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Standard Specification for Alloy Steel Forgings for Nonmagnetic Retaining Rings for Generators¹

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1. Scope

1.1 This specification covers nonmagnetic alloy steel retaining ring forgings for generators.

1.2 The values stated in either SI units or inch-pound units are to be regarded separately as standard. The values stated in each system may not be exact equivalents; therefore, each system shall be used independently of the other. Combining values from the two systems may result in non-conformance with the standard.

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

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

[A342/A342M Test Methods for Permeability of Weakly Magnetic Materials](#)

[A370 Test Methods and Definitions for Mechanical Testing of Steel Products](#)

[A531/A531M Practice for Ultrasonic Examination of Turbine-Generator Steel Retaining Rings](#)

[A788/A788M Specification for Steel Forgings, General Requirements](#)

[E45 Test Methods for Determining the Inclusion Content of Steel](#)

[E112 Test Methods for Determining Average Grain Size](#)

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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.

[E165/E165M Practice for Liquid Penetrant Examination for General Industry](#)

3. Ordering Information and General Requirements

3.1 Material supplied to this specification shall conform to the requirements of Specification [A788/A788M](#), which outlines ordering information, manufacturing requirements, testing methods and retesting procedures, marking, certification, product analysis variation, and additional supplementary requirements.

3.2 If the requirements of this specification are in conflict with the requirements of Specification [A788/A788M](#), the requirements of this specification shall prevail.

3.3 Supplementary requirements of an optional nature are provided. They shall apply only when specified by the purchaser.

4. Manufacture

4.1 The steel shall be made by the electro-slag-remelt (ESR) process. The electrodes shall be made by either the basic electric furnace or ladle refining processes.

4.2 Sufficient discard shall be taken from each ingot to secure freedom from piping and undue segregation.

4.3 Forged rings shall be solution treated following hot working and prior to the cold expansion procedure.

4.4 Rings shall be rough machined prior to cold expansion or final heat treatment.

4.5 Rings shall be expanded by an appropriate method such as segmented dies, tapered plug, etc. in the temperature range of 60 to 390 °F [15 to 200 °C] in order to develop the required tensile properties.

4.6 After cold expansion, the rings shall be heated to between 575 and 750 °F [300 to 400 °C] at a rate not to exceed 75 °F [40 °C]/h, held at this temperature for 6 to 12 h, and then slow cooled to ambient temperature.

5. Chemical Requirements

5.1 *Heat Analysis*—The heat analysis obtained from sampling in accordance with Specification [A788/A788M](#) shall comply with [Table 1](#) of this specification.