



Standard Practice for Radiographic Examination¹

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1. Scope

1.1 This practice² establishes the minimum requirements for radiographic examination for metallic and nonmetallic materials.

1.2 *Applicability*—The criteria for the radiographic examination in this practice are applicable to all types of metallic and nonmetallic materials. The requirements expressed in this practice are intended to control the quality of the radiographic images and are not intended to establish acceptance criteria for parts and materials.

1.3 *Basis of Application*—There are areas in this practice that may require agreement between the cognizant engineering organization and the supplier, or specific direction from the cognizant engineering organization. These items should be addressed in the purchase order or the contract.

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² This practice replaced MIL-STD-453.

1.4 *This standard does not purport to address all of the safety concerns, if any, 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 The following documents form a part of this practice to the extent specified herein:

2.2 *ASTM Standards:*

- E 543 Practice for Agencies Performing Nondestructive Testing³
- E 747 Practice for Design, Manufacture, and Material Grouping Classification of Wire Image Quality Indicators (IQI) Used for Radiology³
- E 801 Practice for Controlling Quality of Radiological Examination of Electronic Devices³
- E 999 Guide for Controlling the Quality of Industrial Radiographic Film Processing³
- E 1025 Practice for Design, Manufacturer, and Material Grouping Classification of Hole-Type Image Quality Indicators (IQI) Used for Radiology³
- E 1030 Test Method for Radiographic Examination of Metallic Castings³
- E 1032 Test Method for Radiographic Examination of Weldments³
- E 1079 Practice for Calibration of Transmission Densitometers³
- E 1165 Test Method for Measurement of Focal Spots of Industrial X-Ray Tubes by Pinhole Imaging³
- E 1254 Guide for Storage of Radiographs and Unexposed Industrial Radiographic Film³
- E 1255 Practice for Radioscopy³
- E 1316 Terminology for Nondestructive Examinations³
- E 1390 Guide for Illuminators Used for Viewing Industrial Radiographs³
- E 1411 Practice for Qualification of Radioscopic Systems³
- E 1416 Test Method for Radioscopic Examination of Weldments³

³ *Annual Book of ASTM Standards*, Vol 03.03.