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Standard Specification for Steel Castings, Carbon and Alloy, with Tensile Requirements, Chemical Requirements Similar to Standard Wrought Grades[1]

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1. Scope

1.1 This specification covers carbon and low-alloy steel castings having chemical analyses similar to that of the standard wrought grades.

1.2 Several classes are covered and are designated by chemical composition as shown in Table 1.

1.3 Options for tensile properties are shown in Tables 2 and 3.

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 must be used independently of the other. Combining values from the two systems may result in nonconformance with the specification. Inch-pound units are applicable for material ordered to Specification A 958 and SI units for material ordered to Specification A 958.*

2. Referenced Documents

2.1 *ASTM Standards:* [2]

A 370 Test Methods and Definitions for Mechanical Testing of Steel Products

A 488/A 488M Practice for Steel Castings, Welding, Qualification of Procedures and Personnel

A 781/A 781M Specification for Castings, Steel and Alloy, Common Requirements, for General Industrial Use

E 29 Practice for Using Significant Digits in Test Data to Determine Conformance with Specifications

3. General Conditions for Delivery

3.1 Material furnished to this specification shall conform to the requirements of Specification A 781/A 781M, including any supplementary requirements that are indicated in the purchase order. Failure to comply with the general requirements of Specification A 781/A 781M constitutes nonconformance with this specification. In case of conflict between the requirements of this specification and Specification A 781/A 781M, this specification shall prevail.

4. Ordering Information

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

4.1.1 Quantity,

4.1.2 Specification, including year and date of issue,

4.1.3 Grade and class of steel,

4.1.4 Description of the casting by pattern number or drawing (Dimensional tolerances should be included on the casting drawing.),

4.1.5 Options in the specification, and

4.1.6 Supplementary requirements desired, including standards of acceptance.

5. Heat Treatment

5.1 All castings shall receive a heat treatment indicated in Table 4. Preliminary heat treatment prior to final heat treatment as well as multiple tempering is permitted.

5.2 Heat treatment shall be performed after the castings have been allowed to cool below the transformation range.

5.3 The furnace temperature for heat treating shall be effectively controlled by the use of recording-type pyrometers.

6. Chemical Composition

6.1 The steel shall conform to the requirements of chemical composition as prescribed in Table 1.

6.2 The product analysis tolerances given in Specification A 781/A 781M shall apply to all product analyses performed on castings supplied to this specification.

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TABLE 1 Chemical Composition, Weight Percent

NOTE 1—Values are maximum unless a range is given.

Grade	C	Mn	P	S	Si	Ni	Cr	Mo
SC 1020	0.18/0.23	0.40/0.80	0.040	0.040	0.30/0.60	-	-	-
SC 1025	0.22/0.28	0.40/0.80	0.040	0.040	0.30/0.60	-	-	-
SC 1030	0.28/0.34	0.50/0.90	0.040	0.040	0.30/0.60	-	-	-
SC 1040	0.37/0.44	0.50/0.90	0.040	0.040	0.30/0.60	-	-	-
SC 1045	0.43/0.50	0.50/0.90	0.040	0.040	0.30/0.60	-	-	-
SC 4130	0.28/0.33	0.40/0.80	0.035	0.040	0.30/0.60	-	0.80/1.10	0.15/0.25
SC 4140	0.38/0.43	0.70/1.10	0.035	0.040	0.30/0.60	-	0.80/1.10	0.15/0.25
SC 4330	0.28/0.33	0.60/0.90	0.035	0.040	0.30/0.60	1.65/2.00	0.70/0.90	0.20/0.30
SC 4340	0.38/0.43	0.60/0.90	0.035	0.040	0.30/0.60	1.65/2.00	0.70/0.90	0.20/0.30
SC 8620	0.18/0.23	0.60/1.00	0.035	0.040	0.30/0.60	0.40/0.70	0.40/0.60	0.15/0.25
SC 8625	0.23/0.28	0.60/1.00	0.035	0.040	0.30/0.60	0.40/0.70	0.40/0.60	0.15/0.25
SC 8630	0.28/0.33	0.60/1.00	0.035	0.040	0.30/0.60	0.40/0.70	0.40/0.60	0.15/0.25

TABLE 2 Tensile Requirements

Class	65/35	70/36	80/40	80/50	90/60	105/85	115/95	130/115	135/125	150/135	160/145	165/150	210/180
Tensile, ksi	65	70	80	80	90	105	115	130	135	150	160	165	210
Tensile, (MPa)	(450)	(485)	(550)	(550)	(620)	(725)	(795)	(895)	(930)	(1035)	(1105)	(1140)	(1450)
Yield, ksi	35	36	40	50	60	85	95	115	125	135	145	150	180
Yield, (MPa)	(240)	(250)	(275)	(345)	(415)	(585)	(655)	(795)	(860)	(930)	(1000)	(1035)	(1240)
Elongation in 2 in. or 50 mm, min, %	24	22	18	22	18	17	14	11	9	7	6	5	4
Reduction of Area, %	35	30	30	35	35	35	30	25	22	18	12	10	8

TABLE 3 Tensile Requirements/Grade Suitability

Class	65/35	70/36	80/40	80/50	90/60	105/85	115/95	130/115	135/125	150/135	160/145	165/150	210/180
Grade													
SC 1020	X[A]	X											
SC 1025	X	X											
SC 1030	X	X	X	X									
SC 1040	X[B]	X	X	X	X								
SC 1045	X[B]	X[B]	X	X	X	X	X						
SC 4130	X[B]	X[B]	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
SC 4140	X[B]	X[B]	X[B]	X[B]	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
SC 4330	X[B]	X[B]	X[B]	X[B]	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SC 4340	X[B]	X[B]	X[B]	X[B]	X[B]	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SC 8620	X[B]	X[B]	X	X	X	X	X						
SC 8625	X[B]	X[B]	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
SC 8630	X[B]	X[B]	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			

[A] "X" denotes that the properties may be achieved by at least one of the heat treatments referenced in 5. The effect of section thickness should be considered in making grade selections. The heat treatment requirements do not imply that all section thicknesses will be through hardened.

[B] These grades are likely to significantly exceed the minimum strength levels, therefore, problems may be experienced when trying to produce castings to low hardness values.

7. Tensile Requirements

7.1 One tension test shall be made from each heat and shall conform to the tensile requirements specified for the grade selected in Tables 2 and 3.

7.2 Tension test coupons shall be machined in accordance with Paragraph 9 of Test Methods and Definitions A 370 and tested in accordance with those methods.

7.3 To determine conformance with the tension test requirements, an observed value or calculated value shall be rounded in accordance with Practice E 29 to the nearest 500 psi [5 MPa] for yield point and tensile strength and to the nearest 1 % for elongation and reduction of area.

8. Repair by Welding

8.1 Repairs shall be made using procedures and welders qualified in accordance with Practice A 488/A 488M.

8.2 Repair welds shall be inspected to the same quality standards that are used to inspect the castings. When castings are produced with Supplementary Requirement S1 specified, weld repairs shall be inspected by magnetic particle examination to the same standards that are used to inspect the castings. When castings are produced with Supplementary S2 or S4, or both, as specified, weld repairs in which the depth of the cavity prepared for weld repair exceeds 20 % of the wall thickness or 1 in. (25 mm), whichever is smaller, or in which the cavity prepared for welding is greater than approximately 10 in.^{2} (65 cm^2, shall be radiographed or ultrasonically tested, or both, to the same standards that are used to inspect the castings.

8.3 For all classes of Grades SC1020, SC1025, and SC1030, welds exceeding 20 % of the wall thickness or 1 in. (25 mm), whichever is smaller, or exceeding approximately 10 in.^{2} (65 cm^2) in area, shall be thermally stress-relieved or completely

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TABLE 4 Heat Treatment

NOTE 1—The effect of section thickness should be considered in making grade selections. The heat treatment requirements do not imply that all section thicknesses will be through hardened.

NOTE 2—Post-weld heat treatment must be at or below the final tempering temperature.

NOTE 3—Following quenching the castings must be cooled below 500°F (260°C) prior to tempering.

Grade	Class	Austenitizing Temperature, min, °F (°C)	Media	Tempering Temperature, min,° F (°C)
SC1020	65/35	1700 (925)	A[A]	–
	70/36	1700 (925)	A	–
SC1025	65/35	1700 (925)	A	–
	70/36	1700 (925)	A	–
SC1030	65/35	1650 (900)	A	–
	70/36	1650 (900)	A	1100 (595)
	80/40	1650 (900)	L[A]	1100 (595)
	80/50	1650 (900)	L	1100 (595)
SC1040	65/35[B]	1650 (900)	A	1150 (621)
	70/36	1650 (900)	A	1150 (621)
	80/40	1650 (900)	A	1150 (621)
	80/50	1650 (900)	A	1100 (595)
	90/60	1650 (900)	A	1100 (595)
SC1045	65/35[B]	1600 (870)	A	1150 (621)
	70/36[B]	1600 (870)	A	1150 (621)
	80/40	1600 (870)	A	1150 (621)
	80/50	1600 (870)	A	1150 (621)
	90/60	1600 (870)	A	1100 (595)
	105/85	1600 (870)	A	1100 (595)
	115/95	1600 (870)	A	1050 (565)
SC4130	65/35[B]	1650 (900)	A	1200 (650)
	70/36[B]	1650 (900)	A	1200 (650)
	80/40	1650 (900)	A	1200 (650)
	80/50	1650 (900)	A	1200 (650)
	90/60	1650 (900)	A or L	1150 (621)
	105/85	1650 (900)	L	1100 (595)
	115/95	1650 (900)	L	1100 (595)
	130/115	1650 (900)	L	1000 (538)
	135/125	1650 (900)	L	1000 (538)
	150/135	1650 (900)	L	1000 (538)
SC4140	65/35[B]	1600 (870)	A	1200 (650)
	70/36[B]	1600 (870)	A	1200 (650)
	80/40[B]	1600 (870)	A	1200 (650)
	80/50[B]	1600 (870)	A	1150 (621)
	90/60	1600 (870)	A	1150 (621)
	105/85	1600 (870)	A or L	1150 (621)
	115/95	1600 (870)	L	1050 (566)
	130/115	1600 (870)	L	1000 (538)
	135/125	1600 (870)	L	1000 (535)
	150/135	1600 (870)	L	950 (510)
	160/145	1600 (870)	L	950 (510)
	165/150	1600 (870)	L	950 (510)
SC4330	65/35[B]	1650 (870)	A	1200 (650)
	70/36[B]	1650 (870)	A	1200 (650)
	80/40[B]	1650 (870)	A	1200 (650)
	80/50[B]	1650 (870)	A	1200 (650)
	90/60	1650 (870)	A or L	1150 (620)
	105/85	1650 (870)	L	1100 (595)
	115/95	1650 (870)	L	1100 (595)
	130/115	1650 (870)	L	1000 (535)
	135/125	1650 (870)	L	1000 (535)
	150/135	1650 (870)	L	1000 (535)
	160/145	1650 (870)	L	950 (510)
	165/150	1650 (870)	L	950 (510)
	210/180	1650 (870)	L	900 (482)
SC4340	65/35[B]	1600 (870)	A	1200 (650)
	70/36[B]	1600 (870)	A	1200 (650)
	80/40[B]	1600 (870)	A	1200 (650)
	80/50[B]	1600 (870)	A	1150 (620)

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TABLE 4 *Continued*

Grade	Class	Austenitizing Temperature, min, °F (°C)	Media	Tempering Temperature, min,° F (°C)
	90/60[B]	1600 (870)	A	1150 (620)
	105/85	1600 (870)	A	1150 (620)
	115/95	1600 (870)	A or L	1050 (565)
	130/115	1600 (870)	L	1000 (535)
	135/125	1600 (870)	L	1000 (535)
	150/135	1600 (870)	L	950 (510)
	160/145	1600 (870)	L	950 (510)
	165/150	1600 (870)	L	950 (510)
	210/180	1600 (870)	L	900 (480)
SC8620	65/35[B]	1700 (925)	A	1200 (650)
	70/36[B]	1700 (925)	A	1200 (650)
	80/40	1700 (925)	A	1150 (620)
	80/50	1700 (925)	A or L	1150 (620)
	90/60	1700 (925)	L	1150 (620)
	105/85	1700 (925)	L	1100 (595)
	115/95	1700 (925)	L	1050 (565)
SC8625	65/35[B]	1700 (925)	A	1200 (650)
	70/36[B]	1700 (925)	A	1200 (650)
	80/40	1700 (925)	A or L	1150 (620)
	80/50	1700 (925)	A or L	1150 (620)
	90/60	1700 (925)	A or L	1150 (620)
	105/85	1700 (925)	L	1100 (595)
	115/95	1700 (925)	L	1100 (595)
	130/115	1700 (925)	L	1100 (595)
	135/125	1700 (925)	L	1050 (565)
SC8630	65/35[B]	1650 (900)	A	1200 (650)
	70/36[B]	1650 (900)	A	1200 (650)
	80/40	1650 (900)	A	1150 (620)
	80/50	1650 (900)	A	1150 (620)
	90/60	1650 (900)	A or L	1150 (620)
	105/85	1650 (900)	L	1100 (595)
	115/95	1650 (900)	L	1100 (595)
	130/115	1650 (900)	L	1100 (595)
	135/125	1650 (900)	L	1050 (565)
	150/135	1650 (900)	L	1050 (565)

[A]A = air cool (normalize).
L = Liquid quench. (Steels with carbon levels of 0.33 % and higher may exhibit cracks when quenched in water).
[B]These grades are likely to significantly exceed the minimum strength levels, therefore, problems may be experienced when trying to produce castings to low hardness values.

reheat-treated. All other grades and classes shall be thermally stress-relieved or completely reheat-treated following any repair welds.

9. Test Coupons and Specimens

9.1 Test bars shall be poured from the same heat as the castings represented. Test coupons may be cast integrally with the castings or as separate blocks similar to those shown in Fig. 1 of Specification A 781/A 781M.

9.2 The bar from which the test piece is taken shall be heat-treated in production furnaces to the same procedure as the castings it represents.

When the bar from which the test piece is taken is not heat-treated as part of the same heat-treatment load as the casting(s) it qualifies, the austenitizing temperatures for the bar shall be within 25°F of those for the casting(s). The tempering temperature for the bar shall be no higher than 25°F above that of the casting(s) and no higher than that permitted by the heat-treatment procedure for the material. The cycle time at each temperature shall not exceed that for the casting(s).

9.3 Test specimens may be cut from heat-treated castings at the producer's option, instead of from test bars.

9.4 If any specimen shows defective machining or exhibits flaws, it may be discarded and another substituted from the same heat.

9.5 If the results of the mechanical tests for any heat or lot or casting do not conform to the requirements agreed upon, retests are permitted in accordance with Test Methods and Definitions A 370. At the manufacturer's option, castings may be reheat-treated and retested. Testing after reheat-treatment shall consist of the full number of specimens taken from locations complying with the specification or order.

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SUPPLEMENTARY REQUIREMENTS

The following supplementary requirements shall not apply unless specified in the purchase order. A list of standardized supplementary requirements for use at the option of the purchaser is included in Specification A 781/A 781M. Those which are ordinarily considered suitable for use with this specification are given as follows together with additional supplementary requirements that are applicable only to this specification. Other supplementary requirements enumerated in Specification A 781/A 781M may be used with this specification upon agreement between the manufacturer and the purchaser.

S1. Magnetic Particle Examination
S2. Radiographic Examination
S4. Ultrasonic Examination
S5. Examination of Weld Preparation
S6. Certification
S7. Prior Approval of Major Weld Repairs
S8. Marking
S9. Charpy Impact Test
S10. Hardness Test
S12. Test Report
S13. Unspecified Elements
S14. Tension Test from Casting
S15. Alternate Tension Test Coupons

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