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Standard Specification for Plates, Carbon Steel, for Forging and Similar Applications¹

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1. Scope

1.1 This specification covers carbon steel plates, forging quality, intended for forging, quenching-and-tempering, and similar applications in which uniformity of composition and freedom from injurious imperfections are important.

1.2 The plates are available in six grades, or chemical compositions.

1.3 Supplementary Requirements are provided for additional requirements which may be specified on the order.

1.4 When the steel is to be welded, it is presupposed that a welding procedure suitable for the grade of steel and intended use or service will be utilized. See Appendix X 3 of Specification A 6/A 6M for information on weldability.

1.5 The values stated in either inch-pound or SI units are to be regarded 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.

2. Referenced Documents

2.1 ASTM Standards:

A 6/A 6M Specification for General Requirements for Rolled Structural Steel Bars, Plates, Shapes, and Sheet Piling²

2.2 ASME Code:

Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code, Section IX, Welding Qualifications³

3. General Requirements and Ordering Information

3.1 Material furnished under this specification shall conform to the requirements of the current edition of Specification A 6/A 6M, for the ordered material, unless a conflict exists in which case this specification shall prevail.

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² *Annual Book of ASTM Standards*, Vol 01.04.

³ Available from American Society of Mechanical Engineers, 345 E. 47th St., New York, NY 10017.

4. Manufacture

4.1 *Steelmaking Practice*—The steel shall be killed.

4.2 *Heat Treatment*—The plates are usually furnished in the as-rolled (hot-rolled) condition unless otherwise specified on the order.

5. Chemical Composition

5.1 The heat analysis shall conform to the requirements for the applicable grade listed in Table 1.

6. Mechanical Property Requirements

6.1 The plates shall not be subject to mechanical property testing unless otherwise specified on the order.

7. Quality

7.1 *General*—The plates shall be free of injurious imperfections and shall have a workmanlike finish.

7.2 *Finish*—The plates shall be furnished with a finish such as that produced by hot-rolling, except for ground areas resulting from conditioning operations, unless otherwise specified on the order.

7.3 Surface Imperfections:

7.3.1 All injurious surface imperfections shall be removed by the material manufacturer or processor.

7.3.1.1 Shallow imperfections shall be ground to sound metal; the ground area shall be well-faired and the thickness of the ground plate shall not be reduced below the minimum thickness permitted.

7.3.1.2 All surface imperfections, the removal of which will reduce the plate thickness below the minimum permitted, shall be cause for rejection; however, such imperfections may be repaired by welding as provided in 7.5.

7.4 Edge Imperfections:

7.4.1 Laminar-type discontinuities 1 in. [25 mm] and less in length, and visible to the unaided eye on the edges of plates as prepared for shipment by the manufacturer or processor, are acceptable and do not require exploration.

7.4.2 All larger discontinuities shall be explored to determine their depth and extent. Discontinuities shall be considered continuous when located in the same plane within 5 % of the plate thickness and when separated by a distance less than the length of the smaller of two adjacent discontinuities.