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Standard Specification for Steel Castings, Carbon and Alloy, with Tensile Requirements, Chemical Requirements Similar to Standard Wrought Grades[1]

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1. Scope*

1.1 This specification covers carbon and low-alloy steel castings having chemical analyses similar to those of the standard wrought grades.

1.2 Several classes are covered and are designated by chemical composition as shown in Table 1.

1.3 Options for tensile properties are shown in Tables 2 and 3.

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 may not be exact equivalents; therefore, each system shall be used independently of the other. Combining values from the two systems may result in nonconformance with the standard.

1.4.1 Within the text, the SI units are shown in brackets.

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]

A488/A488M Practice for Steel Castings, Welding, Qualifications of Procedures and Personnel

A781/A781M Specification for Castings, Steel and Alloy, Common Requirements, for General Industrial Use

A957/A957M Specification for Investment Castings, Steel and Alloy, Common Requirements, for General Industrial Use

3. General Conditions for Delivery

3.1 Material furnished to this specification shall conform to the requirements of Specification A781/A781M, including any supplementary requirements that are indicated in the purchase order. Failure to comply with the general requirements of Specification A781/A781M constitutes nonconformance with this specification. In case of conflict between the requirements of this specification and Specification A781/A781M, this specification shall prevail.

3.2 Steel investment castings furnished to this specification shall conform to the requirements of Specification A957/A957M, including any supplementary requirements that are indicated in the purchase order. Failure to comply with the general requirements of Specification A957/A957M constitutes nonconformance with this specification. In case of conflict between the requirements of this specification and Specification A957/A957M, Specification A957/A957M shall prevail.

4. Ordering Information

4.1 Orders for material under this specification should include the following information:

4.1.1 Quantity,

4.1.2 Specification, including year and date of issue,

4.1.3 Grade and class of steel,

4.1.4 Description of the casting by pattern number or drawing (dimensional tolerances should be included on the casting drawing),

4.1.5 Options in the specification, and

4.1.6 Supplementary requirements desired, including standards of acceptance.

5. Heat Treatment

5.1 All castings shall receive a heat treatment indicated in Table 4. Preliminary heat treatment prior to final heat treatment as well as multiple tempering is permitted.

5.2 Heat treatment shall be performed after the castings have been allowed to cool below the transformation range.

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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.

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

TABLE 1 Chemical Requirements[A,B]

Grade	Composition, Weight %							
	Carbon	Manganese	Phosphorus	Sulfur	Silicon	Nickel	Chromium	Molybdenum
SC 1020	0.18–0.23	0.40–0.80	0.040	0.040	0.30–0.60	. . .	. . .	. . .
SC 1025	0.22–0.28	0.40–0.80	0.040	0.040	0.30–0.60	. . .	. . .	. . .
SC 1030	0.28–0.34	0.50–0.90	0.040	0.040	0.30–0.60	. . .	. . .	. . .
SC 1040	0.37–0.44	0.50–0.90	0.040	0.040	0.30–0.60	. . .	. . .	. . .
SC 1045	0.43–0.50	0.50–0.90	0.040	0.040	0.30–0.60	. . .	. . .	. . .
SC 4130	0.28–0.33	0.40–0.80	0.035	0.040	0.30–0.60	. . .	0.80–1.10	0.15–0.25
SC 4140	0.38–0.43	0.70–1.10	0.035	0.040	0.30–0.60	. . .	0.80–1.10	0.15–0.25
SC 4330	0.28–0.33	0.60–0.90	0.035	0.040	0.30–0.60	1.65–2.00	0.70–0.90	0.20–0.30
SC 4340	0.38–0.43	0.60–0.90	0.035	0.040	0.30–0.60	1.65–2.00	0.70–0.90	0.20–0.30
SC 8620	0.18–0.23	0.60–1.00	0.035	0.040	0.30–0.60	0.40–0.70	0.40–0.60	0.15–0.25
SC 8625	0.23–0.28	0.60–1.00	0.035	0.040	0.30–0.60	0.40–0.70	0.40–0.60	0.15–0.25
SC 8630	0.28–0.33	0.60–1.00	0.035	0.040	0.30–0.60	0.40–0.70	0.40–0.60	0.15–0.25

[A] All values are maximums unless specified as a minimum or a range is provided.
[B] Where ". . ." appears in this table, there is no requirement and the element need not be analyzed for or reported.

TABLE 2 Tensile Requirements

Class	Tensile strength, min, ksi [MPa]	Yield strength,[A] min, ksi [MPa]	Elongation in 2 in. or 50 mm, min, %[B]	Reduction of Area, min, %
65/35	65 [450]	35 [240]	24	35
70/36	70 [485]	36 [250]	22	30
80/40	80 [550]	40 [275]	18	30
80/50	80 [550]	50 [345]	22	35
90/60	90 [620]	60 [415]	18	35
105/85	105 [725]	85 [585]	17	35
115/95	115 [795]	95 [655]	14	30
130/115	130 [895]	115 [795]	11	25
135/125	135 [930]	125 [860]	9	22
150/135	150 [1035]	135 [930]	7	18
160/145	160 [1105]	145 [1000]	6	12
165/150	165 [1140]	150 [1035]	5	10
210/180	210 [1450]	180 [1240]	4	8

[A] Determine by the 0.2 % offset method.
[B] When ICI test bars are used in tensile testing as provided for in Specification A957/A957M, the gauge length to reduced section diameter ratio shall be 4 to 1.

5.3 The furnace temperature for heat treating shall be effectively controlled by the use of recording-type pyrometers.

6. Chemical Composition

6.1 The steel shall conform to the requirements of chemical composition as prescribed in Table 1.

6.2 The product analysis tolerances given in Specification A781/A781M, or for investment castings, Specification A957/A957M, shall apply to all product analyses performed on castings supplied to this specification.

7. Tensile Requirements

7.1 One tension test shall be made from each heat, for investment castings, each master heat, and shall conform to the tensile requirements specified for the grade selected in Tables 2 and 3.

8. Repair by Welding

8.1 Repairs shall be made using procedures and welders qualified in accordance with Practice A488/A488M.

8.2 Repair welds shall be inspected to the same quality standards that are used to inspect the castings. When castings are produced with Supplementary Requirement S1 specified, weld repairs shall be inspected by magnetic particle examination to the same standards that are used to inspect the castings. When castings are produced with Supplementary S2 or S4, or both, as specified, weld repairs in which the depth of the cavity prepared for weld repair exceeds 20 % of the wall thickness or 1 in. [25 mm], whichever is smaller, or in which the cavity prepared for welding is greater than approximately 10 in.^{2} [65 cm^2], shall be radiographed or ultrasonically tested, or both, to the same standards that are used to inspect the castings.

TABLE 3 Tensile Requirements/Grade Suitability

Grade	Class												
	65/35	70/36	80/40	80/50	90/60	105/85	115/95	130/115	135/125	150/135	160/145	165/150	210/180
SC 1020	X[A]	X											
SC 1025	X	X											
SC 1030	X	X	X	X									
SC 1040	X[B]	X	X	X	X								
SC 1045	X[B]	X[B]	X	X	X	X	X						
SC 4130	X[B]	X[B]	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
SC 4140	X[B]	X[B]	X[B]	X[B]	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
SC 4330	X[B]	X[B]	X[B]	X[B]	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SC 4340	X[B]	X[B]	X[B]	X[B]	X[B]	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SC 8620	X[B]	X[B]	X	X	X	X	X						
SC 8625	X[B]	X[B]	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
SC 8630	X[B]	X[B]	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			

[A] "X" denotes that the properties may be achieved by at least one of the heat treatments referenced in Section 5. The effect of section thickness should be considered in making grade selections. The heat treatment requirements do not imply that all section thicknesses will be through hardened.
[B] These grades significantly exceed the minimum strength levels, therefore, they may be unsuitable for use due to weldability and machinability issues.

8.3 For all classes of Grades SC1020, SC1025, and SC1030, welds exceeding 20 % of the wall thickness or 1 in. [25 mm], whichever is smaller, or exceeding approximately 10 in.^{2} [65 cm^2] in area, shall be thermally stress-relieved or completely reheat-treated. All other grades and classes shall be thermally stress-relieved or completely reheat-treated following any repair welds.

9. Test Coupons and Specimens

9.1 Test bars shall be poured from the same heat, for investment castings, the same master heat, as the castings represented.

9.2 When the bar from which the test piece is taken is not heat treated as part of the same heat-treatment load as the casting(s) it qualifies, the austenitizing temperatures for the bar shall be within 25 °F [15 °C] of those for the casting(s). The tempering temperature for the bar shall be no higher than 25 °F [15 °C] above that of the casting(s) and no higher than that permitted by the heat-treatment procedure for the material. The cycle time at each temperature shall not exceed that for the casting(s).

9.3 If the results of the mechanical tests for any heat or lot or casting do not conform to the requirements agreed upon, retests are permitted in accordance with the applicable common requirements standard, either Specification A781/A781M or for investment castings, Specification A957/A957M, and their associated standards. At the manufacturer's option, castings may be reheat-treated and retested. Testing after reheat-treatment shall consist of the full number of specimens taken from locations complying with the specification or order.