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Standard Specification for Stainless Steel Bars and Shapes¹

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1. Scope*

1.1 This specification covers hot-finished or cold-finished bars except bars for reforging (Note 1). It includes rounds, squares, and hexagons, and hot-rolled or extruded shapes, such as angles, tees, and channels in the more commonly used types of stainless steels. The free-machining types (Note 2), for general corrosion resistance and high-temperature service, are covered in a separate specification.

NOTE 1—For bars for reforging, see Specification A 314.

NOTE 2—For free-machining stainless bars designed especially for optimum machinability, see Specification A 582/A 582M.

NOTE 3—There are standards covering high nickel, chromium, austenitic corrosion, and heat resisting alloy materials. These standards are under the jurisdiction of ASTM Subcommittee B02.07 and may be found in *Annual Book of ASTM Standards*, Vol. 02.04.

1.2 The values stated in inch-pound units are to be regarded as the standard.

2. Referenced Documents

2.1 ASTM Standards:

A 314 Specification for Stainless Steel Billets and Bars for Forging²

A 370 Test Methods and Definitions for Mechanical Testing of Steel Products²

A 484/A 484M Specification for General Requirements for Stainless Steel Bars, Billets, and Forgings²

A 582/A 582M Specification for Free-Machining Stainless Steel Bars²

A 751 Test Methods, Practices, and Terminology for Chemical Analysis of Steel Products²

E 527 Practice for Numbering Metals and Alloys (UNS)³

2.2 Other Document:

SAE J 1086 Recommended Practice for Numbering Metals and Alloys⁴

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² *Annual Book of ASTM Standards*, Vol 01.03.

³ *Annual Book of ASTM Standards*, Vol 01.01.

⁴ Available from Society of Automotive Engineers, 400 Commonwealth Drive, Warrendale, PA 15096.

3. Ordering Information

3.1 It is the responsibility of the purchaser to specify all requirements that are necessary for material ordered under this specification. Such requirements may include but are not limited to the following:

3.1.1 Quantity (weight or number of pieces),

3.1.2 Name of material: stainless steel,

3.1.3 Form (bars, angles, etc.),

3.1.4 Condition (Section 4.1),

3.1.5 Finish (Section 8 of Specification A 484/A 484M),

3.1.6 Surface preparation of shapes (Section 8 of Specification A 484/A 484M),

3.1.7 Applicable dimensions including size, thickness, width, and length,

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3.1.8 Cross section (round, square, etc.),

3.1.9 Type or UNS designation (Table 1),

3.1.10 ASTM designation and date of issue, and

3.1.11 Whether bars are to be rolled as bars or cut from strip or plate.

3.1.12 Test for magnetic permeability when specified by customer purchase order when ordering Types 201 and 205.

3.1.13 Special requirements.

NOTE 4—A typical ordering description is as follows: 5000 lb (2268 kg) Stainless Steel Bars, Annealed and Centerless Ground, 1½ in. (38.10 mm) Round, 10 to 12 ft (3.05 to 3.66 m) in length, Type 304, ASTM Specification A 276 dated _____. End use: machined valve parts.

4. Manufacture

4.1 Condition:

4.1.1 Bars shall be furnished in one of the following conditions listed in the Mechanical Requirements table:

4.1.1.1 *Condition A*—Annealed

4.1.1.2 *Condition H*—Hardened and tempered at a relatively low temperature

4.1.1.3 *Condition T*—Hardened and tempered at a relatively high temperature

4.1.1.4 *Condition S*—*Strain Hardened*—Relatively light cold work

4.1.1.5 *Condition B*—Relatively severe cold work

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



TABLE 1 Chemical Requirements^A

UNS Designation ^B	Type	Composition, %									
		Carbon	Manganese	Phosphorus	Sulfur	Silicon	Chromium	Nickel	Molybdenum	Nitrogen	Other Elements
Austenitic Grades											
N08367	...	0.030	2.00	0.040	0.030	1.00	20.0–22.0	23.5–25.5	6.0–7.0	0.18–0.25	Cu 0.75
S20100	201	0.15	5.5–7.5	0.060	0.030	1.00	16.0–18.0	3.5–5.5	...	0.25	...
S20161	...	0.15	4.0–6.0	0.045	0.030	3.0–4.0	15.0–18.0	4.0–6.0	...	0.08–0.20	...
S20162	...	0.15	4.0–8.0	0.040	0.040	2.5–4.5	16.5–21.0	6.0–10.0	0.50–2.50	0.05–0.25	...
S20200	202	0.15	7.5–10.0	0.060	0.030	1.00	17.0–19.0	4.0–6.0	...	0.25	...
S20500	205	0.12–0.25	14.0–15.5	0.060	0.030	1.00	16.5–18.0	1.0–1.7	...	0.32–0.40	...
S20910	XM-19	0.06	4.0–6.0	0.045	0.030	1.00	20.5–23.5	11.5–13.5	1.50–3.00	0.20–0.40	Cb 0.10–0.30, V 0.10–0.30
S21800	...	0.10	7.0–9.0	0.060	0.030	3.5–4.5	16.0–18.0	8.0–9.0	...	0.08–0.18	...
S21900	XM-10	0.08	8.0–10.0	0.045	0.030	1.00	19.0–21.5	5.5–7.5	...	0.15–0.40	...
S21904	XM-11	0.04	8.0–10.0	0.045	0.030	1.00	19.0–21.5	5.5–7.5	...	0.15–0.40	...
S24000	XM-29	0.08	11.5–14.5	0.060	0.030	1.00	17.0–19.0	2.3–3.7	...	0.20–0.40	...
S24100	XM-28	0.15	11.0–14.0	0.045	0.030	1.00	16.5–19.0	0.50–2.50	...	0.20–0.45	...
S28200	...	0.15	17.0–19.0	0.045	0.030	1.00	17.0–19.0	...	0.75–1.25	0.40–0.60	Cu 0.75–1.25
S30200	302	0.15	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	17.0–19.0	8.0–10.0	...	0.10	...
S30215	302B	0.15	2.00	0.045	0.030	2.00–3.00	17.0–19.0	8.0–10.0	...	0.10	...
S30400	304	0.08	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	18.0–20.0	8.0–11.0	...	...	...
S30403	304L ^C	0.030	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	18.0–20.0	8.0–12.0	...	...	...
S30451	304N	0.08	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	18.0–20.0	8.0–11.0	...	0.10–0.16	...
S30452	XM-21	0.08	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	18.0–20.0	8.0–10.0	...	0.16–0.30	...
S30453	304LN	0.030	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	18.0–20.0	8.0–11.0	...	0.10–0.16	...
S30454	...	0.03	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	18.0–20.0	8.0–11.0	...	0.16–0.30	...
S30500	305	0.12	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	17.0–19.0	11.0–13.0	...	...	...
S30800	308	0.08	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	19.0–21.0	10.0–12.0	...	...	...
S30815	...	0.05–0.10	0.80	0.040	0.030	1.40–2.00	20.0–22.0	10.0–12.0	...	0.14–0.20	Ce 0.03–0.08
S30900	309	0.20	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	22.0–24.0	12.0–15.0	...	...	...
S30908	309S	0.08	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	22.0–24.0	12.0–15.0	...	...	...
S30940	309Cb	0.08	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	22.0–24.0	12.0–16.0	...	...	Cb 10×C-1.10
S31000	310	0.25	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.50	24.0–26.0	19.0–22.0	...	...	...
S31008	310S	0.08	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.50	24.0–26.0	19.0–22.0	...	...	...
S31040	310Cb	0.08	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.50	24.0–26.0	19.0–22.0	...	...	Cb 10×C-1.10
S31254	...	0.020	1.00	0.030	0.010	0.80	19.5–20.5	17.5–18.5	6.0–6.5	0.18–0.22	Cu 0.50–1.00
S31400	314	0.25	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.50–3.00	23.0–26.0	19.0–22.0	...	...	...
S31600	316	0.08	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	16.0–18.0	10.0–14.0	2.00–3.00	...	...
S31603	316L ^C	0.030	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	16.0–18.0	10.0–14.0	2.00–3.00	...	...
S31635	316Ti	0.08	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	16.0–18.0	10.0–14.0	2.00–3.00	0.10	Ti 5×(C+N)-0.70
S31640	316Cb	0.08	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	16.0–18.0	10.0–14.0	2.00–3.00	0.10	Cb 10×C-1.10
S31651	316N	0.08	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	16.0–18.0	10.0–14.0	2.00–3.00	0.10–0.16	...
S31653	316LN	0.030	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	16.0–18.0	10.0–13.0	2.00–3.00	0.10–0.16	...
S31654	...	0.03	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	16.0–18.0	10.0–13.0	2.00–3.00	0.16–0.30	...
S31700	317	0.08	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	18.0–20.0	11.0–15.0	3.0–4.0	0.10	...
S31725	...	0.030	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	18.0–20.0	13.5–17.5	4.0–5.0	0.20	...
S31726	...	0.030	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	17.0–20.0	14.5–17.5	4.0–5.0	0.10–0.20	...
S32100	321	0.08	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	17.0–19.0	9.0–12.0	...	...	Ti 5×(C+N)-0.70 ^D
S32654	...	0.020	2.0–4.0	0.030	0.005	0.50	24.0–25.0	21.0–23.0	7.0–8.0	0.45–0.55	Cu 0.30–0.60
S34565	...	0.030	5.0–7.0	0.030	0.010	1.00	23.0–25.0	16.0–18.0	4.0–5.0	0.40–0.60	Cb 0.10
S34700	347	0.08	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	17.0–19.0	9.0–12.0	...	...	Cb 10×C-1.10
S34800	348	0.08	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	17.0–19.0	9.0–12.0	...	...	Cb 10×C-1.10, Ta 0.10 Co 0.20
Austenitic-Ferritic Grades											
S31100	XM-26	0.06	1.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	25.0–27.0	6.0–7.0	...	...	Ti 0.25
S31803	...	0.030	2.00	0.030	0.020	1.00	21.0–23.0	4.5–6.5	2.5–3.5	0.08–0.20	...
S32101	...	0.040	4.0–6.0	0.040	0.030	1.00	21.0–22.0	1.35–1.70	0.10–0.80	0.20–0.25	Cu 0.10–0.80
S32205	...	0.030	2.00	0.030	0.020	1.00	22.0–23.0	4.5–6.5	3.0–3.5	0.14–0.20	...
S32304	...	0.030	2.50	0.040	0.030	1.00	21.5–24.5	3.0–5.5	0.05–0.60	0.05–0.20	Cu 0.05–0.60
S32550	...	0.04	1.50	0.040	0.030	1.0	24.0–27.0	4.5–6.5	2.9–3.9	0.10–0.25	Cu 1.50–2.50
S32760 ^E	...	0.030	1.00	0.030	0.010	1.00	24.0–26.0	6.0–8.0	3.0–4.0	0.20–0.30	Cu 0.50–1.00 W 0.50–1.00
Ferritic Grades											
S40500	405	0.08	1.00	0.040	0.030	1.00	11.5–14.5	0.50	...	...	Al 0.10–0.30
S40976	...	0.030	1.00	0.040	0.030	1.00	10.5–11.7	0.75–1.00	...	0.040	Cb 10×(C+N)-0.80
S42900	429	0.12	1.00	0.040	0.030	1.00	14.0–16.0	...	...	...	...
S43000	430	0.12	1.00	0.040	0.030	1.00	16.0–18.0	...	...	...	...
S44400	444	0.025	1.00	0.040	0.030	1.00	17.5–19.5	1.00	1.75–2.50	0.035	Ti+Cb 0.20+4 ×(C+N)-0.80

TABLE 1 *Continued*

UNS Designation ^B	Type	Composition, %									
		Carbon	Manganese	Phosphorus	Sulfur	Silicon	Chromium	Nickel	Molybdenum	Nitrogen	Other Elements
S44600	446	0.20	1.50	0.040	0.030	1.00	23.0–27.0	0.75	...	0.25	...
S44627	XM-27 ^F	0.010 ^G	0.40	0.020	0.020	0.40	25.0–27.5	0.50	0.75–1.50	0.015 ^G	Cu 0.20 Cb 0.05–0.20
S44700	...	0.010	0.30	0.025	0.020	0.20	28.0–30.0	0.15	3.5–4.2	0.020	C+N 0.025 Cu 0.15
S44800	...	0.010	0.30	0.025	0.020	0.20	28.0–30.0	2.00–2.50	3.5–4.2	0.020	C+N 0.025 Cu 0.15
Martensitic Grades											
S40300	403	0.15	1.00	0.040	0.030	0.50	11.5–13.0	...	...	...	...
S41000	410	0.08–0.15	1.00	0.040	0.030	1.00	11.5–13.5	...	...	...	...
S41040	XM-30	0.18	1.00	0.040	0.030	1.00	11.0–13.0	...	...	...	Cb 0.05–0.30
S41400	414	0.15	1.00	0.040	0.030	1.00	11.5–13.5	1.25–2.50	...	...	...
S41425	...	0.05	0.50–1.00	0.020	0.005	0.50	12.0–15.0	4.0–7.0	1.50–2.00	0.06–0.12	Cu 0.30
S41500	^H	0.05	0.50–1.00	0.030	0.030	0.60	11.5–14.0	3.5–5.5	0.50–1.00	...	...
S42000	420	0.15 min	1.00	0.040	0.030	1.00	12.0–14.0	...	...	...	...
S42010	...	0.15–0.30	1.00	0.040	0.030	1.00	13.5–15.0	0.35–0.85	0.40–0.85	...	...
S43100	431	0.20	1.00	0.040	0.030	1.00	15.0–17.0	1.25–2.50	...	...	...
S44002	440A	0.60–0.75	1.00	0.040	0.030	1.00	16.0–18.0	...	0.75	...	...
S44003	440B	0.75–0.95	1.00	0.040	0.030	1.00	16.0–18.0	...	0.75	...	...
S44004	440C	0.95–1.20	1.00	0.040	0.030	1.00	16.0–18.0	...	0.75	...	...

^A Maximum, unless range or minimum is indicated.

^B Designations established in accordance with Practice E 527 and SAE J 1086.

^C For some applications, the substitution of Type 304L for Type 304, or Type 316L for Type 316 may be undesirable because of design, fabrication, or service requirements. In such cases, the purchaser should so indicate on the order.

^D Nitrogen content is to be reported for this grade.

^E % Cr + 3.3 × % Mo + 16 × % N ≥ 40.

^F Nickel plus copper shall be 0.50 % max.

^G Product analysis tolerance over the maximum limit for carbon and nitrogen shall be 0.002 %.

^H Wrought version of CA 6NM.

5. Chemical Composition

5.1 The steel shall conform to the requirements for chemical composition specified in Table 1.

5.2 Methods and practices relating to chemical analysis required by this specification shall be in accordance with Test Methods, Practices, and Terminology A 751.

6. Mechanical Properties Requirements

6.1 The material shall conform to the mechanical test requirements specified in Table 2.

6.2 The martensitic grades shall be capable of meeting the hardness requirements after heat treating as specified in Table 3.

6.3 Hardness measurements, when required, shall be made at a location midway between the surface and the center of the cross section.

7. Magnetic Permeability

7.1 When required by the purchase order, the magnetic permeability of Types 201 and 205 in the annealed condition shall not exceed 1.2 as tested by a Severn-type indicator.

8. General Requirements

8.1 In addition to the requirements of this specification, all requirements of the current edition of Specification A 484/A 484M shall apply. Failure to comply with the general requirements of Specification A 484/A 484M constitutes non-conformance to this specification.

9. Certification

9.1 Upon request of the purchaser in the contract or order, the producer's certification that the material was manufactured and tested in accordance with this specification, together with a certified report of the test results shall be furnished at the time of the shipment.

10. Keywords

10.1 austenitic stainless steel; austenitic-ferritic duplex stainless steel; ferritic stainless steel; martensitic stainless steel; stainless steel bars; stainless steel shapes