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Standard Specification for Centrifugally Cast Ferritic Alloy Steel Pipe for High- Temperature Service¹

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1. Scope*

1.1 This specification² covers centrifugally cast alloy steel pipe intended for use in high-temperature, high-pressure service.

1.2 Several grades of ferritic steels are covered. Their compositions are given in [Table 1](#).

1.3 Supplementary Requirements S1 through S12 are provided. The supplementary requirements provide for additional tests of an optional nature and, when desired, shall be so stated in the order (Section 4).

1.4 The values stated in either inch-pound units or SI 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 nonconformance with the standard.

1.4.1 Within the text, the SI units are shown in brackets.

1.5 *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, health, and environmental practices and determine the applicability of regulatory limitations prior to use.*

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.*

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² For ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code applications, see related Specification SA-426 in Section II of that Code.

2. Referenced Documents

2.1 ASTM Standards:³

A370 Test Methods and Definitions for Mechanical Testing of Steel Products

A609/A609M Practice for Castings, Carbon, Low-Alloy, and Martensitic Stainless Steel, Ultrasonic Examination Thereof

A941 Terminology Relating to Steel, Stainless Steel, Related Alloys, and Ferroalloys

A999/A999M Specification for General Requirements for Alloy and Stainless Steel Pipe

E94/E94M Guide for Radiographic Examination Using Industrial Radiographic Film

E165/E165M Practice for Liquid Penetrant Testing for General Industry

E186 Reference Radiographs for Heavy-Walled (2 to 4½ in. (50.8 to 114 mm)) Steel Castings

E208 Test Method for Conducting Drop-Weight Test to Determine Nil-Ductility Transition Temperature of Ferritic Steels

E280 Reference Radiographs for Heavy-Walled (4½ to 12 in. (114 to 305 mm)) Steel Castings

E446 Reference Radiographs for Steel Castings Up to 2 in. (50.8 mm) in Thickness

E709 Guide for Magnetic Particle Testing

2.2 ANSI Standard:⁴

B46.1 Surface Texture

2.3 ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code:⁵ Section IX Welding and Brazing Qualifications

³ For referenced ASTM standards, visit the ASTM website, www.astm.org, or contact ASTM Customer Service at www.astm.org/contact. For *Annual Book of ASTM Standards* volume information, refer to the standard's Document Summary page on the ASTM website.

⁴ Available from American National Standards Institute (ANSI), 25 W. 43rd St., 4th Floor, New York, NY 10036, <http://www.ansi.org>.

⁵ Available from American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME), ASME International Headquarters, Two Park Ave., New York, NY 10016-5990, <http://www.asme.org>.

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

TABLE 1 Composition Requirements^{A,B}

Element, %								
Grade	UNS Number	Carbon	Manganese	Phosphorus	Sulfur	Silicon	Chromium	Molybdenum
CP1	J12521	0.25	0.30–0.80	0.030	0.025	0.10–0.50	...	0.44–0.65
CP2	J11547	0.10–0.20	0.30–0.61	0.030	0.025	0.10–0.50	0.50–0.81	0.44–0.65
CP5	J42045	0.20	0.30–0.70	0.030	0.025	0.75	4.00–6.50	0.45–0.65
CP5b	J51545	0.15	0.30–0.60	0.030	0.025	1.00–2.00	4.00–6.00	0.45–0.65
CP9	J82090	0.20	0.30–0.65	0.030	0.025	0.25–1.00	8.00–10.00	0.90–1.20
CP11	J12072	0.05–0.20	0.30–0.80	0.030	0.025	0.60	1.00–1.50	0.44–0.65
CP12	J11562	0.05–0.15	0.30–0.61	0.030	0.025	0.50	0.80–1.25	0.44–0.65
CP15	J11522	0.15	0.30–0.60	0.030	0.025	1.15–1.65	...	0.44–0.65
CP21	J31545	0.05–0.15	0.30–0.60	0.030	0.025	0.50	2.65–3.35	0.80–1.06
CP22	J21890	0.05–0.15	0.30–0.70	0.030	0.025	0.60	2.00–2.75	0.90–1.20
CPCA15	J91150	0.15	1.00	0.030	0.025	1.50	11.5–14.0	0.50

^A Where ellipses appear in this table, there is no requirement, and the element need not be analyzed or reported.

^B All values are maximums unless a range is provided.

3. Ordering Information

3.1 Orders for material under this specification shall include the following, as required, to describe the desired material adequately:

- 3.1.1 Quantity (feet, centimetres, or number of lengths),
- 3.1.2 Name of material (centrifugally cast pipe),
- 3.1.3 Specification number,
- 3.1.4 Grade (Table 1),
- 3.1.5 Size (outside or inside diameter and minimum wall thickness),
- 3.1.6 Length (specific or random) (section on Permissible Variations in Length of Specification A999/A999M),
- 3.1.7 End finish (section on Ends of Specification A999/A999M),
- 3.1.8 Optional Requirements S1 through S12 and 14.1,
- 3.1.9 Test report required (section on Certified Test Report of Specification A999/A999M),
- 3.1.10 Service temperature if over 1000 °F [540 °C] (Note 1), and
- 3.1.11 Special requirements or additions to specification.

4. General Requirements for Delivery

4.1 Material furnished under this specification shall conform to the applicable requirements of the current edition of Specification A999/A999M unless otherwise provided herein.

5. Materials and Manufacture

5.1 *Heat Treatment*—The pipe shall be furnished in the austenitized and tempered condition (Note 1) according to the requirements of Table 2.

5.1.1 Heat treatment shall be performed after the pipe has been allowed to cool below the transformation range. Definition of heat treatment terms shall be as given in Terminology A941.

NOTE 1—It is recommended that the temperature for tempering should be at least 100 °F [55 °C] above the intended service temperature. The purchaser shall advise the manufacturer of the service temperature when it is over 1000 °F [540 °C]. (See 3.1.10.)

5.2 *Machining*—The pipe shall be machined on the inner and outer surfaces to a roughness value no greater than 250 µin.

TABLE 2 Heat Treatment Requirements

Grade	Austenitizing Treatment	Tempering Temperature, min, unless a range is shown, °F [°C]
CP1	Normalized or Liquid Quenched	1100 [595]
CP2	Normalized or Liquid Quenched	1100 [595]
CP5	Normalized or Liquid Quenched	1250 [675]
CP5b	Normalized or Liquid Quenched	1250 [675]
CP9	Normalized or Liquid Quenched	1250 [675]
CP11	Normalized or Liquid Quenched	1100 [595]
CP12	Normalized or Liquid Quenched	1100 [595]
CP15	Normalized or Liquid Quenched	1100 [595]
CP21	Normalized or Liquid Quenched	1250 [675]
CP22	Normalized or Liquid Quenched	1250 [675]
CPCA15	Normalized or Liquid Quenched	1250 [675]

[6.35 µm] arithmetical average deviation (AA) from the mean line unless otherwise specified as in ANSI B46.1.