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Standard Specification for Gray Iron Castings for Elevated Temperatures for Non-Pressure Containing Parts¹

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1. Scope

1.1 This specification covers three classes of gray iron suitable for castings exposed to temperatures encountered in such service as grate bars, stoker links, stoker parts, oil still furnace parts, firebox parts, ingot molds, glass molds, caustic pots, and metal melting pots.

Note 1—This specification is general, covering cast irons normally used for the above types of service, at temperatures as high as 1400°F (760°C). It is not intended to imply that all three classes are suitable throughout this entire temperature range without regard to actual service stresses. Some are suitable for long service at the lower temperatures only, unless low stresses are involved.

- 1.2 The three classes of gray iron covered by this specification are as follows:
- 1.2.1 Class I, possessing superior resistance to thermal shock,
- 1.2.2 Class II, possessing average resistance to thermal shock and a moderately good tensile strength (tensile strengths above 30 000 psi (207 MPa) may be expected), and
- 1.2.3 Class III, possessing a higher tensile strength than either Classes I or II (tensile strengths as high as 40 000 psi (276 MPa) may be expected).
- 1.3 The values stated 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:²

A48/A48M Specification for Gray Iron Castings

3. Manufacture

4. Physical Requirements

4.1 Some of the gray cast irons described in this specification are deliberately made of a soft, low-strength iron for resistance to thermal shock, and strength requirements are unnecessary. For applications in which a strength requirement is essential, room temperature tensile strengths may be specified up to those prescribed for Class 40 in Specification A48/A48M.

5. Machinability

5.1 All machinable castings shall be limited in hardness at such locations on the castings as designated by the purchaser. The maximum hardness at the locations on castings that are to be machined shall be a matter of agreement between the manufacturer and the purchaser.

6. Chemical Composition

6.1 It is the intention of this specification to classify these irons in accordance with their carbon content equivalent calculated as follows:

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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.