



Standard Specification for Heavy-Duty Ranges, Gas and Electric¹

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1. Scope

1.1 This specification covers heavy-duty ranges that use gas or electrical heat sources, or both, for cooking food in the commercial and institutional food service establishments.

1.2 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.

1.3 *This standard may involve hazardous materials, operations, and equipment. 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, health, and environmental practices and determine the applicability of regulatory limitations prior to use.*

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:²

- D3951 Practice for Commercial Packaging
- F760 Specification for Food Service Equipment Manuals
- F1166 Practice for Human Engineering Design for Marine Systems, Equipment, and Facilities
- F1275 Test Method for Performance of Griddles
- F1496 Test Method for Performance of Convection Ovens
- F1521 Test Methods for Performance of Range Tops

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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.

2.2 ANSI Standards:³

- ANSI B1.1 Unified Inch Screw Threads (UN and UNR Thread Form)
- ANSI Z1.4 Sampling Procedures and Tables for Inspection by Attributes
- ANSI Z21.41/CSA 6.9 Quick-Disconnect Devices for Use With Gas Fuel Appliances
- ANSI Z21.45 Flexible Connector of Other Than All-Metal Construction for Gas Appliances
- ANSI Z83.11/CGA-1.8 Gas Food Service Equipment

2.3 NSF Standard:⁴

- NSF/ANSI 4 Commercial Cooking, Rethermalization and Powered Hot Food Holding and Transport Equipment

2.4 NFPA Standard:⁵

- NFPA 70/ANSI Z223 National Electrical Code
- NFPA 54/ANSI Z223 National Fuel Gas Code

2.5 UL Standard:⁶

- UL/ANSI 197 Commercial Electrical Cooking Appliances

2.6 Military Standards:⁷

- MIL-STD-167/1 Mechanical Vibration of Shipboard Equipment (Type 1—Environmental and Type 2—Internally Excited)
- MIL-STD-461 Requirements for the Control of Electromagnetic Characteristics of Subsystems and Equipment
- MIL-STD-1399/300 Interface Standard for Shipboard Systems Section 300A Electric Power, Alternating Current

3. Terminology

3.1 Definitions of Terms Specific to This Standard:

- 3.1.1 *broiler, n*—open cast iron or steel grate on which food is laid, allowing highly directional intense heat under the grate to cook the food. Another type is an overfired heat source, using highly directional intense heat over the food.

³ Available from American National Standards Institute (ANSI), 25 W. 43rd St., 4th Floor, New York, NY 10036.

⁴ Available from NSF International, P.O. Box 130140, 789 N. Dixboro Rd., Ann Arbor, MI 48113-0140.

⁵ Available from National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), 1 Batterymarch Park, Quincy, MA 02269-9101.

⁶ Available from Underwriters Laboratories (UL), Corporate Progress, 333 Pfingsten Rd., Northbrook, IL 60062.

⁷ Available from Standardization Documents Order Desk, DODSSP, Bldg. 4, Section D, 700 Robbins Ave., Philadelphia, PA 19111-5098, or from Acquisition Streamlining and Standardization Information System (ASSIST) located at <http://dsp.dla.mil>.

3.1.2 *convection oven, n*—as used in this specification, a device that combines the function of circulating hot convection air in an enclosed cavity by means of a fan or blower, which is operated by an electric motor, for the purpose of baking or roasting food.

3.1.3 *cook-top electric element, n*—open coil electrical elements supported to withstand the weight of filled cooking utensils in direct contact with the burners.

3.1.4 *French top, n*—sheathed electric burner with permanent cover over entire heating element; round and sealed to the range top to resist drips and splash.

3.1.5 *griddle, n*—device for cooking food by direct contact with a hot surface.

3.1.6 *heavy-duty range, n*—appliance used for pot or pan surface cooking, griddling, frying, broiling, steaming, baking, roasting, and reheating food products with a standard oven or convection oven. It is of the most durable construction, varying in size, offers increased heat input than medium (restaurant) or specialty ranges. Typical industry widths are 32 in. (812 mm), 34 in. (863 mm), and 36 in. (914 mm) for gas range tops and for electric ranges. The top cooking surface can be $\frac{1}{3}$, $\frac{2}{3}$, or full top options of any style noted. For purposes of convenience, nominal dimensions for each width will be used in this specification.

3.1.7 *hot top, n*—flat cast iron surface sometimes called a “boiling plate” or “uniform heat top” with heat transferred from gas burners or electric heating elements under the cooking surface where pots are set to warm or keep hot food contained in the utensil.

3.1.8 *open top gas burner, n*—also called grate top; has a cast iron or steel burner top that supports the pot above the gas burner.

3.1.9 *standard oven, n*—as used in this specification, a space where food is baked or roasted without recirculating air.

4. Classification

4.1 Type:

- 4.1.1 *Type I*—Electric range top with electric oven.
- 4.1.2 *Type I*—Electric range top with gas-fired oven.
- 4.1.3 *Type I*—Electric range top with storage base.
- 4.1.4 *Type II*—Gas-fired range top with gas-fired oven.
- 4.1.5 *Type II*—Gas-fired range top with electric oven.
- 4.1.6 *Type II*—Gas-fired range top with storage base.

Type I Style, Electric Ranges—Dimensions

4.2 Widths:⁸

- 4.2.1 32 in. (812 mm)
- 4.2.2 34 in. (863 mm)
- 4.2.3 36 in. (914 mm)

4.2.4 *Heights*—Typically 37 in. (939 mm) from floor to work surface.

⁸ Tops can be either a full top of one type of cook top such as a griddle or divided in sections with one or two or three cook top styles. Depending on range width, a full top and two sections for 32 and 34-in. (813 and 864-mm) widths and one, two, or three sections on 36-in. (914-mm) range tops.

4.2.5 *Depth*—Typically 37 in. (939 mm) to 41 in. (1040 mm).

4.3 Electrical Class:

- 4.3.1 *Class 1*—208 V, 60 Hz, 1 phase.
- 4.3.2 *Class 2*—208 V, 60 Hz, 3 phase.
- 4.3.3 *Class 3*—240 V, 60 Hz, 1 phase.
- 4.3.4 *Class 4*—240 V, 60 Hz, 3 phase.
- 4.3.5 *Class 5*—480 V, 60 Hz, 3 phase.
- 4.3.6 *Class 6*—120 V, 60 Hz, 1 phase.
- 4.3.7 *Class 7*—230 V, 50 Hz, 1 phase.
- 4.3.8 *Class 8*—400 V, 50 Hz, 3 phase.
- 4.3.9 *Class 9*—440 V, 60 Hz, 3 phase (shipboard use).

4.4 Cook Top Options

4.4.1 Electric Griddles:

4.4.1.1 $\frac{1}{3}$ top cover rated nominal 5 kW, $\frac{2}{3}$ other top options.

4.4.1.2 $\frac{1}{2}$ top cover rated nominal 10 kW, $\frac{1}{2}$ other top options.

4.4.1.3 Full top cover rated nominal 10 to 15 kW (Fig. A1.24).

4.4.1.4 $\frac{2}{3}$ top cover rated nominal 10 kW (Fig. A1.25).

4.4.2 *Electric Hot Tops (also known as Boiling Tops, Uniform Heat Tops)*—Specify with or without thermostat.

4.4.2.1 $\frac{1}{3}$ top cover rated nominal 5 kW, $\frac{2}{3}$ other top options.

4.4.2.2 $\frac{1}{2}$ top cover rated nominal 10 kW, $\frac{1}{2}$ other top options.

4.4.2.3 Full top cover rated nominal 10 to 15 kW (Fig. A1.21).

4.4.2.4 $\frac{2}{3}$ top cover rated nominal 10 kW (Fig. A1.22).

4.4.3 Open Top Electric Element Burner:

4.4.3.1 9½-in. (241-mm) diameter closed element (French top) full cook top rated nominal kW each (Fig. A1.23).

4.4.3.2 9½-in. (241-mm) diameter open element cook top rated at nominal kW.

4.4.4 *Additional Electric Range Cook Top Options for Electric Ranges*—Any combination of top cook devices in $\frac{1}{3}$, $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{2}{3}$, or full top coverage.

4.4.4.1 Three hot tops with or without thermostat.

4.4.4.2 Two hot tops and two 9-in. (229 mm) diameter French style electric burners.

4.4.4.3 Two hot tops and two 9-in. (229 mm) diameter open top element burners.

4.4.4.4 Six 9-in. (229 mm) diameter French style electric element burners.

4.4.4.5 Six 9-in. (229 mm) diameter open top element burners.

4.4.4.6 $\frac{1}{3}$, $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{2}{3}$, or full top coverage with griddle.

4.4.4.7 $\frac{1}{3}$ griddle, 4-top cook elements or hot tops.

4.4.4.8 $\frac{1}{2}$ griddle 2-top cook elements or hot tops

NOTE 1—All open top burners, French top burners, hot tops and griddles may have temperature controls.

4.4.4.9 With or without electric or gas oven (see 4.5 and 4.11).

4.5 Electric Ovens:

4.5.1 *Electric Standard Oven*—7.0 kW or greater.

4.5.2 *Electric Convection Oven*—7.0 kW or greater.

Type II Style, Gas-Fired Ranges—Dimensions

4.6 Widths:⁸

4.6.1 32 in. (812 mm)

4.6.2 34 in. (863 mm)

4.6.3 36 in. (914 mm) are typical

4.6.4 *Heights*—Typically 37 in. (939 mm) from floor to work surface.

4.6.5 *Depth*—Typically 37 in. (939 mm) to 41 in. (1040 mm).

4.7 Power:

4.7.1 Natural gas.

4.7.2 Propane.

4.7.3 Manufactured gas.

4.7.4 Other gases (see 5.2.2).

4.8 Gas-Fired Cook Top Options:

4.8.1 1/3 range top. (Fig. A1.13).

4.8.2 1/2 range top (Fig. A1.11).

4.8.3 2/3 range top (Fig. A1.14).

4.8.4 Full range top (Fig. A1.16).

NOTE 2—Griddle thickness may range from 3/8 to 1.0 in. (9.5 to 25 mm) and should be specified.

4.9 Hot Tops (also known as Boiling Tops, Uniform Heat Tops):

4.9.1 1/3 range top and 2/3 other cook surface.

4.9.2 1/2 range top and 1/2 other cook surface (Fig. A1.2).

4.9.3 2/3 range top and 1/3 other cook surface.

4.9.4 Full range top (Fig. A1.1).

4.9.5 1/2 range top in horizontal top with open burners in front.

4.10 Open Top Burners:

4.10.1 1/3 range top and 2/3 other cook surface (Fig. A1.13).

4.10.2 1/2 range top and 1/2 other cook surface (Figs. A1.9-A1.12).

4.10.3 2/3 range top and 1/3 other cook surface (Fig. A1.14).

4.10.4 Full range top (Figs. A1.5-A1.8).

4.10.5 1/2 range top in horizontal top with open burners in front (Fig. A1.11).

4.11 Ovens:

4.11.1 *Gas-Fired Standard Oven*—22 000 to 50 000 Btu/h (6.45 to 14.66 KW).

4.11.2 *Gas-Fired Convection Oven*—22 000 to 40 000 Btu/h (6.45 to 11.73 KW).

4.12 Additional Gas Range Cook Top Options for Gas Ranges:

4.12.1 Graduated hot top or radial fin burners; 1, 2, or 3 concentric burner rings. Can be one center location on range top or two locations, or two locations to front with hot tops a back of range top (Figs. A1.1 and A1.2).

4.12.2 Graduated hot tops can be substituted for open top burners (Fig. A1.4) and have hot top plates in back.

5. Ordering Information

5.1 An order for a heavy-duty range(s) under this specification shall specify:

5.1.1 ASTM specification number and date of issue,

5.1.2 Quantity to be furnished,

5.1.3 Class,

5.1.4 Style (references to figures is helpful), and

5.1.5 Size.

5.2 Additionally, the following options should be reviewed for inclusion in the order:

5.2.1 When Federal/Military procurement(s) is involved, refer to the supplement pages.

5.2.2 *Type of Gas, as applicable*—Natural, propane, or when “other,” specify high heating value in BTU per hour, specific gravity, and composition of gas.

5.2.3 *Electrical Power Connection, if applicable*—Power cord with plug or conduit connection and size (that is, hard wired).

5.2.4 *Fan Speed (convection ovens only)*—Single speed or two speed.

5.2.5 *Type of Controls*—Electromechanical, solid state, or programmable/computer controlled.

5.2.6 *Interior Finish (convection ovens only)*—Porcelain enamel or stainless steel.

5.2.7 When specified, with a quick-disconnect gas supply, an approved quick disconnect (socket and plug) conforming to ANSI Z21.41, and a flexible metal connector conforming to ANSI Z21.45 and consisting of a male pipe thread fitting on one end and a union with female thread on the opposite end shall be provided with the convection oven.

5.2.8 Other than the manufacturer’s standard, commercial and domestic packaging is required. Specify packaging requirements.

5.2.9 When specified, a certification to ensure that samples representing each lot have been either tested or inspected as directed and the requirements have been met. When specified, a copy of the certification or test results, or both, shall be furnished to the purchaser.

5.2.10 When specified, additional options such as wire shelves, casters, oven stand, wash-down hose assembly, and faucets shall be provided.

5.2.11 Manufactured gas or overseas specified gas (may be other than CE gasses) are to be considered to be a special requirement and, if available, may be additional cost and may include a non-standard gas train.

5.2.12 Griddles shall be hot-rolled steel.

5.2.13 When specified, surface finish other than manufacturer finish shall be provided.

5.2.14 Hot tops can be hot-rolled steel.

6. Materials and Manufacture

6.1 *General*—Convection ovens shall conform to the applicable documents listed in Section 2. Materials used shall be free from defects which would affect the performance or maintainability of individual components or of the overall assembly. Materials not specified in this specification shall be of the same quality used for the intended purpose in commercial practice. Unless otherwise specified in this specification, all equipment, material, and articles incorporated in the work covered by this specification are to be new or fabricated, using materials produced from recovered materials to the maximum extent possible without jeopardizing the intended use. None of