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# Standard Specification for Ductile Iron Castings for Paper Mill Dryer Rolls<sup>1,2</sup>

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## 1. Scope

1.1 This specification covers ductile iron castings for use in pressure-containing paper mill dryer rolls at temperatures up to 450 °F [230 °C].

1.2 No precise quantitative relationship can be stated between the properties of the iron in various locations of the same casting or between the properties of a casting and those of a test specimen cast from the same iron (see [Appendix X1](#)).

1.3 The values stated in either SI units or inch-pound units are to be regarded separately as standard. 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 nonconformance with the standard.

1.3.1 *Exception*—Within the text, the SI units are shown in brackets.

1.4 *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 *ASTM Standards:*<sup>3</sup>

[A644 Terminology Relating to Iron Castings](#)

[E8/E8M Test Methods for Tension Testing of Metallic Materials](#)

[E10 Test Method for Brinell Hardness of Metallic Materials](#)

[E94/E94M Guide for Radiographic Examination Using Industrial Radiographic Film](#)

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<sup>2</sup> For ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code Applications, see related Specifications SA-467 in Section II of that Code.

<sup>3</sup> For referenced ASTM standards, visit the ASTM website, [www.astm.org](http://www.astm.org), or contact ASTM Customer Service at [service@astm.org](mailto:service@astm.org). For *Annual Book of ASTM Standards* volume information, refer to the standard's Document Summary page on the ASTM website.

[E446 Reference Radiographs for Steel Castings Up to 2 in. \(50.8 mm\) in Thickness](#)

## 3. Terminology

3.1 Definitions for many terms common to iron castings are found in Terminology [A644](#).

## 4. Ordering Information

4.1 Orders for material purchased to the requirements of this specification should include the following information:

4.1.1 Quantity,

4.1.2 Specification number and date of issue,

4.1.3 Description of casting by pattern number or drawing,

4.1.4 Heat treatment, if required (see [5.1](#)),

4.1.5 Type of test coupon (see [9.2](#)),

4.1.6 Certification, if required (see [13.1](#)),

4.1.7 Marking location (see [14.1](#)), and

4.1.8 Additional requirements.

## 5. Heat Treatment

5.1 The castings may be stress relieved at a temperature not to exceed 1200 °F [650 °C].

## 6. Chemical Requirements

6.1 The castings shall conform to the following chemical requirements:

Total carbon, min, %	3.0
Silicon, max, %	3.0
Phosphorus, max, %	0.08
Sulfur, max, %	0.05

6.2 The castings shall have a carbon equivalent of 3.8 to 4.5 inclusive.

NOTE 1—The carbon content equivalent is calculated as follows:  
Total carbon + 0.3 (silicon + phosphorus)

6.3 The chemical analysis for total carbon shall be made on either chilled cast pencil-type specimens or on thin wafers approximately  $\frac{1}{32}$  in. [0.8 mm] thick, cut from test coupons. Drillings shall not be used due to attendant loss of graphite.

## 7. Mechanical Properties

7.1 The iron represented by test coupons shall conform to tensile requirements prescribed in [Table 1](#).

**TABLE 1 Tensile Requirements**

Test Coupon Section Thickness	1 in. [25 mm]	3 in. [75 mm]
Tensile strength, min, ksi [MPa]	80 [555]	80 [555]
Yield strength, min, ksi [MPa]	60 [415]	60 [415]
Elongation in 2 in. [50 mm], min, %	3.0 [3.0]	1.0 [1.0]

7.2 The yield strength prescribed in Table 1 may be determined by any of the approved procedures described in 7.3 of Test Methods E8/E8M.

7.3 The Brinell hardness of the material shall be a minimum of 201 HB. Hardness tests shall be conducted in accordance with Test Method E10, using a 3000 kgf load. The test may be made on either the casting or on a test coupon representing the casting.

**8. Workmanship, Finish, and Appearance**

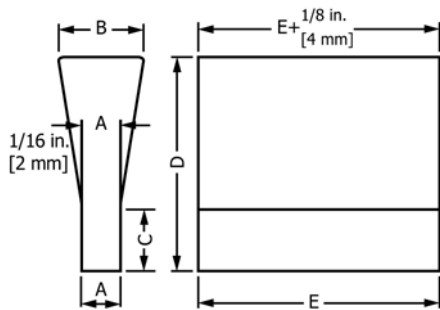
8.1 The castings shall conform to the dimensions on the drawings furnished by the purchaser or, if no drawing has been provided, to the dimensions predicated by the pattern supplied by the purchaser. Surfaces of the castings shall be free of adhering sand. Runners, risers, fins, and other extraneous metal shall be removed.

**9. Sampling**

9.1 Test coupons shall be poured from the same iron as the castings represented.

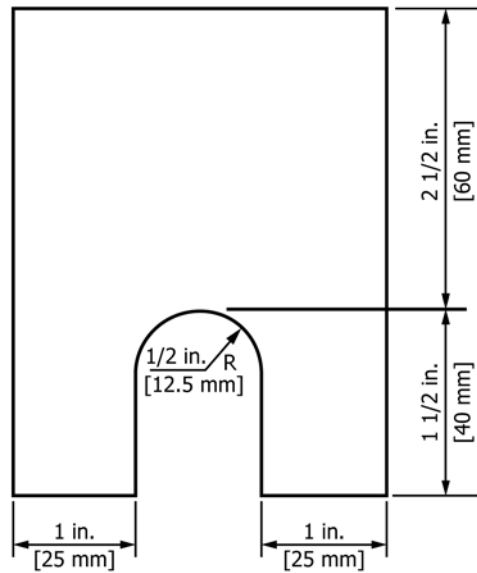
9.2 Test coupons shall be cast either to the “Y” block size and shape shown in Fig. 1 or to the dimensions of the 1 in. [25 mm] keel block shown in Fig. 2. The type of test coupon and, when selected, the size of the “Y” block shall be specified by the purchaser.

9.3 The test coupons shall be cast in open molds made of suitable core sand with a minimum 1½ in. [38 mm] of sand for the 1 in. [25 mm] size and 3 in. [75 mm] of sand for the 3 in. [75 mm] size. The coupons shall be left in the mold until black.



Dimensions	“Y” Block Size	
	For Castings of Thickness ½ in. to 1½ in. [12.5 to 40 mm]	For Castings of Thickness of 1½ in. [40 mm] and Over
	in. [mm]	in. [mm]
A	1 [25]	3 [75]
B	1½ [55]	5 [125]
C	3 [75]	4 [100]
D	6 [150]	8 [200]
E	7 [175] approx	7 [175] approx

**FIG. 1 “Y” Blocks for Test Coupons**



NOTE 1—The length of keel block shall be 6 in. [150 mm].

**FIG. 2 Keel Block for Test Coupons**

9.4 Table 2 shows the equivalent geometrical shapes with various dimensions and the equivalent “Y” block, based on cooling rates, and may be used as a guide for selection of the proper “Y” block to be specified to represent the casting.

9.5 When the castings are heat treated, the test coupons shall be heat treated with the castings they represent.

**10. Tension Test**

10.1 Tension test specimens shall be obtained from test coupons shown in either Fig. 1 or Fig. 2, and machined to the dimensions shown in Fig. 3. Test coupons cast as “Y” blocks (Fig. 1) shall be sectioned as shown in Fig. 4.

10.2 One tension test shall be performed for each casting.

10.3 If any specimen shows defective machining or flaws, it may be discarded and another substituted from the same casting represented.

10.4 If an apparently sound test specimen fails to conform to the tensile requirements, two retests may be made. If either retest fails to conform to the requirements specified, the castings shall be rejected.

**11. Repairs**

11.1 Castings made to this specification that leak on subsequent hydrostatic testing may be repaired by using threaded plugs provided the following requirements are met.

11.1.1 No welding or brazing shall be permitted.

**TABLE 2 Equivalent Geometric Shapes Corresponding to “Y” Blocks**

“Y” Block Size, in. [mm]	Infinite Plate Thickness, in. [mm]	Round Diameter, in. [mm]	Cube Edge, in. [mm]
1 [25]	0.9 [22.5]	1.75 [44]	2.75 [44]
3 [75]	1.6 [40]	3.1 [78]	4.8 [120]