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# Standard Specification for Powder Metallurgy (PM) Boron Stainless Steel Structural Components<sup>1</sup>

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## 1. Scope\*

1.1 This specification covers stainless steel powder metallurgy (PM) structural components with a 7.7-g/cm<sup>3</sup> minimum density that are fabricated from prealloyed powder consisting primarily of iron, chromium, nickel, molybdenum, and boron<sup>2</sup> and are intended for use in corrosive service.

1.2 With the exception of density values, for which g/cm<sup>3</sup> is the industry standard, the values stated in inch-pound units are to be regarded as the standard. The SI values given in parentheses are converted in accordance with [IEEE/ASTM SI 10](#) and are for information only.

## 2. Referenced Documents

### 2.1 ASTM Standards:<sup>3</sup>

- [A262 Practices for Detecting Susceptibility to Intergranular Attack in Austenitic Stainless Steels](#)
- [B117 Practice for Operating Salt Spray \(Fog\) Apparatus](#)
- [B243 Terminology of Powder Metallurgy](#)
- [B311 Test Method for Density of Powder Metallurgy \(PM\) Materials Containing Less Than Two Percent Porosity](#)
- [E8 Test Methods for Tension Testing of Metallic Materials](#)
- [E354 Test Methods for Chemical Analysis of High-Temperature, Electrical, Magnetic, and Other Similar Iron, Nickel, and Cobalt Alloys](#)
- [E572 Test Method for Analysis of Stainless and Alloy Steels by X-ray Fluorescence Spectrometry](#)
- [E1019 Test Methods for Determination of Carbon, Sulfur, Nitrogen, and Oxygen in Steel, Iron, Nickel, and Cobalt Alloys by Various Combustion and Fusion Techniques](#)
- [E1086 Test Method for Atomic Emission Vacuum Spectrometric Analysis of Stainless Steel by Point-to-Plane Excitation Technique](#)

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<sup>2</sup> U.S. Patents 3980444, 4014680, 4032336.

<sup>3</sup> 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.

[G48 Test Methods for Pitting and Crevice Corrosion Resistance of Stainless Steels and Related Alloys by Use of Ferric Chloride Solution](#)

[IEEE/ASTM SI 10 American National Standard for Metric Practice](#)

## 3. Terminology

3.1 *Definitions*—Definitions of powder metallurgy terms can be found in Terminology [B243](#). Additional descriptive information is in the Related Material section of Volume 02.05 of the *Annual Book of ASTM Standards*.

## 4. Ordering Information

4.1 Orders for components under this specification shall include the following information:

- 4.1.1 Dimensions (see Section 9),
- 4.1.2 Chemical composition (see Section 6 and [Table 1](#)),
- 4.1.3 Density (see Section 7),
- 4.1.4 Mechanical properties (see Section 8 and [Table 2](#)),
- 4.1.5 Certification (see Section 13),
- 4.1.6 Reference to the standard.

## 5. Materials and Manufacture

5.1 Structural components shall be made by cold pressing and sintering prealloyed powder.

5.2 The sintering temperature is dependent on the chemical composition of the powder.

## 6. Chemical Composition

6.1 The material shall conform to the composition limits specified in [Table 1](#).

6.2 Chemical analysis should be made in accordance with Test Methods [E354](#), [E572](#), [E1019](#), and [E1086](#).

## 7. Physical Properties

### 7.1 Density:

7.1.1 The sintered density shall be 7.7 g/cm<sup>3</sup> minimum.

7.1.2 Density shall be determined in accordance with Test Method [B311](#).

## 8. Mechanical Properties

8.1 The purchaser and manufacturer shall agree upon the method to be used to verify the typical yield or tensile strength

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