



Standard Specification for Seamless Carbon Steel Boiler Tubes for High-Pressure Service¹

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1. Scope

1.1 This specification² covers minimum-wall-thickness, seamless carbon steel boiler and superheater tubes for high-pressure service.

1.2 The tubing sizes and thicknesses usually furnished to this specification are ½ in. to 7 in. [12.7 to 177.8 mm] outside diameter and 0.085 to 1.000 in. [2.2 to 25.4 mm], inclusive, in minimum wall thickness. Tubing having other dimensions may be furnished, provided such tubes comply with all other requirements of this specification.

1.3 Mechanical property requirements do not apply to tubing smaller than ⅛ in. [3.2 mm] inside diameter or 0.015 in. [0.4 mm] thickness.

1.4 When these products are to be used in applications conforming to ISO Recommendations for Boiler Construction, the requirements of Specification A 520 shall supplement and supersede the requirements of this specification.

1.5 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. The inch-pound units shall apply unless the “M” designation of this specification is specified in the order.

2. Referenced Documents

2.1 ASTM Standards:

A 450/A 450M Specification for General Requirements for Carbon, Ferritic Alloy, and Austenitic Alloy Steel Tubes³

A 520 Specification for Supplementary Requirements for Seamless and Electric-Resistance-Welded Carbon Steel

Tubular Products for High-Temperature Service Conforming to ISO Recommendations for Boiler Construction³

3. Ordering Information

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

- 3.1.1 Quantity (feet, metres, or number of lengths),
- 3.1.2 Name of material (seamless tubes),
- 3.1.3 Manufacture (hot-finished or cold-finished),
- 3.1.4 Size (outside diameter and minimum wall thickness),
- 3.1.5 Length (specific or random),
- 3.1.6 Optional requirements (Section 8),
- 3.1.7 Test report required (see section on Certification of Specification A 450/A 450M),
- 3.1.8 Specification designation, and
- 3.1.9 Special requirements.

4. General Requirements

4.1 Material furnished under this specification shall conform to the applicable requirements of the current edition of Specification A 450/A 450M, unless otherwise provided herein.

5. Manufacture

5.1 Tubes shall be made by the seamless process and shall be either hot-finished or cold-finished, as specified.

6. Heat Treatment

6.1 Hot-finished tubes need not be heat treated. Cold-finished tubes shall be heat treated after the final cold-finishing at a temperature of 1200°F [650°C] or higher.

7. Chemical Composition

7.1 The steel shall conform to the following requirements as to chemical composition:

Carbon, %	0.06–0.18
Manganese, %	0.27–0.63
Phosphorus, max, %	0.035
Sulfur, max, %	0.035
Silicon, max, %	0.25

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² For ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code applications see related Specification SA-192 in Section II of that Code.

³ *Annual Book of ASTM Standards*, Vol 01.01.