



Standard Specification for Seamless Carbon and Alloy Steel Mechanical Tubing¹

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1. Scope

1.1 This specification covers several grades of carbon and alloy steel seamless mechanical tubing. The grades are listed in Tables 1-3. When welding is used for joining the weldable mechanical tube grades, the welding procedure shall be suitable for the grade, the condition of the components, and the intended service.

1.2 This specification covers both seamless hot-finished mechanical tubing and seamless cold-finished mechanical tubing in sizes up to and including 12 3/4 in. (323.8 mm) outside diameter for round tubes with wall thicknesses as required.

1.3 The tubes shall be furnished in the following shapes, as specified by the purchaser: round, square, rectangular, and special sections.

1.4 Supplementary requirements of an optional nature are provided and when desired shall be so stated in the order.

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

2. Referenced Documents

2.1 ASTM Standards:

A 370 Test Methods and Definitions for Mechanical Testing of Steel Products²

E 59 Practice for Sampling Steel and Iron for Determination of Chemical Composition³

2.2 Military Standards:

MIL-STD-129 Marking for Shipment and Storage⁴

MIL-STD-163 Steel Mill Products Preparation for Shipment and Storage⁴

2.3 Federal Standard:

Fed. Std. No. 123 Marking for Shipment (Civil Agencies)⁴

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² Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 01.03.

³ Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 03.05.

⁴ Available from Standardization Documents Order Desk, Bldg. 4 Section D, 700 Robbins Ave., Philadelphia, PA 19111-5094, Attn: NPODS.

TABLE 1 Chemical Requirements of Low-Carbon Steels

Grade Designation	Chemical Composition Limits, %			
	Carbon ^A	Manganese ^B	Phosphorus, ^B max	Sulfur, ^B max
MT 1010	0.05–0.15	0.30–0.60	0.040	0.050
MT 1015	0.10–0.20	0.30–0.60	0.040	0.050
MT X 1015	0.10–0.20	0.60–0.90	0.040	0.050
MT 1020	0.15–0.25	0.30–0.60	0.040	0.050
MT X 1020	0.15–0.25	0.70–1.00	0.040	0.050

^A Limits apply to heat and product analyses.

^B Limits apply to heat analysis; except as required by 6.1, product analyses are subject to the applicable additional tolerances given in Table 5.

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, weight, or number of pieces),

TABLE 2 Chemical Requirements of Other Carbon Steels

Grade Designation	Chemical Composition Limits, % ^A			
	Carbon	Manganese	Phosphorus, max	Sulfur, max
1008	0.10 max	0.30–0.50	0.040	0.050
1010	0.08–0.13	0.30–0.60	0.040	0.050
1012	0.10–0.15	0.30–0.60	0.040	0.050
1015	0.13–0.18	0.30–0.60	0.040	0.050
1016	0.13–0.18	0.60–0.90	0.040	0.050
1017	0.15–0.20	0.30–0.60	0.040	0.050
1018	0.15–0.20	0.60–0.90	0.040	0.050
1019	0.15–0.20	0.70–1.00	0.040	0.050
1020	0.18–0.23	0.30–0.60	0.040	0.050
1021	0.18–0.23	0.60–0.90	0.040	0.050
1022	0.18–0.23	0.70–1.00	0.040	0.050
1025	0.22–0.28	0.30–0.60	0.040	0.050
1026	0.22–0.28	0.60–0.90	0.040	0.050
1030	0.28–0.34	0.60–0.90	0.040	0.050
1035	0.32–0.38	0.60–0.90	0.040	0.050
1040	0.37–0.44	0.60–0.90	0.040	0.050
1045	0.43–0.50	0.60–0.90	0.040	0.050
1050	0.48–0.55	0.60–0.90	0.040	0.050
1518	0.15–0.21	1.10–1.40	0.040	0.050
1524	0.19–0.25	1.35–1.65	0.040	0.050
1541	0.36–0.44	1.35–1.65	0.040	0.050

^A The ranges and limits given in this table apply to heat analysis; except as required by 6.1, product analyses are subject to the applicable additional tolerances given in Table 5.