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Standard Specification for Carbon Steel Forgings for Piping Applications¹

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1. Scope*

1.1 This specification² covers forged carbon steel piping components for ambient- and higher-temperature service in pressure systems. Included are flanges, fittings, valves, and similar parts ordered either to dimensions specified by the purchaser or to dimensional standards such as the MSS, ASME, and API specifications referenced in Section 2. Forgings made to this specification are limited to a maximum weight of 10 000 lb [4540 kg]. Larger forgings may be ordered to Specification A 266/A 266M. Tubesheets and hollow cylindrical forgings for pressure vessel shells are not included within the scope of this specification. Although this specification covers some piping components machined from rolled bar and seamless tubular products (see 4.2), it does not cover raw material produced in these product forms.

1.2 Supplementary requirements are provided for use when additional testing or inspection is desired. These shall apply only when specified individually by the purchaser in the order.

1.3 Specification A 266/A 266M covers other steel forgings and Specifications A 675 and A 696 cover other steel bars.

1.4 This specification is expressed in both inch-pound units and SI units. However, unless the order specifies the applicable “M” specification designation (SI units), the material shall be furnished to inch-pound units.

1.5 The values stated in either inch-pound units or SI 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.

¹ This specification is under the jurisdiction of ASTM Committee A01 on Steel, Stainless Steel and Related Alloys and is the direct responsibility of Subcommittee A01.22 on Steel Forgings and Wrought Fittings for Piping Applications and Bolting Materials for Piping and Special Purpose Applications.

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² For ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code applications see related Specification SA-105 in Section II of that Code.

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 In addition to those reference documents listed in Specification A 961, the following list of standards apply to this specification:

2.2 ASTM Standards:³

A 266/A 266M Specification for Carbon Steel Forgings for Pressure Vessel Components

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

A 675/A 675M Specification for Steel Bars, Carbon, Hot-Wrought, Special Quality, Mechanical Properties

A 696 Specification for Steel Bars, Carbon, Hot-Wrought or Cold-Finished, Special Quality, for Pressure Piping Components

A 788 Specification for Steel Forgings, General Requirements

A 961 Specification for Common Requirements for Steel Flanges, Forged Fittings, Valves, and Parts for Piping Applications

2.3 MSS Standards:

SP 44 Standard for Steel Pipe Line Flanges⁴

2.4 ASME Standards:

B16.5 Dimensional Standards for Steel Pipe Flanges and Flanged Fittings⁵

B16.9 Wrought Steel Buttwelding Fittings⁵

B16.10 Face-to-Face and End-to-End Dimensions of Ferrous Valves⁵

³ 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.

⁴ Available from Manufacturers Standardization Society of the Valve and Fittings Industry (MSS), 127 Park St., NE, Vienna, VA 22180-4602.

⁵ Available from American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME), ASME International Headquarters, Three Park Ave., New York, NY 10016-5990.

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

B16.11 Forged Steel Fittings, Socket Weld, and Threaded⁵
 B16.34 Valves-Flanged, Threaded and Welding End⁵
 B16.47 Large Diameter Steel Flanges⁵

2.5 ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code:
 Section IX Welding Qualifications⁵

2.6 API Standards:

API-600 Flanged and Butt-Welding-End Steel Gate Valves⁶

API-602 Compact Design Carbon Steel Gate Valves for Refinery Use⁶

3. Ordering Information

3.1 See Specification A 961.

3.1.1 Additional requirements (see 12.2).

4. General Requirements

4.1 Product furnished to this specification shall conform to the requirements of Specification A 961, including any supplementary requirements that are indicated in the purchase order. Failure to comply with the requirements of Specification A 961 constitutes nonconformance with this specification. In case of a conflict between the requirements of this specification and Specification A 961, this specification shall prevail.

4.2 Except as permitted by Section 6 in Specification A 961, the finished product shall be a forging as defined in the Terminology Section of Specification A 788.

5. Heat Treatment

5.1 Heat treatment is not a mandatory requirement of this specification except for the following piping components:

5.1.1 Flanges above Class 300,⁷

5.1.2 Flanges of special design where the design pressure at the design temperature exceeds the pressure-temperature ratings of Class 300, Group 1.1,

5.1.3 Flanges of special design where the design pressure or design temperature are not known,

5.1.4 Piping components other than flanges which meet both of the following criteria: (1) over NPS 4 and (2) above Class 300, and

5.1.5 Piping components of Special Class⁸ other than flanges which meet both of the following criteria: (1) over NPS 4 and (2) when the working pressure at the operating temperature exceeds the tabulated values for Special Class 300, Group 1.1.

5.2 Heat treatment, when required by 5.1 shall be annealing, normalizing, or normalizing and tempering or quenching and tempering in accordance with Specification A 961.

6. Chemical Composition

6.1 The steel shall conform to the chemical requirements specified in Table 1.

6.2 Steels to which lead has been added shall not be used.

7. Mechanical Properties

7.1 The material shall conform to the mechanical property requirements prescribed in Table 2 and Table 3.

⁶ Available from The American Petroleum Institute (API), 1220 L. St., NW, Washington, DC 20005.

⁷ For definition of Class 300, see ASME B16.5.

⁸ For definition of special class, see ASME B16.34.

TABLE 1 Chemical Requirements

NOTE—For each reduction of 0.01 % below the specified carbon maximum (0.35 %), an increase of 0.06 % manganese above the specified maximum (1.05 %) will be permitted up to a maximum of 1.35 %.

Element	Composition, %
Carbon	0.35 max
Manganese	0.60–1.05
Phosphorus	0.035 max
Sulfur	0.040 max
Silicon	0.10–0.35
Copper	0.40 max ^A
Nickel	0.40 max ^A
Chromium	0.30 max ^{A,B}
Molybdenum	0.12 max ^{A,B}
Vanadium	0.08 max

^A The sum of copper, nickel, chromium, molybdenum and vanadium shall not exceed 1.00 %.

^B The sum of chromium and molybdenum shall not exceed 0.32 %.

TABLE 2 Mechanical Requirements^A

Tensile strength, min, psi [MPa]	70 000 [485]
Yield strength, min, psi [MPa] ^B	36 000 [250]
Elongation in 2 in. or 50 mm, min, %:	
Basic minimum elongation for walls $\frac{5}{16}$ in. [7.9 mm] and over in thickness, strip tests.	30
When standard round 2-in. or 50-mm gage length or smaller proportionally sized specimen with the gage length equal to 4D is used	22
For strip tests, a deduction for each $\frac{1}{32}$ -in. [0.8-mm] decrease in wall thickness below $\frac{5}{16}$ in. [7.9 mm] from the basic minimum elongation of the percentage points of Table 3	1.50 ^C
Reduction of area, min, % ^D	30
Hardness, HB, max	187

^A For small forgings, see 7.3.4.

^B Determined by either the 0.2 % offset method or the 0.5 % extension-under-load method.

^C See Table 3 for computed minimum values.

^D For round specimens only.

TABLE 3 Computed Minimum Values

Wall Thickness		Elongation in 2 in. or 50 mm, min, %
in.	mm	
$\frac{5}{16}$ (0.312)	7.9	30.00
$\frac{3}{32}$ (0.281)	7.1	28.50
$\frac{1}{4}$ (0.250)	6.4	27.00
$\frac{7}{32}$ (0.219)	5.6	25.50
$\frac{3}{16}$ (0.188)	4.8	24.00
$\frac{5}{32}$ (0.156)	4.0	22.50
$\frac{1}{8}$ (0.125)	3.2	21.00
$\frac{3}{32}$ (0.094)	2.4	19.50
$\frac{1}{16}$ (0.062)	1.6	18.00

Note—The above table gives the computed minimum elongation values for each $\frac{1}{32}$ -in. [0.8-mm] decrease in wall thickness. Where the wall thickness lies between two values shown above, the minimum elongation value is determined by the following equation:

$$E = 48T + 15.00$$

where:

E = elongation in 2 in. or 50 mm, %, and

T = actual thickness of specimen, in. [mm].

7.2 For normalized, normalized and tempered, or quenched and tempered forgings, the central axis of the test specimen shall correspond to the $\frac{1}{4} T$ plane or deeper position, where T is the maximum heat-treated thickness of the represented