



Standard Specification for Non-Reinforced Extruded Tee Connections for Piping Applications¹

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1. Scope

1.1 This specification covers the pipe materials and dimensions for producing non-reinforced extruded tee connections manufactured by mechanical forming processes. The term “extruded tee connection” applies to butt-weld or socket-weld connections. This specification refers to the forming process that leads to welding or brazing.

1.2 The non-reinforced extruded pipe tee connection is an alternative to the tee fittings, nozzle, and other welded connections.

1.3 The non-reinforced extruded pipe tee connection has been widely used for systems in the marine, process piping, food, pharmaceutical, and similar industries.

1.4 The values stated in SI units are to be regarded as the standard. The values given in parentheses are for information only.

1.5 The extruded tee connection will be welded in accordance with Specification F 722. Brazing of tee connections will be in accordance with ANSI B31.5.

2. Referenced Documents

2.1 ASTM Standards:

- A 53/A 53M Specification for Pipe, Steel, Black and Hot-Dipped, Zinc-Coated, Welded and Seamless²
- A 106 Specification for Seamless Carbon Steel Pipe for High-Temperature Service²
- A 135 Specification for Electric-Resistance-Welded Steel Pipe²
- A 139 Specification for Electric-Fusion (Arc)-Welded Steel Pipe (NPS 4 and Over)²
- A 161 Specification for Seamless Low-Carbon and Carbon-Molybdenum Steel Still Tubes for Refinery Service²
- A 178/A 178M Specification for Electric-Resistance-Welded Carbon Steel and Carbon-Manganese Steel Boiler and Superheater Tubes²

- A 199/A 199M Standard Specification for Seamless Cold-Drawn Intermediate Alloy-Steel Heat-Exchanger and Condenser Tubes³
- A 200 Specification for Seamless Intermediate Alloy-Steel Still Tubes for Refinery Service²
- A 209/A 209M Specification for Seamless Carbon-Molybdenum Alloy-Steel Boiler and Superheater Tubes²
- A 210/A 210M Specification for Seamless Medium-Carbon Steel Boiler and Superheater Tubes²
- A 250/A 250M Specification for Electric-Resistance-Welded Ferritic Alloy-Steel Boiler and Superheater Tubes²
- A 252 Specification for Welded and Seamless Steel Pipe Piles²
- A 312/A 312M Specification for Seamless and Welded Austenitic Stainless Steep Pipes²
- A 333/A 333M Specification for Seamless and Welded Steel Pipe for Low-Temperature Service²
- A 334/A 334M Specification for Seamless and Welded Carbon and Alloy-Steel Tubes for Low-Temperature Service²
- A 500 Specification for Cold-Formed Welded and Seamless Carbon-Steel Structural Tubing in Rounds and Shapes²
- A 512 Specification for Cold-Drawn Buttweld Carbon-Steel Mechanical Tubing²
- A 519 Specification for Seamless Carbon and Alloy Steel Mechanical Tubing²
- A 587 Specification for Electric-Resistance-Welded Low-Carbon Steel Pipe for the Chemical Industry²
- A 589 Specification for Seamless and Welded Carbon-Steel Water-Well Pipe²
- A 672 Specification for Electric-Fusion-Welded Steel Pipe for High-Pressure Service at Moderate Temperatures²
- B 88 Specification for Seamless Copper Water Tube⁴
- B 88M Specification for Seamless Copper Water Tube [Metric]⁴
- B 280 Specification for Seamless Copper Tube for Air Conditioning and Refrigeration Field Service⁴
- B 337 Specification for Seamless and Welded Titanium and

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² Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 01.01.

³ Discontinued; see 1994 Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 01.01. Replaced by Specification A 200.

⁴ Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 02.01.

Titanium Alloy Pipe⁵

B 338 Specification for Seamless and Welded Titanium and Titanium Alloy Tubes for Condensers and Heat Exchangers⁶

B 466/B 466M Specification for Seamless Copper-Nickel Pipe and Tube⁴

B 467 Specification for Welded Copper-Nickel Pipe⁴

F 722 Specification for Welded Joints for Shipboard Piping Systems⁷

2.2 *ANSI Standards:*

B31.1 Power Piping⁸

B31.3 Chemical Plant and Petroleum Refining Piping⁸

B31.5 Refrigeration Piping⁸

B36.10M Welded and Seamless Wrought Steel Pipe⁸

2.3 *ISO Standard:*

ISO-4200 Plain End Steel Tubes, Welded and Seamless—General Table 5 of Dimensions and Masses Per Unit Length⁸

3. Terminology

3.1 *Definitions:*

3.1.1 *extruded tee connection*—the tee outlet formed from the run pipe, subsequently welded or brazed to make a connection (see Fig. 1), also known in industry as a branch connection, mechanically formed tee connection, and also extruded outlet.

3.2 *tee ratio*—the ratio of the formed tee connection diameter, divided by the run pipe diameter as follows:

$$\frac{Dt}{Dr} = \text{tee ratio} \quad (1)$$

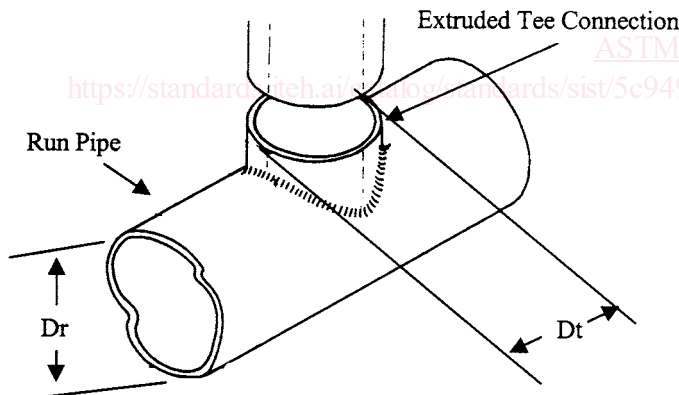


FIG. 1 Extruded Tee Connection

4. Dimensions and Tolerances

4.1 For welded connections, the dimensions and tolerances of the extruded tee connection shall be within the tolerances of

⁵ Discontinued; see 1996 Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 02.04. Replaced by Specifications B 861 and B 862.

⁶ Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 02.04.

⁷ Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 01.07.

⁸ Available from American National Standards Institute, 11 W. 42nd St., 13th Floor, New York, NY 10036.

the mating pipe in accordance with Specification F 722, as applicable to ANSI B31.1 and B31.3.

4.2 For braze connections, the dimensions and tolerances of the extruded tee connection shall be within the tolerances of the mating pipe in accordance with Specification F 722, as applicable to B31.5.

5. Run Pipe Materials and Limitations

5.1 Table 1 contains a list of materials that have been found to have acceptable forming qualities to produce extruded tee connections:

TABLE 1 Materials That Have Acceptable Forming Qualities To Produce Extruded Tee Connections

Material	ASTM Material Specifications
Copper	B 88, B 88M B 280
Copper nickel	B 466/B 466M B 467
Titanium ^A	B 337 Grades 1 and 2 B 338 Grades 1 and 2
Steel ^{B,C}	A 53/A 53M A 135 A 161 low carbon A 199/A 199M Grade T11 A 209/A 209M Grade T1 A 250/A 250M Grade T16 A 333/A 333M Grade 1 A 500 Grade A A 519 Grade 1010 A 589 Grade A A 106 Grade B A 139 Grade A A 178/A 178M A 200 Grade T36 A 210/A 210M Grade A-1 A 252 Grade 1 A 334/A 334M Grade 1 A 512 Grade MT 1010 A 587 A 672 Grade A-4
Stainless steel	A 312/A 312M TP 304 A 312/A 312M TP 304L A 312/A 312M TP 309S A 312/A 312M TP 310S A 312/A 312M TP 316 A 312/A 312M TP 316L A 312/A 312M TP 317 A 312/A 312M TP 321 A 312/A 312M TP 347

^ATitanium run pipe must be commercially pure (99.1 %) and is limited to a maximum tee ratio of d.8.

^BThe material shall be in a normalized or fully annealed condition before cold forming the extruded tee.

^CSteel shall be hot formed in the temperature range from 850 to 1000°C (from 1562 to 1832°F). Under these conditions, no subsequent stress relieving is required.

6. Finish, Appearance, and Repairs

6.1 The extruded tee connection shall be free from burrs and cracks, which would affect the suitability for the intended service.

6.2 Pipe/tube repairs are permitted in accordance with the applicable ASTM specification.

7. Run by Tee Connection Sizes (See Figs. 2-13)

7.1 The pipe/tube figures (Figs. 2-13) represent a matrix of the process capabilities, reflecting the extruded tee connections that can be formed from the main pipe/tube diameters and wall thicknesses.

7.2 The pipe and tube sizes and dimensions referred to in Figs. 2-13 are per ANSI B36.10M and ISO 4200. Interpolation is allowable for sizes not covered.

7.3 The limitations are based on current technology and are subject to amendment to equipment or process developments, or both.

8. Allowable Pressures and Temperatures

8.1 The allowable pressures and temperatures shall be in accordance with ANSI B31.1, B31.3, and B31.5 as applicable.

9. Keywords


9.1 extruded outlet; mechanically formed tee connections; outlets; tee connections

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		EXTRUDED TEE CONNECTION DIAMETER (D ₀)																	
R U N T U B E E D I A M E R (Dr)	Nominal	Actual	1/4 (3/8")	3/8 (1/2")	1/2 (5/8")	5/8 (3/4")	3/4 (7/8")	1 (1 1/8")	1 1/4 (1 3/8")	1 1/2 (1 5/8")	2 (2 1/8")	2 1/2 (2 5/8")	3 (3 1/8")	4 (4 1/8")	5 (5 1/8")	6 (6 1/8")	8 (8 1/8")	10 (10 1/8")	12 (12 1/8")
		1/4	(3/8)	L .035															
	3/8	(1/2")	L .040	K .049															
	1/2	(5/8")	L .042	K .049	K .049														
	5/8	(3/4")	L .045	K .065	K .065	K .065													
	3/4	(7/8")	L .050	K .065	K .065	K .065	K .065												
	1	(1 1/8")	L .050	K .065	K .065	K .065	K .080	K .080											
	1 1/4	(1 3/8")	L .055	K .065	K .065	K .065	K .083	K .090	K .080										
	1 1/2	(1 5/8")	M .049	L .065	L .065	K .072	K .083	K .090	K .090	K .109									
	2	(2 1/8")		M .065	M .065	K .083	K .083	K .090	K .120	K .114	K .114								
	2 1/2	(2 5/8")		M .065	M .065	L .083	K .095	K .090	K .120	K .114	K .114	K .104							
	3	(3 1/8")				M .083	L .095	L .095	K .120	K .120	K .120	K .203	K .203						
	4	(4 1/8")					M .095	M .095	L .120	K .142	K .142	K .216	K .216	K .216					
	5	(5 1/8")							M .120	K .142	K .142	K .237	K .237	K .237	K .237				
	6	(6 1/8")							M .122	K .142	K .142	K .258	K .258	K .258	K .258	K .258			
	8	(8 1/8")										L .258	L .258	L .258	K .258	K .258	K .258		
	10	(10 1/8")										L .258	L .258	L .258	L .258	L .258	L .258	L .258	
	12	(12 1/8")										M .258	M .258	M .258	M .258	M .258	M .258	M .258	M .258

Nearest copper designation to maximum wall  Max wall (in)

- NOTE 1—Limitation shown in applicable box: K = K copper, L = L copper, and M = M copper.
- NOTE 2—Minimum wall copper is Class DWV.
- NOTE 3—Dimensions are nominal copper tube size (CTS) with actual OD in parentheses.
- NOTE 4—All dimensions are in inches.

FIG. 2 Extruded Tee Connection Sizes and Wall Thickness for Copper Tube (Inches)

		EXTRUDED TEE CONNECTION DIAMETER (D ₀)														
		OD	21.3	26.9	33.7	42.4	48.3	60.3	76.1	88.9	114.3	139.7	168.3	219.1	273	323.9
R	U	N	21.3	2.0												
				1.0												
P	I	P	26.9	2.0	2.0											
				1.0	1.0											
E	D	I	33.7	2.1	2.3	2.0										
				1.0	1.0	1.0										
A	M	E	42.4	2.1	2.3	2.3	2.7									
				1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0									
T	E	R	48.3	2.1	2.3	3.0	2.9	2.9								
				1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0								
(Dr)			60.3	2.1	2.3	3.0	2.9	2.9	3.6							
				1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0							
			76.1	2.1	2.3	3.0	3.0	3.0	5.1	5.1						
				1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0						
			88.9	2.1	2.3	3.0	3.0	3.0	5.4	5.4	5.4					
				1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0					
			114.3			3.0	3.2	3.2	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.9				
						1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0			
			139.7			2.9	3.6	3.6	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	5.0			
						1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0		
			168.3			2.9	3.6	3.6	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	5.0			
						1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0		
			219.1			2.9	3.7	3.7	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	4.5		
						1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	
			273				3.6	3.6	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	4.9	
							1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	
			323.9						6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	5.5	4.9
									1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0

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 NOTE 1—All sizes are shown in millimetres (mm).

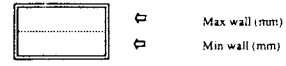


FIG. 3 Extruded Tee Connection Sizes and Wall Thickness for Copper Nickel Pipe—Metric (mm)

		EXTRUDED TEE CONNECTION DIAMETER (Dt)													
R U N P I P E D I A M E T E R (Dr)	PIPE (NPS)	1/2	3/4	1	1 1/4	1 1/2	2	2 1/2	3	4	5	6	8	10	12
	1/2		.065												
		.025													
3/4		.080	.080												
		.025	.040												
1		.080	.090	.080											
		.025	.040	.040											
1 1/4		.083	.090	.090	.109										
		.025	.040	.040	.040										
1 1/2		.083	.090	.120	.114	.114									
		.025	.040	.040	.040	.040									
2		.083	.090	.120	.114	.114	.154								
		.025	.040	.040	.040	.040	.040								
2 1/2		.083	.090	.120	.120	.120	.203	.203							
		.025	.040	.040	.040	.040	.040	.040							
3		.083	.090	.120	.120	.120	.216	.216	.216						
		.025	.040	.040	.040	.040	.040	.040	.040						
4		.083	.090	.120	.126	.126	.237	.237	.237	.237					
		.025	.040	.040	.040	.040	.040	.040	.040	.040					
5				.114	.142	.142	.258	.258	.258	.258	.200				
				.040	.040	.040	.040	.040	.040	.040	.040				
6				.114	.142	.142	.258	.258	.258	.258	.258	.200			
				.040	.040	.040	.040	.040	.040	.040	.040	.040			
8				.114	.148	.148	.258	.258	.258	.258	.258	.258	.177		
				.040	.040	.040	.040	.040	.040	.040	.040	.040	.040		
10					.142	.142	.258	.258	.258	.258	.258	.258	.258	.197	
					.040	.040	.040	.040	.040	.040	.040	.040	.040	.040	
12							.258	.258	.258	.258	.258	.258	.258	.220	.258
							.040	.040	.040	.040	.040	.040	.040	.040	.040

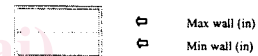


FIG. 4 Extruded Tee Connection Sizes and Wall Thickness for Copper and Copper Nickel Pipe—NPS

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