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Standard Specification for Hot-Rolled and Cold-Finished Age-Hardening Stainless Steel Bars and Shapes¹

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1. Scope*

1.1 This specification² covers bars and shapes of age-hardening stainless steels. Hot-finished or cold-finished rounds, squares, hexagons, bar shapes, angles, tees, and channels are included; these shapes may be produced by hot rolling, extruding, or forging. Billets or bars for reworking may be purchased to this specification.

1.2 These steels are generally used for parts requiring corrosion resistance and high strength at room temperature, or at temperatures up to 600°F [315°C]; 700°F [370°C] for Type 632; 840°F [450°C] for Type UNS S46910. They are suitable for machining in the solution-annealed condition after which they may be age-hardened to the mechanical properties specified in Section 7 without danger of cracking or distortion. Type XM-25 is machinable in the as-received fully heat treated condition. Type UNS S46910 is suitable for machining in the solution-annealed, cold-worked, and aged-hardened condition.

1.3 Types 631 and 632 contain a large amount of ferrite in the microstructure and can have low ductility in forgings and larger diameter bars. Applications should be limited to small diameter bar.

1.4 The values stated in either inch-pound units or SI (metric) units are to be regarded separately as standards; within the text and tables, the SI units are shown in [brackets]. The values stated in each system are not exact equivalents; therefore, each system must be used independent of the other. Combining values from the two systems may result in nonconformance with the specification.

1.5 Unless the order specifies an “M” designation, the material shall be furnished to inch-pound units.

NOTE 1—For forgings, see Specification [A705/A705M](#).

NOTE 2—For billets and bars for forging see Specification [A314](#).

1.6 *This international standard was developed in accordance with internationally recognized principles on standardization established in the Decision on Principles for the Development of International Standards, Guides and Recommendations issued by the World Trade Organization Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT) Committee.*

2. Referenced Documents

2.1 *ASTM Standards:*³

[A314](#) Specification for Stainless Steel Billets and Bars for Forging

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

[A484/A484M](#) Specification for General Requirements for Stainless Steel Bars, Billets, and Forgings

[A705/A705M](#) Specification for Age-Hardening Stainless Steel Forgings

[A751](#) Test Methods, Practices, and Terminology for Chemical Analysis of Steel Products

[E527](#) Practice for Numbering Metals and Alloys in the Unified Numbering System (UNS)

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² For ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code applications, see related Specification SA-564/SA-564M 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.

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

2.2 Other Documents:

SAE J1086 Recommended Practice for Numbering Metals and Alloys (UNS)⁴

3. Ordering Information

3.1 It is the responsibility of the purchaser to specify all requirements that are necessary for material ordered under this specification. Such requirements may include but are not limited to the following:

- 3.1.1 Quantity (weight or number of pieces),
- 3.1.2 Type or UNS designation (Table 1),
- 3.1.3 Specific melt type when required,
- 3.1.4 Heat treated condition (5.1),
- 3.1.5 Transverse properties when required (7.6),
- 3.1.6 Finish (Specification A484/A484M),
- 3.1.7 Surface preparation of shapes (5.2.1),
- 3.1.8 Size, or applicable dimension including diameter, thickness, width, length, and so forth,
- 3.1.9 Preparation for delivery (Specification A484/A484M),
- 3.1.10 Special requirements (refer to 7.4 and 8.3),
- 3.1.11 Marking requirements (Specification A484/A484M), and
- 3.1.12 ASTM designation and date of issue if other than that currently published.

3.2 If possible, the intended use of the item should be given on the purchase order especially when the item is ordered for a specific end use or uses.

NOTE 3—A typical ordering description is as follows: 5000 lb [2270 kg] Type 630, Solution-Annealed Cold Finished Centerless Ground, 1½ in. [38.0 mm] round bar, 10 to 12 ft [3.0 to 3.6 m] in length, ASTM A564 dated _____. End use: valve shafts.

4. General Requirements

4.1 In addition to the requirements of this specification, all requirements of the current edition of Specifications A484/A484M shall apply. Failure to comply with the general requirements of Specification A484/A484M constitutes nonconformance with this specification.

5. Materials and Manufacture

5.1 Heat Treatment and Condition:

5.1.1 Material of types other than XM-16, XM-25, and Type 630 shall be furnished in the solution-annealed condition, or in the equalized and oven-tempered condition, as noted in Table 2, unless otherwise specified by the purchaser.

TABLE 1 Chemical Requirements^A

| Composition, % | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|------------------------------|-------|-----------|-----------|------------|--------|---------|-------------|-------------|-----------|------------|-----------|-----------|----------------|
| UNS Designation ^B | Type | Carbon | Manganese | Phosphorus | Sulfur | Silicon | Chromium | Nickel | Aluminum | Molybdenum | Titanium | Copper | Other Elements |
| S17400 | 630 | 0.07 | 1.00 | 0.040 | 0.030 | 1.00 | 15.00–17.50 | 3.00–5.00 | ... | ... | ... | 3.00–5.00 | C |
| S17700 | 631 | 0.09 | 1.00 | 0.040 | 0.030 | 1.00 | 16.00–18.00 | 6.50–7.75 | 0.75–1.50 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| S15700 | 632 | 0.09 | 1.00 | 0.040 | 0.030 | 1.00 | 14.00–16.00 | 6.50–7.75 | 0.75–1.50 | 2.00–3.00 | ... | ... | ... |
| S35500 | 634 | 0.10–0.15 | 0.50–1.25 | 0.040 | 0.030 | 0.50 | 15.00–16.00 | 4.00–5.00 | ... | 2.50–3.25 | ... | ... | D |
| S17600 | 635 | 0.08 | 1.00 | 0.040 | 0.030 | 1.00 | 16.00–17.50 | 6.00–7.50 | 0.40 | ... | 0.40–1.20 | ... | ... |
| S15500 | XM-12 | 0.07 | 1.00 | 0.040 | 0.030 | 1.00 | 14.00–15.50 | 3.50–5.50 | ... | ... | ... | 2.50–4.50 | C |
| S13800 | XM-13 | 0.05 | 0.20 | 0.010 | 0.008 | 0.10 | 12.25–13.25 | 7.50–8.50 | 0.90–1.35 | 2.00–2.50 | ... | ... | E |
| S45500 | XM-16 | 0.03 | 0.50 | 0.015 | 0.015 | 0.50 | 11.00–12.50 | 7.50–9.50 | ... | 0.50 | 0.90–1.40 | 1.50–2.50 | F |
| S45503 | ... | 0.010 | 0.50 | 0.010 | 0.010 | 0.20 | 11.00–12.50 | 7.50–9.50 | ... | 0.50 | 1.00–1.35 | 1.50–2.50 | F |
| S45000 | XM-25 | 0.05 | 1.00 | 0.030 | 0.030 | 1.00 | 14.00–16.00 | 5.00–7.00 | ... | 0.50–1.00 | ... | 1.25–1.75 | G |
| S46500 | ... | 0.02 | 0.25 | 0.015 | 0.010 | 0.25 | 11.00–12.50 | 10.75–11.25 | ... | 0.75–1.25 | 1.50–1.80 | ... | E |
| S46910 | ... | 0.030 | 1.00 | 0.030 | 0.015 | 0.70 | 11.0–13.0 | 8.0–10.0 | 0.15–0.50 | 3.0–5.0 | 0.50–1.20 | 1.5–3.5 | ... |
| S10120 | ... | 0.02 | 0.25 | 0.015 | 0.010 | 0.25 | 11.00–12.50 | 9.00–10.50 | 0.80–1.10 | 1.75–2.25 | 0.20–0.50 | ... | E |
| S11100 | ... | 0.02 | 0.25 | 0.015 | 0.010 | 0.25 | 11.00–12.50 | 10.25–11.25 | 1.35–1.75 | 1.75–2.25 | 0.20–0.50 | ... | E |

^A Limits are in percent maximum unless shown as a range or stated otherwise.

^B New designation established in accordance with Practice E527 and SAE J1086.

^C Columbium plus tantalum 0.15–0.45.

^D Nitrogen 0.07–0.13.

^E Nitrogen 0.01.

^F Columbium plus tantalum 0.10–0.50.

^G Columbium 8 times carbon minimum.

TABLE 2 Solution Treatment

| UNS Designation | Type | Condition | Solution Treatment | Mechanical Test Requirements in Solution Treated Condition ^A | | | | | | | |
|-----------------|------------------|-----------|--|---|-------|----------------------------------|-------|---|--------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| | | | | Tensile Strength, min | | Yield Strength, min ^B | | Elongation in 2 in. [50 mm] or 4D, min. % | Reduction of Area, min % | Hardness ^C | |
| | | | | ksi | [MPa] | ksi | [MPa] | | | Rockwell C, max | Brinell, max |
| S17400 | 630 | A | 1900 ± 25°F [1040 ± 15°C] (cool as required to below 90°F (32°C)) | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 38 | 363 |
| S17700 | 631 | A | 1900 ± 25°F [1040 ± 15°C] (water quench) | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | HRB98 | 229 |
| S15700 | 632 | A | 1900 ± 25°F [1040 ± 15°C] (water quench) | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | HRB100 | 269 ^D |
| S35500 | 634 ^E | A | 1900 ± 25°F [1040 ± 15°C] quench, hold not less than 3 h at minus 100°F or lower | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 363 ^E |
| S17600 | 635 | A | 1900 ± 25°F [1040 ± 15°C] (air cool) | 120 | [825] | 75 | [515] | 10 | 45 | 32 | 302 |
| S15500 | XM-12 | A | 1900 ± 25°F [1040 ± 15°C] (cool as required to below 90°F (32°C)) | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 38 | 363 |
| S13800 | XM-13 | A | 1700 ± 25°F [925 ± 15°C] Cool as required to below 60°F [16°C] | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 38 | 363 |
| S45500 | XM-16 | A | 1525 ± 25°F [830 ± 15°C] (cool rapidly) | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 36 | 331 |
| S45000 | XM-25 | A | 1900 ± 25°F [1040 ± 15°C] (cool rapidly) | 125 ^F | [860] | 95 | [655] | 10 | 40 | 32 | 321 |
| S45503 | ... | A | 1525 ± 25°F [830 ± 15°C] (cool rapidly) | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 36 | 331 |
| S46500 | ... | A | 1800 ± 25°F [980 ± 15°C] (oil or water quench), hold for min. 8 h at minus 100°F (73°C), air warm | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 36 | 331 |
| S46910 | ... | A | 1830 – 2050°F [1000 – 1120°C] (cool rapidly) | 87 | [600] | 58 | [400] | 10 | ... | 33 | 315 |
| S10120 | ... | A | 1545 ± 25°F [840 ± 14°C] (cool rapidly below 90°F [32°C]) | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 36 | 331 |
| S11100 | ... | A | 1545 ± 25°F [840 ± 14°C] (oil or water quench), hold for minimum of 8 h at -100°F [-73°C], ^G air warm | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 36 | 331 |

^A See 7.1.

^B See 7.3.

^C Either Rockwell C hardness or Brinell is permissible. On sizes ½ in. (12.70 mm) and smaller, Rockwell C is preferred.

^D 321 BH for rounds cold drawn after solution treating.

^E Equalization and over-tempering treatment 1425 ± 50°F [775 ± 30°C] for not less than 3 h, cool to room temperature, heat to 1075 ± 25°F [580 ± 15°C] for not less than 3 h.

^F Maximum 165 ksi [1140 MPa] tensile strength only for sizes up to ½ in. (13 mm).

^G Required hold time at minus 100°F [-73°C] is not mandatory if product is under 2 in. [51 mm] thickness.

5.1.1.1 Types 630, XM-16, and XM-25 may be furnished in the solution-annealed or age-hardened condition.

5.1.2 Type UNS S46910 shall be furnished in solution-annealed condition per in accordance with Table 2, or solution-annealed and cold-worked condition per in accordance with Table 3, or aged-hardened condition per in accordance with Table 4.

5.1.3 Reforging stock shall be supplied in a condition of heat treatment to be selected by the forging manufacturer.

5.2 Shapes may be subjected to either Class A or Class C preparation as specified on the purchase order.

5.2.1 Class A consists of preparation by grinding for the removal of imperfections of a hazardous nature such as fins, tears, and jagged edges provided the underweight tolerance is not exceeded and the maximum depth of grinding at any one point does not exceed 10 % of the thickness of the section.

5.2.2 Class C consists of preparation by grinding for the removal of all visible surface imperfections provided the underweight tolerance is not exceeded and the maximum depth of grinding at any one point does not exceed 10 % of the thickness of the section.

TABLE 3 Solution-Annealed and Cold-Worked Condition

| UNS Designation | Type | Condition | Mechanical Test Requirements in Solution-Annealed and Cold-Worked Condition | | | | | | | |
|-----------------|------|--------------|---|--------|---------------------|--------|--|--------------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| | | | Tensile Strength, min | | Yield Strength, min | | Elongation in 2 in. [50 mm] or 4D, min % | Reduction of Area, min % | Hardness | |
| | | | ksi | [MPa] | ksi | [MPa] | | | Rockwell C, max | Brinell, max |
| S46910 | ... | CW 1/2 hard | 131 | [900] | 109 | [750] | 8 | ... | 40 | 380 |
| | ... | CW full hard | 189 | [1300] | 175 | [1200] | 3 | ... | 55 | 580 |

6. Chemical Composition

6.1 Each alloy covered by this specification shall conform to the chemical requirements specified in [Table 1](#).

6.2 Methods and practices relating to chemical analysis required by this specification shall be in accordance with Test Methods, Practices, and Terminology [A751](#).

7. Mechanical Properties Requirements

7.1 The material, as represented by mechanical test specimens, shall conform to the mechanical property requirements specified in [Table 2](#) or [Table 3](#) and shall be capable of developing the properties in [Table 4](#) when heat treated as specified in [5.1](#).

7.2 Samples cut from bars for forging stock shall conform to the mechanical properties of [Table 2](#) and [Table 4](#) when heat treated as specified in [Table 2](#) and [Table 4](#).

7.3 The yield strength shall be determined by the offset method as described in the current edition of Test Methods and Definitions [A370](#). The limiting permanent offset shall be 0.2 % of the gage length of the specimen.

7.4 The impact requirement shall apply only when specified in the purchase order. When specified, the material, as represented by impact test specimens, shall be capable of developing the impact property requirements specified in [Table 4](#) when heat treated in accordance with [5.1](#).

7.5 Longitudinal impact requirements are not applicable to bars less than 5/8 in. (16.9 mm) diameter or size or flats less than 5/8 in. (16.9 mm) thick.

7.6 Tensile and impact requirements in the transverse (through thickness) direction are not applicable to bars less than 3 in. [75 mm] diameter in size or flats less than 3 in. [75 mm] thick.

7.7 Material tensile tested and, when specified, impact tested in the transverse (through thickness) direction and meeting the requirements shown in [Table 4](#) need not be tested in the longitudinal direction.

8. Number of Tests

8.1 At least one room temperature tension test and one or more hardness tests shall be made on each lot.

8.2 One or more hardness tests and at least one tension test shall be made from each lot on test samples heat treated as required in . Unless otherwise specified in the purchase order, the condition of hardening heat treatment shall be at the option of the producer. The tests shall meet the requirements of [Table 4](#).

8.3 When specified in the purchase order, the impact test shall consist of testing three Charpy V-notch Type A specimens in accordance with Methods and Definitions [A370](#). The specimens shall be heat treated in accordance with [5.1](#). Unless otherwise specified in the purchase order, the condition of hardening heat treatment shall be at the option of the producer and testing shall be done at 70 to 80°F [20 to 25°C]. The tests shall meet the requirements of [Table 4](#). When tested at temperatures other than 70 to 80°F, [20 to 25°C] the impact test requirements will be as agreed upon by purchaser and producer.

9. Keywords

9.1 age-hardening stainless steel; precipitation hardening stainless steel; stainless steel bars; stainless steel shapes