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## Foreword

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ISO 9328-3 was prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 17, *Steel*, Subcommittee SC 10, *Steel for pressure purposes*.

This second edition, together with ISO 9328-6, cancels and replaces ISO 9328-4:1991, which has been technically revised and separated into two parts.

ISO 9328 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Steel flat products for pressure purposes — Technical delivery conditions*:

- *Part 1: General requirements*
- *Part 2: Non-alloy and alloy steels with specified elevated temperature properties*
- *Part 3: Weldable fine grain steels, normalized*
- *Part 4: Nickel-alloy steels with specified low temperature properties*
- *Part 5: Weldable fine grain steels, thermomechanically rolled*
- *Part 6: Weldable fine grain steels, quenched and tempered*
- *Part 7: Stainless steels*

NOTE The clauses marked with a point (•) contain information relating to agreements that shall be made at the time of enquiry and order. Clauses and paragraphs marked by two points (••) contain information relating to agreements that may be made at the time of enquiry and order.

## Introduction

In comparison with its first edition (ISO 9328-4:1991), this part of ISO 9328 takes into consideration partly deviating and additional requirements, thus offering the possibility of specifying products in accordance with European design codes and ASME type design codes.

Main further alterations are: specification of additional grades, partly decreased maximum phosphorus and sulfur contents, partly increased minimum impact values, information on processing, options for evaluation of resistance to hydrogen-induced cracking and for the step cooling test.

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# Steel flat products for pressure purposes — Technical delivery conditions —

## Part 3: Weldable fine grain steels, normalized

### 1 Scope

This part of ISO 9328 specifies the requirements for flat products for pressure equipment made of weldable fine grain steels as specified in Tables A.1 and B.1. The requirements and definitions of ISO 9328-1 also apply to this part of ISO 9328.

NOTE Fine grain steels are understood as steels with a ferritic grain size of 6 or finer when tested in accordance with ISO 643.

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### 2 Normative references (standards.iteh.ai)

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ISO 4948-1:1982, *Steels — Classification — Part 1: Classification of steels into unalloyed and alloy steels based on chemical composition*

ISO 4948-2:1981, *Steels — Classification — Part 2: Classification of unalloyed and alloy steels according to main quality classes and main property or application characteristics*

ISO 9328-1:2003, *Steel plates and strips for pressure purposes — Technical delivery conditions — Part 1: General requirements*

ISO 10474:1991, *Steel and steel products — Inspection documents*

### 3 Terms and definitions

For the purpose of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 9328-1 apply.

### 4 Classification and designation

#### 4.1 Classification

4.1.1 The steel grades covered by this part of ISO 9328 are given in four qualities:

- a) the room temperature quality (P...N; PT...N);
- b) the elevated temperature quality (P...NH; PT...NH);

- c) the low temperature quality (P...NL1; PT...NL1);
- d) the special low temperature quality (P...NL2).

**4.1.2** In accordance with ISO 4948-1, the grades P275NH, P275NL1, P355N, P355NH, P355NL1, PT400N, PT400NH, PT400NL1, PT440N, PT440NH, PT440NL1, PT490N and PT490NH are non-alloy quality steels, the grades P275NL2 and P355NL2 are non-alloy special steels and the grades P460NH, P460NL1, P460NL2, PT520N and PT520NH are alloyed special steels.

## 4.2 Designation

See ISO 9328-1.

NOTE 1 Steel grades in Annex A are classified according to their yield strength, steel grades in Annex B are classified according to their tensile strength.

NOTE 2 Information on the designation of comparable steel grades in national or regional standards is given in Annex C.

## 5 Information to be supplied by the purchaser

### 5.1 Mandatory information

See ISO 9328-1.

Additionally, for steel grades in accordance with Annex B, the test direction for the impact test shall be agreed upon (see 9.2 and Table B.4, footnote b).

### 5.2 Options

A number of options is specified in this part of ISO 9328. These are listed below under a) to n). Additionally, the relevant options of ISO 9328-1 apply. If the purchaser does not indicate a wish to implement any of these options at the time of enquiry and order, the products shall be supplied in accordance with the basic specification (see ISO 9328-1).

- a) delivery condition other than specified in Tables A.3 and B.3 (see 6.2.1);
- b) tests in the simulated normalized condition (see 6.2.2);
- c) delivery of products in the untreated condition (see 6.2.3);
- d) maximum carbon equivalent value (see 6.3.3);
- e) application of the  $R_{p0,2}$  values of Table A.4 for the corresponding P...NL2 grade (see 6.4.2);
- f) hydrogen-induced cracking (HIC) test in accordance with Annex D (see 6.10);
- g) mid-thickness test pieces for the impact test (see Clause 8);
- h) verification of impact energy for longitudinal test pieces (see 9.3);
- i) tensile properties for increased product thicknesses (see Table A.3, footnote c);
- j)  $R_{p0,2}$  values at elevated temperatures for increased product thicknesses (see Table A.4, footnote b);
- k) altered maximum value for Cr, Mo, Nb, Ni, Ti and V (see Table B.1, footnote b);



- l)  $Al_{total}$  content < 0,020 % (see Table B.1, footnote c);
- m) increased maximum carbon contents for grades PT...NH (see Table B.1, footnote d)
- n) other test requirements for the impact test (see Table B.4, footnote c).

### 5.3 Example for ordering

10 plates with nominal dimensions, thickness = 50 mm, width = 2 000 mm, length = 10 000 mm, made of a steel grade with the name P275NL2 as specified in ISO 9328-3, to be delivered with inspection certificate 3.1.B as specified in ISO 10474:1991 is designated as follows:

**10 plates — 50 × 2 000 × 10 000 — ISO 9328-3 P275NL2 — Inspection certificate 3.1.B**

## 6 Requirements

### 6.1 Steelmaking process

See ISO 9328-1.

### 6.2 Delivery condition

**6.2.1** •• Unless otherwise agreed at the time of enquiry and order (see 6.2.3), the products covered by this part of ISO 9328 shall be supplied in the normalized condition.

For steels with a minimum yield strength  $\geq 460$  N/mm<sup>2</sup>, delayed cooling or additional tempering may be necessary for small product thicknesses and in special cases. If such a treatment is performed, this shall be noted in the inspection document.

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**6.2.2** •• At the discretion of the manufacturer, normalizing may be replaced with normalizing rolling for the steel grades P275NH, P275NL1, P275NL2, P355N, P355NH, P355NL1 and P355NL2 (see Annex A and 3.1 in ISO 9328-1:2003). In this case, tests on simulated normalized samples with an agreed frequency of testing may be agreed upon at the time of enquiry and order, to verify that the specified properties are complied with.

**6.2.3** •• If so agreed at the time of enquiry and order, products covered by this part of ISO 9328 may be delivered in the untreated condition.

**6.2.4** For products delivered untreated, the specified tests shall be carried out on test pieces in the simulated normalized condition (but see 6.2.1).

NOTE Testing in a simulated heat-treated condition does not discharge the processor from the obligation of providing proof of the specified properties in the finished product when adequately heat treated.

### 6.3 Chemical composition

**6.3.1** The requirements of Tables A.1 and B.1 apply for the chemical composition according to the cast analysis.

**6.3.2** The product analysis may deviate from the specified values of the cast analysis given in Tables A.1 and B.1 by the values given in Table 1.

**6.3.3** •• For steel grades covered by this part of ISO 9328, a carbon equivalent value according to Table A.2 (steel grades in Annex A) or Table B.2 (steel grades in Annex B) may be agreed upon at the time of enquiry and order.

**Table 1 — Permissible deviations of the product analysis from the specified limits given in Tables A.1 and B.1 for the cast analysis**

Element	Specified limit of the cast analysis according to Tables A.1 and B.1	Permissible deviation <sup>a</sup> of the product analysis
	% by mass	% by mass
C	≤ 0,20	+ 0,02
Si	≤ 0,60	+ 0,06
Mn	≤ 1,00	± 0,05
	> 1,00 to ≤ 1,70	± 0,10
P	≤ 0,030	+ 0,005
S	≤ 0,015	+ 0,003
	> 0,015 to ≤ 0,030	+ 0,005
Al	≥ 0,020	- 0,005
N	≤ 0,025	+ 0,002
Cr	≤ 0,30	+ 0,05
Mo	≤ 0,12	+ 0,03
Cu	≤ 0,30	+ 0,05
	> 0,30 to ≤ 0,70	+ 0,10
Nb	≤ 0,05	+ 0,01
Ni	≤ 0,80	+ 0,05
Ti	≤ 0,03	+ 0,01
V	≤ 0,20	+ 0,01

<sup>a</sup> If several product analyses are carried out on one cast, and the contents of an individual element, as determined, lie outside the permissible range of the chemical composition specified for the cast analysis, then it is only allowed to exceed the permissible maximum value or fall short of the permissible minimum value, but not both for one cast.

## 6.4 Mechanical properties

6.4.1 The values given in Tables A.3 to A.5 and B.3 and B.4 (see also ISO 9328-1 and clause 8) shall apply.

6.4.2 •• By agreement at the time of enquiry and order, the minimum proof stress  $R_{p0,2}$  values at elevated temperature specified in Table A.4 for the P...NH grades may also be applied to the P...NL1 and P...NL2 grades.

## 6.5 Surface condition

See ISO 9328-1.

## 6.6 Internal soundness

See ISO 9328-1.

## 6.7 Weldability

**6.7.1** The steel grades specified in this part of ISO 9328 shall be suitable for welding processes in current use (see note to 6.7.2).

**6.7.2** Information on welding can be found in appropriate documents, e.g. EN 1011-1 and EN 1011-2 or IIS/IIW-382-71.

NOTE Excessive post-weld heat treatment (PWHT) conditions may decrease the mechanical properties. When, on stress relieving, the intended time-temperature parameter

$$P = T_s (20 + \lg t) \times 10^{-3},$$

where

$T_s$  is the stress relieving temperature in kelvins and

$t$  is the holding time in hours,

exceeds the critical  $P$  value of  $P_{\text{crit.}} = 17,3$  (steel grades in accordance with Annex A) or, where regarded as necessary in the case of Annex B steel grades, the purchaser should, in his enquiry and order, inform the manufacturer accordingly and, where appropriate, tests on simulated post-weld heat-treated samples may be agreed upon to check whether after such a treatment the properties specified in this part of ISO 9328 can still be regarded as valid.

## 6.8 Dimensions and tolerances

See ISO 9328-1.

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## 6.9 Calculation of mass

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## 6.10 Resistance to hydrogen-induced cracking

Carbon and low alloy steels may be susceptible to cracking when exposed to corrosive H<sub>2</sub>S-containing environments, usually referred to as “sour service”.

•• A test to evaluate the resistance to hydrogen-induced (HIC) cracking in accordance with Annex D or another agreed test method may be agreed upon at the time of enquiry and order.

## 7 Inspection

### 7.1 Types of inspection and inspection documents

See ISO 9328-1.

### 7.2 Tests to be carried out

See ISO 9328-1 and 6.10.

### 7.3 Retests

See ISO 9328-1.