



Standard Specification for Welded Large Diameter Austenitic Steel Pipe for Corrosive or High-Temperature Service¹

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1. Scope

1.1 This specification² covers straight seam or spiral seam electric-fusion-welded, light-wall, austenitic chromium-nickel alloy steel pipe for corrosive or high-temperature service. The sizes covered are NPS 14 to 30 with extra light (Schedule 5S) and light (Schedule 10S) wall thicknesses. Table X1.1 shows the wall thickness of Schedule 5S and 10S pipe. Pipe having other dimensions may be furnished provided such pipe complies with all other requirements of this specification.

1.2 Several grades of alloy steel are covered as indicated in Table 1.

1.3 Optional supplementary requirements are provided. These call for additional tests to be made, and when desired shall be stated in the order, together with the number of such tests required.

1.4 The values stated in either inch-pound units or SI units are to be regarded separately as standard. Within the text, the SI units are shown in brackets. The values stated in each system are not exact equivalents; therefore, each system must be used independently of the other. Combining values from the two systems may result in nonconformance with the specification. The inch-pound units shall apply unless the “M” designation of this specification is specified in the order.

NOTE 1—The dimensionless designator NPS (nominal pipe size) has been substituted in this standard for such traditional terms as “nominal diameter,” “size,” and “nominal size.”

2. Referenced Documents

2.1 ASTM Standards:

A 240 Specification for Heat-Resisting Chromium and Chromium-Nickel Stainless Steel Plate, Sheet, and Strip for Pressure Vessels³

A 262 Practices for Detecting Susceptibility to Intergranular Attack in Austenitic Stainless Steels³

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² For ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code applications see related Specification SA-409 in Section II of that Code.

³ *Annual Book of ASTM Standards*, Vol 01.03.

A 530/A530M Specification for General Requirements for Specialized Carbon and Alloy Steel Pipe⁴

E 527 Practice for Numbering Metals and Alloys (UNS)⁴

2.2 ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code: Section IX Welding Qualifications.⁵

2.3 AWS Standards.⁶

A 5.22 Flux Cored Arc Welding

A 5.30 Consumable Weld Inserts for Gas Tungsten Arc Welding

A 5.4 Corrosion-Resisting Chromium and Chromium-Nickel Steel Covered Welding Electrodes

A 5.9 Corrosion-Resisting Chromium and Chromium-Nickel Steel Welding Rods and Bare Electrodes

A 5.11 Nickel and Nickel-Alloy Covered Welding Electrodes

A 5.14 Nickel and Nickel-Alloy Bare Welding Rods and Electrodes

3. Ordering Information

3.1 Orders for material to this specification should include the following, as required, to describe the desired material adequately:

3.1.1 Quantity (feet, centimetres, or number of lengths),

3.1.2 Name of material (straight seam or spiral seam electric-fusion-welded austenitic steel pipe),

3.1.3 Grade (Table 1),

3.1.4 Size (outside diameter and schedule number, or wall thickness).

3.1.5 Length (specific or random) (Section 11),

3.1.6 End finish (Section on Ends of Specification A 530/A 530M),

3.1.7 Optional requirements (5.2.1-5.2.3 removal of weld bead; 5.3.2, special heat treatment; 15.2, nondestructive test; 10.1.1, outside diameter tolerance; 11.2, length circumferentially welded; 12.3, repair by welding and heat treatment subsequent to repair welding; 12.4, sand blasted or pickled; 17.1 Certification; Supplementary Requirements S1 to S6).

⁴ *Annual Book of ASTM Standards*, Vol 01.01.

⁵ Available from American Society of Mechanical Engineers, 345 E. 47th St., New York, NY 10017.

⁶ Available from American Welding Society, 550 Le Jeune Road, P.O. Box 351040, Miami, FL 33135.

TABLE 1 Chemical Requirements

Grade	UNS Designations ^A	Composition, %											
		Carbon, max	Manganese, max	Phosphorus, max	Sulfur, max	Silicon	Nickel	Chromium	Molybdenum	Titanium	Columbium	Cerium	Other Elements
TP304	S30400	0.08	2.00	0.045	0.030	0.75 max	8.00–11.0	18.0–20.0	...	...	...	...	...
TP304L	S30403	0.035	2.00	0.045	0.030	0.75 max	8.00–13.0	18.0–20.0	...	...	...	...	...
TP309Cb	S30940	0.08	2.00	0.045	0.030	0.75 max	12.0–16.0	22.0–24.0	0.75 max	...	...	...	Cu 0.75 max; Cb + Ta 10 × C min, 1.10 max Cu 0.75 max Cu 0.75 max; Cb + Ta 10 × C min, 1.10 max Cu 0.75 max
TP309S	S30908	0.08	2.00	0.045	0.030	0.75 max	12.0–15.0	22.0–24.0	0.75 max	...	...	...	Cu 0.75 max
TP310Cb	S31040	0.08	2.00	0.045	0.030	0.75 max	19.0–22.0	24.0–26.0	0.75 max	...	...	...	...
TP310S	S31008	0.08	2.00	0.045	0.030	0.75 max	19.0–22.0	24.0–26.0	0.75 max	...	...	...	...
TP316	S31600	0.08	2.00	0.045	0.030	0.75 max	10.0–14.0	16.0–18.0	2.0–3.0	...	...	...	...
TP316L	S31603	0.035	2.00	0.045	0.030	0.75 max	10.0–15.0	16.0–18.0	2.0–3.0	...	...	...	...
TP317	S31700	0.08	2.00	0.045	0.030	0.75 max	11.0–14.0	18.0–20.0	3.0–4.0	...	...	...	...
TP321	S32100	0.08	2.00	0.045	0.030	0.75 max	9.00–13.0	17.0–20.0	...	^B	...	...	...
TP347	S34700	0.08	2.00	0.045	0.030	0.75 max	9.00–13.0	17.0–20.0	...	...	^C	...	...
TP348	S34800	0.08	2.00	0.045	0.030	0.75 max	9.00–13.0	17.0–20.0	...	...	^D	...	...
...	S31254	0.020	1.00	0.030	0.010	0.80 max	17.5–18.5	19.5–20.5	6.00–6.50	...	...	...	Cu 0.50–1.00 N 0.180–0.220
...	S30815	0.05–0.10	0.80	0.040	0.030	1.40–2.00	10.0–12.0	20.0–22.0	...	...	...	0.03–0.08	N 0.14–0.20
...	S31725	0.03	2.00	0.045	0.030	0.75 max	13.5–17.5	18.0–20.0	4.0–5.0	...	...	...	Cu 0.75 max N 0.10 max
...	S31726	0.03	2.00	0.045	0.030	0.75 max	13.5–17.5	17.0–20.0	4.0–5.0	...	...	...	Cu 0.75 max N 0.10–0.20
...	S24565	0.03	5.0–7.0	0.030	0.010	1.00 max	16.0–18.0	23.0–25.0	4.0–5.0	...	0.1 max	...	N 0.4–0.6
...	N08367	0.03	2.00	0.040	0.030	1.00 max	23.50–25.50	20.00–22.00	6.00–7.00	...	...	...	Cu 0.75 max Ni 0.18–0.25

^A New designation established in accordance with ASTM E 527 and SAE J 1086, Practice for Numbering Metals and Alloys (UNS).

^B The titanium content shall be not less than 5 times the carbon content and not more than 0.70 %.

^C The columbium plus tantalum content shall be not less than 10 times the carbon content and not more than 1.0 %.

^D The columbium plus tantalum content shall be not less than 10 times the carbon content and not more than 1.0 %. The tantalum content shall be 0.10 % maximum.

- 3.1.8 Specification designation, and
- 3.1.9 Special requirements.

4. General Requirements

4.1 Material furnished to this specification shall conform to the applicable requirements of the current edition of Specification A 530/A 530M, unless otherwise provided herein.

5. Materials and Manufacture

5.1 If a specific type of melting is required by the purchaser it shall be stated on the order.

5.2 Welding:

5.2.1 The welds shall be made by the manual or automatic electric-welding process. For manual welding, the operator and procedure shall be qualified in accordance with the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code, Section IX. Unless otherwise specified on the purchase order, the pipe may be welded with or without filler metal when the automatic electric-welding process is used.

5.2.2 The weld surface on either side of the weld may be flush with the base plate or may have a reasonably uniform crown, not to exceed 1/16 in. [2 mm]. Any weld reinforcement may be removed at the manufacturer’s option or by agreement between the manufacturer and purchaser. The contour of the reinforcement should be reasonably smooth and free from

irregularities. The weld metal shall be fused uniformly into the plate surface. No concavity of contour is permitted unless the resulting thickness of weld metal is equal to or greater than the minimum thickness of the adjacent base metal.

5.2.3 Weld defects, as determined by specified inspection requirements, shall be repaired by removal to sound metal and rewelding.

5.3 Heat Treatment:

5.3.1 Except as provided in 5.3.2, all pipe shall be furnished in the heat-treated condition. The heat-treatment procedure shall consist of heating the material to a minimum temperature of 1900°F [1040°C], except for S31254 and S30815 which shall be heat treated to 2100°F [1150°C] and 1920°F [1050°C] respectively, S24565 which shall be heat treated in the range 2050°F [1120°C] to 2140°F [1170°C], and N08367, which shall be heated to a minimum temperature of 2025°F [1107°C], all materials to be followed by quenching in water or rapidly cooling by other means.

5.3.2 The purchase order shall specify one of the following conditions if the heat-treated condition specified in 5.3.1 is not desired by the purchaser:

5.3.2.1 A final heat-treatment temperature under 1900°F [1040°C]. Each pipe supplied under this requirement shall be stenciled with the final heat-treatment temperature in degrees Fahrenheit or degrees Celsius after the suffix “HT”. Controlled

structural or special service characteristics may be specified as a guide for the most suitable heat treatment.

5.3.2.2 No final heat treatment of pipe fabricated of plate, that has been solution heat treated at temperatures required by this specification. Each pipe supplied under this requirement shall be stenciled with the suffix “HT-O”.

5.3.2.3 No final heat treatment of pipe fabricated of plate, that has not been solution heat treated. Each pipe supplied under this requirement shall be stenciled with the suffix “HT-SO”.

5.4 A solution annealing temperature above 1950°F [1065°C] may impair the resistance to intergranular corrosion after subsequent exposure to sensitizing conditions in TP321, TP347, and TP348. When specified by the purchaser, a lower temperature stabilization or re-solution anneal shall be used subsequent to the initial high temperature solution anneal (see Supplementary Requirement S5).

6. Chemical Composition

6.1 Each type of stainless steel or alloy shall conform to the requirements as to chemical composition prescribed in Table 1.

6.2 Unless otherwise specified in the purchase order, the chemical composition of the welding filler metal shall conform to the requirements of the applicable AWS specification for the corresponding grade shown in Table 2. Grades with no filler metal classification indicated shall be welded with filler metals producing deposited weld metal having a composition in accordance with the chemical composition specified in Table 1. The method of analysis for nitrogen and cerium shall be a matter of agreement between the purchaser and manufacturer. The purchaser may choose a higher-alloy filler metal when

needed for corrosion resistance.

7. Tensile Requirements

7.1 The tensile properties of the plate or sheet used in making the pipe shall conform to the requirements prescribed in Table 3. Certified mill test reports shall be submitted to the pipe manufacturer.

7.2 A transverse tension test taken across the welded joint of the finished pipe shall meet the same minimum tensile strength requirements as the sheet or plate. The weld section on the tension specimen shall be in the same condition as the finished pipe (with or without bead as specified).

8. Mechanical Tests Required

8.1 *Tension Test*—One transverse tension test of the weld shall be made on each lot (Note 2) of finished pipe.

NOTE 2—The term “lot” applies to each 200 ft [60 m] or less of pipe of the same NPS and wall thickness (or schedule number) which is produced from the same heat of steel and subjected to the same finishing treatment in a continuous furnace. When final heat treatment is in a batch-type furnace, the lot shall include only that pipe which is heat treated in the same furnace charge. When no heat treatment is performed following final forming operations, the lot shall include each 200 ft [60 m] or less of pipe of the same NPS and wall thickness (or schedule number) which is produced from the same heat of steel.

8.2 *Transverse Guided-Bend Weld Test*—One test (two specimens) of the weld shall be made on each lot (Note 2) of finished pipe.

8.3 *Pressure or Nondestructive Electric Test*—Each length of pipe shall be subjected to a pressure test or a nondestructive electric test as prescribed in Section 5.

TABLE 2 Filler Metal Specifications

Grade	UNS Designation	Filler Metal Classification and UNS Designation ^A for Applicable ^B AWS Specification											
		A5.4		A5.9		A5.11		A5.14		A5.22		A5.30	
		Class.	UNS	Class.	UNS	Class.	UNS	Class.	UNS	Class.	UNS	Class.	UNS
TP304	S30400	E308	W30810	ER308	S30880 W30840	...	...	...	...	E308T	W30831	IN308	S30880
TP304L	S30403	E308L	W30813	ER308L	S30883 W30843	...	...	...	...	E308T	W30835	IN308L	S30883
TP309Cb	S30940	E309Cb	W30917	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
TP310Cb	S31040	E310Cb	W31017	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
TP316	S31600	E316	W31610	ER316	S31680 W31640	...	...	...	...	E316T	W31631	IN316	S31680
TP316L	S31603	E316L	W31603	ER316L	S31683 W31643	...	...	...	...	E316LT	W31635	IN316L	S31683
TP317	S31700	E317	W31700	ER317	S31783 W31743	...	...	...	...	E317T	W31731	IN317	S31780
TP321	S32100	E347	W34710	ER321 ER347	S32180 W32140 S34780 W34740	...	...	...	...	E347T	W34733	IN348	S34780
TP347	S34700	E347	W34710	ER347	S34780 W34740	...	...	...	...	E347T	W34733	IN348	S34780
TP348	S34800	E347	W34710	ER347	S34780 W34740	...	...	...	...	E347T	W34733	IN348	S34780
...	S31254	...	...	...	...	ENiCrMo-3	W86112	ERNiCrMo-3	NO6625	...	...	...	...
...	S31725	...	...	...	...	ENiCrMo-3	W86112	ERNiCrMo-3	NO6625	...	...	...	...
...	S31726	...	...	...	...	ENiCrMo-3	W86112	ERNiCrMo-3	NO6625	...	...	...	...
...	S24565	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	N08367	...	...	...	...	ENiCrMo-3	W86112	ErNiCrMo-3	NO6625	...	...	...	...

^A New designation established in accordance with Practice E 527 and SAE J1086, Practice for Numbering Metals and Alloys (UNS).

^B Choice of American Welding Society specification depends on the welding process used.