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Standard Specification for Electrolytic Manganese Metal¹

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1. Scope*

1.1 This specification covers several grades of electrolytic manganese designated as follows:

	Grade
Regular	A
Intermediate Hydrogen	B
Low Hydrogen	C
4.5 % Nitrogen Bearing	D
6 % Nitrogen Bearing	E
Weld Grade Powder	F

2. Referenced Documents

2.1 *ASTM Standards*:²

[A1025 Specification for Ferroalloys and Other Alloying Materials, General Requirements](#)

[E11 Specification for Woven Wire Test Sieve Cloth and Test Sieves](#)

3. General Conditions for Delivery

3.1 Materials furnished to this specification shall conform to the requirements of Specification [A1025](#), including any supplementary requirements that are indicated in the purchase order. Failure to comply with the general requirements of Specification [A1025](#) constitutes nonconformance with this specification. In case of conflict between the requirements of this specification and Specification [A1025](#), this specification shall prevail.

4. Chemical Requirements

4.1 The various grades shall conform to the requirements as to chemical composition specified in [Table 1](#) and [Table 2](#).

4.2 The manufacturer shall furnish an analysis of each shipment showing the percentage of each element specified in the applicable table.

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² 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.

5. Size

5.1 The various grades are available in the sizes listed in [Table 3](#).

5.2 The sizes listed in [Table 3](#) are typical as shipped from the manufacturer's plant. These alloys exhibit varying degrees of friability; therefore, some attrition may be expected in transit, storage, and handling (see [5.3](#) and Specification [A1025](#)).

5.3 *Friability Ratings*:

Grades A, B, C	No. 6
Grades D, E	No. 5

6. Chemical Analysis

6.1 Chemical analysis methods are subject to agreement between the purchaser and the supplier.

7. Packaging

7.1 Color coding shall be used when shipment is made in containers. The color coding may be used in lieu of grade designation, if agreed upon between the purchaser and the manufacturer. The following colors shall be used to designate the grades:

Color	Designation	Grade
Blue	Regular	A
Purple	Intermediate Hydrogen	B
White	Low Hydrogen	C
Red	4.5 % Nitrogen Bearing	D
Yellow	6 % Nitrogen Bearing	E
No color	Weld Grade Powder	F

8. Keywords

8.1 electrolytic manganese; electrolytic manganese powder; intermediate hydrogen electrolytic manganese; low hydrogen electrolytic manganese; manganese metal; nitrogen bearing manganese; weld grade electrolytic manganese powder; weld grade powdered electrolytic manganese

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