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Standard Specification for Carbon Structural Steel¹

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1. Scope

- 1.1 This specification² covers carbon steel shapes, plates, and bars of structural quality for use in riveted, bolted, or welded construction of bridges and buildings, and for general structural purposes.
- 1.2 Supplemental requirements are provided where improved internal quality and notch toughness are important. These shall apply only when specified by the purchaser in the order
- 1.3 When the steel is to be welded, it is presupposed that a welding procedure suitable for the grade of steel and intended use or service will be utilized. See Appendix X3 of Specification A 6/A 6M for information on weldability.
- 1.4 The purchaser should consider specifying supplemental requirements, such as fine austenitic grain size and Charpy V-Notch Impact requirements, when Group 4 or Group 5 wide flange shapes are specified for use in other than column or compression applications.
- 1.5 The values stated in either inch-pound units or SI (metric) units are to be regarded separately as standard. Within the text, 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 this specification.

2. Referenced Documents

- 2.1 ASTM Standards:
- A 6/A 6M Specification for General Requirements for Rolled Steel Plates, Shapes, Sheet Piling, and Bars for Structural Use³
- A 27/A 27M Specification for Steel Castings, Carbon, for General Application⁴
- A 307 Specification for Carbon Steel Bolts and Studs, 60 000 psi Tensile Strength⁵
- A 325 Specification for Structural Bolts, Steel, Heat Treated, 120/105 ksi Minimum Tensile Strength⁵
- A 325M Specification for High-Strength Bolts for Structural Steel Joints [Metric]⁵

TABLE 1 Appurtenant Material Specifications

NOTE—The specifier should be satisfied of the suitability of these materials for the intended application. Composition and/or mechanical properties may be different than specified in A 36/A 36M.

Material	ASTM Designation		
Steel rivets	A 502, Grade 1		
Bolts	A 307, Grade A or F 568, Class 4.6		
High-strength bolts	A 325 or A 325M		
Steel nuts	A 563 or A 563M		
Cast steel	A 27/A 27M, Grade 65-35 [450-240]		
Forgings (carbon steel)	A 668, Class D		
Hot-rolled sheets and strip	A 570/A 570M, Grade 36		
Cold-formed tubing	A 500, Grade B		
Hot-formed tubing	A 501		

- A 500 Specification for Cold-Formed Welded and Seamless Carbon Steel Structural Tubing in Rounds and Shapes⁶
- A 501 Specification for Hot-Formed Welded and Seamless Carbon Steel Structural Tubing⁶
- A 502 Specification for Steel Structural Rivets⁵
- A 563 Specification for Carbon and Alloy Steel Nuts⁵
- A 563M Specification for Carbon and Alloy Steel Nuts [Metric]⁵
- A 570/A 570M Specification for Steel, Sheet and Strip, Carbon, Hot-Rolled, Structural Quality⁷
- A 668 Specification for Steel Forgings, Carbon and Alloy, for General Industrial Use⁸
- F 568 Specification for Carbon and Alloy Steel Externally Threaded Metric Fasteners⁵

3. Appurtenant Materials

3.1 When components of a steel structure are identified with this ASTM designation but the product form is not listed in the scope of this specification, the material shall conform to one of the standards listed in Table 1 unless otherwise specified by the purchaser. Table 1 does not provide any specification requirements to a manufacturer or processor. Orders to a manufacturer or processor should describe the required ASTM designation for product forms not listed in the scope of this specification. Unless otherwise specified, all plain and threaded bars used for anchorage purposes shall be subjected to mechanical tests and shall conform to the tensile requirements of Section 8; headed bolts used for anchorage purposes shall conform to Specification A 307 or F 568; and all nuts shall conform to the

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² For ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code Applications, see related Specifications SA-36 in Section II of that Code.

³ Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 01.04.

⁴ Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 01.02.

⁵ Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 15.08.

⁶ Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 01.01.

⁷ Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 01.03.

⁸ Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 01.05.

TABLE 2 Chemical Requirements

NOTE—Where ". . ." appears in this table there is no requirement. The heat analysis for manganese shall be determined and reported as described in the heat analysis section of Specification A 6/ A 6M.

Product	Shapes ^A	Plates ^B				Bars				
Thickness, in. [mm]	All	To 3/4 [20], incl	Over 3/4 to 11/2 [20 to 40], incl	Over 11/2 to 21/2 [40 to 65], incl	Over 2½ to 4 [65 to 100], incl	Over 4 [100]	To 3/4 [20], incl	Over 3/4 to 11/2 [20 to 40], incl	Over 1½ to 4 [100], incl	Over 4 [100]
Carbon, max, %	0.26	0.25	0.25	0.26	0.27	0.29	0.26	0.27	0.28	0.29
Manganese, %			0.80-1.20	0.80-1.20	0.85-1.20	0.85-1.20		0.60-0.90	0.60-0.90	0.60-0.90
Phosphorus, max, %	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04
Sulfur, max, %	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05
Silicon, %	0.40 max	0.40 max	0.40 max	0.15-0.40	0.15-0.40	0.15-0.40	0.40 max	0.40 max	0.40 max	0.40 max
Copper, min, % when copper steel is specified	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.20

A Manganese content of 0.85-1.35 % and silicon content of 0.15-0.40 % is required for shapes over 426 lb/ft [634 kg/m].

requirements of Specification A 563, Grade A, or A 563M, Class 5.

4. General Requirements for Delivery

4.1 Material furnished under this specification shall conform to the requirements of the current edition of Specification A 6/A 6M, for the ordered material, unless a conflict exists in which case this specification shall prevail.

5. Bearing Plates

- 5.1 Unless otherwise specified, plates used as bearing plates for bridges shall be subjected to mechanical tests and shall conform to the tensile requirements of Section 8.
- 5.2 Unless otherwise specified, mechanical tests shall not be required for plates over 1½ in. [40 mm] in thickness used as bearing plates in structures other than bridges, subject to the requirement that they shall contain 0.20 to 0.33% carbon by heat analysis, that the chemical composition shall conform to the requirements of Table 2 in phosphorus and sulfur content, and that a sufficient discard shall be made to secure sound plates.

6. Process

- 6.1 The steel shall be made by one or more of the following processes: open-hearth, basic-oxygen, or electric-furnace.
- 6.2 No rimmed or capped steel shall be used for plates and bars over $\frac{1}{2}$ in. [12.5 mm] thick or for shapes other than Group 1.

7. Chemical Requirements

- 7.1 The heat analysis shall conform to the requirements prescribed in Table 2, except as specified in 5.2.
- 7.2 The steel shall conform on product analysis to the requirements prescribed in Table 2, subject to the product analysis tolerances in Specification A 6/A 6M, except as specified in 7.3.

- 7.3 Product analysis is not applicable for bar-size shapes or flat bars ½ in. [12.5 mm] and under in thickness.
- 7.4 When tension tests are waived in accordance with 8.2, chemistry consistent with the requirements in Table 2, and with the mechanical properties desired must be applied.

8. Tensile Requirements

- 8.1 The material as represented by the test specimen, except as specified in 5.2 and 8.2, shall conform to the requirements as to the tensile properties prescribed in Table 3.
- 8.2 Shapes less than 1 in. [645 mm²] in cross section and bars, other than flats, less than ½ in. [12.5 mm] in thickness or diameter need not be subjected to tension tests by the manufacturer.

9. Keywords

9.1 bars; bolted construction; bridges; buildings; carbon; plates; riveted construction; shapes; steel; structural steel; welded construction

TABLE 3 Tensile Requirements⁴

Plates, Shapes, ^B and Bars:	·
Tensile strength, ksi [MPa]	58-80 [400-550]
Yield point, min, ksi [MPa]	36 [250]C
Plates and Bars ^{D,E} :	
Elongation in 8 in. [200 mm], min, %	20
Elongation in 2 in, [50 mm], min, %	23
Shapes:	
Elongation in 8 in. [200 mm], min, %	20
Elongation in 2 in. [50 mm], min, %	21 ⁸

^A See Specimen Orientation under the Tension Tests section of Specification A 6/A 6M.

^B For each reduction of 0.01 % below the specified carbon maximum, an increase of 0.06 % manganese above the specified maximum will be permitted up to the maximum of 1.35 %.

⁸ For wide flange shapes over 426 lb/ft [634 kg/m], the 80 ksi [550 MPa] maximum tensile strength does not apply and a minimum elongation in 2 in. [50 mm] of 19 %, applies.

^c Yield point 32 ksi [220 MPa] for plates over 8 in. [200 mm] in thickness.

D Elongation not required to be determined for floor plate.

^E For plates wider than 24 in. [600 mm], the elongation requirement is reduced two percentage points.. See elongation requirement adjustments under the Tension Tests section of Specification A 6/A 6M.



SUPPLEMENTARY REQUIREMENTS

These requirements shall not apply unless specified in the order.

Standardized supplementary requirements for use at the option of the purchaser are listed in Specification A 6/A 6M. Those that are considered suitable for use with this specification are listed by title:

S5. Charpy V-Notch Impact Test.

S14. Bend Test.

ADDED SUPPLEMENTARY REQUIREMENTS

In addition, the following optional supplementary requirements are also suitable for use with this specification.

S91. Fine Austenitic Grain Size

S97. Limitation on Rimmed or Capped Steel

S91.1 The steel shall be killed and have a fine austenitic grain size.

S97.1 The steel shall be other than rimmed or capped.

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Standard Specification for High-Strength Low-Alloy Structural Steel¹

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1. Scope

1.1 This specification covers high-strength low-alloy structural steel shapes, plates and bars for welded, riveted, or bolted construction intended primarily for use as structural members where savings in weight or added durability are important. The atmospheric corrosion resistance of the steel in most environments is substantially better than that of carbon structural steels with or without copper addition. When properly exposed to the atmosphere, this steel can be used bare (unpainted) for many applications (see Note 1). This specification is limited to material up to 4 in. [100 mm], inclusive, in thickness.

Note 1—For methods of estimating the atmospheric corrosion resistance of low-alloy steels, see Guide G 101.

- 1.2 When the steel is to be welded, it is presupposed that a welding procedure suitable for the grade of steel and intended use or service will be utilized. See Appendix X3 of Specification A 6/A 6M for information on weldability.
- 1.3 The values stated in either inch-pound units or SI units are to be regarded as standard. Within the text, the SI units are shown in brackets. The values stated in each system are not exact equivalents; therefore, each system must be used independently of the other. Combining values from the two systems may result in nonconformance with the specification.

2. Referenced Documents

2.1 ASTM Standards:

- A 6/A 6M Specification for General Requirements for Rolled Structural Steel Bars, Plates, Shapes, and Sheet Piling²
- G 101 Guide for Estimating the Atmospheric Corrosion Resistance of Low-Alloy Steels³

3. General Requirements for Delivery

3.1 Material furnished under this specification shall conform to the requirements of the current edition of Specifica-

tion A 6/A 6M, for the ordered material, unless a conflict exists in which case this specification shall prevail.

4. Process

- 4.1 The steel shall be made by one or more of the following processes: open-hearth, basic-oxygen, or electric-furnace.
 - 4.2 Rimming-type steels shall not be used.

5. Chemical Requirements

- 5.1 The heat analysis shall conform to the requirements prescribed in Table 1.
- 5.2 The steel shall conform on product analysis to the requirements prescribed in Table 1, subject to the product analysis tolerances in Specification A 6/A 6M.
- 5.3 Choice and use of alloying elements, combined with carbon, manganese, phosphorus, sulfur, and copper within the limits prescribed in 5.1 to give the mechanical properties prescribed in Section 6 and to provide the atmospheric corrosion resistance of 1.1, shall be made by the manufacturer and included and reported in the heat analysis to identify the type of steel applied. Elements commonly added include: chromium, nickel, silicon, vanadium, titanium, and zirconium.
- 5.4 When required, the manufacturer shall supply evidence of corrosion resistance satisfactory to the purchaser. The basis for this evidence may be a corrosion index calculated on the basis of the chemical composition of the steel, as described in Guide G 101.

NOTE 2—The user is cautioned that the Guide G 101 predictive equation for calculation of an atmospheric corrosion resistance index has only been verified for the composition limits stated in that guide.

6. Tensile Requirements

6.1 The material as represented by the test specimens shall conform to the requirements as to tensile properties prescribed in Table 2.

TABLE 1 Chemical Requirements (Heat Analysis)

Florent	Composition, %	
Element	Type 1	
Carbon, max	0.15	
Manganese, max	1.00	
Phosphorous, max	0.15	
Sulfur, max	0.05	
Copper, min	0.20	

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³ Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 03.02.

TABLE 2 Tensile Requirements

		Plates and Bars ^A			Structural Shapes			
	For thick- nesses ¾ in. [20 mm], and under	For thick- nesses over 3/4 to 11/2 in. [20 to 40 mm], incl	For thick- nesses over 1½ to 4 in. [40 to 100 mm], incl	Groups 1 and 2	Group 3	Groups 4 and 5		
Tensile strength, min, ksi [MPa] Yield point, min, ksi [MPa]	70 [480] 50 [345] 18 ^{B,C}	67 [460] 46 [315] 18 ^{8,0}	63 [435] 42 [290] 18 ^{B,C}	70 [485] 50 [345] 18°	67 [460] 46 [315]	63 [435] 42 [290]		
Elongation in 8 in. [200 mm], min, % Elongation in 2 in. [50 mm], min, %	21 °	21°	21°	21	18 21	18 21 <i>0</i>		

A See Specimen Orientation under the Tension Tests section of Specification A 6/A 6M.

SUPPLEMENTARY REQUIREMENTS

Standardized supplementary requirements for use at the option of the purchaser are listed in Specification A 6/A 6M. Those that are considered suitable for use with this specification are listed by title:

- S2. Product Analysis,
- S3. Simulated Post-Weld Heat Treatment of Mechanical Test Coupons,
 - S5. Charpy V-Notch Impact Test,

- S6. Drop Weight Test,
- S8. Ultrasonic Examination,
- S14. Bend Test, and
- S15. Reduction of Area Measurement.

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^B Elongation not required to be determined for floor plate.

^c For plates wider than 24 in. [600 mm] the elongation requirement is reduced two percentage points. See elongation requirement adjustments in the Tension Tests section of Specification A 6/A 6M.

^D For wide flange shapes over 426 lb/ft [634 kg/m] elongation in 2 in. [50 mm] of 18 % minimum applies.

Standard Specification for Low and Intermediate Tensile Strength Carbon Steel Plates¹

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1. Scope

- 1.1 This specification² covers four grades (A, B, C, and D) of carbon steel plates of structural quality for general application.
- 1.2 When the steel is to be welded, it is presupposed that a welding procedure suitable for the grade of steel and intended use or service will be utilized. See Appendix X3 of Specification A 6/A 6M for information on weldability.
- 1.3 The values stated in either inch-pound units or SI 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 are not equivalents, therefore each system must be used independent of the other. Combining values from the two systems may result in nonconformance with this specification.

2. Referenced Document

2.1 ASTM Standard:

A 6/A 6M Specification for General Requirements for

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Rolled Structural Steel Bars, Plates, Shapes, and Sheet Piling³

3. General Requirements for Delivery

3.1 Material furnished under this specification shall conform to the requirements of the current edition of Specification A 6/A 6M, for the ordered material, unless a conflict exists in which case this specification shall prevail.

4. Process

4.1 The steel shall be made by one or more of the following processes: open-hearth, basic-oxygen, or electric-furnace.

5. Chemical Requirements

- 5.1 The heat analysis shall conform to the requirements prescribed in Table 1.
- 5.2 The steel shall conform on product analysis to the requirements prescribed in Table 1, subject to the product analysis tolerances in Specification A 6/A 6M.

6. Tensile Requirements

6.1 Material as represented by the test specimens shall conform to the requirements as to tensile properties prescribed in Table 2.

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² For ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code applications see related Specification SA-283/SA 283M in Section II of that Code.

³ Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 01.04.

TABLE 1 Chemical Requirements

	Heat Analysis, %					
Elements	Grade A	Grade B	Grade C	Grade D		
Carbon, max	0.14	0.17	0.24	0.27		
Manganese, max	0.90	0.90	0.90	0.90		
Phosphorus, max	0.035	0.035	0.035	0.035		
Sulfur, max	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04		
Silicon						
Plates 11/2 in. [40 mm] and under, max	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.40		
Plates over 11/2 in. [40 mm]	0.15-0.40	0.15-0.40	0.15-0.40	0.15-0.40		
Copper, min % when copper is specified	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.20		

TABLE 2 Tensile Requirements⁴

	Grade A	Grade B	Grade C	Grade D
Tensile strength, ksi [MPa]	45-60 [310-415]	50-65 [345-450]	55-75 [380-515]	60-80 [415-550]
Yield point, min, ksi [MPa]	24 [165]	27 [185]	30 [205]	33 [230]
Elongation in 8 in. [200 mm], min, %B	27	25	22	20
Elongation in 2 in. [50 mm], min, %B	30	28	25	23

A See Specimen Orientation under the Tension Tests section of Specification A 6/A 6 M.

SUPPLEMENTARY REQUIREMENTS

Standardized supplementary requirements for use at the option of the purchaser are listed in Specification A 6/A 6M. Several that are considered suitable for use with this specification are listed by title:

- S2. Product Analysis,
- S3. Simulated Post-Weld Heat Treatment of Mechanical Test Coupons,
 - S5. Charpy V-Notch Impact Test,
 - S6. Drop Weight Test,

- S8. Ultrasonic Examination.
- S14. Bend Test, and
- S15. Reduction of Area.
- S97. Limitation on Rimmed or Capped Steel:
- S97.1 The steel shall be other than rimmed or capped.

Supplementary requirements shall not apply unless specified on the order. Requirements other than those shown above may be specified subject to agreement between the supplier and the purchaser.

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⁸ For plates wider than 24 in. [600 mm], the elongation requirement is reduced two percentage points. See elongation requirement adjustments in the Tension Tests section of Specification A 6/A 6M.

Standard Test Methods and Definitions for Mechanical Testing of Steel Products¹

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1. Scope

1.1 These test methods² cover procedures and definitions for the mechanical testing of wrought and cast steel products. The various mechanical tests herein described are used to determine properties required in the product specifications. Variations in testing methods are to be avoided and standard methods of testing are to be followed to obtain reproducible and comparable results. In those cases where the testing requirements for certain products are unique or at variance with these general procedures, the product specification testing requirements shall control.

1.2 The following mechanical tests are described:

	Sections
Tension	5 to 13
Bend	
Hardness	15
Brinell	16, 17
Rockwell	18
Impact	19 to 28

1.3 Annexes covering details peculiar to certain products are appended to these test methods as follows:

	Annex
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- 1.4 The values stated in inch-pound units are to be regarded as the standard.
- 1.5 When this document is referenced in a metric product specification, the yield and tensile values may be determined in inch-pound (ksi) units then converted into SI (MPa) units. The elongation determined in inch-pound gage lengths of 2 or 8 in. may be reported in SI unit gage lengths of 50 or 200 mm, respectively, as applicable. Conversely, when this document is referenced in an inch-pound product specification, the yield and tensile values may be determined in SI units

then converted into inch-pound units. The elongation determined in SI unit gage lengths of 50 or 200 mm may be reported in inch-pound gage lengths of 2 or 8 in., respectively, as applicable.

- 1.6 Attention is directed to Practice A 880 when there may be a need for information on criteria for evaluation of testing laboratories.
- 1.7 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 ASTM Standards:

- A 703/A 703M Specification for Steel Castings, General Requirements, for Pressure-Containing Parts³
- A 781/A 781M Specification for Castings, Steel and Alloy, Common Requirements, for General Industrial Use³
- A 880 Practice for Criteria for Use in Evaluation of Testing Laboratories and Organizations for Examination and Inspection of Steel, Stainless Steel, and Related Allovs⁴
- E 4 Practices for Force Verification of Testing Machines⁵
- E 6 Terminology Relating to Methods of Mechanical Testing⁵
- E 8 Test Methods for Tension Testing of Metallic Materials⁵
- E 8M Test Methods for Tension Testing of Metallic Materials [Metric]⁵
- E 10 Test Method for Brinell Hardness of Metallic Materials⁵
- E 18 Test Methods for Rockwell Hardness and Rockwell Superficial Hardness of Metallic Materials⁵
- E 23 Test Methods for Notched Bar Impact Testing of Metallic Materials⁵
- E 29 Practice for Using Significant Digits in Test Data to Determine Conformance with Specifications⁶
- E 83 Practice for Verification and Classification of Extensometers⁵

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² For ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code applications see related Specification SA-370 in Section II of that Code.

³ Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 01.02.

⁴ Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 01.03.

⁵ Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 03.01.

⁶ Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 14.02.