



# Standard Specification for Stainless Steel Bars and Shapes for Use in Boilers and Other Pressure Vessels<sup>1</sup>

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## 1. Scope

1.1 This specification<sup>2</sup> covers hot- and cold-finished bars of stainless steel, including rounds, squares, and hexagons, and hot-rolled or extruded shapes such as angles, tees, and channels for use in boiler and pressure vessel construction.<sup>2</sup>

NOTE 1—There are standards covering high nickel, chromium, austenitic corrosion, and heat-resisting alloy materials. These standards are under the jurisdiction of ASTM Subcommittee B02.07 and may be found in *Annual Book of ASTM Standards*, Vol 02.04.

1.2 The values stated in either inch-pound units or SI (metric) units are to be regarded separately as standards; within the text and tables, the SI units are shown in [brackets]. The values stated in each system are not exact equivalents; therefore, each system must be used independent of the other. Combining values from the two systems may result in nonconformance with the specification.

1.3 Unless the order specifies the applicable “M” specification designation, the material shall be furnished to the inch-pound units.

## 2. Referenced Documents

### 2.1 ASTM Standards:

- A 262 Practices for Detecting Susceptibility to Intergranular Attack in Austenitic Stainless Steels<sup>3</sup>
- A 370 Test Methods and Definitions for Mechanical Testing of Steel Products<sup>3</sup>
- A 484/A 484M Specification for General Requirements for Stainless Steel Bars, Billets, and Forgings<sup>3</sup>
- A 751 Test Methods, Practices, and Terminology for Chemical Analysis of Steel Products<sup>3</sup>
- E 112 Test Methods for Determining the Average Grain Size<sup>4</sup>
- E 527 Practice for Numbering Metals and Alloys (UNS)<sup>5</sup>

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<sup>2</sup> For ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code applications see related Specification SA-479/SA-479M in Section II of that Code.

<sup>3</sup> *Annual Book of ASTM Standards*, Vol 01.03.

<sup>4</sup> *Annual Book of ASTM Standards*, Vol 03.01.

<sup>5</sup> *Annual Book of ASTM Standards*, Vol 01.01.

### 2.2 Other Document:

SAE J1086 Recommended Practice for Numbering Metals and Alloys<sup>6</sup>

## 3. Ordering Information

3.1 It is the responsibility of the purchaser to specify all requirements that are necessary for material ordered under this specification. Such requirements may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- 3.1.1 Quantity (weight or number of pieces),
- 3.1.2 Dimensions, including diameter or thickness (and width), shape or form, applicable prints or sketches, length, etc.,
- 3.1.3 Type or UNS designation, (Table 1),
- 3.1.4 ASTM designation and edition year if other than latest edition,
- 3.1.5 Heat treated condition (Section 4.)
- 3.1.6 Finish (see Manufacture section of Specification A 484/A 484M).
- 3.1.7 Supplementary Requirements invoked for special services (described at the end of this specification):
- 3.1.8 Whether bars are to be rolled as bars or cut from strip or plate,
- 3.1.9 Preparation for delivery (see Preparation for Delivery section of Specification A 484/A 484M),
- 3.1.10 Marking requirements (see Marking section of Specification A 484/A 484M).
- 3.1.11 Surface preparation of shapes (see Manufacture section of Specification A 484/A 484M),
- 3.1.12 The intended use of the material, if the purchaser considers this useful information.

NOTE 2—A typical ordering description is as follows: 5000 lb [2000 kg]; 1.000 in. [25 mm] round bar by 10 to 12 ft [3 to 4 m]; Type 304 or UNS S30400; to Specification A 479 [A 479M]; annealed; centerless ground; plus any optional supplementary requirements; such as, for example, special marking instructions.

## 4. Heat Treatment

### 4.1 Austenitic Grades:

4.1.1 Except for the strain-hardened grade (see 4.1.3), and

<sup>6</sup> Available from Society of Automotive Engineers, 400 Commonwealth Drive, Warrendale, PA 15096.

the hot-rolled grade (see 4.1.4), all austenitic grades of stainless steel shall be furnished in the solution annealed condition, with subsequent light cold drawing and straightening permitted (see Supplementary Requirement S5 if annealing must be the final operation). Solution annealing for all grades, except the H grades (see 4.1.2), N08367 (see 4.1.8), S31254 (see 4.1.5), S32050 (see 4.1.5), S33228 (see 4.1.7), S34565 (see 4.1.6), and S35315 (see 4.1.9), shall consist of (1) heating the material to a temperature of 1900°F [1040°C] minimum so that grain boundary carbides enter into solution, and cooling rapidly to prevent grain boundary carbide precipitation; or alternatively<sup>7</sup> (2) (except for the columbium and titanium stabilized grades 309Cb, 310Cb, 316Cb, 316Ti, 321, 347, and 348) immediately following hot working while the temperature is above 1750°F [955°C] so that grain boundary carbides are in solution, cooling rapidly to prevent grain boundary carbide precipitation. When Supplementary Requirement S2 is invoked, all austenitic grades except S30815 shall pass the intergranular corrosion test requirements described in S2.

4.1.2 For H grades, the minimum solution annealing temperatures shall be as follows:

4.1.2.1 When hot finished, 1900°F [1040°C] for Types 304H, 309H, 310H, and 316H; 1925°F [1050°C] for Types 321H, 347H, and 348H,

4.1.2.2 When cold worked prior to solution annealing, 1900°F [1040°C] for Types 304H, 309H, 310H, and 316H; 2000°F [1095°C] for Types 321H, 347H, and 348H.

NOTE 3—Solution annealing temperatures above 1950°F [1065°C] may impair the resistance to intergranular corrosion after subsequent exposure to sensitizing conditions in the stabilized grades, Types 321, 321 H, 347, 347 H, 348 and 348 H. When intergranular corrosion is of concern, the purchaser should specify the corrosion test of S2 (to be conducted on sensitized specimens). The manufacturer may, if necessary, use a lower temperature resolution anneal or a stabilization anneal after a high temperature solution anneal in order to meet corrosion test requirements. Consideration should be given to the corrosive media before using a stabilization anneal at less than 1800°F [980°C], as such a treatment may not be fully effective for all media.

NOTE 4—Grain size requirements for the H grades are described in Section 7.

4.1.3 *Strain Hardened Austenitic Type 316*—When Type 316 is desired with increased mechanical properties, the strain hardened condition may be specified and is produced by solution annealing, as described in 4.1.1, followed by strain hardening sufficient to meet the required mechanical properties. Solution annealed and strain hardened material shall be capable of meeting the intergranular corrosion test of Supplementary Requirement S2.

4.1.3.1 Two strain hardened conditions have been established for different applications: Level 1 and Level 2 (see the Mechanical Property Requirements table).

4.1.4 High tensile Type XM-19 shall be in the hot-rolled or strain-hardened condition and shall be capable of meeting the mechanical property requirements of the Mechanical Property Requirements table and passing the intergranular corrosion test prescribed in S2. The strain hardened condition is achieved by solution annealing followed by cold working sufficient to

develop the required mechanical properties.

4.1.5 Solution annealing of S31254, S32050, and S32654 shall consist of heating the material to a temperature of 2100°F [1150°C] minimum, for an appropriate time followed by water quenching or rapidly cooling by other means.

4.1.6 Solution annealing of S34565 shall consist of heating the material in the range of temperature from 2050°F [1120°C] to 2140°F [1170°C] for an appropriate time, followed by water quenching or rapidly cooling by other means.

4.1.7 Solution annealing of S33228 shall consist of heating the material in the temperature range 2050 to 2160°F [1120 to 1180°C] for an appropriate time followed by water quenching or rapid cooling by other means.

4.1.8 Solution annealing of N08367 shall consist of heating the material to a temperature of 2025°F [1105°C] minimum for an appropriate time followed by water quenching or rapidly cooling by other means.

4.1.9 Solution annealing of S35315 shall consist of heating the material to a temperature of 2100°F [1150°C] minimum, for an appropriate time followed by water quenching or rapidly cooling by other means.

#### 4.2 *Austenitic-Ferritic Grades:*

4.2.1 S31803, S32205, and S32550 shall be furnished in the annealed condition with subsequent straightening permitted. The annealing treatment of S31803 and S32550 shall consist of heating the material to a temperature of 1900°F [1040°C] minimum for an appropriate time followed by water quenching or rapid cooling by other means. The annealing treatment for S32205 shall consist of heating the material to a temperature of 1900°F [1040°C] minimum for an appropriate time followed by water quenching.

4.2.2 S32950 shall be annealed by heating the material to a temperature of 1825°F [995°C] to 1875°F [1025°C] for an appropriate time followed by water quenching or rapid cooling by other means.

4.2.3 S32750 shall be annealed by heating the material to a temperature of 1880°F [1025°C] to 2060°F [1125°C] for an appropriate time followed by water quenching or rapid cooling by other means. Subsequent straightening shall be permitted.

4.2.4 S32760 shall be annealed by heating the material to a temperature of 2010°F [1100°C] to 2085°F [1140°C] for an appropriate time followed by water quenching or rapid cooling by other means.

4.2.5 UNS S32906 shall be annealed by heating the material to a temperature of 1900°F (1040°C) to 1980°F (1080°C) for an appropriate time followed by rapid cooling in air or water. Subsequent straightening shall be permitted.

4.2.6 S39277 shall be annealed by heating the material to 1940°F [1060°C] to 2060°F [1125°C] for an appropriate time followed by water quenching or rapid cooling by other means. Subsequent straightening shall be permitted.

4.3 *Ferritic Grades*—Ferritic grades shall be annealed to meet the requirements of the Mechanical Property Requirements table.

#### 4.4 *Martensitic Grades:*

4.4.1 All grades of martensitic steels shall be supplied in either the annealed condition or in the tempered condition as specified by the purchaser (see 3.1.3). Tempered material shall

<sup>7</sup> For explanation see Appendix X1.

be normalized, or shall be liquid quenched from 1700°F [925°C], minimum, followed by tempering in accordance with 4.4.2, 4.4.3, or 4.4.5.

tempering temperature for at least 1 h/in. (25.4 mm) of cross section as follows:

4.4.2 Types 403 and 410 tempered material shall be held at

**TABLE 1 Chemical Requirements**

UNS Designation <sup>A</sup>	Type	Composition, % <sup>B</sup>									
		Carbon	Manganese	Phosphorus	Sulfur	Silicon	Chromium	Nickel	Nitrogen	Molybdenum	Other Elements <sup>C</sup>
Austenitic Grades											
N08367	...	0.030	2.00	0.040	0.030	1.00	20.0–22.0	23.5–25.5	0.18–0.25	6.0–7.0	Cu 0.75
S20161	...	0.15	4.0–6.0	0.045	0.030	3.0–4.0	15.0–18.0	4.0–6.0	0.08–0.20	...	...
S20910	XM-19	0.06	4.0–6.0	0.045	0.030	1.00	20.5–23.5	11.5–13.5	0.20–0.40	1.50–3.00	Cb 0.10–0.30; V 0.10–0.30
S21600	XM-17	0.08	7.5–9.0	0.045	0.030	1.00	17.5–20.5	5.0–7.0	0.25–0.50	2.00–3.00	...
S21603	XM-18	0.03	7.5–9.0	0.045	0.030	1.00	17.5–20.5	5.0–7.0	0.25–0.50	2.00–3.00	...
S21800	...	0.10	7.0–9.0	0.060	0.030	3.5–4.5	16.0–18.0	8.0–9.0	0.08–0.18	...	...
S21904	XM-11	0.04	8.0–10.0	0.045	0.030	1.00	19.0–21.5	5.5–7.5	0.15–0.40	...	...
S24000	XM-29	0.08	11.5–14.5	0.060	0.030	1.00	17.0–19.0	2.3–3.7	0.20–0.40	...	...
S30200	302	0.15	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	17.0–19.0	8.0–10.0	0.10	...	...
S30400	304	0.08 <sup>C</sup>	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	18.0–20.0	8.0–10.5	...	...	...
S30403	304L	0.030	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	18.0–20.0	8.0–12.0	...	...	...
S30409	304H	0.04–0.10	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	18.0–20.0	8.0–10.5	...	...	...
S30451	304N	0.08	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	18.0–20.0	8.0–12.0	0.10–0.16	...	...
S30453	304LN	0.030	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	18.0–20.0	8.0–11.0	0.10–0.16	...	...
S30600	...	0.018	2.00	0.020	0.020	3.7–4.3	17.0–18.5	14.0–15.5	...	0.20	Cu 0.50
S30815	...	0.05–0.10	0.80	0.040	0.030	1.40–2.00	20.0–22.0	10.0–12.0	0.14–0.20	...	Ce 0.03–0.08
S30908	309S	0.08	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	22.0–24.0	12.0–15.0	...	...	...
S30909	309H	0.04–0.10	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	22.0–24.0	12.0–15.0	...	...	...
S30940	309Cb	0.08	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	22.0–24.0	12.0–16.0	...	...	Cb 10×C- 1.10
S30880	ER308 <sup>D</sup>	0.08	1.00–2.50	0.030	0.030	0.25–0.60	19.5–22.0	9.0–11.0	...	...	...
S31008	310S	0.08	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	24.0–26.0	19.0–22.0	...	...	...
S31009	310H	0.04–0.10	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	24.0–26.0	19.0–22.0	...	...	...
S31040	310Cb	0.08	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	24.0–26.0	19.0–22.0	...	...	Cb 10×C-1.10
S31254	...	0.020	1.00	0.030	0.010	0.80	19.5–20.5	17.5–18.5	0.18–0.22	6.0–6.5	Cu 0.50–1.00
S31600	316	0.08 <sup>C</sup>	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	16.0–18.0	10.0–14.0	...	2.00–3.00	...
S31603	316L	0.030	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	16.0–18.0	10.0–14.0	...	2.00–3.00	...
S31609	316H	0.04–0.10	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	16.0–18.0	10.0–14.0	...	2.00–3.00	...
S31635	316Ti	0.08	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	16.0–18.0	10.0–14.0	0.10	2.00–3.00	Ti 5×(C+N)- 0.70
S31640	316Cb	0.08	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	16.0–18.0	10.0–14.0	0.10	2.00–3.00	Cb 10×C- 1.10
S31651	316N	0.08	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	16.0–18.0	10.0–14.0	0.10–0.16	2.00–3.00	...
S31653	316LN	0.030	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	16.0–18.0	10.0–14.0	0.10–0.16	2.00–3.00	...
S31700	317	0.08	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	18.0–20.0	11.0–15.0	...	3.0–4.0	...
S31725	...	0.030	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	18.0–20.0	13.5–17.5	0.20	4.0–5.0	...
S31726	...	0.030	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	17.0–20.0	14.5–17.5	0.10–0.20	4.0–5.0	...
S32050	...	0.030	1.50	0.035	0.020	1.00	22.0–24.0	20.0–23.0	0.21–0.32	6.0–6.8	Cu 0.40
S32100	321	0.08 <sup>F</sup>	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	17.0–19.0	9.0–12.0	...	...	Ti 5×(C+N)- 0.70 <sup>F</sup>
S32109	321H	0.04–0.10	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	17.0–19.0	9.0–12.0	...	...	Ti 4×(C+N)- 0.70 <sup>F</sup>
S32615	...	0.07	2.00	0.045	0.030	4.8–6.0	16.5–19.5	19.0–22.0	...	0.30–1.50	Cu 1.50–2.50
S32654	...	0.020	2.0–4.0	0.030	0.005	0.50	24.0–25.0	21.0–23.0	7.0–8.0	0.45–0.55	Cu 0.30–0.60
S33228	...	0.04–0.08	1.00	0.020	0.015	0.30	26.0–28.0	31.0–33.0	...	...	Cb 0.60–1.00; Ce 0.05–0.10; Al 0.025
S34565	...	0.030	5.0–7.0	0.030	0.010	1.00	23.0–25.0	16.0–18.0	0.40–0.60	4.0–5.0	Cb 0.10
S34700	347	0.08 <sup>F</sup>	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	17.0–19.0	9.0–12.0	...	...	Cb 10×C–1.10
S34709	347H	0.04–0.10	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	17.0–19.0	9.0–12.0	...	...	Cb 8×C–1.10
S34800	348	0.08 <sup>F</sup>	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	17.0–19.0	9.0–12.0	...	...	(Cb+Ta) 10×C–1.10; Ta 0.10; Co 0.20
S34809	348H	0.04–0.10	2.00	0.045	0.030	1.00	17.0–19.0	9.0–12.0	...	...	(Cb + Ta) 8×C–1.10; Co 0.20; Ta 0.10
S35315	...	0.04–0.08	2.00	0.040	0.030	1.20–2.00	24.0–26.0	34.0–36.0	0.12–0.18	...	Ce 0.03–0.08
Austenitic-Ferritic Grades											
S31803	...	0.030	2.00	0.030	0.020	1.00	21.0–23.0	4.5–6.5	0.08–0.20	2.5–3.5	...
S32205	...	0.030	2.00	0.030	0.020	1.00	22.0–23.0	4.5–6.5	0.14–0.20	3.0–3.5	...
S32550	...	0.04	1.50	0.040	0.030	1.00	24.0–27.0	4.5–6.5	0.10–0.25	2.9–3.9	Cu 1.50–2.50
S32750	...	0.030	1.20	0.035	0.020	0.80	24.0–26.0	6.0–8.0	0.24–0.32	3.0–5.0	Cu 0.50
S32760 <sup>G</sup>	...	0.030	1.00	0.030	0.010	1.00	24.0–26.0	6.0–8.0	0.20–0.30	3.0–4.0	Cu 0.50–1.00; W 0.50–1.00
S32906	...	0.030	0.80–1.50	0.030	0.030	0.50	28.0–30.0	5.8–7.5	0.30–0.40	1.50–2.60	Cu 0.80

**TABLE 1** *Continued*

UNS Designation <sup>A</sup>	Type	Composition, % <sup>B</sup>									
		Carbon	Manganese	Phosphorus	Sulfur	Silicon	Chromium	Nickel	Nitrogen	Molybdenum	Other Elements <sup>C</sup>
S32950	...	0.03	2.00	0.035	0.010	0.60	26.0–29.0	3.5–5.2	0.15–0.35	1.00–2.50	...
S39277	...	0.025	0.80	0.025	0.002	0.80	24.0–26.0	6.5–8.0	0.23–0.33	3.0–4.0	Cu 1.20–2.00 W 0.80–1.20
Ferritic Grades											
S40500	405	0.08	1.00	0.040	0.030	1.00	11.5–14.5	0.50	...	...	Al 0.10–0.30
S43000	430	0.12	1.00	0.040	0.030	1.00	16.0–18.0	...	...	...	...
S43035	439	0.07	1.00	0.040	0.030	1.00	17.0–19.0	0.50	0.04	...	Ti 0.20 + 4 × (C+N) –1.10; Al 0.15
S44400	444	0.025	1.00	0.040	0.030	1.00	17.5–19.5	1.00	0.035	1.75–2.50	(Ti+Cb) 0.20 + 4 × (C+N)-0.80
S44627	XM-27	0.010 <sup>H</sup>	0.40	0.020	0.020	0.40	25.0–27.5	0.50	0.015 <sup>H</sup>	0.75–1.50	Cu 0.20; Cb 0.05–0.20; (Ni+Cu) 0.50
S44700	...	0.010	0.30	0.025	0.020	0.20	28.0–30.0	0.15	0.020	3.5–4.2	(C+N) 0.025; Cu 0.15
S44800	...	0.010	0.30	0.025	0.020	0.20	28.0–30.0	2.00–2.50	0.020	3.5–4.2	(C+N) 0.025; Cu 0.15
Martensitic Grades											
S40300	403	0.15	1.00	0.040	0.030	0.50	11.5–13.0	...	...	...	...
S41000	410	0.15	1.00	0.040	0.030	1.00	11.5–13.5	...	...	...	...
S41040	XM-30	0.18	1.00	0.040	0.030	1.00	11.5–13.5	...	...	...	Cb 0.05–0.30
S41400	414	0.15	1.00	0.040	0.030	1.00	11.5–13.5	1.25–2.50	...	...	...
S41425	...	0.05	0.50–1.00	0.020	0.005	0.50	12.0–15.0	4.0–7.0	0.06–0.12	1.50–2.00	Cu 0.30
S41500	/	0.05	0.50–1.00	0.030	0.030	0.60	11.5–14.0	3.5–5.5	...	0.50–1.00	...
S43100	431	0.20	1.00	0.040	0.030	1.00	15.0–17.0	1.25–2.50	...	...	...

<sup>A</sup> New designations established in accordance with Practice E 527 and SAE J 1086 published jointly by ASTM and SAE. See ASTM DS–56C, available from ASTM Headquarters.

<sup>B</sup> Maximum unless otherwise indicated.

<sup>C</sup> Except as required for specific alloy type, molybdenum, titanium, nickel, cobalt, tantalum, nitrogen, and copper need not be reported but shall not be present in other than residual amounts; the intent being to prohibit substitution of one alloy type for another due to absence of control of the above named elements in certain alloys.

<sup>D</sup> American Welding Society designation.

<sup>E</sup> See Supplementary Requirement S1

<sup>F</sup> Nitrogen content is to be reported for this grade.

<sup>G</sup> % Cr + 3.3 × % Mo + 16 × % N ≥ 40.

<sup>H</sup> Product analysis tolerance over the maximum limit for carbon and nitrogen to be 0.002 %.

<sup>I</sup> Wrought version of CA6NM.

4.4.2.1 *Condition 1*—1250°F [675°C] minimum, 1400°F [760°C] maximum.

4.4.2.2 *Condition 2*—1100°F [595°C] minimum, 1400°F [760°C] maximum.

4.4.2.3 *Condition 3*—1050°F [565°C] minimum, 1400°F [760°C] maximum.

4.4.3 Types XM-30, 414, and 431 tempered materials shall be held at 1100°F [595°C], minimum, for at least 1 h/in. [25 mm] of cross section. Maximum tempering temperature shall be 1400°F [760°C].

4.4.4 For S41425, heat to 1700°F [925°C] minimum and hold for 1 h at temperature minimum. Air cool to below 90°F [32°C] and temper at 1100°F [595°C] minimum of 1 h per inch of cross-sectional thickness minimum.

4.4.5 For S41500 heat to 1750°F [955°C] minimum, air cool to 200°F [95°C] or lower prior to any optional intermediate temper and prior to the final temper. The final temper shall be between 1050°F [565°C] and 1150°F [620°C].

4.4.6 When the purchaser elects to perform the hardening and tempering heat treatment, martensitic materials shall be supplied by the manufacturer in the annealed condition (see 4.4.1). In this case it shall be the purchaser's responsibility to apply the proper heat treatment and to conduct the tests he

deems necessary to assure that the required properties are obtained.

## 5. General Requirements

5.1 In addition to the requirements of this specification, all requirements of the current editions of Specification A 484/A 484M shall apply. Failure to comply with the general requirements of Specification A 484/A 484M constitutes non-conformance with this specification.

## 6. Chemical Composition

6.1 Chemical composition shall be reported to the purchaser, or his representative, and shall conform to the requirements specified in Table 1.

6.2 When a product analysis is performed or requested by the purchaser, the tolerance limits as described in Specification A 484/A 484M apply unless Supplementary Requirement S3 is invoked.

6.3 Methods and practices relating to chemical analysis required by this specification shall be in accordance with Test Methods, Practices, and Terminology A 751.

## 7. Grain Size for Austenitic Grades

7.1 All austenitic grades shall be tested for average grain size by Test Methods E 112.

7.2 The H grades shall conform to an average grain size as follows:

7.2.1 ASTM No. 6 or coarser for Types 304H, 309H, 310H, and 316H,

7.2.2 ASTM No. 7 or coarser for Types 321H, 347H, and 348H.

7.3 For S32615, the grain size as determined in accordance with Test Methods E 112, comparison method, Plate 11, shall be No. 3 or finer.

7.4 Supplementary Requirement S1 shall be invoked when

non-H grade austenitic stainless steels are ordered for ASME Code applications for service above 1000°F [540°C].

## 8. Mechanical Properties Requirements

8.1 The material shall conform to the mechanical property requirements specified in Table 2 for the grade ordered. At least one room-temperature test shall be performed by the manufacturer on a sample from at least one bar or shape from each lot of material.

**TABLE 2 Mechanical Property Requirements**

UNS Designation	Type	Condition	Tensile Strength, min, ksi [MPa]	Yield Strength, <sup>A</sup> min, ksi [MPa]	Elongation in 2 in. [50 mm] or 4D, min, %	Reduction of Area, min, % <sup>B</sup>	Brinell Hardness, max
Austenitic Grades							
N08367	...	annealed	95 [655]	45 [310]	30	...	241
S20161	...	annealed	125 [860]	50 [345]	40	40	311
S20910	XM-19	annealed	100 [690]	55 [380]	35	55	293
	Up to 2 in. (50.8 mm), incl	hot-rolled	135 [930]	105 [725]	20	50	...
	Over 2 to 3 in. (50.8 to 76.2 mm), incl	hot-rolled	115 [795]	75 [515]	25	50	...
	Over 3 to 8 in. (76.2 to 203.2 mm), incl	hot-rolled	100 [690]	60 [415]	30	50	...
	Up to 1½ in. (38.1 mm), incl	strain-hardened	145 [1000]	125 [860]	12	40	...
	Over 1½ to 2¼ in. (38.1 to 57.2 mm), incl	strain-hardened	120 [825]	105 [725]	15	45	...
S21600, S21603	XM-17, XM-18	annealed	90 [620]	50 [345]	40	50	212
S21800	...	annealed	95 [655]	50 [345]	35	55	241
S21904	XM-11	annealed	90 [620]	50 [345]	45	60	...
S24000	XM-29	annealed	100 [690]	55 [380]	30	50	...
S30200, S30400, S30409, S30453, S30880, S30908, S30909, S30940, S31008, S31009, S31040, S31600, S31609, S31635, S31640, S31653, S31700, S32100, S32109, S34700, S34709, S34800, S34809	302, 304, 304H, 304LN, ER308, <sup>C</sup> 309S, 309H, 309Cb, 310S, 310H, 310Cb, 316, 316H, 316Ti, 316Cb, 316LN, 317, 321, 321H, 347, 347H, 348, 348H	annealed	75 [515] <sup>D</sup>	30 [205]	30	40	...
	316	strain-hardened level 1	85 [585]	65 [450] <sup>E</sup>	30	60	...
	2 in. and under	strain-hardened level 2	95 [655]	75 [515]	25	40	...
	Over 2 to 2½ in. (50.8 to 63.5 mm), incl.	strain-hardened level 2	90 [620]	65 [450]	30	40	...
	Over 2½ to 3 in. (63.5 to 76.2 mm), incl	strain-hardened level 2	80 [550]	55 [380]	30	40	...
S30403, S31603	304L, 316L	annealed	70 [485]	25 [170]	30	40	...
S30451, S31651	304N, 316N	annealed	80 [550]	35 [240]	30	40	...
S30600	...	annealed	78 [540]	35 [240]	40	...	...
S30815	...	annealed	87 [600]	45 [310]	40	50	...
S31254	...	annealed	95 [655]	44 [305]	35	50	...
S31725	...	annealed	75 [515]	30 [205]	40	...	...
S31726	...	annealed	80 [550]	35 [240]	40	...	...
S32050	...	annealed	98 [675]	48 [330]	40	...	...
S32615	...	annealed	80 [550]	32 [220]	25	40	...
S32654	...	annealed	109 [750]	62 [430]	40	40	250
S33228	...	annealed	73 [500]	27 [185]	30	...	...
S34565	...	annealed	115 [795]	60 [415]	35	40	230
S35315	...	annealed	94 [650]	39 [270]	40	...	...
Austenitic-Ferritic Grades							
S31803	...	annealed	90 [620]	65 [450]	25	...	290
S32205	...	annealed	90 [620]	65 [450]	25	...	290
S32550	...	annealed	110 [760]	80 [550]	15	...	297
S32750	2 in. and under	annealed	116 [800] <sup>F</sup>	80 [550] <sup>F</sup>	15	...	310
	over 2 in.	annealed	110 [760]	75 [515]	15	...	310
S32760	...	annealed	109 [750]	80 [550]	25	...	300
S32906	..	annealed	109 [750]	80 [550]	25	.	310
S32950	...	annealed	100 [690]	70 [485]	15	...	297
S39277	...	annealed	118 [820]	85 [585]	25	50	293



**TABLE 2** *Continued*

UNS Designation	Type	Condition	Tensile Strength, min, ksi [MPa]	Yield Strength, <sup>A</sup> min, ksi [MPa]	Elongation in 2 in. [50 mm] or 4D, min, %	Reduction of Area, min, % <sup>B</sup>	Brinell Hardness, max
Ferritic Grades							
S40500	405	annealed	60 [415]	25 [170]	20	45	207
S43000, S43035	430, 439	annealed	70 [485]	40 [275]	20 <sup>G</sup>	45 <sup>G</sup>	192
S44627	XM-27	annealed	65 [450]	40 [275]		45 <sup>G</sup>	217
S44401	...	annealed	60 [415]	45 [310]	20 <sup>H</sup>	45 <sup>H</sup>	217
S44700	...	annealed	70 [485]	55 [380]	20	40	...
S44800	...	annealed	70 [485]	55 [380]	20	40	...
Martensitic Grades							
S40300, S41000	403, 410	annealed	70 [485]	40 [275]	20 <sup>D</sup>	45 <sup>D</sup>	223
		1	70 [485]	40 [275]	20 <sup>D</sup>	45 <sup>D</sup>	223
		2	110 [760]	85 [585]	15	45	269
		3	130 [895]	100 [690]	12	35	331
S41400	414	tempered	115 [795]	90 [620]	15	45	321
S41425	...	tempered	120 [825]	95 [655]	15	45	321
S41500	...	normalized and tempered	115 [795]	90 [620]	15	45	293
S43100	431 <sup>I</sup>	annealed	...	...	...	...	277
		tempered	115 [795]	90 [620]	15	45	321
S41040	XM-30	annealed	70 [485]	40 [275]	13 <sup>G</sup>	45 <sup>G</sup>	235
		quenched and tempered	125 [860]	100 [690]	13	45	302

<sup>A</sup> See Section 7.

<sup>B</sup> Reduction of area does not apply on flat bars 3/16 in. [4.80 mm] and under in thickness as this determination is not generally made in this product size.

<sup>C</sup> American Welding Society designation.

<sup>D</sup> Tensile strength 70 ksi [485 MPa] min permitted for extruded shapes.

<sup>E</sup> For bars greater than 2 in. [51 mm], a cross section, 60 ksi [415 MPa] min, shall be permitted.

<sup>F</sup> For Sections over 2 in [50 mm] in thickness, the minimum tensile strength shall be 106 ksi [730 MPa]; the minimum yield strength shall be 75 ksi [515 MPa].

<sup>G</sup> Elongation in 2 in. or 50 mm of 12 % min and reduction of area of 35 % min permitted for cold-finished bars.

<sup>H</sup> Elongation in 2 in. of 12 % min and reduction of area of 35 % min permitted for cold-drawn or cold-rolled bars.

<sup>I</sup> Annealed bars shall be capable of meeting the tempered condition requirements when heat treated in accordance with 4.4.3.

8.2 The yield strength shall be determined by the offset (0.2 %) method as prescribed in Test Methods and Definitions A 370.

8.3 Martensitic material supplied in the annealed condition shall be capable of meeting the hardened and tempered mechanical properties when heat treated in accordance with the requirements of 4.4.

8.4 Hardness measurements, when required, shall be made at a location midway between the surface and the center of the cross section.

8.5 Martensitic grades shall be capable of meeting the hardness requirements after heat treating as specified in Table 3.

## 9. Corrosion Testing

9.1 Austenitic stainless steels solution annealed by the alternative method (see (2) in 4.1.1) shall be tested and pass the intergranular corrosion test requirements described in S2.

**TABLE 3** *Response To Heat Treatment*

Type <sup>A</sup>	Heat Treatment Temperature <sup>B</sup> °F (°C), min	Quenchant	Hardness HRC, min
403	1750 [955]	Air	35
410	1750 [955]	Air	35
414	1750 [955]	Oil	42

<sup>A</sup>Samples for testing shall be in the form of a section not exceeding 3/8 in. [9.50 mm] in thickness.

<sup>B</sup>Temperature tolerance is ±25°F [15°C].

## 10. Certification

10.1 The material manufacturer's certificate of compliance certifying that the material was manufactured and tested in accordance with this specification, together with a report of the results required by this specification and the purchase order shall be furnished at the time of shipment. The certification shall be positively relatable to the lot of material represented.

## 11. Product Marking

11.1 In addition to the marking requirements of Specification A 484/A 484M, materials which have been heat treated in accordance with 4.1, 4.2, 4.3, 4.4 or have been strain hardened in accordance with 4.1.3 shall be identified by placement of the following symbols after the grade designation:

### 11.1.1 Austenitic Grades:

11.1.1.1 All grades in the annealed condition—A,

11.1.1.2 Strain hardened Type 316, Level 1—S1,

11.1.1.3 Strain hardened Type 316, Level 2—S2,

11.1.1.4 Hot-rolled Type XM-19—H,

11.1.1.5 Strain hardened Type XM-19—S,

11.1.1.6 Material meeting Supplementary Requirement S1—ELT (unnecessary for H grades).

11.1.1.7 In addition to all other marking requirements of this specification, when S1 is invoked, all grades in the direct quenched condition (heat treated in accordance with 4.1.1 (2)) shall be marked "D".

11.1.2 *Austenitic-Ferritic Grades*—All grades in the annealed condition—A.

11.1.3 *Ferritic Grades*—All grades in the annealed condition—A.

11.1.4 *Martensitic Grades*:

11.1.4.1 All grades in the annealed condition—A.

11.1.4.2 Types 403 and 410—COND 1, COND 2, or COND 3 as appropriate for the tempering temperature employed.

11.1.4.3 Type 414, S41500, and Type XM-30 tempered materials—T.

## 12. Keywords

12.1 austenitic stainless steel; austenitic-ferritic duplex stainless steel; ferritic stainless steel; martensitic stainless steel; pressure containing parts; pressure vessel service; stainless steel bars; stainless steel shapes; temperature service applications—high

## SUPPLEMENTARY REQUIREMENTS

The following may be made requirements when the purchaser specifies them to be applicable.

### S1. Materials for High-Temperature Service

S1.1 Unless an H grade has been ordered, this supplementary requirement shall be specified for ASME Code applications for service above 1000°F [540°C].

S1.2 The user is permitted to use an austenitic stainless steel as the corresponding H grade when the material meets all requirements of the H grade including chemistry, annealing temperature, and grain size (see Section 7).

S1.3 The user is permitted to use an L grade austenitic stainless steel for service above 1000°F [540°C], subject to the applicable allowable stress table of the ASME Code, when the material meets all requirements of this specification and the grain size is ASTM No. 7 or coarser as determined in accordance with Test Method E 112. The grain size shall be reported on a Certified Test Report.

### S2. Corrosion Tests

S2.1 Intergranular corrosion tests shall be performed by the manufacturer on sensitized specimens of Types 304L, 316L, 321, 347, and 348; and for the other austenitic grades, on specimens representative of the as-shipped condition. All austenitic stainless steels shall be capable of passing intergranular corrosion tests in the as-shipped condition. Tests shall be performed in accordance with Practice E of Practices A 262.

### S3. Product Analysis

S3.1 An analysis shall be made by the manufacturer on a sample from one bar in each lot as defined in Specification A 484/A 484M. The analysis shall meet the requirements of Table 1. In the event of failure, the lot represented shall be rejected except that, at the option of the manufacturer, each bar in the lot may be tested for acceptance. Product analysis tolerance provisions do not apply.

### S4. Material for High Cycle Fatigue Service

S4.1 The mechanical properties of bars furnished in lengths under 20 ft [6 m] shall be determined by testing one end of each bar. Bars furnished in lengths of 20 ft [6 m] and over shall be tested at each end.

### S5. Material for Optimum Resistance to Stress Corrosion Cracking

S5.1 This supplementary requirement is to be referenced when austenitic stainless steels are to be purchased in accordance with 4.1.1 with solution-annealing as the final operation and with no subsequent cold drawing permitted. Straightening is permitted as a final operation to meet the straightness requirements of Specification A 484/A 484M unless specifically prohibited by the purchaser.

## APPENDIX

(Nonmandatory Information)

### X1. RATIONALE REGARDING DEFINITION OF SOLUTION ANNEALING IN 4.1.1

X1.1 It is generally recognized that austenitic stainless steels are solution annealed by heating to a temperature that dissolves (takes into solution) chromium carbides and quenching rapidly so that the chromium carbides will not participate in the grain boundaries which could cause susceptibility to intergranular corrosion in a critically corrosive environment. Thus, solution annealing also can be accomplished for non-stabilized grades by taking advantage of hot rolling temperatures (which always exceed solution annealing temperature requirements), maintaining hot rolling finishing temperatures well above minimum solution annealing requirements, and

immediately quenching integral with hot rolling. Stabilized grades (with columbium or titanium added) cannot be handled this way since they would become destabilized due to columbium or titanium carbide solution, without subsequent reheating.

X1.2 For Boiler Code applications involving temperatures where optimum resistance to creep is desired, the larger grain size of material solution annealed by reheating is generally desired. For that reason a minimum grain size has been required of the H grades (created for optimum elevated temperature properties) and a mandatory grain size test and

report has been added for the non-H grades so that the information is available for those desiring to reclassify a non-H grade to H grade.

X1.3 To satisfy the concerns of inadvertent assignment of fine grained material to elevated temperature applications, special marking has been added for material which meets the requirements of Supplementary Requirement S1.

X1.4 A mandatory test for susceptibility to intergranular corrosion has been added for material solution annealed by the alternative method [see (2) in 4.1.1] so that a history of data can be accumulated, as has been done in the past for material solution annealed by reheating.

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