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Standard Specification for Precipitation Hardening Iron Base Superalloy Forgings for Turbine Rotor Disks and Wheels¹

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1. Scope*

1.1 This specification covers precipitation hardening iron base superalloy forgings which are primarily intended for use as turbine rotor disks and wheels.

1.2 Two heat treatments are covered. Selection will depend upon design, service conditions, mechanical properties, and elevated temperature characteristics.

1.3 All of the provisions of Specification [A788/A788M](#), apply, except as amended herein.

1.4 The values stated in either SI units or inch-pound units are to be regarded separately as standard. The values stated in each system are not necessarily exact equivalents; therefore, to ensure conformance with the standard, each system shall be used independently of the other, and values from the two systems shall not be combined.

1.5 *This international standard was developed in accordance with internationally recognized principles on standardization established in the Decision on Principles for the Development of International Standards, Guides and Recommendations issued by the World Trade Organization Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT) Committee.*

2. Referenced Documents

2.1 *ASTM Standards:*²

[A788/A788M](#) Specification for Steel Forgings, General Requirements

[E112](#) Test Methods for Determining Average Grain Size

[E139](#) Test Methods for Conducting Creep, Creep-Rupture, and Stress-Rupture Tests of Metallic Materials

[E165/E165M](#) Practice for Liquid Penetrant Testing for General Industry

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² For referenced ASTM standards, visit the ASTM website, www.astm.org, or contact ASTM Customer Service at service@astm.org. For *Annual Book of ASTM Standards* volume information, refer to the standard's Document Summary page on the ASTM website.

[E292](#) Test Methods for Conducting Time-for-Rupture Notch Tension Tests of Materials

3. Ordering Information

3.1 Orders for material under this specification shall include the following:

3.1.1 *Condition*—See Section 4.

3.1.2 *Stress Rupture Test*—Parameters for material furnished in condition 2 of [7.3.3](#).

3.1.3 *Forging Drawing*—Each forging shall be manufactured in accordance with a drawing furnished by the purchaser showing the dimensions of the forging and the location of mechanical test specimens.

3.1.4 Include the information specified in Specification [A788/A788M](#).

4. Condition and Heat Treatment

4.1 The forgings covered in this specification may be ordered in two different solution treated and aged conditions:

4.1.1 *Type 1:*

4.1.1.1 Solution anneal at 1650 °F ± 25 °F [900 °C ± 14 °C] for 2 h to 5 h at temperature liquid quench.

4.1.1.2 Precipitation harden at 1420 °F ± 15 °F [770 °C ± 8 °C] for 16 h at temperature air cool; 1200 °F ± 15 °F [650 °C ± 8 °C] for 16 h at temperature air cool.

4.1.2 *Type 2:*

4.1.2.1 Solution anneal at 1800 °F ± 25 °F [980 °C ± 14 °C] for 2 h to 5 h at temperature liquid quench.

4.1.2.2 Precipitation harden at 1420 °F ± 15 °F [770 °C ± 8 °C] for 16 h at temperature air cool; 1200 °F ± 15 °F [650 °C ± 8 °C] for 16 h at temperature air cool.

5. Manufacture

5.1 The material shall be made by vacuum melting followed by consumable electrode vacuum arc or electroslag remelting as agreed upon between producer and user.

5.2 The forgings shall be upset forged so that the axis of the disk corresponds with that of the ingot.

*A Summary of Changes section appears at the end of this standard

6. Chemical Requirements

6.1 *Heat Analysis*—Each heat shall be analyzed by the manufacturer in accordance with Specification **A788/A788M**. The chemical composition shall conform to the requirements specified in **Table 1**.

6.2 *Product Analysis*—The purchaser may obtain a product analysis, representing each heat or multiple heat, in accordance with the provisions of Specification **A788/A788M**.

7. Mechanical Properties

7.1 The forgings shall conform to the mechanical property requirements specified in **Table 2** after heat treatment as prescribed in **4.1**.

7.2 *Tension and Hardness*—Tension and hardness testing shall be conducted in accordance with Specification **A788/A788M**.

7.3 Stress Rupture:

7.3.1 Combination smooth and notched bar specimens using 0.252 in. [6.4 mm] diameter bars shall be tested to rupture in accordance with Test Methods **E292**. Rupture must occur in the smooth section of each specimen. After 100 h, samples may be uploaded in 5 ksi [35 MPa] increments in 8 h to 16 h intervals.

7.3.2 Material supplied as Type 1 shall meet the stress rupture requirements specified in **Table 3**.

7.3.3 Material supplied as Type 2 shall meet the stress rupture requirements of either Test A or Test B of **Table 3** as specified by the purchaser.

7.4 Creep:

7.4.1 A creep test shall be performed in accordance with Test Methods **E139** on a 0.252 in. [6.4 mm] diameter smooth bar.

7.4.2 The material shall meet the requirements specified in **Table 4** after heat treatment as prescribed in **4.1**.

7.5 *Number of Tests*—The testing frequency shall be as follows with a lot being defined as not more than 50 pieces of the same part made from the same heat of material to the same forging parameters, forged within an 8 h period, and heat treated together:

TABLE 1 Chemical Composition

Element	Heat Analysis Range, Percentage
Carbon	0.05 max
Manganese	0.50 max
Silicon	0.50 max
Phosphorus	0.025 max
Sulfur	0.015 max
Chromium	13.50–16.00
Nickel	24.00–27.00
Molybdenum	1.00–1.50
Titanium	1.90–2.35
Boron	0.003–0.010
Vanadium	0.10–0.50
Aluminum	0.35 max
Iron	remainder

TABLE 2 Mechanical Property Requirements

	Type 1	Type 2
Tensile Strength, min, ksi [MPa]	140 [965]	130 [895]
0.2 % Offset Yield Strength, min, ksi [MPa]	95 [655]	85 [585]
Elongation in 2 in. or 4D, min, %	12	15
Reduction of Area, min, %	15	20
Hardness, HB	277–363	248–341

TABLE 3 Stress Rupture Requirements

	Test Temp, °F [°C]	Stress, ksi [MPa]	Min, h	Min, Elongation in 4D, %
Type 1	1200 [650]	56 [385]	100	15
Type 2				
Test A	1200 [650]	56 [385]	100	8
Test B	1200 [650]	65 [450]	30	10

TABLE 4 Creep Requirements

Temperature, °F [°C]	Stress, ksi [MPa]	Time, h	Creep Strain, %
1000 [538]	85 [585]	100	0.1–2.0

7.5.1 For forgings weighing less than 500 lb [225 kg] each, one tension, stress rupture, and creep test shall be made on one forging per lot. In addition, two hardness tests shall be made on each piece in the lot.

7.5.2 For forgings weighing 500 lb to 2000 lb [225 kg to 900 kg] one tension, stress rupture, and creep test, and two hardness tests shall be made on each forging.

7.5.3 For forgings weighing over 2000 lb [900 kg] testing shall be performed as covered in Supplementary Requirement **S1**. In addition, one tangential tension, stress rupture, and creep test shall be run on material taken from the forging hub.

7.6 Test Location:

7.6.1 The tension, stress rupture, and creep specimens covered in **7.5.1** and **7.5.2** shall be machined from tangential bars taken from the forging rim.

7.6.2 Hardness tests shall be taken on both the rim and hub.

8. Microstructure

8.1 The forgings shall have an average grain size of number 4 or finer as determined in accordance with Test Methods **E112**. The material shall be of a uniform microstructure, free of phase or compound formations such as a continuous grain boundary film.

8.2 One test per lot is required for forgings weighing less than 500 lb [225 kg] each. One test per forging is required on all other forgings.

8.3 The microstructural examination may be performed on material taken from the non-deformed grip section of a peripheral tensile test specimen or on a separate sample taken from the peripheral area of a forging.

9. Non-Destructive Examinations

9.1 *Ultrasonic Examination:*

9.1.1 Each forging shall be subjected to ultrasonic examination.

9.1.2 The method of ultrasonic examination and acceptance level shall be agreed upon between the purchaser and manufacturer.

9.2 *Liquid Penetrant Examination*—Each forging shall be subjected to liquid penetrant examination using one of the methods outlined in Practice **E165/E165M**. The specific test procedure and acceptance level shall be as agreed upon by the purchaser and manufacturer.

10. Quality

10.1 The forgings shall be uniform in quality and condition, clean, sound, and free of cracks, seams, laps, shrinkage, and other injurious imperfections.

11. Certification and Reports

11.1 Certifications shall be furnished in accordance with Specification **A788/A788M**.

11.2 The report shall include the results of the chemical analysis(es), microstructural examination, the date, drawing number, melt practice used, ingot number and position or serial number and the name of the manufacturer. It shall also include the test parameters and results of the tensile, creep, stress-rupture, and hardness testing as well as the ultrasonic and liquid penetrant examination results.

12. Product Marking

12.1 Each forging shall be legibly stamped by the manufacturer in accordance with Specification **A788/A788M**. Markings shall include the ingot number and position or serial number, part number, and purchase order number.

13. Keywords

13.1 age hardened; alloy steel—turbine disk; alloy steel—turbine wheel; creep; elevated temperature service; forging; precipitation hardened; stress rupture; superalloy

SUPPLEMENTARY REQUIREMENTS

The following supplemental requirements shall apply only when specified by the purchaser on the order and agreed to by the manufacturer.

S1. Number of Tests

S1.1 Two tension and stress rupture tests shall be made on each forging weighing more than 2000 lb [900 kg]. Each set of tests shall be machined from tangential bars located 180° apart on the forging rim.

S1.2 One creep test shall be made on each forging weighing more than 2000 lb [900 kg]. Test material shall be taken from the same location as that for one of the sets of test bars covered in S1.1.

S1.3 One microstructural examination shall be performed on each forging in accordance with **8.1**.

S1.4 A product analysis of each forging shall be made by the manufacturer in accordance with Specification **A788/A788M** and shall conform to the requirements of **Table 1**.

S2. Stress Rupture

S2.1 The stress rupture tests conditions shall be 1200 °F [650 °C], 65 ksi [450 MPa], 30 h minimum, no upload, with a 15 % minimum elongation.

S3. Heat Analysis for Each Remelted Ingot

S3.1 A heat analysis of each remelt ingot shall be performed by the manufacturer in accordance with S27 of Specification **A788/A788M**. The results shall conform to the requirements specified in **Table 1** of A891/A891M.