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Standard Specification for Welded Nickel-Chromium-Iron Alloy (UNS N06600, UNS N06603, UNS N06025, and UNS N06045) Tubes¹

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1. Scope

- 1.1 This specification covers welded UNS N06600*, N06603, N06025, and N06045 alloy boiler, heat exchanger, and condenser tubes for general corrosion resisting and low or high-temperature service.
- 1.2 This specification covers tubes ½ to 5 in. (3.18 to 127 mm), inclusive, in outside diameter and 0.015 to 0.500 in. (0.38 to 12.70 mm), inclusive, in wall thickness. Table 2 of Specification B 751 lists the dimensional requirements of these sizes. Tubes having other dimensions may be furnished provided such tubing complies with all other requirements of this specification.
- 1.3 The values stated in inch-pound units are to be regarded as the standard. The values given in parentheses are for information only.

2. Referenced Documents

- 2.1 ASTM Standards:
- B 751 Specification for General Requirements for Nickel and Nickel Alloy Welded Tube²

3. Ordering Information

- 3.1 It is the responsibility of the purchaser to specify all requirements that are necessary for the safe and satisfactory performance of material ordered under this specification. Examples of such requirements include, but are not limited to, the following:
 - 3.1.1 Quantity (feet or number of lengths),
 - 3.1.2 UNS number,
- 3.1.3 Size (outside diameter minimum or average wall thickness),
 - 3.1.4 Length (random or specific),
 - 3.1.5 Class,
 - 3.1.6 ASTM designation,
 - 3.1.7 *Product Analysis* State if required,
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 - ² Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 02.04.

- 3.1.8 *Certification* State if a certification or a report of test results is required, and
- 3.1.9 *Purchaser Inspection*—State which tests or inspections are to be witnessed, if any.

4. Material and Manufacture

- 4.1 Tube shall be made from flat-rolled alloy by an automatic welding process with no addition or filler metal. Subsequent to welding and prior to final annealing, the material shall be cold-worked in either the weld metal only or both weld and base metal.
- 4.2 Tube shall be furnished with oxide removed. When bright annealing is used, descaling is not necessary.

5. Chemical Composition

- 5.1 The material shall conform to the composition limits specified in Table 1. One test is required for each lot as defined in Specification B 751.
- 5.2 If a product analysis is performed, it shall meet the chemistry limits prescribed in Table 1, subject to the analysis tolerances specified in Table 2 of Specification B 751.

6. Mechanical Properties and Other Requirements

- 6.1 *Mechanical Properties*—The material shall conform to the mechanical property requirements specified in Table 2. One test is required for each lot as defined in Specification B 751.
- 6.2 Flattening Test—A flattening test shall be made on each end of one tube per lot. Superficial ruptures resulting from surface imperfections shall not be cause for rejection.
- 6.3 Flange Test— A flange test shall be made on each end of one tube per lot.
 - 6.4 Nondestructive Test Requirements:
- 6.4.1 *Class 1*—Each piece in each lot shall be subject to one of the following four tests: hydrostatic, pneumatic (air underwater), eddy current, or ultrasonic.
- 6.4.2 Class 2—Each piece in each lot shall be subjected to a leak test and an electric test as follows:
- 6.4.2.1 *Leak Test*—Hydrostatic or pneumatic (air underwater).
 - 6.4.2.2 *Electric Test* Eddy current or ultrasonic.
- 6.5 The manufacturer shall have the option to test to Class 1 or Class 2 and select the nondestructive test methods, if not specified by the purchaser.