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Standard Specification for Welded Stainless Steel Mechanical Tubing[1]

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1. Scope*

1.1 This specification covers welded austenitic, ferritic, and austenitic-ferritic duplex stainless steel mechanical tubing intended for use in ornamental, structural, exhaust, and other applications where appearance, mechanical properties, or corrosion resistance is needed. The grades covered are listed in Table 1.

1.2 This specification covers as-welded or cold-reduced mechanical tubing in sizes to 16 in. (406.4 mm) outside dimension, and in wall thicknesses 0.020 in. (0.51 mm) and over.

1.3 Tubes shall be furnished in one of the following shapes as specified by the purchaser: round, square, rectangular, or special.

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 standard. The values given in parentheses are mathematical conversions to SI units that are provided for information only and are not considered standard.

2. Referenced Documents

2.1 *ASTM Standards:*[2]

A370 Test Methods and Definitions for Mechanical Testing of Steel Products

A751 Test Methods, Practices, and Terminology for Chemical Analysis of Steel Products

A790/A790M Specification for Seamless and Welded Ferritic/Austenitic Stainless Steel Pipe

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

E527 Practice for Numbering Metals and Alloys in the Unified Numbering System (UNS)

2.2 *Military Standards:*

MIL-STD-129 Marking for Shipment and Storage[3]

MIL-STD-163 Steel Mill Products Preparation for Shipment and Storage[3]

2.3 *Federal Standard:*

Fed. Std. No. 123 Marking for Shipments (Civil Agencies)[3]

2.4 *SAE Standard:*

SAE J 1086 Numbering Metals and Alloys[4]

3. Terminology

3.1 *Definitions*—For definitions of terms used in this specification, refer to Terminology A941.

4. Ordering Information

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

4.1.1 Quantity (feet, mass, or number of pieces),

4.1.2 Name of material (welded stainless steel mechanical tubing),

4.1.3 Form (round, square, rectangular, special, see 1.3),

4.1.4 Dimensions:

4.1.4.1 Round-outside diameter and wall thickness for all conditions (Section 9). Alternatively, for cold-reduced condition, outside diameter and inside diameter or inside diameter and wall dimensions may be specified,

4.1.4.2 Square and rectangular outside dimensions and wall thickness (see 10.1),

4.1.4.3 Special (to be specified),

4.1.5 Length (mill lengths, cut lengths, or multiple lengths (see 9.3)),

4.1.6 Grade (Table 1),

4.1.7 Condition (see 7.1),

4.1.8 Inside diameter bead condition (see 7.2),

4.1.9 Surface finish (see Section 12),

4.1.10 Report of chemical analysis, if required (Section 8),

4.1.11 Individual supplementary requirements, if required,

4.1.12 End use,

4.1.13 Specification designation,

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

[4] Available from SAE International (SAE), 400 Commonwealth Dr., Warrendale, PA 15096-0001, http://www.sae.org.

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