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Standard Specification for Laser-Fused Stainless Steel Bars, Plates, and Shapes¹

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1. Scope

1.1 This specification covers laser-fused stainless steel bars, plates, and shapes of structural quality for use in bolted or welded structural applications.

1.2 Shapes covered in this specification include those classified in Article 3.1.2 of Specification A6/A6M and those that are made from two or more shapes or plates.

1.3 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.

1.4 *This standard does not purport to address all of the safety concerns, if any, associated with its use. It is the responsibility of the user of this standard to establish appropriate safety and health practices and determine the applicability of regulatory limitations prior to use.*

2. Referenced Documents

2.1 ASTM Standards:²

- A6/A6M Specification for General Requirements for Rolled Structural Steel Bars, Plates, Shapes, and Sheet Piling
- A240/A240M Specification for Chromium and Chromium-Nickel Stainless Steel Plate, Sheet, and Strip for Pressure Vessels and for General Applications
- A262 Practices for Detecting Susceptibility to Intergranular Attack in Austenitic Stainless Steels
- A276 Specification for Stainless Steel Bars and Shapes
- A370 Test Methods and Definitions for Mechanical Testing of Steel Products
- A479/A479M Specification for Stainless Steel Bars and Shapes for Use in Boilers and Other Pressure Vessels

- A484/A484M Specification for General Requirements for Stainless Steel Bars, Billets, and Forgings
- A673/A673M Specification for Sampling Procedure for Impact Testing of Structural Steel
- A700 Guide for Packaging, Marking, and Loading Methods for Steel Products for Shipment
- A751 Test Methods, Practices, and Terminology for Chemical Analysis of Steel Products
- A923 Test Methods for Detecting Detrimental Intermetallic Phase in Duplex Austenitic/Ferritic Stainless Steels
- A941 Terminology Relating to Steel, Stainless Steel, Related Alloys, and Ferroalloys
- E190 Test Method for Guided Bend Test for Ductility of Welds
- E208 Test Method for Conducting Drop-Weight Test to Determine Nil-Ductility Transition Temperature of Ferritic Steels
- E290 Test Methods for Bend Testing of Material for Ductility

2.2 ISO Standards:

- ISO 13919-1 Welding and Laser-beam Welded Joints—guidance on Quality Levels for Imperfections—Part 1: Steel
- ISO 15609-4 Specification and Qualification of Welding Procedures for Metallic Materials—Welding Procedure Specification
- ISO 15614-11 Specification and Qualification of Welding Procedures for Metallic Materials—Welding Procedure Test—Part 11: Electron and Laser Beam Welding

2.3 U.S. Military Standards:

- MIL-STD-129 Marking for Shipment and Storage

2.4 Federal Standards:

- Federal Standard No. 123 Marking for Shipment (Civil Agencies)

3. Terminology

3.1 Definitions:

3.1.1 Definitions of terms pertaining to this specification shall be those of Terminology A941, “Standard Terminology Relating to Steel, Stainless Steel, Related Alloys, and Ferroalloys.”

3.2 Definitions of Terms Specific to This Standard:

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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.

3.2.1 *laser fusion, n*—a joining process that produces coalescence of material with the heat obtained from the application of a concentrated coherent light beam impinging on the surface of a weld joint.

3.2.2 *stainless steel starting materials, n*—stainless steels (in plate, sheet, strip, shape or bar form prior to joining by laser-fusion) that are then further processed into the final product.

4. Ordering Information

4.1 The purchaser has the responsibility to specify appropriate requirements that are necessary to adequately describe the product ordered under this specification. Such requirements to be considered include, but are not limited to, the following:

- 4.1.1 Name of structural product (plate, shape, bar, or sheet piling).
- 4.1.2 Shape designation and applicable dimensions including size, thickness, width, diameter, and length, if applicable.
- 4.1.3 Type of stainless steel or UNS designation as specified in Table 1 of Specification A240/A240M.
- 4.1.4 Quantity (weight or number of pieces).
- 4.1.5 ASTM specification designation and edition year if other than the latest edition.
- 4.1.6 Condition of fusion welded product, whether as welded, or subsequently stress-relieved, or heat treated.
- 4.1.7 Finish.

4.2 The purchaser has the option to specify additional requirements, including but not limited to the following:

- 4.2.1 Supplementary Requirements, if invoked.
- 4.2.2 Preparation for special delivery.
- 4.2.3 Special marking requirements.
- 4.2.4 Other special requirements.

NOTE 1—A typical ordering description is as follows: 5000 lb (2300 kg), Angle, L4 x 4 x 1/2 in. (L100 x 100 x 13 mm), laser fused, 20 ft

(6 m) in length, Type 304L, ASTM Specification AXXXX dated ____.

5. Materials and Manufacture

5.1 *Condition:*

5.1.1 Stainless steel starting materials shall be in accordance with the requirements of the following specifications.

5.1.1.1 For plates, sheet and strip, stainless steel starting materials shall be in conformance to Specification A240/A240M.

5.1.1.2 For bars and shapes, stainless steel starting materials shall be in conformance to Specification A276.

5.1.1.3 For bars and shapes for use in boilers and other pressure vessels, stainless steel starting materials shall be in conformance to Specification A479/A479M.

5.1.2 Bar and shape products shall be in the as-fused condition.

5.1.3 Fusion weld process shall comply with ISO 15614-11 and ISO 15609-4 standards.

5.1.4 The quality levels of welded joints shall be in accordance with ISO 13919-1 standard. If not otherwise specified, quality level B of ISO 13919-1 standard shall be met.

5.1.5 The tensile strength of the fusion weldment conducted on test specimens excised from the laser fused stainless steel plates, sheet, or strip, as shown in Fig. 1, shall meet or exceed the requirements of Table 2 of A240/A240M, A276, or A479/A479M when any of those materials are specified in the purchase order. Tensile testing and specimen dimensions shall be in accordance with Test Methods A370.

5.1.6 Bend tests in accordance with Article 14 of Test Methods A370 shall be conducted for evaluating the ductility of the fusion weldment. Test coupons shall be excised from the laser fused stainless steel plates in accordance with Fig. 1. The inside diameter for root bend test specimens shall meet the value(s) stipulated in the application specification, or the specific requirements of the purchase order. Root bend tests

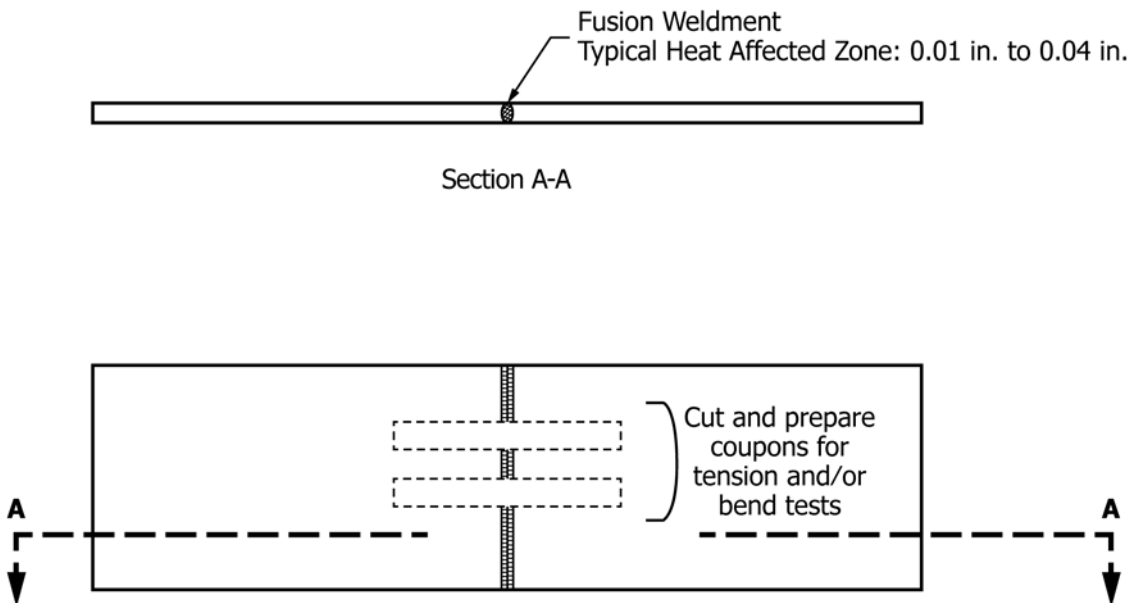


FIG. 1 Butt-welded Test Pieces Are Laser-fusion Welded and Then Subsequently Machined Into Tensile Test Bars and Root-bend Test Specimens (Not to Scale)