are intended for welding of steel pipes in systems covered in Part 4, Chapter 6 of the *Rules for Building and Classing Steel Vessels, (SVR)*. Additional provisions, as may be specified for piping systems of specialized carriers in Part 5 of the *Rules for Building and Classing Steel Vessels*, where applicable, are also to be complied with. Consideration will be given to compliance with a recognized national or international welding standard that is considered equally effective.

1.3 Pipe Classes

Pipe classes are as defined in 4-6-1/Table 1, *(SVR)*. Classes I and II pipes are to comply with all the provisions of this section. Class III pipes are to comply at least with 2-4-3/1.7, 2-4-3/3, 2-4-3/5 and 2-4-3/11.1 of these provisions.

1.5 Materials

For purpose of determining welding requirements, steel pipe materials are grouped as follows:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Material group</th>
<th>Description</th>
<th>Representative standards <em>(i)</em></th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>ABS grade</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>C and C/Mn</td>
<td>Carbon; carbon manganese</td>
<td>1, 2, 3, 4, 5; 8, 9</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>0.5 Mo 0.5 Mo/0.5 Cr</td>
<td>Up to 0.5% Molybdenum; 0.5% Molybdenum &amp; 0.5% Chromium</td>
<td>6; 7</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1Cr/0.5Mo</td>
<td>1.0 - 1.25% Chromium &amp; 0.5% Molybdenum</td>
<td>11; 12</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2.25Cr/1Mo</td>
<td>2.25% Chromium and 1.0% Molybdenum</td>
<td>13</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

1 Other materials complying with recognized national or international standards are also acceptable.
1.7 **Welding Filler Metals**

All welding filler metals are to be certified by their manufacturers as complying with appropriate recognized national or international standards. Welding filler metals tested, certified and listed by the Bureau in its publication *Approved Welding Consumables* for meeting such a standard may be used in all cases. See Part 2, Appendix 2 for approval of filler metals. Welding filler metals not so listed may also be accepted provided that:

- they are of the same type as that proven in qualifying the welding procedure; and
- they are of a make acceptable to the Surveyor; and

for welding of Class I piping, representative production test pieces are to be taken to prove the mechanical properties of the weld metal.

3 **Welding Procedures and Welders**

3.1 **Welding Procedures**

Before proceeding with welding, the responsible fabricator is to prove to the satisfaction of the Surveyor that the intended welding process, welding filler metal, preheat, post weld heat treatment, etc. as applicable, have been qualified for joining the base metal. In general, the intended welding procedure is to be supported by welding procedure qualification record (PQR) conducted in the presence of the Surveyor. Properly documented PQR certified by a recognized body may be submitted to the Surveyor for acceptance. The PQR is to be conducted in accordance with a recognized standard, such as the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code, Section IX. The PQR may be used to support those welding procedures whose welding variables (e.g. base metal thickness, welding current, etc.) are within the ranges defined in the recognized welding standard being used.

3.3 **Welders and Welding Operators**

Before proceeding with welding, the responsible fabricator is to prove to the satisfaction of the Surveyor that the welder or the welding operator is qualified for performing the intended welding procedure. In general, welders and welding operators are to be qualified in accordance with 2-4-4/11 in the presence of the Surveyor. Properly documented welder performance qualification records (WPQ) conducted in accordance with a recognized welding standard being used (such as the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code, Section IX) and certified by recognized body may be presented to the Surveyor for acceptance as evidence of qualification. Once deemed qualified, the welder or the welding operator is permitted to perform the welding as qualified, as well as other welding, provided the welding variables (e.g. position, with or without backing, pipe size, etc.) of such welding are within specified ranges defined by the recognized welding standard being used.

5 **Types of Welded Joints**

5.1 **Full Penetration Butt Joints**

5.1.1 **General**

Full penetration butt joints for pipes are to have welds deposited on properly prepared single vee, double vee or other suitable types of grooves, with or without backing rings. The edge preparation and fit-up tolerances are to be as indicated in 2-4-3/5.1.2 and 2-4-3/5.1.3. Joints welded without backing ring are to assure complete root penetration and fusion by employing qualified welding procedure and qualified welder demonstrating that successful joints can be achieved. All full penetration butt joints in Classes I and II piping systems are subject to radiographic examination or equivalent to the extent as indicated in 2-4-3/11 to assure that complete root penetration is achieved and the welds do not contain unacceptable imperfection.
5.1.2 Edge Preparation

Dimensions of the edge-preparation are to be in accordance with recognized standards or that used in the welding procedure qualified by the responsible fabricator. The preparation of the edges shall preferably be carried out by mechanical means. When flame cutting is used, care should be taken to remove the oxide scales and any notch due to irregular cutting by matching grinding or chipping back to sound metal.

5.1.3 Alignment and Fit-up

For pipes to be butt-welded, the alignment of the pipes at the prepared edge is to be within the following maximum offsets:

i) Pipes of all diameters and thickness welded with permanently fitted backing ring: 0.5 mm (0.02 in.).

ii) Pipes welded without fitted backing ring:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Nominal pipe size, (d)</th>
<th>Pipe wall thickness, (t)</th>
<th>Alignment Tolerance</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>(d \leq 150) mm (6 in.) or (t \leq 6.0) mm (0.24 in.)</td>
<td>(t/4) or lesser of 1.0 mm (0.04 in.) or (t/4)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>(150) mm (6 in.) &lt; (d) (\leq 300) mm (12 in.) or (6.0) mm (0.24 in.) &lt; (t) (\leq 9.5) mm (0.37 in.)</td>
<td>lesser of 1.5 mm (0.06 in.) or (t/4)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>(d &gt; 300) mm (12 in.) or (t &gt; 9.5) mm (0.37 in.)</td>
<td>lesser of 2.0 mm (0.08 in.) or (t/4)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Where pipes of different thickness are to be butt welded, and if the difference in thickness is more than \(1/4\) thickness of the thinner section or 3 mm (1/8 in.), whichever is less, a taper transition having a length not less than three times the offset between the abutting sections is to be provided at the joint.

5.3 Square-groove Butt Joint

Square groove butt joints may be used in Class III piping systems for low pressure systems which are open to atmosphere, such as tank vent and overflow pipes. In general, such joints should not be made on pipes having wall thickness greater than 5 mm (0.2 in.).

5.5 Fillet-welded Joints

5.5.1 Socket Welded Joints

Socket welded joints employing sockets complying with recognized standards are to be welded to the pipe by single fillet weld with leg size not less than 1.1 times the nominal thickness of the pipe. See also 4-6-2/5.5.2 (SVR) for limitation of its use and 4-6-2/Figure 1 (SVR) for fit up details.

5.5.2 Slip-on Welded Sleeves Joints

Sleeves meeting dimensional and fit-up requirements in 4-6-2/5.5.3 (SVR) and 4-6-2/Figure 1 (SVR) may be used for joining pipes with limitations as indicated therein. The fillet weld attaching the sleeve to the pipe is to have a leg size not less than 1.1 times the nominal thickness of the pipe.

5.7 Flange Attachment Welds

Weld neck flange is to be welded to pipe with full penetration butt weld conforming to 2-4-3/5.1. Slip-on welded flange and socket welded flange are to be attached to pipes with double fillet and single fillet welds respectively. The external fillet weld is to have a leg size not less than 1.1 times the nominal thickness of the pipe; the internal weld for slip-on welded flange is to have a leg...
size not less than the smaller of 6.0 mm (1/4 in.) or the nominal thickness of the pipe. A non-standard flange is to be attached to pipes with an approved weld design. See also 4-6-2/5.5.4 (SVR) for flange joints in general, and 4-6-2/Table 6 (SVR) and 4-6-2/Table 7 (SVR) for flange types and their limitation of use.

5.9 Branch Connections

Pipe branches made by welding branch pipe to a hole cut in the run pipe are to be designed in accordance with 4-6-2/5.3 (SVR). In general, the attachment weld is to be a full penetration groove weld through the thickness of the run pipe or of the branch pipe, with ample finished fillet weld.

5.11 Tack Welding

Tack welds, where used, are to be made with filler metal suitable for the base metal. Tack welds intended to be left in place and form part of the finished weld are to be made by qualified welders using process and filler metal the same as or equivalent to the welding procedure to be used for the first pass. When preheating is required by 2-4-3/7, the same preheating should be applied prior to tack welding.

7 Preheat

In general, dryness is to be assured before welding; this may be achieved with suitable preheating as necessary. Where ambient temperatures are below 10°C (50°F), for Classes I and II pipes, the welded parts are to be heated, prior to welding, to at least 10°C (50°F). In addition, preheating is required depending on base metal thickness and chemical composition as indicated in the following table. The values given in the table below are based on the use of low hydrogen processes; consideration is to be given to using higher preheating temperatures when low hydrogen processes are not used. Consideration will be given to alternative preheat requirements based on a recognized standard and welding procedure qualification conducted thereto.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Material group</th>
<th>Thickness of the thicker joining base metal</th>
<th>Minimum preheat temperature</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>C and C/Mn</td>
<td>≥ 20 mm (0.79 in.)</td>
<td>50°C (122°F)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>C+Mn/6 ≤ 0.4</td>
<td>≥ 20 mm (0.79 in.)</td>
<td>100°C (212°F)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>C+Mn/6 &gt; 0.4</td>
<td>&gt; 13 mm (0.51 in.)</td>
<td>100°C (212°F)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>0.5 Mo</td>
<td>&lt; 13 mm (0.51 in.)</td>
<td>100°C (212°F)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>0.5 Mo/0.5 Cr</td>
<td>≥ 13 mm (0.51 in.)</td>
<td>150°C (302°F)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1Cr/0.5Mo</td>
<td>&lt; 13 mm (0.51 in.)</td>
<td>150°C (302°F)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>≥ 13 mm (0.51 in.)</td>
<td></td>
<td>200°C (392°F)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

9 Post-weld Heat Treatment

9.1 Procedure

Post-weld heat treatments are to be conducted according to a procedure acceptable to the Surveyor. They can be carried out in furnaces or locally. Where conducted locally, the weld is to be heated in a circumferential band around the pipe having a width of at least three times the wall thickness. For fabricated branch connections, the band is to extend at least two times the run pipe wall thickness beyond the branch weld. Suitable temperature and time recording equipment is to be provided.

The welded joint is to be heated slowly and uniformly to a temperature within the range indicated in the table in 2-4-3/9.3 and soaked at this temperature for a period of 1 hour per 25 mm (1 in.) of thickness, with a minimum of half an hour. Thereafter, it is to be cooled slowly and uniformly in the
furnace or under insulation to a temperature not more than 400°C and subsequently cooled in a still atmosphere.

### 9.3 Requirement

Post-weld heat treatment is to be conducted on welded joints depending on base metal thickness and compositions as indicated in the following table. Consideration will be given to alternative post-weld heat treatment requirements based on a recognized standard provided that such requirements are also applied to welding procedure qualification.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Material group</th>
<th>Thickness of the thicker joining base metal</th>
<th>Post-weld heat treatment soaking temperature (°C)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>C and C/Mn</td>
<td>≥ 15 mm (0.59 in.)</td>
<td>550–620°C (1022–1148°F)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>0.5Mo</td>
<td>≥ 15 mm (0.59 in.)</td>
<td>580–640°C (1076–1184°F)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>0.5Mo/0.5Cr</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1 Cr/0.5Mo</td>
<td>&gt; 8 mm (0.32 in.)</td>
<td>620–680°C (1148–1256°F)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2.25Cr/1Mo</td>
<td>All (3)</td>
<td>650–720°C (1202–1328°F)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

1. Maximum temperature is to be at least 20°C (65°F) below the tempering temperature of the base metal.
2. PWHT may be omitted for Class III pipes of thickness ≤ 30 mm (1.2 in.) subject to special consideration of base metal, welding process, preheat, and welding procedure qualification.
3. PWHT may be omitted for pipes having thickness ≤ 8 mm (0.31 in.) and nominal size ≤ 100 mm (4 in.) and with a service temperature of 450°C (842°F) and above.

### 11 Non-destructive Examination

#### 11.1 Visual Examination

All welded joints, including the root side wherever possible, are to be visually examined. All visible defects, such as cracks, excessive weld reinforcement, undercuts, lack of fusion on surface, incomplete penetration where the inside is accessible, deficient size for fillet welds, etc. are to be repaired as provided for in 2-4-3/13.

#### 11.3 Butt Weld Joints

11.3.1 Radiographic Examination

**11.3.1(a) Extent of examination.** Butt joints are to be radiographically examined as follows:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Pipe class</th>
<th>Nominal size, d / wall thickness, t</th>
<th>Extent</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>I</td>
<td>(D \geq 65) mm (2.5 in.) or (t \geq 9.5) mm (3/8 in.)</td>
<td>100%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>II</td>
<td>(d \geq 90) mm (3.5 in.)</td>
<td>10%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>III</td>
<td>All</td>
<td>None</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Radiographic examination is to be performed with techniques and by qualified operators meeting a recognized standard and acceptable to the Surveyor. Radiographic films are to be of acceptable image quality according to a recognized standard and are to be submitted, along with interpretation of the results, to the Surveyor for review.

11.3.1(b) Acceptance criteria. Welds shown by radiography to have any of the following types of imperfections are to be judged unacceptable and are to be repaired as provided in 2-4-3/13.

   i) Any type of crack, or zones of incomplete fusion or penetration.

   ii) Any elongated slag inclusion which has length greater than

       \[ 6.0 \text{ mm (1/4 in.) for } t \leq 19.0 \text{ mm (3/4 in.)}, \]

       \[ t/3 \text{ for } 19.0 \text{ mm (3/4 in.)} < t \leq 57.0 \text{ mm (21/4 in.)}, \]

       \[ 19.0 \text{ mm (3/4 in.) for } t > 57.0 \text{ mm (21/4 in.)} \]

       where \( t \) is the thickness of the thinner portion of the weld.

   iii) Rounded indications in excess of an acceptance standard, such as ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code, Section VIII, Div. 1.

11.3.1(c) Re-examination. If the radiograph disclosed unacceptable imperfections, the weld is to be repaired and thereafter re-examined by radiography. For Class II pipe joints subjected to 10% radiographic examination only, if unacceptable imperfections were disclosed to such an extent that quality of welds is in doubt, more joints are to be examined at the discretion of the Surveyor.

11.3.2 Ultrasonic Examination

Ultrasonic examination may be used in lieu of radiographic examination required by 2-4-3/11.3.1. Such examination technique is to be conducted in accordance with procedures and by qualified operators meeting a recognized standard and acceptable to the Surveyor.

11.5 Fillet Weld Joints

In Class I piping, all fillet welds attaching pipes to flanges, sockets, slip-on sleeves, pipe branches, etc. are to be examined by the magnetic particle method or other appropriate non-destructive methods. All surfaces examined and found to have any of the following indications are to be repaired.

   crack or relevant linear indication (having a length greater than three times the width);

   relevant rounded indication (circular or elliptical shape with a length equal to or less than three times its width) greater than 5 mm (3/16 in.); or

   four or more relevant rounded indications in a line separated by 2.0 mm (1/16 in.) or less, edge to edge.

13 Weld Repair

Any weld joint imperfection disclosed by examination in 2-4-3/11 and deemed unacceptable is to be removed by mechanical means or thermal gouging processes, after which the joint is to be welded using the appropriate qualified welding procedure by a qualified welder. Preheat and post-weld heat treatment is to be performed as indicated in 2-4-3/7 and 2-4-3/9, as applicable. Upon completion of repair, the repaired weld is to be re-examined by the appropriate technique that disclosed the defect in the original weld.
15 Pipe Forming and Bending

15.1 Cold Forming
Where pipe is cold bent to a mean bending radius of less than or equal to four times the outside diameter of the pipe, it is to be subjected to a stress relieving heat treatment at least equivalent to that specified in 2-4-3/9.3, except for C and C/Mn steels with ultimate tensile strength of 410 MPa (42 kgf/mm², 60,000 psi) or less.

15.3 Hot Forming
Hot forming is to be carried out in the temperature range 850–1000°C for all material groups; however, the temperature may decrease to 750°C during the forming process. When hot forming is carried out within this temperature range, no stress relieving heat treatment is required for C, C/Mn, 0.5Mo, 0.5Mo/0.5Cr material groups, while stress relieving heat treatment equivalent to that specified in 2-4-3/9.3 is required for 1Cr/0.5Mo and 2.25Cr/1Mo material groups.

When hot forming is carried out outside this temperature range, the following post-forming heat treatment is to be performed.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Material group</th>
<th>Heat treatment and temperature</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>C and C/Mn</td>
<td>Normalizing 880–940°C (1616 - 1724°F)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>0.5 Mo</td>
<td>Normalizing 900–940°C (1652 - 1724°F)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>0.5 Mo/0.5 Cr</td>
<td>Normalizing 900–960°C (1652 - 1760°F)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1Cr/0.5Mo</td>
<td>Normalizing 900–960°C (1652 - 1760°F)Tempering 640–720°C (1184 - 1328°F)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2.25Cr/1Mo</td>
<td>Normalizing 900–960°C (1652 - 1760°F)Tempering 650–780°C (1202 - 1436°F)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

17 Additional Requirements for Low Temperature Piping [below -10°C (14°F)]

17.1 Application
These requirements are intended for piping operating at below -10°C (14°F) that forms part of the cargo piping of specialized carriers covered in Part 5, Chapter 8 of the Rules for Building and Classing Steel Vessels (SVR).

17.3 Welding Procedure
Welding procedures proposed for piping intended to operate below –10°C (14°F) are, in addition to the provisions of 2-4-3/3.1, to be qualified with Charpy v-notch tests as provided for in 5-8-6/3.5 (SVR).

17.5 Pipe Joints
All welded pipe joints are to be in accordance with 2-4-3/5.1, 2-4-3/5.5 and 2-4-3/5.9 and are subject to the limitations indicated in the table below [see also 5-8-5/4.2 (SVR)].
### Type of joint

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Type of joint</th>
<th>Temperature/pressure limitation</th>
<th>Size limitation</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Full penetration butt joint</td>
<td>None</td>
<td>None</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Full penetration butt joint with backing ring retained</td>
<td>10 bar (145 psi) max</td>
<td>None</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Socket welded joint</td>
<td>Socket fitting rating</td>
<td>NS 50 mm (2 in.) max</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Slip-on welded joint</td>
<td>( \leq -55^\circ C (-67^\circ F) ), open-ended systems</td>
<td>NS 40 mm (1.5 in.) max</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Weld neck flange</td>
<td>Flange rating</td>
<td>None</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Socket welded flange</td>
<td>Flange rating</td>
<td>NS 50 mm (2 in.) max</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Slip-on welded flange</td>
<td>Flange rating</td>
<td>NS 100 mm (4 in.) max</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

#### 17.7 Post-weld Heat Treatment

All butt-welded joints are to be post-weld heat-treated. Exemption from post-weld heat treatment can be considered for butt-welded and fillet-welded joints based on consideration of material, thickness, weld sizes, and design pressure and temperature, see 5-8-5/4.6.2 (SVR).

#### 17.9 Non-Destructive Examination

Butt-welded joints are to be radiographically examined as for Class I pipes indicated in 2-4-3/11.3.1(a). Butt-welded joints of smaller diameter or thickness are to have at least 10% of the joints radiographed. See also 5-8-5/4.6.3 (SVR).
Test and Test Data

i) **Witnessed Tests** The designation (W) indicates that the Surveyor is to witness the testing unless the plant and product is approved under the Bureau’s Quality Assurance Program.

ii) **Manufacturer’s Data** The designation (M) indicates that test data is to be provided by the manufacturer without verification by a Surveyor of the procedures used or the results obtained.

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1 Scope

1.1 Condition of Approval

The scope and conditions of classification contained in Part 1, Chapter 1 of the ABS Rules for Building and Classing Steel Vessels are applicable to the approval of welding filler metals insofar as they are appropriate. Approval will be for each plant of each manufacturer carrying out its own quality control inspection and certification.

1.3 Approval Procedure (1 October 1993)

Welding filler metals intended for hull construction will be approved by ABS subject to compliance with the requirements and test schedules as outlined herein. The requirements are based on the following:

1.3.1 Guarantee by the manufacturer of the minimum properties

1.3.2 Inspection of the manufacturing facility by an ABS Surveyor

1.3.3 Testing of selected samples

The test assemblies are to be prepared and tested in the presence of an ABS Surveyor. The Surveyor is to be satisfied that the manufacturer’s plant and method of filler metal production are capable of ensuring reasonable uniformity in production. The Bureau is to be notified of any alterations proposed to be made in the production of filler metals.

3 Grading

3.1 ABS Grades (1997)

Filler metals are divided into three groups based on the steel for which they are intended.

Ordinary-Strength Steel No suffix.
(2-1-2/Table 1 through 2-1-2/Table 4)
Each group is further divided into multiple levels based on the strength and/or toughness, the latter being represented by the toughness digit 1 through 5. Exact combination of digit/suffix and corresponding tensile and impact requirements are indicated in 2-A2-1/Table 1 and 2-A2-1/Table 2.

### 3.3 Other Standards

At the option of the manufacturer, filler metals may be approved to a recognized standard. The required tests and procedures for such approval are to be in accordance with the specified standard. In addition, annual inspection and testing is to be carried out for continued approval.

### 3.5 Special Properties

Welding filler metals may be approved to the manufacturer’s guaranteed minimum properties over and above or in addition to the requirements for the applicable standard. Notations indicating guaranteed minimum properties will be added as appropriate upon verification by test.

### 5 Manufacturer’s Guarantee (1 Oct. 1994)

Each plant of the manufacturer is to file an application for each filler metal indicating the following:

- Specification and Grade/Classification
- Electrode (wire) size and welding position
- Flux or shielding gas
- Current/Polarity
- Recommended volts and amperage
- Guaranteed all-weld-metal chemical and mechanical properties
- Guaranteed hydrogen content (for H15, H10, H5, Y or Y400 designation)

### 7 Plant Inspection

#### 7.1 Initial Inspection

Before marketing the product, each plant manufacturing welding filler metals submitted for ABS approval is to be inspected by an ABS Surveyor to satisfy himself that the facilities, production method, quality assurance procedures, etc., in that plant are adequate to maintain uniform and acceptable quality in production.

The Surveyor is also to satisfy himself that the testing machines are maintained in an accurate condition and that a record of periodical calibration is maintained up to date.

Where a plant approved by ABS intends to commence production of a new product, plant inspection may be required for the facilities, production methods, and quality control procedures for the new product.

#### 7.3 Annual Inspection (1 October 1993)

Each plant manufacturing ABS approved welding filler metals is to be inspected by an ABS Surveyor at an interval of approximately 12 months. The extent of the inspection is as indicated in 2-A2-1/7.1.
9 Test Requirements

9.1 General
When the plant inspection required in 2-A2-1/7 is completed, representative filler metal samples will be selected by the Surveyor for welding and testing in his presence. The preparation of the test assemblies and test specimens are to be in accordance with the following:

9.3 Test Plate Material

9.3.1 Deposited Metal Test and Diffusible Hydrogen Test (1997)
Except as indicated below, any grade of ordinary-strength or higher-strength hull structural steel may be used for the preparation of all test assemblies.

For the deposited metal test assemblies of YQ Grades, fine grain structural steel compatible with the properties of the weld metal is to be used. Alternatively, other steel may be used provided the groove is buttered with the filler metal.

9.3.2 Butt Weld Test and Fillet Weld Test (1997)
For butt weld test assembly and fillet weld test assembly as applicable, one of the grades of steel as listed below for the individual grade of filler metals may be used:

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<td>AQZZ, DQZZ</td>
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<td>Grade 4 YQXXX</td>
<td>AQZZ, DQZZ, EQZZ</td>
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<td>Grade 5 YQXXX</td>
<td>AQZZ, DQZZ, EQZZ, FQZZ</td>
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</table>

(XXX/ZZ = 420/43, 460/47, 500/51, 550/56, 620/63 and 690/70)
For Y grade filler metals, the tensile strength of the base metal is to be at least 490 N/mm² (50 kgf/mm², 71 ksi).

9.3.3 Ordinary and Higher-strength Filler Metals (Dual Approvals) (1 Oct. 1994)
The required deposit metal test assemblies may be made using either ordinary or H32/36 higher-strength hull structural steel. The required butt weld test assemblies are to be made using steel with a tension strength of 490 N/mm² (50 Kgf/mm², 71 ksi) or greater. The test results are to conform to the requirements of 2-A2-1/Table 1 and 2-A2-1/Table 2 for the applicable grade.

Dual approval of Y400 grade filler metals will be specially considered.
9.3.4 Electroslag or Electrogas Welding for Higher-Strength Steel (1 Oct. 1994)

For unqualified approval, test plate should contain niobium close to its maximum allowable limit of 0.05%. Where such plate is not used the filler metal approval may be qualified to plates other than niobium treated.

11 Welding Conditions

The welding conditions used, such as amperage, voltage, travel speed, etc., are to be held within the range recommended by the manufacturer for normal good welding practice. Where a filler metal is stated to be suitable for both alternating current (AC) and direct current (DC), AC is to be used for the welding of the test assemblies, unless specified otherwise by the applicable standard of 2-A2-1/3.3.

13 Chemical Analysis

The chemical analysis of the deposited weld metal is to be supplied by the manufacturer.

15 Deposited Metal Tension Test

15.1 Specimen Type and Preparation

The deposited metal tension test specimens are to be machined to the dimensions indicated in 2-A2-1/Figure 1, care being taken that the longitudinal axis coincides with the center of the weld and the mid-thickness of the plate.

15.3 Hydrogen Removal

The tension test specimen may be subjected to a temperature not exceeding 250°C (482°F) for a period not exceeding 16 hours for hydrogen removal, prior to testing.

15.5 Test Requirements (1 Oct. 1994)

The values of tensile strength, yield stress and elongation are to be recorded. The results are to conform to the requirements of 2-A2-1/Table 1.

17 Butt Weld Tension Test

17.1 Specimen Type and Preparation

The butt weld tension test specimens are to be machined to the dimensions indicated in 2-A2-1/Figure 2. The upper and lower surfaces of the weld are to be filed, ground or machined flush with the surface of the plate.

17.3 Test Requirements (1 Oct. 1994)

The results are to conform to the tensile strength requirement of 2-A2-1/Table 1. The position of the fracture is to be reported.
19  Impact Test

19.1 Specimen Type and Preparation (1996)

The impact test specimens are to be of the Charpy V-notch type and machined to dimensions indicated in 2-A2-1/Figure 3. The test specimens are to be cut with their longitudinal axis perpendicular to the weld and are to be taken from the middle of the plate thickness for multi-pass welds, from the middle of the second (2nd) run for two-run technique welds and from 2 mm (5/64 in.) maximum below one surface for electroslag or electrogas welds. The notch is to be positioned in the center of the weld, unless specified otherwise in 2-A2-3/17 and 2-A2-4/17. The notch is to be cut perpendicular to the surface of the plate. The test temperature of the test pieces is to be controlled to within 61°C (2°F) of the required temperature.

19.3 Test Requirements (1 Oct. 1994)

The average value of three specimens is to conform to the required average in 2-A2-1/Table 1 according to the applicable grade and welding technique. Only one value may be below the required average and it is to be not less than 70% of the required average.

19.5 Retest

When the results fail to meet the above requirements but conditions (2-A2-1/19.5.2) and (2-A2-1/19.5.3) below are complied with, three additional specimens may be taken from the same assembly and the results added to those previously obtained to form a new average. The retest is acceptable, if for the six specimens, all of the following conditions are met.

19.5.1 The new average is not less than the required average.

19.5.2 No more than two individual values are below the required average.

19.5.3 No more than one individual value is below 70% of the required average.

If the test is unsatisfactory, further test may be made, at the discretion of the Surveyor, on a new assembly. In such cases, all required tests, including those previously found satisfactory, are to be carried out.

21  Butt Weld Bend Test

21.1 Specimen Type and Preparation

The butt weld face and root bend test specimens are to be 30 mm (1.2 in.) in width. The upper and lower surfaces of the weld are to be filed, ground, or machined flush with the surface of the plate. The corners of the specimens may be rounded to a radius not exceeding 2 mm (5/64 in.).

21.3 Test Requirements (1997)

The test specimens are to be bent through an angle of 120 degrees around a pin or mandrel having the following diameter:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Grade</th>
<th>Diameter</th>
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<tr>
<td>Ordinary</td>
<td>Three times the thickness of the specimen</td>
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<tr>
<td>Y and Y400</td>
<td>Three times the thickness of the specimen</td>
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</tbody>
</table>
YQ420, YQ460 & YQ500  Four times the thickness of the specimen
YQ550, YQ620 & YQ690  Five times the thickness of the specimen.

For a face bend, the face of the weld is to be in tension during testing and for a root bend, the root of
the weld is to be in tension during testing. The specimens are to withstand bending without
developing any crack or discontinuity greater than 3.2 mm (1/8 in.) in length on the tension surface of
the specimen. For electroslag or electrogas welded test assemblies, side bend tests are to be used in
lieu of root and face bend tests.

21.5 Alternative Test for YQ-Grades (1997)

For YQ-Grade, a bending elongation test in accordance with 2-A2-1/Figure 4 may be accepted. For
this alternative, the bending elongation on gauge length $L_0 = L_s + t$ ($L_s =$ width of weld, $t =$ specimen
thickness) is to meet the minimum elongation requirements in 2-A2-1/Table 1.

23 Diffusible Hydrogen Test (1997)

23.1 Optional or Required Test

Ordinary-strength shielded metal arc welding electrodes and ordinary or higher-strength flux-cored
wire may be submitted, at the opinion of the manufacturer, to a hydrogen test. When found
satisfactory, appropriate suffix will be added to the grade.

Higher-strength shielded metal arc welding electrodes and YQ grade shielded metal arc welding
electrodes, submerged arc welding wire-flux combinations, and flux-cored wires are to be submitted
to a hydrogen test. The test results are to meet the requirements for the following notations except that
Y-grade electrodes with a diffusible hydrogen content greater than H10 will be specially identified as
indicated in 2-A2-1/23.7 and 2-A2-2/11.3.

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Grade</th>
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<td>Y - Grade</td>
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<tr>
<td>YQ420/460/500 Grades</td>
<td>H10</td>
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<tr>
<td>YQ550/620/690 Grades</td>
<td>H5</td>
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23.3 Test Methods

The diffusible hydrogen content of the weld metal is to be determined in accordance with the test
methods prescribed in ISO 3690 or AWS A4.3.

23.5 Alternative Test Method

In lieu of the test method as indicated in 2-A2-1/23.3, a recognized alternate procedure may be
considered for Grades other than YQ. The following glycerine method will be acceptable.

Four test specimens are to be prepared measuring approximately $12 \times 25$ mm ($1/2 \times 1$ in.) in cross
section by $125$ mm (5 in.) in length. The test specimens may be any grade of hull structural steel and
are to be weighed to the nearest 0.1 gm before welding. On the wider surface of each test specimen a
single bead of welding is to be deposited about $100$ mm (4 in.) in length with a 4 mm ($5/32$ in.)
electrode, using about $150$ mm (6 in.) of the electrode. The welding is to be carried out with as short
an arc as possible and with a current of approximately 150 amperes.

The electrodes, prior to welding, can be subjected to the normal drying process recommended by the
manufacturer. Within thirty seconds of the completion of the welding of each specimen, the slag is to
be removed and the specimen quenched in water having a temperature of approximately $20$°C (68°F).
After an additional 30 seconds the specimens are to be cleaned and placed in an apparatus suitable for
the collection of hydrogen by displacement of glycerin. The glycerin is to be kept at a temperature of
$45$°C (113°F) during the test. All four test specimens are to be welded and placed in the hydrogen
collecting apparatus within 30 minutes.
The specimens are to be kept immersed in the glycerin for a period of 48 hours and after removal are to be cleaned in water or suitable solvent, dried, and weighed to the nearest 0.1 gram to determine the amount of weld deposited. The amount of gas evolved is to be measured to the nearest 0.01 ml and corrected for temperature and pressure to 0°C (32°F) and 760 mm (30 in.) Hg.

23.7 Test Requirements

The individual and average diffusible hydrogen content of the four specimens is to be reported and the average value in milliliters (ml) per 100 grams is not to exceed the following:

<table>
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<th>Suffix</th>
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<td>H15</td>
<td>15</td>
<td>10</td>
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<td>H10</td>
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<td>5</td>
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<td>H5</td>
<td>5</td>
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All higher-tensile strength steel grade electrodes with an average value above the H10 requirement will be identified "non-low hydrogen electrode, requires special approval for use with higher-strength steel".

25 Special Tests

25.1 Nondestructive Testing

The welded assemblies may be subjected to radiographic or ultrasonic examination to ascertain any discontinuities in the weld prior to testing.

25.3 Additional Tests

This Bureau may specify any additional tests as may be necessary.

27 Licensee Approvals

When a filler metal is manufactured in more than one plant of the same company or by a licensee company, a complete set of approval tests is to be carried out on the samples selected from products of the main plant. In the other plants a reduced test program equivalent to annual check tests plus diffusible hydrogen test may be permitted, if the main plant and licensee can certify that the materials used, the fabrication process and final products by the licensee are identical with those in the main plant. An affidavit from both the main plant and licensee are to be submitted attesting to this fact. However, should there be any doubt, a complete test series may be required.

29 Annual Check Tests (1996)

The facilities and associated quality control systems where approved filler metals are manufactured are subject to an annual inspection in accordance with 2-A2-1/7.3. Annual check tests are to be conducted in accordance with 2-A2-2/13; 2-A2-3/15 and 2-A2-3/19.3; 2-A2-4/15; or 2-A2-4/17.3 whichever is applicable for the welding process. The test data is to conform to the applicable requirements.
29.1 **Upgrading and Uprating** *(1 October 1993)*

Upgrading and uprating of welding filler metals will be considered at the manufacturer’s request. Generally, tests from butt weld assemblies and where applicable diffusible hydrogen test will be required in addition to the normal annual check tests. The data is to conform to the applicable requirements.

29.1.1 Upgrading

Upgrading refers to notch toughness and consequently Charpy V-notch impact tests are required from butt weld and deposited metal test assemblies. The impact tests are to be conducted at the upgraded temperature.

29.1.2 Uprating

Uprating refers to the extension of approval to also cover the welding of higher-strength steels (dual approvals). For this purpose butt-weld tests are to be carried out as required in 2-A2-1/9.3.3.

31 **Quality Assurance Program** *(1 October 1993)*

Where an ABS approved Quality Assurance Program is maintained and periodical audit is carried out satisfactorily, the attendance of the Surveyor at the annual check test may be waived provided the results of annual check test are examined by the Surveyor and found in accordance with the applicable requirements.

33 **Retests**

Where the result of a tension or bend test does not comply with the requirements, two test specimens of the same type are to be prepared and tested from the original test assembly, if possible. A new assembly may be prepared using welding consumables from the same batch. The new assembly is to be made with the same procedure (particularly number of runs) as the original assembly. See 2-A2-1/19.5 for impact retests.
FIGURE 1
Deposited Metal Tension Test Specimen

FIGURE 2
Butt Weld Tension Test Specimen
FIGURE 3
Charpy V-Notch Impact Test Specimen

- 10mm (0.394 in.)
- 8 mm (0.315 in.)
- 55mm (2.165 in.) length L
- 0.25 mm (0.010 in.) radius
- 45°
FIGURE 4
Bending Elongation Test (1997)

\[ LO = L_s + t \]
TABLE 1
Tension Test Requirements (1997)

The tensile requirements are based on the type of test specimen (longitudinal or transverse) specified elsewhere in these Requirements for the particular combination of weld process and the type of required test.

To find the required tension test properties, first locate in the ‘‘process’’ column the welding process for which the filler metal is intended (e.g. wire-flux). Then locate in that line under ‘‘applicable test’’ column the test in question (e.g. DM/M). The required properties are found below the box in which the particular test is located (longitudinal specimen for the example chosen).

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
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<th>Applicable Tests</th>
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<tr>
<td>MW</td>
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<tr>
<td>WF</td>
<td>DM/M, DM/TM, BW/T, BW/TM</td>
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<tr>
<td>WG/SA</td>
<td>DM</td>
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<td>WG/A</td>
<td>DM/M, DM/TM, BW/T, BW/TM</td>
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<td>ESEG</td>
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**Required Properties**

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<td>Yield Point, min. N/mm² (kgf/mm², ksi)</td>
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<td>1, 2 &amp; 3</td>
<td>400/660 (41/67, 58/95)</td>
<td>305 (31, 44)</td>
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<tr>
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<td>490/660 (50/67, 71/95)</td>
<td>375 (38, 54)</td>
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<td>510/690 (52/70, 74/100)</td>
<td>400 (41, 58)</td>
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<td>530/680 (54/69, 77/98)</td>
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<td>570/720 (58/73, 83/104)</td>
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<td>610/770 (62/78, 88/112)</td>
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<td>670/830 (68/85, 97/120)</td>
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<td>720/890 (73/91, 104/129)</td>
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<td>XYQ690</td>
<td>770/940 (78/96, 112/136)</td>
<td>690 (70, 100)</td>
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Abbreviations:

- MW: Covered Electrode for Manual Welding
- WF: Wire-flux Combination
- WG: Wire-gas Combination
- ESEG: Electroslag or Electrogas
- SA: Semi-automatic
- A: Automatic
- M: Multi-run
- T: Two run*2
- TM: Two run & Multi-run*2
- DM: Deposited Metal Test
- BW: Butt Weld Test

Note:

*1 Grade 1Y not applicable to MW and WG/SA.
*2 Two run not applicable to YQ Grades.
*3 X = 3, 4 or 5. See 2-A2-1/Table 2. (1999)
### TABLE 2
**Impact Test Requirements (1997)**

There are two levels of energy requirements depending upon the particular combination of weld process, types of required test and, where applicable, welding position.

To find the required energy, first locate under “process” column the welding process for which the filler metal is intended (e.g. wire-gas, semi automatic). Then locate in that line under “applicable test” column the test/position in question (e.g. BW/F). The required energy is found, in the box under the particular test/position combination, for respective grade (47J for the example chosen if it is Grade 2Y or 3Y).

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<td>20 (68)</td>
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<td>WF</td>
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<td>34 (3.5, 25)</td>
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<td>WG/SA</td>
<td>DM, BW/F</td>
<td>-20 (-4)</td>
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<td>WG/A</td>
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<td>20 (68)</td>
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<td>ESEG</td>
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#### Alternate Temperature and Energy

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<td>0 (32)</td>
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**Notes:**
1. Grade 1Y not applicable to MW and WG/SA.

**Abbreviations:**
- **F**: Flat
- **V**: Vertical
(see also 2-A1-1/Table 1)
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APPENDIX 2 Requirements for the Approval of Filler Metals

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Electrodes for Shielded Metal Arc Welding

1 General

The annual check test shall consist of two deposited metal test assemblies welded and tested in accordance with 2-A2-2/5.

3 Chemical Analysis

The chemical analysis of the deposited weld metal is to be supplied by the manufacturer.

5 Deposited Metal Test Assemblies

5.1 Test Assembly

Two deposited metal test assemblies as indicated in 2-A2-2/Figure 1 are to be welded in the flat position, one using 4 mm (5/32 in.) electrodes or the smallest size manufactured whichever is greater and the other using the largest size manufactured. If an electrode is produced in one size only or if the largest size produced is less than 4 mm (5/32 in.), one test assembly is sufficient. The weld metal is to be deposited in single or multi-run layers according to normal practice, and the direction of deposition of each layer is to alternate from each end of the plate, each run of weld metal being not less than 2 mm (5/64 in.) and not more than 4 mm (5/32 in.) thick. Between each run the assembly is to be left in still air until it has cooled to 250°C (482°F), the temperature being taken in the center of the weld, on the surface of the seam. After being welded the test assemblies are not to be subjected to any heat treatment, except hydrogen removal as permitted in 2-A2-1/15.3.

5.3 Test Specimens (1 Oct. 1994)

One tension and one set of three impact specimens are to be prepared from each deposited metal test assembly as indicated in 2-A2-2/Figure 1 and the results are to conform to the requirements of 2-A2-1/Table 1 and 2-A2-1/Table 2 for the applicable grade and welding technique.
7 Butt Weld Test Assemblies

7.1 Test Assemblies

One butt weld test assembly as indicated in 2-A2-2/Figure 2 is to be welded in each position (flat, vertical-up, vertical-down, overhead and horizontal) for which the electrode is recommended by the manufacturer, except that those electrodes meeting the requirements for flat and vertical positions will be considered as also complying with the requirements for the horizontal position. Where the electrode is only to be approved in the flat position, one additional test assembly is to be welded in that position.

7.3 Welding Procedure (1996)

In general, the following welding procedure is to be adopted in making the test assemblies:

Flat. First run using 4 mm (5/32 in.) electrodes; remaining runs except last two layers with 5 mm (3/16 in.) or above according to the normal welding practice with the electrodes; the runs of the last two layers with the largest size electrodes manufactured. When a second flat assembly is required, the runs of the last three layers are to be welded with the largest size electrode manufactured.

Horizontal. First pass with 4 mm (5/32 in.) or 5 mm (3/16 in.) diameter electrode. Subsequent passes with 5 mm (3/16 in.) diameter electrode.

Vertical-up and Overhead. The first run with 3.25 mm (1/8 in.) electrodes; remaining runs with the largest diameter recommended by the manufacturer for the position concerned.

Vertical down. The electrode diameter used is to be as recommended by the manufacturer.

For all assemblies the back weld is to be made with 4 mm (5/32 in.) electrodes in the welding position appropriate to each test sample, after removing the root run to clean metal. For electrodes suitable only for flat position welding, the test assemblies may be turned over to carry out the back weld.

Normal welding practice is to be used, and between each run the assembly is to be left in still air until it has cooled to less than 250°C (482°F) but not below 100°C (212°F), the temperature being taken in the center of the weld, on the surface of the seam. After welding, the test assemblies are not to be subjected to any heat treatment.

7.5 Test Specimens (1 Oct. 1994)

One tension, one face bend, one root bend are to be prepared from each butt weld test assembly together with one set of three impact specimens from the flat and vertical test assemblies as indicated in 2-A2-2/Figure 2. The results of tension and impact tests are to conform to the requirements of 2-A2-1/Table 1 and 2-A2-1/Table 2 for the applicable grade, position and welding technique. The results of bend tests are to meet the requirements of 2-A2-1/21.3.

9 Fillet Weld Test Assemblies

9.1 General (1997)

Where an electrode other than YQ Grades is considered approved for fillet welding in the welding position for which the butt weld test of 2-A2-2/7 was satisfactory. Electrodes meeting the flat butt weld requirements will be considered as complying with the requirements for horizontal fillet (HF) welds. Where an electrode is submitted for approval for fillet welds only, the butt weld tests indicated in 2-A2-2/7 may be omitted and fillet weld tests are to be carried out and tested in accordance with 2-A2-2/9.3 through 2-A2-3/9.7.
9.3 Test Assemblies

One fillet weld test assembly, as indicated in 2-A2-2/Figure 3, is to be welded in each position for which the electrode is recommended by the manufacturer.

9.5 Welding Procedure

The length $L$ of the fillet test assemblies is to be sufficient to allow for the tests required in 2-A2-2/9.7 and is to provide for at least the deposition of the entire length of the electrode being tested. One side is to be welded using the maximum size electrode manufactured and the second side using the minimum size of electrode manufactured that is recommended for fillet welds. The fillet size will, in general, be determined by the electrode size and the welding current employed during testing. The fillet weld is to be carried out with the longest size electrode using the welding equipment and technique recommended by the manufacturer. The current used while conducting the test, and the manufacturer’s recommended current range are to be reported for each electrode size and welding position.

9.7 Test Specimens

9.7.1 Macrographs and Hardness Tests (1 Oct. 1994)

Each fillet weld test assembly is to be sectioned as indicated in 2-A2-2/Figure 3 to form three macro-sections. These are to be examined for root penetration, satisfactory profile, freedom from cracking and reasonable freedom from porosity, undercut and slag inclusions. Hardness readings are to be made on each section. The number and location of hardness readings are to approximate those indicated in 2-A2-2/Figure 4. The hardness of the weld is to be determined and is to meet the following listed equivalent values.

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The hardness of the heat affected zone (HAZ) and base metal are also to be determined and reported for information only.

9.7.2 Breaking Test

One of the remaining sections of the fillet weld is to have the weld on the side welded first gouged or machined to facilitate breaking the fillet weld on the other side by closing the two plates together, subjecting the root of the weld to tension. On the other remaining section, the weld on the side welded second is to be gouged or machined and the section fractured using the above procedure. The fractured surfaces are to be examined and there is to be no evidence of incomplete penetration or internal cracking and they are to be reasonably free from porosity.

11 Low Hydrogen Approval (1997)

11.1 Ordinary-Strength Filler Metals (1997)

Electrodes which have satisfied the requirements of Grades 2 and 3 may, at the option of the manufacturer, be subjected to a hydrogen test as specified in 2-A2-1/23.3. A suffix indicating the hydrogen amount will be added to the grade number of those electrodes to indicate compliance with the hydrogen test requirements specified in 2-A2-1/23.7.
11.3 Higher-Strength Filler Metals (1997)
Electrodes which are submitted for approval according to Grades 2Y, 3Y, 4Y, 2Y400, 3Y400 or 4Y400 are to be subjected to a hydrogen test and are to meet the requirement specified in 2-A2-1/23.7 for the H10 suffix, however, such suffix will not be added to the grade. Electrodes meeting H5 requirements will be so identified. Electrodes meeting the higher-strength requirements, except for hydrogen test will require special approval for use on higher strength steel for each user and will be so identified in the list of approved electrodes.

11.5 YQ Grade Filler Metals (1997)
Electrodes which are submitted for approval according to YQ Grades are to be subjected to a hydrogen test as specified in 2-A2-1/23.1; however, the H-suffix will not be added to the grade.

13 Annual Check Tests

13.1 General (1 October 1993)
The annual check test shall consist of two deposited metal test assemblies welded and tested in accordance with 2-A2-2/5.

13.3 Upgrading and Uprating (1 October 1994)
Upgrading of electrodes will be considered at the manufacturer’s request. In addition to the two deposited metal tests indicated in 2-A2-2/13.1, one butt weld test assembly is to be welded as indicated in 2-A2-2/7 for the flat position and one set of three impact specimens is to be tested at the upgraded temperature.

Uprating refers to the extension of approval to also cover the welding of higher-strength steels (dual approvals). For this purpose butt weld tests are to be carried out, as required in 2-A2-1/9.3.3 and 2-A2-2/7. In addition, the diffusible hydrogen test required by the grade or suffix referred to in 2-A2-2/11.1 and 2-A2-2/11.3 is to be conducted.
FIGURE 1
Deposited-Metal Test Assembly for Manual and Gas-Metal Arc Welding

- Deposited metal test assembly diagram with labels:
  - Impact test specimens
  - Tensile test specimen
  - Line of cut for tensile test specimen
  - Tack weld both sides
  - 10 mm (0.40 in.)
  - 16 mm (0.64 in.)
  - 30 mm (1.2 in.)
  - 10°
  - 20 mm (0.75 in.)
  - 100 mm (4.0 in.) min.
FIGURE 2
Butt-Weld Test Assembly for Manual and Gas-Metal Arc Welding

Impact test specimens

Tensile test specimen

Bend test specimen

Bend test specimen

50mm (2.0 in.)

30mm (1.2 in.)

30mm (1.2 in.)

60°

15-20mm (0.62-0.75 in.)

2-3 mm (0.08-0.125 in.)

100mm (4.0 in.) min.
FIGURE 3
Fillet-Weld Test Assembly

FIGURE 4
Fillet Weld Hardness Test Locations
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SECTION 3 Wire-Flux Combinations for Submerged Arc Welding

1 General (1997)
This test program is intended for the approval of automatic or semi-automatic, single-electrode submerged arc welding. Provisions are made for the testing of weld metal deposited by multi-run and two-run (one pass each side) techniques. For YQ Grades automatic welding, multi-run technique is contemplated. Application for high heat input process, such as automatic welding two-run technique, may be considered under 2-A2-1/3.5 and approval by a technical office. Where a manufacturer states that a particular wire-flux combination is suitable for welding with both techniques, both series of tests are to be carried out. The suffix T, M, or TM will be added to the grade to indicate two-run technique, multi-run technique, or both techniques respectively.

3 Chemical Analysis
The chemical analysis of the deposited weld metal is to be supplied by the manufacturer.

5 Deposited Metal Test Assemblies for Multi-run Technique

5.1 Test Assembly
One deposited metal test assembly as indicated in 2-A2-3/Figure 1 is to be welded in the flat position using the wire size recommended by the manufacturer. The direction of deposition of each run is to alternate from each end of the plate and after completion of each run the flux and welding slag are to be removed. The thickness of each layer is not to be less than the size of the wire, or 4 mm (5/32 in.), whichever is the greater. Between each run the assembly is to be left in still air until it has cooled to 250°C (482°F), the temperature being taken in the center of the weld, on the surface of the seam. The welding conditions (amperage, voltage, and travel speed) are to be in accordance with the recommendations of the manufacturer and are to conform with normal good welding practice for multi-run welding. The welded test assembly is not to be subjected to heat treatment, except hydrogen removal as permitted in 2-A2-1/15.3.
5.3 Test Specimens *(1 Oct. 1994)*

Two tension and one set of three impact specimens are to be prepared from the deposited metal test assembly as indicated in 2-A2-3/Figure 1 and the results are to conform to the requirements of 2-A2-1/Table 1 and 2-A2-1/Table 2 for the applicable grade and welding technique.

7 Butt Weld Test Assemblies for Multi-run Technique

7.1 Test Assembly

One butt weld test assembly as indicated in 2-A2-3/Figure 2 is to be welded in the flat position using the wire size recommended by the manufacturer. The welding conditions are to be essentially the same as those indicated in 2-A2-3/5.1 for deposited metal test assembly. The back weld is to be applied in the flat position after removing the root run to clean metal. After being welded the test assembly is not to be subjected to any heat treatment.

7.3 Test Specimens

Two tension, two face bend and two root bend together with one set of three impact specimens are to be prepared from the butt weld test assembly as indicated in 2-A2-3/Figure 2, and the results of tension and impact tests are to conform to the requirements of 2-A2-1/Table 1 and 2-A2-1/Table 2 for the applicable grade and welding technique. The results of bend tests are to meet the requirements of 2-A2-1/21.3.

9 Butt Weld Assemblies for Two-run Technique

9.1 Test Assemblies

Two butt weld test assemblies as indicated in 2-A2-3/Figure 3 are to be welded in the flat position. The maximum size of wire, grades of steel plate, and the edge preparation to be used are also to be in accordance with 2-A2-3/Figure 3. At the request of the manufacturer, small deviations in the edge preparation may be allowed. The root gap is not to exceed 1.0 mm (0.04 in.). Each test assembly is to be welded in two runs, one from each side, using welding conditions (amperage, voltage, and travel speed) which are in accordance with the recommendations of the manufacturer and normal good welding practice. After completion of the first run, the flux and welding slag are to be removed and the assembly is to be left in still air until it has cooled to 100°C (212°F), the temperature being taken in the center of the weld, on the surface of the seam. After being welded the test assemblies are not to be subjected to any treatment.

9.3 Test Specimens *(1 Oct. 1994)*

Two tension, one face bend, one root bend, and one set of three impact specimens are to be prepared from each butt weld assembly as indicated in 2-A2-3/Figure 3 and 2-A2-3/Figure 4 and the results of tension and impact tests are to conform to the requirements of 2-A2-1/Table 1 and 2-A2-1/Table 2 for the applicable grade and welding technique. The results of bend tests are to meet the requirements of 2-A2-1/21.3. The edges of all test specimens and also the discards are to be examined to ensure complete fusion and interpenetration of the welds.
9.5 Longitudinal All-Weld-Metal Tension Test (1 Oct. 1994)

Where the combination is to be approved for two-run technique only, one longitudinal all-weld-metal tension specimen is to be cut from the thicker butt weld test assembly as indicated in 2-A2-3/Figure 3, and machined to the dimensions indicated in 2-A2-1/Figure 1, care being taken that the longitudinal axis coincides with the center of the weld and is approximately 7 mm (0.28 in.) below the plate surface on the side from which the second run is made. The test specimen may be subjected to a temperature not exceeding 250°C (482°F) for up to 16 hours for hydrogen removal, prior to testing. The results of the tests are to conform to the requirements of 2-A2-1/Table 1.

11 Fillet Weld Tests

Where a wire-flux combination is submitted for approval for fillet welds only, then the butt weld tests may be omitted, and fillet weld tests are to be carried out and tested in accordance with the applicable parts of 2-A2-4/11.3 to 2-A2-4/11.7.

13 Low Hydrogen Approval (1997)

13.1 YQ Grade Wires – Flux Combination

All wire-flux combination of this grade are to be submitted to the diffusible hydrogen test as required by 2-A2-1/23.1; however, the H-suffix will not be added to the grade.

15 Annual Check Tests

15.1 General (1996)

The annual check tests for each approved technique shall consist of the following.

Multi-run Technique. One deposited metal test assembly is to be welded in accordance with 2-A2-3/5.1. One tension and one set of three impact specimens are to be prepared and tested in accordance with 2-A2-3/5.3.

Two-run Technique. One butt weld test assembly of 20 mm (0.75 in.) thickness is to be welded in accordance with 2-A2-3/9.1. One transverse tension, one face bend, one root bend, and one set of three impact specimens are to be prepared and tested in accordance with 2-A2-3/9.3 and 2-A2-3/9.5. One longitudinal tension test specimen is also to be prepared where wire-flux combination is approved solely for the two-run technique.

15.3 Upgrading and Uprating (1 October 1993)

Upgrading of wire-flux combinations will be considered at the manufacturer’s request. For multi-run technique, in addition to the deposited metal test indicated in 2-A2-3/15.1, one butt weld test assembly is to be welded as indicated in 2-A2-3/7 and one set of three impact specimens is to be tested at the upgraded temperature.

Uprating refers to the extension of approval to also cover welding of higher-strength steels (dual approvals). For this purpose butt weld tests are to be carried out as required in 2-A2-3/7 and 2-A2-3/9, and 2-A2-1/9.3.3, as applicable.
17 Multiple Electrodes

Wire-flux combinations for multiple electrode submerged arc welding will be subject to separate approval tests. They are to be carried out generally in accordance with the requirements of this section.

19 Electroslag Welding (1996)

19.1 General (1997)

Where approval is requested for wire-flux combinations other than YQ Grades, (with or without consumable nozzles) for use in electroslag welding, two test assemblies of 20–25 mm (0.75–1.0 in.) and 35–40 mm (1.38–1.58 in.) or more in thickness are to be prepared with a minimum root opening of 16 mm (0.63 in.), or with another joint design sufficient to allow the selection of the following test specimens. The chemical composition of the plates including the content of grain refining elements is to be reported.

- 2 longitudinal tension specimens from the axis to the weld,
- 2 transverse tension specimens,
- 2 side bend specimens,
- 3 Charpy-V specimens notched at the center of the weld,
- 3 Charpy-V specimens with their notches in the weld metal at 2 mm (5/64 in.) from the fusion line,
- 2 macro-sections.

The results are to conform to the requirements of 2-A2-1/Table 1 and 2-A2-1/Table 2 according to the applicable grade and welding technique.

19.3 Annual Tests (1996)

One butt test assembly of 20–25 mm (0.75–1.0 in.) or more in thickness is to be prepared. One longitudinal tension, one transverse tension, two side bend and two sets of three Charpy V-notch specimens are to be prepared and tested. The notch of the impact specimens is to be located at the center of the weld and 2 mm (0.08 in.) from the fusion line in the weld. One macro-section is also to be examined.

The test results are to conform to the requirements of 2-A2-1/Table 1 and 2-A2-1/Table 2 according to the applicable grade and welding technique.

19.5 Upgrading and Uprating (1996)

Upgrading and uprating will be considered at the manufacturer’s request. Full tests as indicated in 2-A2-3/19.1 will be required.

The test results are to conform to the requirements of 2-A2-1/Table 1 and 2-A2-1/Table 2 according to the applicable grade and welding technique.
FIGURE 1
Deposited-Metal Test Assembly for Submerged Arc Welding – Multi-run Technique and Automatic Gas-Metal Arc Welding
FIGURE 2
Butt-Weld Test Assembly for Submerged Arc Welding – Multi-run Technique

- Tensile test specimen
- Bend test specimen
- Impact test specimen
- Bend test specimen
- Bend test specimen
- Tensile test specimen

Dimensions:
- 50 mm (2.0 in.)
- 30 mm (1.2 in.)
- 30 mm (1.2 in.)
- 20 mm (0.75 in.)
- 150 mm (6.0 in.) min.
- 4 mm (0.158 in.)
FIGURE 3
Butt-Weld Test Assembly for Submerged Arc Welding – Two-run Technique (1997)

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Butt-Weld Impact Specimen Location for Submerged and Gas-Metal Arc Welding – Two-run Technique
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SECTION 4 Wire and Wire Gas Combinations for Gas Metal Arc Welding and Flux Cored Wires for Flux Cored Arc Welding

1 General (1997)

This test program is intended for the approval of wire-gas combinations and flux cored wires with or without shielding gas intended for semi-automatic or automatic arc welding techniques. For both techniques, the welding gun provides continuous wire feed; for semi-automatic welding the welding gun is held manually, and for automatic welding, the welding gun is machine held with various degrees of controlled motion provided by the machine. The impact requirements for the semi-automatic welding technique and those for the automatic welding technique are indicated separately in 2-A2-1/Table 1 and 2-A2-1/Table 2 according to the applicable grade. The suffix SA will be added to the grade to indicate approval for manual semi-automatic or machine-automatic gas-metal arc welding. The suffix A will be added to the Grade to indicate approval for machine automatic welding only. An additional suffix T will be added to the grade to indicate approval for two-run (one pass each side) technique for machine automatic welding. Wire-gas combinations and flux cored wires approved for semi-automatic welding may be used for automatic welding under the procedure recommended by the manufacturer except that for the two-run automatic technique, testing in accordance with 2-A2-4/9 is required. For YQ Grades semi-automatic or automatic welding, multi-run technique is contemplated. Application for high heat input process, such as semi-automatic or automatic welding two-run technique, may be considered under 2-A2-1/3.5 and approval by technical office.

3 Chemical Analysis and Shielding Gas Compositions

The chemical analysis of the deposited weld metal is to be supplied by the manufacturer. The trade name of the shielding gas when used, as well as its composition, are to be reported.
5 Deposited Metal Test Assemblies for Semi-automatic and Automatic Testing

5.1 Semi-automatic Test Assemblies (1996)

Two deposited metal test assemblies as indicated in 2-A2-2/Figure 1 are to be welded in the flat position, one using 1.2 mm (0.045 in.) wire or the smallest size manufactured whichever is greater and the other using 2.4 mm (3/32 in.) wire or the largest size manufactured. The weld metal is to be deposited in single or multi-run layers according to recommended practice and the thickness of each layer of weld metal is to be between 2 mm (5/64 in.) and 6 mm (15/64 in.). Between each run the assembly is to be left in still air until it has cooled to 250°C (482°F), the temperature being taken in the center of the weld, on the surface of the seam. After being welded the test assemblies are not to be subjected to any heat treatment, except hydrogen removal as permitted in 2-A2-1/15.3.

5.3 Test Specimens for Semi-automatic

One tension and one set of three impact specimens are to be prepared from each deposited metal test assembly as indicated in 2-A2-2/Figure 1 and the results are to conform to the requirements of 2-A2-1/Table 1 and 2-A2-1/Table 2 for the applicable grade.

5.5 Automatic Test Assembly

For automatic welding one test assembly as indicated in 2-A2-3/Figure 1 is to be welded in the flat position using 2.4 mm (3/32 in.) wire or the largest size manufactured. The thickness of each layer is not to be less than 3 mm (1/8 in.). Between each run the assembly is to be left in still air until it has cooled to 250°C (482°F), the temperature being taken in the center of the weld, on the surface of the seam. After being welded the test assembly is not to be subjected to any heat treatment, except hydrogen removal as permitted in 2-A2-1/15.3.

5.7 Test Specimens for Automatic

Two tension and one set of three impact specimens are to be prepared from the test assembly as indicated in 2-A2-3/Figure 1, and the results are to conform to the requirements of 2-A2-1/Table 1 and 2-A2-1/Table 2 for the applicable grade.

7 Butt Weld Test Assemblies for Semi-automatic and Automatic Techniques

7.1 Test Assemblies

One butt weld test assembly as indicated in 2-A2-2/Figure 2 is to be welded in each position (flat, vertical-up, vertical-down, overhead, and horizontal) for which the wire is recommended by the manufacturer, except that wires meeting the requirements for flat and vertical positions will be considered as also complying with the requirements for horizontal position. Where the wire is only to be approved in the flat position, one additional test assembly is to be welded in that position.

7.3 Welding Procedure

In general, the following welding procedure is to be adopted in making the test assemblies:

Flat. First run using 1.2 mm (0.045 in.) wire or the smallest size manufactured, whichever is greater; remaining runs with 2.4 mm (3/32 in.) wire or the largest size manufactured. Where a second flat assembly is required, it is to be prepared using wires of different sizes.
Vertical-up, Vertical-down, Overhead and Horizontal. First run with 1.2 mm (0.045 in.) wire or the smallest size manufactured, whichever is greater; remaining runs using the largest size wire recommended by the manufacturer for the position involved.

In all cases the back weld is to be made with 1.2 mm (0.045 in.) wire or the smallest size manufactured, whichever is greater, after removing the root run to clean metal. Normal welding practice is to be used and between each run the assembly is to be left in still air until it has cooled to 250°C (482°F), the temperature being taken in the center of the weld on the surface of the seam. After being welded the test assemblies are not to be subjected to any heat treatment.

7.5 Test Specimens
One tension, one face bend and one root bend are to be prepared from each butt-weld test assembly together with sets of three impact specimens from the flat and vertical test assemblies as indicated in 2-A2-2/Figure 2. The results of tension and impact tests are to conform to the requirements of 2-A2-1/Table 1 and 2-A2-1/Table 2 for the applicable grade, position and welding technique. The results of bend tests are to meet the requirements of 2-A2-1/21.3.

9 Butt Weld Test Assemblies for Two-run Technique

9.1 Test Assemblies
Two butt weld test assemblies as indicated in 2-A2-4/Figure 1 are to be welded in the flat position. One test assembly is to be welded using 1.2 mm (0.045 in.) wire or the smallest size manufactured, whichever is greater and one test assembly using 2.4 mm (3/32 in.) wire or the largest size wire recommended by the manufacturer for two-run technique. Each test assembly is to be welded in two runs, one from each side. Between each run the assembly is to be left in still air until it has cooled to 100°C (212°F), the temperature being taken in the center of the weld, on the surface of the seam. After being welded the test assemblies are not to be subjected to any heat treatment.

9.3 Test Specimens (1996)
Two tension, one face bend, one root bend and one set of three impact specimens are to be prepared from each butt weld test assembly as indicated in 2-A2-4/Figure 1 and 2-A2-3/Figure 4. If approval is requested for welding plate thicker than 25 mm (1.0 in.), one assembly is to be prepared using plates approximately 20 mm (0.75 in.) in thickness and the other using plates of the maximum thickness for which approval is requested. For assemblies using plates over 25 mm (1.0 in.) in thickness, the edge preparation is to be reported for information. The results of tension and impact tests are to conform to the requirements of 2-A2-1/Table 1 and 2-A2-1/Table 2 for the applicable grade. The results of bend tests are to meet the requirements of 2-A2-1/21.3. The edges of all test specimens and also the discards are to be examined to ensure complete fusion and interpenetration of the welds.

9.5 Longitudinal All-Weld-Metal Tension Test
Where the wire is to be approved for two-run technique only, one longitudinal all-weld-metal tension specimen is to be cut from the thicker butt weld test assembly as indicated in 2-A2-4/Figure 1 and machined to the dimensions indicated in 2-A2-1/Figure 1 care being taken that the longitudinal axis coincides with the center of the weld and is about 7 mm (0.28 in.) below the plate surface on the side from which the second run is made. The test specimen may be subjected to a temperature not exceeding 250°C (482°F) for a period not exceeding 16 hours for hydrogen removal, prior to testing. The results of the test are to conform to the requirements of 2-A2-1/Table 1 and 2-A2-1/Table 2 for the applicable grade.
11 Fillet Weld Tests

11.1 General
A wire-gas combination or flux cored wire is considered approved for fillet welding in the welding position for which the butt weld test of 2-A2-4/7 was satisfactory. A wire-gas combination or flux cored wire meeting the flat butt weld requirements will be considered as complying with the requirements for horizontal fillet (HF) welds. Where a wire-gas combination or a flux cored wire is submitted for approval for fillet welding only, the butt weld tests indicated in 2-A2-4/7 and 2-A2-4/9 may be omitted, and fillet weld tests are to be carried out and tested in accordance with 2-A2-4/11.3 and 2-A2-4/11.5.

11.3 Test Assemblies
One fillet weld test assembly, as indicated in 2-A2-2/Figure 3, is to be welded in each welding position for which the wire is recommended by the manufacturer.

11.5 Welding Procedure
The length \( L \) of the fillet weld test assemblies is to be sufficient to allow for the tests prescribed in 2-A2-2/95. One side is to be welded using the maximum size wire manufactured and the second side is to be welded using the minimum size wire manufactured and recommended for fillet welding. The fillet size will in general be determined by the wire size and the welding current employed during testing. The fillet welding is to be carried out with the welding equipment and technique recommended by the manufacturer. The manufacturer’s recommended current range is to be reported for each wire size and welding position.

11.7 Test Requirements
The results of hardness and breaking tests are to meet the requirements of 2-A2-2/9.7.

13 Low Hydrogen Approval

13.1 Flux Cored Wire

13.1.1 Ordinary or Higher-Strength Wires (1997)
A flux cored wire which has satisfied the above requirements, at the manufacturer’s option, may be submitted to the diffusible hydrogen test as detailed in 2-A2-1/23.3 or 2-A2-1/23.5, using the manufacturer’s recommended welding conditions. The deposition rate may be adjusted to give a weight of weld deposit per sample similar to manual electrodes. When the results are in compliance with the requirements of 2-A2-1/23.7, appropriate suffix will be added to the Grade.

13.1.2 YQ-Grade Wires (1997)
All flux-cored wires of this grade are to be submitted to the diffusible hydrogen test as required by 2-A2-1/23.1; however, the H-suffix will not be added to the grade.
15 Annual Check Tests

15.1 General (1 October 1993)

The annual check tests for each approved technique shall consist of the following:

*Semi-automatic and Automatic.* One deposited metal test assembly is to be welded using 2.4 mm (3/32 in.) wire or the largest size manufactured in accordance with 2-A2-4/5.1 or 2-A2-4/5.5 as applicable. One tension and one set of three impact specimens are to be prepared and tested in accordance with 2-A2-4/5.3 or 2-A2-4/5.7 as applicable.

*Two-run Automatic Technique.* One butt weld test assembly of 20 mm (0.75 in.) thickness is to be welded using 2.4 mm (3/32 in.) or the largest size manufactured in accordance with 2-A2-4/9.1. One longitudinal tension, one face bend, one root bend and one set of three impact specimens are to be prepared and tested in accordance with 2-A2-4/9.3 and 2-A2-4/9.5. A longitudinal tension test will not be required for wires also approved for multi-run technique.

15.3 Upgrading and Uprating (1 October 1993)

Upgrading of wire-gas combinations and flux cored wires will be considered at the manufacturer’s request. For semi-automatic and automatic welding, in addition to the deposited metal test indicated in 2-A2-4/15.1, one butt weld test assembly is to be welded as indicated in 2-A2-4/7 and one set of three impact specimens is to be tested at the upgraded temperature.

Uprating refers to the extension of approval to also cover welding of higher-strength steels (dual approvals). For this purpose butt weld tests are to be carried out as required in 2-A2-4/7 or 2-A2-4/9, and 2-A2-1/9.3.3, as applicable.

17 Electrogas Welding (1996)

17.1 General (1997)

Where approval is requested for wire-gas combinations other than YQ Grades, (with or without consumable nozzles or self-shielding gas) for use in electrogas welding, two test assemblies of 20–25 mm (0.75–1.0 in.) and 35–40 mm (1.38–1.58 in.) or more in thickness are to be prepared with a minimum root opening of 16 mm (0.63 in.), or with another joint design sufficient to allow the selection of the following test specimens. The chemical composition of the plates including the content of grain refining elements is to be reported.

- 2 longitudinal tension specimens from the axis to the weld.
- 2 transverse tension specimens,
- 2 side bend specimens,
- 3 Charpy-V specimens notched at the center of the weld,
- 3 Charpy-V specimens with their notches in the weld metal at 2 mm (3/64 in.) from the fusion line,
- 2 macro-sections.

The results are to conform to the requirements of 2-A2-1/Table 1 and 2-A2-1/Table 2 according to the applicable grade and welding technique.
17.3 **Annual Tests** *(1996)*

One butt test assembly of 20–25 mm (0.75–1.0 in.) or more in thickness is to be prepared. One longitudinal tension, one transverse tension, two side bend and two sets of three Charpy V-notch specimens are to be prepared and tested. The notch of the impact specimens is to be located at the center of the weld and 2 mm (0.08 in.) from the fusion line in the weld. One macro-section is also to be examined.

The test results are to conform to the requirements of 2-A2-1/Table 1 and 2-A2-1/Table 2 according to the applicable grade and welding technique.

17.5 **Upgrading and Uprating** *(1996)*

Upgrading and uprating will be considered at the manufacturer’s request. Full tests as indicated in 2-A2-4/17.1 will be required.

The test results are to conform to the requirements of 2-A2-1/Table 1 and 2-A2-1/Table 2 according to the applicable grade and welding technique.
FIGURE 1
Butt-Weld Test Assembly for Gas-Metal Arc Welding – Two-run Technique

Tensile test specimen

Bend test specimen

Impact test specimens

Bend test specimen

Tensile test specimen

Longitudinal tensile test specimen (when approval required for two run technique only)

Line of cut for longitudinal tensile specimen

20 mm (0.75 in.) min.

50 mm (2.0 in.)

30 mm (1.2 in.) for plates up to 20 mm (0.75 in.) thick

50 mm (2.0 in.)

150mm (6.0 in.) min.

12-15 mm (0.5-0.62 in.)

6 mm (0.25 in.)

0.3 mm (0.012 in.)

8 mm (0.32 in.)

0.3 mm (0.012 in.)

20-25 mm (0.75-1.0 in.)
PART 2

APPENDIX 3 Application of Filler Metals to ABS Steels (1997)

A chart indicating acceptable ABS filler metal grades for welding various ABS grades of hull steel is given below.

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<td>A over 12.5 mm ($\frac{1}{2}$ in.), B, D</td>
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<td><em>Higher Strength</em></td>
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<td>AH 32/36 to 12.5 mm ($\frac{1}{2}$ in.) inclusive</td>
<td>1Y, ** 2Y, 2Y400, 3Y, 3Y400, 4Y, 4Y400</td>
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<td>AH 32/36 over 12.5 mm ($\frac{1}{2}$ in.), DH32/36</td>
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Note: For X = A or D, Z = 3, 4 and 5  
For X = E, Z = 4 and 5  
For X = F, Z = 5

The tensile strength range of ABS ordinary strength hull structural steel is 400-520 N/mm², (41-53 kgf/mm², 58-75 ksi). The tensile strength range for ABS H32/H36 higher strength hull structural steel is 440-620 N/mm² (45-63 kgf/mm², 64-90 ksi). For ABS H40 higher strength hull structural steel, the tensile strength range is 510-650 N/mm² (52-66 kgf/mm², 74-94 ksi). The ABS filler metal grades for welding ordinary and higher strength hull structural steels are assigned according to Charpy V-notch impact requirements, aimed at providing comparable levels of notch toughness of the various grades of steel. Because of inherent differences in the quality of machine automatic versus manual and manual semi-automatic produced welds, the impact strength requirements for both ordinary and higher strength filler metal grades are divided into two levels according to whether the process used is automatic or manual. The specific value requirements may be found in 2-A2-1/Table 2.
*Non-low hydrogen type covered electrode approvals for welding higher strength steels (denoted by * in the list) are subject to satisfactory procedure tests at the user’s plant. These procedure tests should include fabrication of a double fillet weld assembly(ies) representative of material(s) and thickness(es) to be used in production. Weld on the first side is to be allowed to cool to ambient temperature before the second side weld is made. Three macrosections (a section from the center, and a section at one inch from each end), taken 72 hours (min.) after welding are to be free of weld and heat affected zone cracks when etched and examined at 10X magnification.

**Grade 1Y not applicable to manual welding electrodes and semi-automatic wire-gas combinations.