



Standard Specification for Forged or Rolled Alloy and Stainless Steel Pipe Flanges, Forged Fittings, and Valves and Parts for High-Temperature Service¹

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1. Scope*

1.1 This specification² covers forged low alloy and stainless steel piping components for use in pressure systems. Included are flanges, fittings, valves, and similar parts to specified dimensions or to dimensional standards, such as the ASME specifications that are referenced in Section 2.

1.2 For bars and products machined directly from bar or hollow bar (other than those directly addressed by this specification; see 6.4), refer to Specifications [A479/A479M](#), [A739](#), or [A511/A511M](#) for the similar grades available in those specifications.

1.3 Products made to this specification are limited to a maximum weight of 10 000 lb [4540 kg]. For larger products and products for other applications, refer to Specifications [A336/A336M](#) and [A965/A965M](#) for the similar ferritic and austenitic grades, respectively, available in those specifications.

1.4 Several grades of low alloy steels and ferritic, martensitic, austenitic, and ferritic-austenitic stainless steels are included in this specification. Selection will depend upon design and service requirements. Several of the ferritic/austenitic (duplex) grades are also found in Specification [A1049/A1049M](#).

1.5 Supplementary requirements are provided for use when additional testing or inspection is desired. These shall apply only when specified individually by the purchaser in the order.

1.6 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.

1.7 The values stated in either SI units or inch-pound units are to be regarded separately as the standard. Within the text, the SI units are shown in brackets. The values stated in each system may not be exact equivalents; therefore, each system shall be used independently of the other. Combining values from the two systems may result in non-conformance with the standard.

1.8 *This international standard was developed in accordance with internationally recognized principles on standardization established in the Decision on Principles for the Development of International Standards, Guides and Recommendations issued by the World Trade Organization Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT) Committee.*

2. Referenced Documents

2.1 In addition to the referenced documents listed in Specification [A961/A961M](#), the following list of standards apply to this specification.

2.2 ASTM Standards:³

- [A262 Practices for Detecting Susceptibility to Intergranular Attack in Austenitic Stainless Steels](#)
- [A275/A275M Practice for Magnetic Particle Examination of Steel Forgings](#)
- [A336/A336M Specification for Alloy Steel Forgings for Pressure and High-Temperature Parts](#)
- [A388/A388M Practice for Ultrasonic Examination of Steel Forgings](#)
- [A479/A479M Specification for Stainless Steel Bars and Shapes for Use in Boilers and Other Pressure Vessels](#)
- [A484/A484M Specification for General Requirements for Stainless Steel Bars, Billets, and Forgings](#)

¹ This specification is under the jurisdiction of ASTM Committee A01 on Steel, Stainless Steel and Related Alloys and is the direct responsibility of Subcommittee A01.22 on Steel Forgings and Wrought Fittings for Piping Applications and Bolting Materials for Piping and Special Purpose Applications.

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² For ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code applications see related Specification SA-182 in Section II of that Code.

³ 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.

*A Summary of Changes section appears at the end of this standard

A511/A511M Specification for Seamless Stainless Steel Mechanical Tubing and Hollow Bar
A739 Specification for Steel Bars, Alloy, Hot-Wrought, for Elevated Temperature or Pressure-Containing Parts, or Both
A763 Practices for Detecting Susceptibility to Intergranular Attack in Ferritic Stainless Steels
A788/A788M Specification for Steel Forgings, General Requirements
A923 Test Methods for Detecting Detrimental Intermetallic Phase in Duplex Austenitic/Ferritic Stainless Steels
A961/A961M Specification for Common Requirements for Steel Flanges, Forged Fittings, Valves, and Parts for Piping Applications
A965/A965M Specification for Steel Forgings, Austenitic, for Pressure and High Temperature Parts
A1049/A1049M Specification for Stainless Steel Forgings, Ferritic/Austenitic (Duplex), for Pressure Vessels and Related Components
A1084 Test Method for Detecting Detrimental Phases in Lean Duplex Austenitic/Ferritic Stainless Steels
E92 Test Methods for Vickers Hardness and Knoop Hardness of Metallic Materials
E112 Test Methods for Determining Average Grain Size
E165/E165M Practice for Liquid Penetrant Testing for General Industry
E340 Practice for Macroetching Metals and Alloys

2.3 *ASME Standards*:⁴
B16.11 Forged Steel Fittings, Socket Welding, and Threaded

2.4 *ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code*:⁴
Section IX

2.5 *AWS Specifications*⁵
A5.4/A5.4M Specification for Stainless Steel Electrodes for Shielded Metal Arc Welding
A5.5/A5.5M Specification for Low-Alloy Steel Electrodes for Shielded Metal Arc Welding
A5.9/A5.9M Specification for Bare Stainless Steel Welding Electrodes and Rods
A5.11/A5.11M Specification for Nickel and Nickel-Alloy Welding Electrodes for Shielded Metal Arc Welding
A5.14/A5.14M Specification for Nickel and Nickel-Alloy Bare Welding Electrodes and Rods
A5.23/A5.23M Specification for Low-Alloy Steel Electrodes and Fluxes for Submerged Arc Welding
A5.28/A5.28M Specification for Low-Alloy Steel Electrodes for Gas Shielded Arc Welding
A5.29/A5.29M Low-Alloy Steel Electrodes for Flux Cored Arc Welding

3. Terminology

3.1 *Definitions*—For definitions of terms used in this specification, refer to Specification **A961/A961M**.

⁴ Available from American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME), ASME International Headquarters, Two Park Ave., New York, NY 10016-5990, <http://www.asme.org>.

⁵ Available from American Welding Society (AWS), 550 NW LeJeune Rd., Miami, FL 33126, <http://www.aws.org>.

3.2 *Definitions of Terms Specific to This Standard*:

3.2.1 *hardened condition, n*—for F 23, the metallurgical condition achieved after normalizing and cooling to room temperature but prior to tempering.

4. Ordering Information

4.1 It is the purchaser's responsibility to specify in the purchase order information necessary to purchase the needed material. In addition to the ordering information guidelines in Specification **A961/A961M**, orders should include the following information:

4.1.1 Additional requirements (see 7.2.1, Table 2 footnotes, 9.3, and 19.2), and

4.1.2 Requirement, if any, that manufacturer shall submit drawings for approval showing the shape of the rough forging before machining and the exact location of test specimen material (see 9.3.1).

5. General Requirements

5.1 Product furnished to this specification shall conform to the requirements of Specification **A961/A961M**, including any supplementary requirements that are indicated in the purchase order. Failure to comply with the general requirements of Specification **A961/A961M** constitutes nonconformance with this specification. In case of conflict between the requirements of this specification and Specification **A961/A961M**, this specification shall prevail.

6. Manufacture

6.1 The low-alloy ferritic steels shall be made by the open-hearth, electric-furnace, or basic-oxygen process with the option of separate degassing and refining processes in each case.

6.2 The stainless steels shall be melted by one of the following processes: (a) electric-furnace (with the option of separate degassing and refining processes); (b) vacuum-furnace; or (c) one of the former followed by vacuum or electroslag-consumable remelting. Grade F XM-27Cb may be produced by electron-beam melting.

6.3 A sufficient discard shall be made to secure freedom from injurious piping and undue segregation.

6.4 Except as permitted in 6.4.2 and 6.4.3, the material shall be forged as close as practicable to the specified shape and size.

6.4.1 Flanges, elbows, return bends, tees, and header tees shall not be machined directly from bar stock. Other parts whose longitudinal axis is not parallel to the longitudinal axis of the hollow bar or forged or rolled bar shall not be machined directly from bar.

6.4.2 Parts may be machined from hollow bar or forged or rolled solution-annealed austenitic stainless steel bar without additional hot working provided the longitudinal axis of the part is parallel to the longitudinal axis of the bar.

6.4.3 Low alloy, martensitic stainless, ferritic stainless, and ferritic-austenitic stainless steel parts, NPS-4 [DN 100] and under, may be machined from hollow bar or forged or rolled bar, without additional hot working provided the longitudinal axis of the part is parallel to the longitudinal axis of the bar.

6.5 Except as provided for in 6.4, the finished product shall be a forging as defined in the Terminology section of Specification A788/A788M.

7. Heat Treatment⁶

7.1 After hot working, forgings shall be cooled to a temperature below 1000 °F [538 °C] prior to heat treating in accordance with the requirements of Table 1.

7.2 *Low Alloy Steels and Ferritic and Martensitic Stainless Steels*—The low alloy steels and ferritic and martensitic stainless steels shall be heat treated in accordance with the requirements of 7.1 and Table 1. When more than one heat treatment option is listed for a Grade in Table 1, any one of the heat treatments listed shall be performed. The selection of the heat treatment shall be at the manufacturer's option, unless otherwise stated in the purchase order.

7.2.1 *Liquid Quenching*—Except as permitted in 7.2.2, for F 1, F 2, and F 3, and when agreed to by the purchaser, liquid quenching followed by tempering shall be permitted provided the temperatures in Table 1 for each grade are used.

7.2.1.1 *Marking*—Parts that are liquid quenched and tempered shall be marked “QT.”

7.2.2 Alternatively, Grade F 1, F 2, and F 12, Classes 1 and 2 may be given a heat treatment of 1200 °F [650 °C] minimum after final hot or cold forming.

7.3 *Austenitic and Ferritic-Austenitic Stainless Steels*—Except as permitted by 7.5, the austenitic and ferritic-austenitic stainless steels shall be heat treated and liquid-quenched in accordance with the requirements of 7.1 and Table 1.

7.3.1 Alternatively, immediately following hot working, while the temperature of the forging is not less than the minimum solution annealing temperature specified in Table 1, forgings made from austenitic grades (except grades F 304H, F 309H, F 310, F 310H, F 316H, F 316Ti, F 321, F 321H, F 347, F 347H, F 348, F 348H, F 45, F35030, and F 56) may be individually rapidly quenched in accordance with the requirements of Table 1. Ferritic-austenitic grades may be solution annealed without cooling below 1000 °F by being re-heated to the solution annealing temperature required in Table 1, held for a time sufficient to dissolve phases and precipitates which may cause a reduction in corrosion or mechanical properties, and quenched in accordance with Table 1.

7.3.2 See Supplementary Requirement S8 if a particular heat treatment method is to be employed.

7.4 *Time of Heat Treatment*—Heat treatment of forgings may be performed before machining.

7.5 *Forged or Rolled Bar*—Forged or rolled austenitic stainless bar from which cylindrically shaped parts are to be machined, as permitted by 6.4, and the parts machined from such bar, without heat treatment after machining, shall be furnished to the annealing and quenching or rapid-cooling

requirements of Specification A484/A484M or this specification, with subsequent light cold drawing and straightening permitted (see Supplementary Requirement S3 if annealing must be the final operation).

7.6 *Hollow Bar*—Austenitic stainless hollow bar from which cylindrically shaped parts are to be machined, as permitted by 6.4, and the parts machined from such hollow bar, without heat treatment after machining, shall be furnished to the annealing and quenching or rapid-cooling requirements of Specification A511/A511M, or this specification, with subsequent light cold drawing and straightening permitted (see Supplementary Requirement S3 if annealing must be the final operation).

8. Chemical Composition

8.1 A chemical heat analysis in accordance with Specification A961/A961M shall be made and conform to the chemical composition prescribed in Table 2.

8.2 Grades to which lead, selenium, or other elements are added for the purpose of rendering the material free-machining shall not be used.

8.3 Starting material produced to a specification that specifically requires the addition of any element beyond those listed in Table 2 for the applicable grade of material is not permitted.

8.4 Steel grades covered in this specification shall not contain an unspecified element, other than nitrogen in stainless steels, for the ordered grade to the extent that the steel conforms to the requirements of another grade for which that element is a specified element having a required minimum content. For this requirement, a grade is defined as an alloy described individually and identified by its own UNS designation or Grade designation and identification symbol in Table 2.

8.5 *Product Analysis*—The purchaser may make a product analysis on products supplied to this specification in accordance with Specification A961/A961M.

9. Mechanical Properties

9.1 The material shall conform to the requirements as to mechanical properties for the grade ordered as listed in Table 3.

9.2 Mechanical test specimens shall be obtained from production forgings, or from separately forged test blanks prepared from the stock used to make the finished product. In either case, mechanical test specimens shall not be removed until after all heat treatment is complete. If repair welding is required, test specimens shall not be removed until after post-weld heat treatment is complete, except for ferritic grades when the post-weld heat treatment is conducted at least 50 °F [30 °C] below the actual tempering temperature. When test blanks are used, they shall receive approximately the same working as the finished product. The test blanks shall be heat treated with the finished product and shall approximate the maximum cross section of the forgings they represent.

9.3 For normalized and tempered, or quenched and tempered forgings, the central axis of the test specimen shall be taken at least $\frac{1}{4} T$ from the nearest surface as-heat-treated,

⁶ A solution annealing temperature above 1950 °F [1065 °C] may impair the resistance to intergranular corrosion after subsequent exposure to sensitizing conditions in F 321, F 321H, F 347, F 347H, F 348, and F 348H. When specified by the purchaser, a lower temperature stabilizing treatment or a second solution annealing shall be used subsequent to the initial high temperature solution anneal (see Supplementary Requirement S10).