



Standard Specification for Alloy-Steel and Stainless Steel Bolting Materials for High-Temperature Service¹

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1. Scope

1.1 This specification² covers alloy and stainless steel bolting material for pressure vessels, valves, flanges, and fittings for high-temperature service. The term *bolting material* as used in this specification covers bars, bolts, screws, studs, stud bolts, and wire. Bars and wire shall be hot-wrought. The material may be further processed by centerless grinding or by cold drawing. Austenitic stainless steel may be carbide solution treated or carbide solution treated and strain-hardened. When strain hardened austenitic steel is ordered, the purchaser should take special care to ensure that Appendix X1 is thoroughly understood.

1.2 Several grades are covered, including ferritic steels and austenitic stainless steels designated B 5, B 8, and so forth. Selection will depend upon design, service conditions, mechanical properties, and high-temperature characteristics.

NOTE 1—The committee formulating this specification has included fifteen steel types that have been rather extensively used for the present purpose. Other compositions will be considered for inclusion by the committee from time to time as the need becomes apparent.

NOTE 2—For grades of alloy-steel bolting material suitable for use at the lower range of high-temperature applications, reference should be made to Specification A 354.

NOTE 3—For grades of alloy-steel bolting material suitable for use in low-temperature applications, reference should be made to Specification A 320/A 320M.

1.3 Nuts for use with this bolting material are covered in Section 14.

1.4 Supplementary Requirements S1 through S10 are provided for use when additional tests or inspection are desired. These shall apply only when specified in the purchase order.

1.5 This specification is expressed in both inch-pound units and in SI units. However, unless the order specifies the applicable *M* specification designation (SI units), the material shall be furnished to inch-pound units.

1.6 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.

2. Referenced Documents

2.1 ASTM Standards:

A 29/A 29M Specification for General Requirements for Steel Bars, Carbon and Alloy, Hot-Wrought and Cold-Finished³

A 194/A 194M Specification for Carbon and Alloy Steel Nuts for Bolts for High-Pressure and High-Temperature Service⁴

A 320/A 320M Specification for Alloy Steel Bolting Materials for Low-Temperature Service⁴

A 354 Specification for Quenched and Tempered Alloy Steel Bolts, Studs, and Other Externally Threaded Fasteners⁵

A 370 Test Methods and Definitions for Mechanical Testing of Steel Products^{4,6}

A 484/A 484M Specification for General Requirements for Stainless Steel Bars, Billets, and Forgings⁶

A 751 Test Methods, Practices, and Terminology for Chemical Analysis of Steel Products⁶

A 788 Specification for Steel Forgings, General Requirements³

E 18 Test Methods for Rockwell Hardness and Rockwell Superficial Hardness of Metallic Materials⁷

E 21 Test Methods for Elevated Temperature Tension Tests of Metallic Materials⁷

E 112 Test Methods for Determining the Average Grain Size⁷

E 139 Test Methods for Conducting Creep, Creep-Rupture, and Stress-Rupture Tests of Metallic Materials⁷

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² For ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code applications, see related Specification SA-193 in Section II of that Code.

³ Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 01.05.

⁴ Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 01.01.

⁵ Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 15.08.

⁶ Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 01.03.

⁷ Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 03.01.