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Standard Specification for Steel Bars, Carbon, Hot-Wrought, Special Quality, Mechanical Properties¹

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1. Scope

1.1 This specification² covers hot-wrought special quality carbon steel bars and bar size shapes produced to mechanical property requirements and intended for general constructional applications.

1.2 The bars are available in nine strength grades designated 45, 50, 55, 60, 65, 70, 75, 80, and 90 [310, 345, 380, 415, 450, 485, 515, 550, and 620] corresponding to the minimum ultimate tensile strength in ksi [MPa]. The chemical composition is selected by the manufacturer to develop the required mechanical properties.

1.3 Hot-wrought special quality carbon steel bars subject to mechanical property requirements are hot wrought in straight lengths only. Sections and sizes available are covered in Specification [A29/A29M](#).

1.4 Some applications may require one or more of the available designations shown under Supplementary Requirements.

NOTE 1—Merchant-quality hot-wrought carbon steel bars subject to mechanical property requirements are covered in Specification [A663/A663M](#).

1.5 The values stated in either SI units or inch-pound units are to be regarded separately as standard. The values stated in each system may not be exact equivalents; therefore, each system shall be used independently of the other. Combining values from the two systems may result in non-conformance with the standard.

2. Referenced Documents

2.1 *ASTM Standards*:³

[A29/A29M](#) Specification for General Requirements for Steel Bars, Carbon and Alloy, Hot-Wrought

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

[A663/A663M](#) Specification for Steel Bars, Carbon, Merchant Quality, Mechanical Properties

[E290](#) Test Methods for Bend Testing of Material for Ductility

3. Terminology

3.1 *Definitions of Terms Specific to This Standard:*

3.1.1 *special quality*—Special quality bars are used when end use, method of fabrication, or subsequent processing treatment requires quality characteristics not available in merchant quality. Typical applications involve bending or machining for general constructional uses. Some end uses or fabricating procedures can necessitate one or more requirements which are described in the Supplementary Requirements.

4. Ordering Information

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

4.1.1 Quantity (weight or number of pieces),

4.1.2 Name of material (hot-wrought special quality bars),

4.1.3 Dimensions, including length,

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² For ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code applications see related Specification SA 675 in Section II of that Code.

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.

- 4.1.4 Cross section (round, square, hexagon, equal leg angle, etc.),
- 4.1.5 Specification designation and date of issue,
- 4.1.6 Grade designation ([Table 1](#)),
- 4.1.7 Leaded steel, if required ([6.2](#)),
- 4.1.8 Copper bearing steel, if required ([6.3](#)),
- 4.1.9 Test report, if required ([Section 10](#)),
- 4.1.10 Supplementary Requirements or special requirements if required, and
- 4.1.11 Application and processing.

NOTE 2—A typical ordering description is as follows: 10 000 lb, [5000 kg] Hot Wrought Special Quality Carbon Steel Bars, 1 in. diameter ~~×10×10~~ ft, [25m × 3m] Round, ASTM A675/A 675M dated _____, Grade 50, [345] Copper Bearing, Test Report Required, S3 Special Straightness, Boiler Supports.

5. Materials and Manufacture

5.1 *Melting Practice*—The steel shall be made by one or more of the following primary processes: ~~open-hearth, basic-oxygen,~~ basic-oxygen or electric-furnace. The primary melting may incorporate separate degassing or refining and may be followed by secondary melting using electroslag remelting or vacuum-arc remelting. Where secondary melting is employed, the heat shall be defined as all of the ingots remelted from a single primary heat.

5.2 Deoxidation:

5.2.1 Unless otherwise specified, the steel shall be ~~rimmed, capped, semi-killed, or killed at the producer's option.~~ killed.

5.2.2 When required, the purchaser may specify the required deoxidation practice, dependent upon strength grade specified, purchaser's methods of fabrication, and end use requirements. Killed steels can be produced to coarse or fine austenitic grain size (Supplementary Requirement S1).

5.3 *Condition*—Unless otherwise specified, the bars shall be furnished as-rolled and not pickled, blast cleaned, or oiled. At the producer's option, bars may be cleaned for inspection.

6. Chemical Composition

6.1 The steel shall conform to the chemical requirements specified in [Table 2](#).

6.2 *Leaded Steel*—When required, lead may be specified as an added element. When lead is specified as an added element, a range from 0.15 to 0.35 % inclusive shall be furnished. Such a steel is identified by adding the letter L after the grade designation, for example 60L [415L].

6.3 *Copper-Bearing Steel*—When required copper may be specified as an added element. Copper-bearing steel is identified by stating “copper-bearing” on the purchase order. [ASTM A675/A675M-14](#)

6.4 When tension tests are waived in accordance with [7.1.1.2](#), chemistry consistent with the mechanical properties desired shall be applied.

7. Mechanical Properties

7.1 Tension Tests

7.1.1 Requirements:

7.1.1.1 The material as represented by the test specimen shall conform to the applicable requirements in [Table 1](#).

TABLE 1 Tensile Requirements

Grade Designation Min ^A	Tensile Strength		Yield Point, min ^B		Elongation, min, % ^C	
	ksi	[MPa]	ksi	[MPa]	8 in. or [200 mm] Gage Length	2 in. or [50 mm] Gage Length
45 [310]	45 to 55	[310 to 380]	22.5	[155]	27	33
50 [345]	50 to 60	[345 to 415]	25	[170]	25	30
55 [380]	55 to 65	[380 to 450]	27.5	[190]	23	26
60 [415]	60 to 72	[415 to 495]	30	[205]	21	22
65 [450]	65 to 77	[450 to 530]	32.5	[225]	17	20
70 [485]	70 to 85	[485 to 585]	35	[240]	14	18
75 [515]	75 to 90	[515 to 620]	37.5	[260]	14	18
80 [550]	80 min	[550 min]	40	[275]	13	17
90 [620]	90 min	[620 min]	55	[380]	10	14

^A When lead is required, add the letter “L” after the grade designation, for example, 45L.

^B When the tension test does not show a yield point (drop of the beam, half of the pointer or sharp-kneed stress-strain diagram), yield strength shall be determined by either 0.5 % extension-under-load or 0.2 % offset. The minimum ksi (MPa) requirement does not change. The test report, if required, shall show yield strength.

^C See [7.1.1.3.1.1.2](#) through [7.1.1.6.1.1.5](#) for deduction in elongation due to section size.