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Standard Specification for Steel Line Pipe, Black, Plain-End, Seamless¹

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1. Scope

1.1 This specification covers seamless, black, plain-end steel pipe for use in the conveyance of fluids under pressure. Pipe in sizes NPS 1 to 26, inclusive, as given in ASME B36.10M is included. Pipe having other dimensions, in this size range, may be furnished provided such pipe complies with all other requirements of this specification.

1.2 It is intended that the pipe be capable of being circumferentially welded in the field when welding procedures in accordance with the requirements of the applicable pipeline construction code are used.

1.3 The values stated in either inch-pound units or in SI units are to be regarded separately as standard. Within the text, the SI units are shown in brackets. The values in each system are not exact equivalents; therefore, each system is to be used independently of the other.

2. Referenced Documents

2.1 ASTM Standards:²

A370 Test Methods and Definitions for Mechanical Testing of Steel Products

A450/A450M Specification for General Requirements for Carbon and Low Alloy Steel Tubes

A530/A530M Specification for General Requirements for Specialized Carbon and Alloy Steel Pipe

A751 Test Methods, Practices, and Terminology for Chemical Analysis of Steel Products

A941 Terminology Relating to Steel, Stainless Steel, Related Alloys, and Ferroalloys

2.2 API Standard:

API RP 5L3 Recommended Practice for Conducting Drop-Weight Tear Tests on Line Pipe³

2.3 ASME Standard:

ASME B36.10M Welded and Seamless Wrought Steel Pipe⁴

3. Terminology

3.1 *Definitions*—For terminology used in this specification, refer to Terminology A941.

3.2 Definitions of Terms Specific to This Standard:

3.2.1 *lot, n*—a quantity of pipe of the same ordered diameter, heat, wall thickness, and grade as given in Table 1.

3.2.2 *seamless pipe, n*—a tubular product made without a welded seam; it is manufactured usually by hot working the material, and if necessary, by subsequently cold-finishing the hot worked tubular product to produce the desired shape, dimensions, and properties.

3.2.3 *specified outside diameter (OD), n*—the outside diameter specified in the purchase order or the outside diameter listed in ASME B36.10M for the nominal pipe size specified in the purchase order.

4. General Requirements

4.1 Pipe furnished under this specification shall conform to the applicable requirements of Specification A530/A530M unless otherwise provided herein.

5. Ordering Information

5.1 Information items to be considered, if appropriate, for inclusion in the purchase order are as follows:

5.1.1 Specification designation and year of issue,

5.1.2 Quantity (feet or metres),

5.1.3 Grade (see Table 2 and 8.1.5),

5.1.4 Size (either nominal (NPS) or outside diameter and wall thickness),

5.1.5 Nominal length (see 14.3),

5.1.6 End finish (plain-end beveled or special, see 15.1),

5.1.7 Impact test temperature (see 8.2.5),

5.1.8 Heat treatment condition (see 6.1),

5.1.9 Carbon equivalent for over 0.800 in. [20.3 mm] wall thicknesses (see 7.4),

5.1.10 Reduced under thickness variation (see Table 5),

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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.

³ Available from American Petroleum Institute (API), 1220 L. St., NW, Washington, DC 20005-4070, <http://api-ec.api.org>.

⁴ Available from American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME), ASME International Headquarters, Three Park Ave., New York, NY 10016-5990, <http://www.asme.org>.

TABLE 1 Lot Size and Sample Size for Mechanical and Toughness Testing

Pipe Size	Lot Size	Sample Size
<NPS 2	50 tons or fraction thereof	1
NPS 2 through NPS 5	400 lengths	1
NPS 6 through NPS 12	200 lengths	1
>NPS 12	100 lengths	1

TABLE 2 Tensile Requirements

Grade	Yield Strength, Min.		Yield Strength, ^A Max.		Tensile Strength, Min.	
	psi	MPa	psi	MPa	psi	MPa
35	35 000	240	65 000	450	60 000	415
50	50 000	345	77 000	530	70 000	485
60	60 000	415	80 000	550	75 000	515
70	70 000	485	87 000	600	80 000	550
80	80 000	550	97 000	670	90 000	620

^A See 8.1.1.

TABLE 3 Hydrostatic Test Pressure

NPS Designator	Specified OD in. [mm]	Specified Wall Thickness in. [mm]	Test Pressure, Min. psi [kPa]
1	1.315 [33.4]	0.133 [3.4]	700 [4800]
		0.179 [4.6]	850 [5900]
		0.250 [6.4]	950 [6600]
		0.358 [9.1]	1000 [6900]
1¼	1.660 [42.2]	0.140 [3.6]	1300 [9000]
		0.191 [4.9]	1900 [13 100]
		0.250 [6.4]	2000 [13 800]
		0.382 [9.7]	2300 [15 900]
1½	1.900 [48.3]	0.145 [3.7]	1300 [9000]
		0.200 [5.1]	1900 [13 100]
		0.281 [7.1]	2000 [13 800]
		0.400 [10.2]	2300 [15 900]

TABLE 4 Acceptance Limits

Type of Notch	Acceptance Limit Signal, %
Parallel Sided Notch	100
Drilled Hole	100

TABLE 5 Permissible Variations in Wall Thickness

NPS Designator	Permissible Variations from Specified Wall Thickness, ^A %	
	Over	Under
1 to 2½, incl.	20.0	10.0
3 and larger	15.0	10.0

^A If a reduced under thickness variation is specified in the purchase order, it is permissible for the over thickness variation to be increased, provided that the applicable total tolerance range in percent is not increased.

5.1.11 Special requirements,

5.1.12 Supplementary requirements, and

5.1.13 Bar coding (see 18.3).

6. Manufacture

6.1 Pipe shall be manufactured by the seamless process. Unless a specific heat treatment condition is specified in the purchase order, pipe shall be furnished in the as-rolled, normalized, normalized and tempered, or quenched and tempered condition.

7. Chemical Composition

7.1 The steel for any grade, by heat and product analyses, shall contain no more than 0.24 % carbon, 0.015 % sulfur, and 0.025 % phosphorus.

7.2 The steel shall contain no more than 0.0007 % boron, by heat analysis.

7.3 For pipe with a specified wall thickness less than or equal to 0.800 in. [20.3 mm], the carbon equivalent (CE) shall not exceed 0.43 %, calculated from the product analysis using the following equation:

$$CE = C + F [Mn/6 + Si/24 + Cu/15 + Ni/20 + (Cr + Mo + V + Cb)/5] \quad (1)$$

where:

F = a compliance factor that is dependent on the carbon content as shown below:

Carbon Content, %	F	Carbon Content, %	F
<0.06	0.53	0.15	0.88
0.06	0.54	0.16	0.92
0.07	0.56	0.17	0.94
0.08	0.58	0.18	0.96
0.09	0.62	0.19	0.97
0.10	0.66	0.20	0.98
0.11	0.70	0.21	0.99
0.12	0.75	>0.21	1.00
0.13	0.80		
0.14	0.85		

7.4 For pipe with a specified wall thickness greater than 0.800 in. [20.3 mm], the carbon equivalent (CE) shall be as specified in the purchase order.

7.5 A heat analysis shall be made for each heat of steel furnished under this specification. All pipe shall be marked with either a heat number or heat code in accordance with 18.1 and 18.2.

7.6 Product analyses shall be made on at least two samples from each heat of steel.

7.7 All analyses shall be in accordance with Test Methods, Practices, and Terminology A751, and shall include all elements required in the carbon equivalent equation of 7.3, in addition to titanium, phosphorus, sulfur, and boron, except that the product analysis for boron is not required. Titanium is reported for information only and is not a cause for rejection.

7.8 If one or both of the product analyses representing a heat fail to conform to the specified requirements, the heat shall be rejected, or analyses shall be made on double the original number of test samples that failed, each of which shall conform to the specified requirements.

8. Mechanical Properties

8.1 Tension Test:

8.1.1 The material shall conform to the tensile requirements given in Table 2 and 8.1.6. The yield strength maxima apply only to pipe NPS 8 and larger.

8.1.2 The yield strength corresponding to a total extension under load of 0.5 % of the gage length shall be determined.

8.1.3 Transverse tension tests shall be performed on pipe NPS 8 and larger, or longitudinal, subject to approval by

purchaser. Transverse test specimens shall be either strip test specimens or round bar test specimens, at the option of the manufacturer. All transverse strip test specimens shall be approximately 1½ in. [38 mm] wide in the gage length and each shall represent the full wall thickness of the pipe from which the test specimen was cut.

8.1.4 Longitudinal tension tests shall be performed on pipe smaller than NPS 8. Longitudinal test specimens shall be either strip test specimens, full-size test specimens, or round bar test specimens, at the option of the manufacturer.

8.1.5 Grades intermediate to those given in **Table 2** shall be furnished if so specified in the purchase order. For intermediate grades, the difference between the specified maximum yield strength and the specified minimum yield strength and the difference between the specified minimum tensile strength and the specified minimum yield strength shall be as given in **Table 2** for the next higher listed grade.

8.1.6 For each grade, the minimum elongation in 2 in. [50 mm] shall be as determined by the following equation:

$$e = C (A^{0.2}/U^{0.9}) \quad (2)$$

where:

e = minimum elongation in percent, rounded to the nearest percent,

C = constant = 625 000 [1940],

A = the lesser of 0.75 in.² [485 mm²] and the cross-sectional area of the tension test specimen in in.² [mm²], based upon the specified outside diameter of the pipe or the nominal width of the tension test specimen and the specified wall thickness, rounded to the nearest 0.01 in.² [1 mm²],

U = specified minimum tensile strength, psi [MPa].

8.2 Impact Test:

8.2.1 Except as allowed by 8.2.2, pipe shall be Charpy V-notch tested in accordance with Test Methods and Definitions **A370**. For pipe smaller than NPS 5, such test specimens shall be taken longitudinal to the pipe axis. For pipe NPS 5 and larger, the test specimens shall be taken transverse to the pipe axis.

8.2.2 The basic test specimen is full size Charpy V-notch. Where full size test specimens, either conventional or containing the original OD surface, cannot be obtained due to a combination of specified outside diameter and specified wall thickness, two-thirds size or half-size test specimens shall be used. Where combinations of specified outside diameter and specified wall thickness do not permit half-size test specimens to be obtained, there is no requirement for impact testing. In all cases, the largest possible test specimen size shall be used, except where such a test specimen size will result in absorbed energy values greater than 80 % of the testing machine capacity.

8.2.3 When subsize test specimens are used, the requirements for absorbed energy shall be the adjusted values obtained by the following relationships, with the calculated values rounded to the nearest foot pound-force [joule]:

$$\text{For } 2/3 \text{ size: } N = R \times 0.67 \quad (3)$$

$$\text{For } 1/2 \text{ size: } N = R \times 0.50$$

where:

N = adjusted value, ft-lbf [J], and

R = value required by 8.2.4.

8.2.4 For pipe NPS 5 through NPS 26, the absorbed energy requirement for full size test specimens shall be 20 ft-lbf [27 J]. For pipe smaller than NPS 5, the absorbed energy requirement for full size test specimens shall be 30 ft-lbf [40 J].

8.2.5 Charpy impact testing shall be performed at 32°F [0°C], unless a lower test temperature is specified in the purchase order.

9. Hydrostatic Test

9.1 Each length of pipe shall be subjected to the hydrostatic test without leakage through the wall.

9.2 Each length of pipe NPS 2 or larger shall be tested, by the manufacturer, to a minimum hydrostatic pressure calculated from the following relationship:

$$\text{Inch – Pound Units: } P = 2 (St/D) \times C \quad (4)$$

$$\text{SI Units: } P = 2000 (St/D) \times C$$

where:

S = specified minimum yield strength, psi [MPa],

t = specified wall thickness, in. [mm],

D = specified outside diameter, in. [mm],

C = 0.60 for pipe NPS 2 through NPS 5,

0.75 for pipe larger than NPS 5 through NPS 8,

0.85 for pipe larger than NPS 8 through NPS 18,

0.90 for pipe larger than NPS 18, and

P = minimum hydrostatic test pressure, psi [kPa].

9.3 For pipe sizes smaller than NPS 2, the test pressures given in **Table 3** are arbitrary. For pipe in sizes smaller than NPS 2 with specified wall thicknesses lighter than those listed, the test pressure for the next heavier listed specified wall thickness shall be used. For intermediate specified outside diameters for pipe sizes smaller than NPS 2, the test pressures given for the next smaller specified outside diameter shall be used.

9.4 When computed test pressures are not an exact multiple of 10 psi [100 kPa], they shall be rounded to the nearest 10 psi [100 kPa].

9.5 The minimum hydrostatic test pressure required to satisfy these requirements need not exceed 3000 psi [20 700 kPa]. This does not prohibit testing at a higher pressure at the manufacturer's option. The hydrostatic test pressure shall be maintained for not less than 5 s for all pipe sizes.

10. Nondestructive Electric Test

10.1 The entire outside surface of each pipe shall be inspected full length for longitudinal defects by either magnetic particle inspection, ultrasonic inspection, electromagnetic inspection, or a combination thereof. The location of the equipment in the mill shall be at the discretion of the manufacturer; however, the nondestructive inspection shall take place after all heat treating and expansion operations, if performed, but may take place before cropping, beveling, and end sizing.