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Standard Specification for Powder Metallurgy (PM) Boron Stainless Steel Structural Components¹

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1. Scope*

1.1 This specification covers stainless steel powder metallurgy (PM) structural components with a 7.7-g/cm³ minimum density that are fabricated from prealloyed powder consisting primarily of iron, chromium, nickel, molybdenum, and boron² and are intended for use in corrosive service.

1.2 With the exception of the values for density and the mass used to determine density, for which the use of the gram per cubic centimetre (g/cm³) and gram (g) units is the long-standing industry practice, the values in inch-pound units are to be regarded as standard. The values given in parentheses are mathematical conversions to SI units that are provided for information only and are not considered standard.

2. Referenced Documents

2.1 ASTM Standards:³

- 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

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² U.S. Patents 3980444, 4014680, 4032336.

³ 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.

E1086 Test Method for Atomic Emission Vacuum Spectrometric Analysis of Stainless Steel by Point-to-Plane Excitation Technique

G48 Test Methods for Pitting and Crevice Corrosion Resistance of Stainless Steels and Related Alloys by Use of Ferric Chloride Solution

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, 10.1, and Table 1),
- 4.1.3 Density (see Section 7),
- 4.1.4 Mechanical properties (see Section 8, 10.2, 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/cm³ minimum.
- 7.1.2 Density shall be determined in accordance with Test Method B311.

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