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## **Standard Specification for Carbon Structural Steel<sup>1</sup>**

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### **1. Scope\***

1.1 This specification<sup>2</sup> covers carbon steel shapes, plates, and bars of structural quality for use in riveted, bolted, or welded construction of bridges and buildings, and for general structural purposes.

1.2 Supplementary requirements are provided for use where additional testing or additional restrictions are required by the purchaser. Such requirements apply only when specified in the purchase order.

1.3 When the steel is to be welded, a welding procedure suitable for the grade of steel and intended use or service is to be utilized. See Appendix X3 of Specification **A6/A6M** for information on weldability.

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 is to be used independently of the other, without combining values in any way.

1.5 The text of this specification contains notes or footnotes, or both, that provide explanatory material. Such notes and footnotes, excluding those in tables and figures, do not contain any mandatory requirements.

1.6 For structural products produced from coil and furnished without heat treatment or with stress relieving only, the additional requirements, including additional testing requirements and the reporting of additional test results, of **A6/A6M** apply.

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<sup>2</sup> For ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code Applications, see related Specifications SA-36 in Section II of that Code.

### **2. Referenced Documents**

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

- A6/A6M** Specification for General Requirements for Rolled Structural Steel Bars, Plates, Shapes, and Sheet Piling
- A27/A27M** Specification for Steel Castings, Carbon, for General Application
- A307** Specification for Carbon Steel Bolts, Studs, and Threaded Rod 60 000 PSI Tensile Strength
- A325** Specification for Structural Bolts, Steel, Heat Treated, 120/105 ksi Minimum Tensile Strength
- A325M** Specification for Structural Bolts, Steel, Heat Treated 830 MPa Minimum Tensile Strength (Metric)
- A500** Specification for Cold-Formed Welded and Seamless Carbon Steel Structural Tubing in Rounds and Shapes
- A501** Specification for Hot-Formed Welded and Seamless Carbon Steel Structural Tubing
- A502** Specification for Rivets, Steel, Structural
- A563** Specification for Carbon and Alloy Steel Nuts
- A563M** Specification for Carbon and Alloy Steel Nuts (Metric)
- A668/A668M** Specification for Steel Forgings, Carbon and Alloy, for General Industrial Use
- A1011/A1011M** Specification for Steel, Sheet and Strip, Hot-Rolled, Carbon, Structural, High-Strength Low-Alloy, High-Strength Low-Alloy with Improved Formability, and Ultra-High Strength
- A1018/A1018M** Specification for Steel, Sheet and Strip, Heavy-Thickness Coils, Hot-Rolled, Carbon, Commercial, Drawing, Structural, High-Strength Low-Alloy, High-Strength Low-Alloy with Improved Formability, and Ultra-High Strength
- F568M** Specification for Carbon and Alloy Steel Externally

<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.

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