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# Standard Specification for Steel Castings, Carbon and Alloy, with Tensile Requirements, Chemical Requirements Similar to Standard Wrought Grades<sup>1</sup>

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## 1. Scope\*

1.1 This specification covers carbon and low-alloy steel castings having chemical analyses similar to that of the standard wrought grades.

1.2 Several classes are covered and are designated by chemical composition as shown in [Table 1](#).

1.3 Options for tensile properties are shown in [Tables 2 and 3](#).

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

## 2. Referenced Documents

2.1 *ASTM Standards*:<sup>2</sup>

[A370 Test Methods and Definitions for Mechanical Testing of Steel Products](#)

[A488/A488M Practice for Steel Castings, Welding, Qualifications of Procedures and Personnel](#)

[A781/A781M Specification for Castings, Steel and Alloy, Common Requirements, for General Industrial Use](#)

[E29 Practice for Using Significant Digits in Test Data to Determine Conformance with Specifications](#)

## 3. General Conditions for Delivery

3.1 Material furnished to this specification shall conform to the requirements of Specification [A781/A781M](#), including any supplementary requirements that are indicated in the purchase

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<sup>2</sup> For referenced ASTM standards, visit the ASTM website, [www.astm.org](http://www.astm.org), or contact ASTM Customer Service at [service@astm.org](mailto:service@astm.org). For *Annual Book of ASTM Standards* volume information, refer to the standard's Document Summary page on the ASTM website.

order. Failure to comply with the general requirements of Specification [A781/A781M](#) constitutes nonconformance with this specification. In case of conflict between the requirements of this specification and Specification [A781/A781M](#), this specification shall prevail.

## 4. Ordering Information

4.1 Orders for material under this specification should include the following information.

4.1.1 Quantity,

4.1.2 Specification, including year and date of issue,

4.1.3 Grade and class of steel,

4.1.4 Description of the casting by pattern number or drawing (Dimensional tolerances should be included on the casting drawing.),

4.1.5 Options in the specification, and

4.1.6 Supplementary requirements desired, including standards of acceptance.

## 5. Heat Treatment

5.1 All castings shall receive a heat treatment indicated in [Table 4](#). Preliminary heat treatment prior to final heat treatment as well as multiple tempering is permitted.

5.2 Heat treatment shall be performed after the castings have been allowed to cool below the transformation range.

5.3 The furnace temperature for heat treating shall be effectively controlled by the use of recording-type pyrometers.

## 6. Chemical Composition

6.1 The steel shall conform to the requirements of chemical composition as prescribed in [Table 1](#).

6.2 The product analysis tolerances given in Specification [A781/A781M](#) shall apply to all product analyses performed on castings supplied to this specification.

## 7. Tensile Requirements

7.1 One tension test shall be made from each heat and shall conform to the tensile requirements specified for the grade selected in [Tables 2 and 3](#).

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

**TABLE 1 Chemical Composition, Weight Percent**

NOTE 1—Values are maximum unless a range is given.

Grade	C	Mn	P	S	Si	Ni	Cr	Mo
SC 1020	0.18/0.23	0.40/0.80	0.040	0.040	0.30/0.60	-	-	-
SC 1025	0.22/0.28	0.40/0.80	0.040	0.040	0.30/0.60	-	-	-
SC 1030	0.28/0.34	0.50/0.90	0.040	0.040	0.30/0.60	-	-	-
SC 1040	0.37/0.44	0.50/0.90	0.040	0.040	0.30/0.60	-	-	-
SC 1045	0.43/0.50	0.50/0.90	0.040	0.040	0.30/0.60	-	-	-
SC 4130	0.28/0.33	0.40/0.80	0.035	0.040	0.30/0.60	-	0.80/1.10	0.15/0.25
SC 4140	0.38/0.43	0.70/1.10	0.035	0.040	0.30/0.60	-	0.80/1.10	0.15/0.25
SC 4330	0.28/0.33	0.60/0.90	0.035	0.040	0.30/0.60	1.65/2.00	0.70/0.90	0.20/0.30
SC 4340	0.38/0.43	0.60/0.90	0.035	0.040	0.30/0.60	1.65/2.00	0.70/0.90	0.20/0.30
SC 8620	0.18/0.23	0.60/1.00	0.035	0.040	0.30/0.60	0.40/0.70	0.40/0.60	0.15/0.25
SC 8625	0.23/0.28	0.60/1.00	0.035	0.040	0.30/0.60	0.40/0.70	0.40/0.60	0.15/0.25
SC 8630	0.28/0.33	0.60/1.00	0.035	0.040	0.30/0.60	0.40/0.70	0.40/0.60	0.15/0.25

**TABLE 2 Tensile Requirements**

Class	65/35	70/36	80/40	80/50	90/60	105/85	115/95	130/115	135/125	150/135	160/145	165/150	210/180
Tensile, ksi	65	70	80	80	90	105	115	130	135	150	160	165	210
Tensile, (MPa) (450)	(485)	(485)	(550)	(550)	(620)	(725)	(795)	(895)	(930)	(1035)	(1105)	(1140)	(1450)
Yield, ksi	35	36	40	50	60	85	95	115	125	135	145	150	180
Yield, (MPa) (240)	(250)	(250)	(275)	(345)	(415)	(585)	(655)	(795)	(860)	(930)	(1000)	(1035)	(1240)
Elongation in 2 in. or 50 mm, min, %	24	22	18	22	18	17	14	11	9	7	6	5	4
Reduction of Area, %	35	30	30	35	35	35	30	25	22	18	12	10	8

**TABLE 3 Tensile Requirements/Grade Suitability**

Class	65/35	70/36	80/40	80/50	90/60	105/85	115/95	130/115	135/125	150/135	160/145	165/150	210/180
Grade													
SC 1020	X <sup>A</sup>	X											
SC 1025	X	X											
SC 1030	X	X	X	X									
SC 1040	X <sup>B</sup>	X	X	X	X								
SC 1045	X <sup>B</sup>	X <sup>B</sup>	X	X	X	X	X						
SC 4130	X <sup>B</sup>	X <sup>B</sup>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
SC 4140	X <sup>B</sup>	X <sup>B</sup>	X <sup>B</sup>	X <sup>B</sup>	X <sup>B</sup>	X <sup>B</sup>	X <sup>B</sup>	X	X	X	X	X	
SC 4330	X <sup>B</sup>	X <sup>B</sup>	X <sup>B</sup>	X <sup>B</sup>	X <sup>B</sup>	X <sup>B</sup>	X <sup>B</sup>	X	X	X	X	X	X
SC 4340	X <sup>B</sup>	X <sup>B</sup>	X <sup>B</sup>	X <sup>B</sup>	X <sup>B</sup>	X <sup>B</sup>	X <sup>B</sup>	X	X	X	X	X	X
SC 8620	X <sup>B</sup>	X <sup>B</sup>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
SC 8625	X <sup>B</sup>	X <sup>B</sup>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
SC 8630	X <sup>B</sup>	X <sup>B</sup>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			

<sup>A</sup>"X" denotes that the properties may be achieved by at least one of the heat treatments referenced in 5. The effect of section thickness should be considered in making grade selections. The heat treatment requirements do not imply that all section thicknesses will be through hardened.

<sup>B</sup>These grades significantly exceed the minimum strength levels; therefore, they may be unsuitable for use due to weldability, and machinability issues.

7.2 Tension test coupons shall be machined in accordance with Paragraph 9 of Test Methods and Definitions **A370** and tested in accordance with those methods.

7.3 To determine conformance with the tension test requirements, an observed value or calculated value shall be rounded in accordance with Practice **E29** to the nearest 500 psi [5 MPa] for yield point and tensile strength and to the nearest 1 % for elongation and reduction of area.

## 8. Repair by Welding

8.1 Repairs shall be made using procedures and welders qualified in accordance with Practice **A488/A488M**.

8.2 Repair welds shall be inspected to the same quality standards that are used to inspect the castings. When castings are produced with Supplementary Requirement S1 specified, weld repairs shall be inspected by magnetic particle examination to the same standards that are used to inspect the castings. When castings are produced with Supplementary S2 or S4, or both, as specified, weld repairs in which the depth of the cavity prepared for weld repair exceeds 20 % of the wall thickness or 1 in. (25 mm), whichever is smaller, or in which the cavity prepared for welding is greater than approximately 10 in.<sup>2</sup> (65 cm<sup>2</sup>), shall be radiographed or ultrasonically tested, or both, to the same standards that are used to inspect the castings.