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Standard Specification for Normalized High-Strength Low-Alloy Structural Steel Plates¹

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NOTE—Table 2 was corrected editorially in June 1995.

1. Scope

1.1 This specification covers normalized high-strength low-alloy structural steel plates for welded, riveted, or bolted construction.

1.2 This specification is particularly suited for service at ambient temperatures of -50°F [-45°C] and higher where better than that expected in as-rolled material of a comparable strength level is desired.

1.3 Four grades, designated Grades A, C, D, and E (originally former Specification A 633 without a grade designation) are covered by this specification. Grade A provides a minimum yield point of 42 ksi [290 MPa] in thicknesses through 4 in. [100 mm]. Grades C and D provide a minimum yield point of 50 ksi [345 MPa] in thicknesses up to 2.50 in. [65 mm], inclusive and 45.0 ksi [315 MPa] in thicknesses over 2.50 in. to 4.0 in. [65 to 100 mm], inclusive. Grade E provides a minimum yield point of 60 ksi [415 MPa] in thicknesses up to 4.0 in. [100 mm], inclusive and 55 ksi [380 MPa] in thicknesses over 4 in. to 8 in. [100 to 150 mm], inclusive.

1.4 Current practice normally limits plates furnished under this specification to the maximum thicknesses shown in 1.3. The individual manufacturer should be consulted for any limitations for other product forms.

1.5 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.

1.6 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 discrepancy with this specification.

2. Referenced Documents

2.1 *ASTM Standards*—

A 6/A 6M Specification for General Requirements for Rolled Structural Steel Plates, Shapes, and Steel Piling¹

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² Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 01.04.

A 673/A 673M Specification for Normalized High-Strength Low-Alloy Structural Steel Plates for Impact Testing of Structural Steel²

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. Manufacture

4.1 Melting Process:

4.1.1 The steel may be made by any of the following processes: open-hearth, basic-oxygen, or electric-furnace.

4.1.2 The steel shall be killed and shall conform to the tensile strength and elongation requirements of Specification A 6/A 6M.

5. Heat Treatment

5.1 The material shall be austempered or normalized at a temperature which produces an austenitic structure, but not exceeding 1700°F [923°C], holding a sufficient time to attain uniformity throughout the material and cooling in air.

5.1.1 Grade E material over 5 in. [75 mm] in thickness shall be double normalized.

5.2 If the purchaser elects to perform the required heat treatment on the material, it shall be accepted on the basis of mill tests made from test coupons heat treated in accordance with the purchase order. If the test coupon heat treatment requirements are not indicated on the purchase order, the manufacturer shall heat treat the test coupons under conditions considered appropriate. The manufacturer shall inform the purchaser of the heat-treatment procedure followed in hot treating the test coupons at the mill.

6. Chemical Requirements

6.1 The chemical composition shall conform to the chemical composition requirements listed in Table 1.

6.2 The steel shall undergo analysis to the requirements prescribed in Table 1, subject to the product analysis tolerance in specification A 6/A 6M.

7. Mechanical Requirements

7.1 *Tension Tests*—The material as represented by the test specimens shall conform to the requirements listed in Table 2.

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TABLE I chemical Requirements

Note—Where “—” appears in this table there is no requirement.

	Grade A	Grades C and D	Grade E
Carbon, max:	—	—	—
Manganese:	—	—	—
1½ in. [40 mm] and under in thickness	1.00–1.35	1.15–1.50 ^a	0.70–1.30
Over 1½ in. to 4 in. [40 to 100 mm], incl	1.00–1.35	1.15–1.50 ^a	1.0@1.80
Over 4 in. to 6 in. [100 to 150 mm], incl	—	—	—
Sulfur, max	—	—	0.035
Sulfur	—	—	—
Silicon	0.15–0.50	0.15–0.50	0.15–0.50
Vanadium	—	—	0.04–0.11
	0.05 max.	—	—
	—	—	0.01–0.03
	—	—	—
	—	—	0.35
	—	—	0.25
Chromium, max	—	—	0.25
	—	—	0.08

^a For Grade E the minimum total aluminum content shall be 0.018 %, or the vanadium–nitrogen ratio shall be 4:1.

^b For Grade C manganese content may be increased to 1.60 % maximum provided the carbon content does not exceed 0.015 %.

^c Columbium may be present in the amount of 0.01 to 0.05 %.

^d The size and grade is not described in this specification.

	Grade A	Grades C and D	Grade E
Yield point, min, ksi [MPa]:	—	—	—
Over 2.5 in. to 4 in. [65 to 100 mm], incl	42 [290]	46 [315]	60 [415]
Over 4 in. to 6 in. [100 to 150 mm], incl	—	—	55 [380]
Tensile strength, ksi [MPa]:	—	—	—
2.5 in. [65 mm] and under	—	—	80 to 100 [550 to 690]
Over 2.5 in. to 4 in. [65 to 100 mm], incl	—	—	80 to 100 [550 to 690]
Over 4 in. to 6 in. [100 to 150 mm], incl	—	—	75 to 95 [515 to 655]

^a See specimen Orientation under the Tension Tests of Specification A 633/A 633M.

^b The size and grade is not described in this specification.

^c For plates wider than 24 in. (610 mm), the elongation requirement is in section 5 of Specification A 633/A 633M.

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8. Keywords

8.1 bolted construction; high-strength; low-alloy; low am-

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SUPPLEMENTARY REQUIREMENTS:

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55. Charpy V-Notch Impact Test.
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523. Copper-Bcazt*g Steel (for if4proved atQ ghe?c corrosion resistance).

APPENDIX

(Nonmandatory Information)

XI. CHARPY V-NOTCH IMPACT TEST

X1.1 The values shown in Table X1.1 are included only as information as to the guarantees which are generally available

is a matter for agreement between the purchaser and the manufacturer.

TABLE X1.1 Charpy V-Notch Impact Test Minimum Energy Values (Average of Three Specimens)

Test Temperature, °F [°C]	Longitudinal Specimens, ft	Transverse Specimens, ft-lbf [J]
-75 [-60]		15 [20]
-60 [-50]	20 [27]	15 [20]
-50 [-45]	25 [34]	20 [27]
-40 [-40]	25 [34]	20 [27]
-30 [-35]	30 [41]	25 [34]
0 [-20]	40 [54]	30 [41]
32 [0]	45 [61]	30 [41]
75 [25]	50 [68]	30 [41]

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