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Foreword

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1 Scope and field of application

This part of ISO 2604 specifies the quality requirements for plates for pressure purposes of thicknesses from 3 to 70 mm of weldable fine grain steels [see note 1) with high proof stress supplied either in the normalized or normalized plus tempered condition [see steels in table 1a)] or in the quenched and tempered or precipitation-hardened condition [see steels in table 1b) and see note 2)].

Each steel type is subdivided into

- a basic grade
- an elevated temperature grade (symbol H : high temperature)
- a low temperature grade (symbol L).

NOTES

- 1 Under fine grain steels are here understood steels with a grain size 6 or finer according to the grain size charts in ISO 643.
- 2 Unless otherwise indicated, the term "quenched and tempered" when used also covers the precipitation-hardened condition.
- 3 ISO 2604/4 and ISO 2604/7 cover quality requirements for plates for pressure purposes manufactured from other types of steel than those given in tables 1a) and 1b). It is intended to combine these two parts of this International Standard into one at a later date.

2 References

ISO 148, *Steel — Charpy impact test (V-notch)*.

ISO/R 377, *Selection and preparation of samples and test pieces for wrought steel*.

ISO 404, *Steel and steel products — General technical delivery requirements*.

ISO 643, *Steels — Micrographic determination of the ferritic or austenitic grain size*.

ISO/R 783, *Mechanical testing of steel at elevated temperatures — Determination of lower yield stress and proof stress and proving test*.

ISO 2566/1, *Steel — Conversion of elongation values — Part 1 : Carbon and low alloy steels*.

ISO 2604, *Steel products for pressure purposes — Quality requirements —*

Part 4 : Plates.

Part 7 : Carbon steel plate (thicknesses over 100 to 250 mm).¹⁾

ISO 2605, *Steel products for pressure purposes — Derivation and verification of elevated temperature properties —*

Part 1 : Yield or proof stress of carbon and low alloy steel products.

Part 3 : An alternative procedure for deriving the elevated temperature yield-proof stress properties when data are limited.¹⁾

ISO 6892, *Metallic materials — Tensile testing*.

3 General requirements

3.1 Information to be supplied by the purchaser

3.1.1 The purchaser shall state on his enquiry and order the requirements given below :

- a) the plate dimensions and tolerances (see 3.7);
- b) the steel type [see tables 1a) and 1b)];
- c) the inspection procedures and type of documents (see 3.8, 3.13 and 4.2).

1) At present at the stage of draft. Pending publication of these drafts as International Standards it will be necessary for the relevant requirements to be agreed by the purchaser and the manufacturer.

3.1.2 Certain alternatives are permitted by this part of ISO 2604 and the purchaser may also state on his enquiry and order his requirements as follows, but if no such statement is made, supply will be at the option of the manufacturer :

- a) if plates for hot-forming are required, the heat-treatment condition of supply (see 3.3.2 and 3.10.1.5);
- b) if a maximum copper content of 0,30 % (*m/m*) is required [see table 1a) and table 1b), note 5];
- c) if a product (check) analysis is required (see 3.4.2);
- d) if additional mechanical tests are required (see 3.5.1.3);
- e) any special requirements for freedom from defects (see 3.6.2);
- f) if the V-notch impact tests shall be carried out on longitudinal instead of transverse test pieces (see table 5, column 3) or at another temperature than the lowest (see 3.11.2);
- g) the details of non-destructive tests, if required (see 3.10.3 and 3.11.3);
- h) if elevated temperature proof stress tests are required and, if so, the testing temperature selected from table 4 (see 4.2.1.2);
- i) if a verification of the elevated temperature proof stress values of table 4 without specific tests is required and, if so, the procedure to be applied (see 4.2.1.3).

NOTE — The optional requirements given under c), d), f) g) and h) are only applicable if under 3.1.1 c) an inspection certificate or an inspection report was ordered.

3.2 Manufacture of the steel

3.2.1 Unless otherwise stated on the enquiry and order, the steelmaking process within the provisions of 3.2.2 shall be at the option of the steel manufacturer.

3.2.2 The steel shall be produced by the open hearth, electric or one of the basic oxygen processes or by a combination of these processes. Other processes may be used by agreement between the interested parties¹⁾. If he so requests, the purchaser shall be informed of the steelmaking process used.

3.2.3 All steels shall be fully killed and be from casts with addition elements capable of producing a fine grain.

3.3 Heat treatment

3.3.1 Normal heat treatments

3.3.1.1 Plates of the steel types covered in table 1a) shall be supplied in the normalized or, if appropriate, in the normalized plus tempered condition.

The application of controlled temperatures during and after rolling or forming may take the place of normalizing, provided that the specified properties are complied with and can also be obtained after a further normalizing treatment.

3.3.1.2 Plates of the steel types covered in table 1b) shall, according to the choice of the manufacturer, be supplied

- either in a quenched and tempered condition
- or in a precipitation-hardened condition (see note 2 to clause 1).

The type of heat treatment intended by the manufacturer shall be indicated in the offer.

The purchaser shall be informed of the details of the heat treatment carried out by the producer. If during further processing of the steels a heat treatment must be undertaken by the user, details of suitable conditions for it should be provided by the manufacturer.

3.3.2 Other heat-treatment conditions

By agreement between the interested parties, the plates may be delivered in a condition other than those given in 3.3.1 (see, however, 3.10.1.5), for example for hot forming.

3.4 Chemical composition

3.4.1 Ladle analysis

The chemical composition of the individual steel types covered by this part of ISO 2604 may — depending on the type of alloy additions selected by the manufacturer and on the thickness of the product — be different. It shall, however, in each case comply with the requirements for the results of the cast analysis given for the relevant steel type in table 1a) or 1b).

As the chemical composition influences the welding characteristics, the manufacturer shall describe in his confirmation the type of alloy which he will supply. For this purpose, he shall indicate for the carbon content and, for the contents of the following other elements in as far as these are added to the steel, the limiting values for the cast analysis of his type of alloy :

Si, Mn, Al, B, Cr, Cu, Mo, N, Nb, Ni, Ti, V, Zr.

1) Such as the user, purchaser, and manufacturer of the equipment, the producer of the supplied construction material and the inspection and/or certifying authority.

3.4.2 Product analysis

3.4.2.1 If a check analysis on samples taken from the products in accordance with 3.4.2.2 is required, the permissible deviations given in table 2 shall apply to the limiting values given according to 3.4.1 by the manufacturer for the ladle analysis.

3.4.2.2 If a check analysis on the product is required, the number of samples to be taken shall be agreed between the interested parties.

The samples shall be taken either from the test pieces used for the verification of the mechanical properties, or from drillings through the whole thickness of the plate at the same location, as for the mechanical test samples. The requirements of ISO/R 377, covering the method of selection and preparation of the samples for chemical analysis, shall apply.

3.4.3 Cases of dispute

In cases of dispute, the methods for chemical analysis shall be in accordance with the relevant International Standards. If no International Standard is available, the methods to be used shall be agreed between the interested parties.

3.5 Mechanical and technological properties

3.5.1 Mechanical properties

3.5.1.1 The tensile properties at room temperature to be obtained on test pieces selected, prepared and tested in accordance with 3.10.1 and 3.11.1 are given in tables 1a) and 1b).

3.5.1.2 The impact properties to be obtained on test pieces selected, prepared and tested in accordance with 3.10.1 and 3.11.2 are given in table 3.

3.5.1.3 If heat treatments different from, or additional to, those given in 3.3.1 are to be carried out after the delivery of the plates (which may have an adverse effect on the mechanical properties), the purchaser may require, at the time of enquiry and order, additional mechanical tests on additional samples. In this case, the heat treatment of the samples and the mechanical properties to be obtained on them shall be agreed between the interested parties at the time of enquiry and order.

NOTES

1 The mechanical properties can be affected by heating or reheating during fabrication. Purchasers who intend to heat or reheat any of the steels are advised to discuss the application and proposed heating or reheating treatment with supplier.

2 If plates of normalized fine grain steels are hot-formed, they shall have the same mechanical properties as specified in this part of ISO 2604, provided that the steel has not been heated to more than 1 100 °C and that, after forming, it has been cooled to a temperature below the transformation temperature and then normalized at the specified temperature.

However, the final normalizing may be omitted provided that

- a) the hot-forming is done in one operation at the normalizing temperature;
- b) if hot-forming is done in more than one operation, the plate is cooled to a temperature below the transformation temperature before the last operation, and this operation is then carried out at the normalizing temperature.

3.5.2 Weldability

The steels covered by this part of ISO 2604 are generally regarded as being weldable. However, the general weldability of the steels cannot be guaranteed as the behaviour of the steel during and after welding is dependent not only on the steel, but also on the welding conditions and the final use for which the steel is employed. Therefore, where appropriate, the welding procedure shall be agreed between the interested parties at the time of enquiry and order.

3.6 Surface condition and soundness

3.6.1 The plates shall have a workmanlike finish and shall be clean and free from surface and internal defects likely to have an adverse effect.

3.6.2 Any special requirements for freedom from defects shall be agreed between the parties concerned at the time of enquiry and order.¹⁾

3.6.3 The requirements for surface defects, rectification and internal defects given in ISO 404 shall apply.

3.6.4 Before delivery or submission for acceptance, the surface defects shall be removed by the supplier by grinding, provided that the final thickness complies with the minimum tolerance and that the resulting depression is properly smoothed off in relation to the remainder of the surface. If the thickness has to be reduced below the minimum accepted value, this repair shall be carried out only with the agreement of the user or his representative. Large surface defects may, by agreement with the user or his representative, be repaired by grinding (possibly by chiselling), followed by welding and leveling of the weld. This operation shall be carried out under the following conditions :

- a) The defects shall be completely eliminated before any filler metal is applied.
- b) The total surface to be repaired shall not exceed 2 % of the surface area of the face of the plate in question.
- c) The complete removal of the defects shall not reduce the thickness of the plate by more than 20 % of the nominal thickness.
- d) It shall be verified that, after the total elimination of the defect, the two above conditions are complied with. Every

1) For hot-rolled steel plates and wide flats, see ISO 7788, *Steel — Surface finish of hot-rolled plates and wide flats*.