



Standard Specification for Metal, Expanded, Steel¹

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1. Scope*

1.1 This specification covers expanded metal.

1.1.1 Expanded metal covered by this specification is intended for a variety of applications.

1.2 The values stated in inch-pound units are to be regarded as the standard. The values given in parentheses are for information only and may be approximate.

1.3 The following precautionary caveat pertains only to the test methods portion, Section 11, of this specification. *This standard does not purport to address all of the safety problems 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

A123/A123M Specification for Zinc (Hot-Dip Galvanized) Coatings on Iron and Steel Products

A240/A240M Specification for Chromium and Chromium-Nickel Stainless Steel Plate, Sheet, and Strip for Pressure Vessels and for General Applications

A653/A653M Specification for Steel Sheet, Zinc-Coated (Galvanized) or Zinc-Iron Alloy-Coated (Galvannealed) by the Hot-Dip Process

A666 Specification for Annealed or Cold-Worked Austenitic Stainless Steel Sheet, Strip, Plate, and Flat Bar

A700 Guide for Packaging, Marking, and Loading Methods for Steel Products for Shipment

A1008/A1008M Specification for Steel, Sheet, Cold-Rolled, Carbon, Structural, High-Strength Low-Alloy, High-Strength Low-Alloy with Improved Formability, Solution

Hardened, and Bake Hardenable

A1011/A1011M Specification for Steel, Sheet and Strip, Hot-Rolled, Carbon, Structural, High-Strength Low-Alloy, High-Strength Low-Alloy with Improved Formability, and Ultra-High Strength

2.2 *SAE Standard*:³

SAE J 1086 Metals and Alloys in the Unified Numbering System

2.3 *Military Standards*:⁴

MIL-C-16173 Corrosion Preventive Compound, Solvent Cutback, Cold-Application

MIL-STD-105 Sampling Procedures and Tables for Inspection by Attributes

3. Terminology

3.1 *Expanded Metal Terminology*:

3.1.1 *bond, n*—the solid intersection of two strands.

3.1.2 *camber, n*—the bow of a side or edge from end to end from a straight line.

3.1.3 *diamonds, n*—open area of metal after expanding. Most expanded metal open area or patterns are uniform diamond shaped, but may also be hexagonal, louvered, asymmetric, square, or other shapes, or combinations thereof.

3.1.4 *edge configuration, n*—refers to the edge condition of a sheet may they be closed diamonds (bonded), or open diamonds (random) produced by shearing.

3.1.5 *expanded metal, n*—a rigid sheet of metal that is simultaneously been slit and stretched creating an open diamond pattern.

3.1.6 *flattened, v (F)*—expanded metal that has been cold-rolled after expansion.

3.1.7 *flattening, adv*—the process of producing flattened expanded metal.

3.1.8 *grating, n*—expanded metal that is produced from heavier sheet.

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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 Available from Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE), 400 Commonwealth Dr., Warrendale, PA 15096-0001, <http://www.sae.org>.

⁴ Available from Manufacturers Standardization Society of the Valve and Fittings Industry (MSS), 127 Park St., NE, Vienna, VA 22180-4602, <http://www.mss-hq.com>.