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Réchauffeurs à brûleurs pour usage général dans les raffineries*



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## Foreword

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## Introduction

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# Petroleum, petrochemical and natural gas industries — Fired heaters for general refinery service

## 1 Scope

This International Standard specifies requirements and gives recommendations for the design, materials, fabrication, inspection, testing, preparation for shipment, and erection of fired heaters, air preheaters, fans and burners for general refinery service.

This International Standard is not intended to apply to the design of steam reformers or pyrolysis furnaces.

## 2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 1461, *Hot dip galvanized coatings on fabricated iron and steel articles — Specifications and test methods*

ISO 1940-1:2003, *Mechanical vibration — Balance quality requirements for rotors in a constant (rigid) state — Part 1: Specification and verification of balance tolerances*

ISO 8501-1, *Preparation of steel substrates before application of paints and related products — Visual assessment of surface cleanliness — Part 1: Rust grades and preparation grades of uncoated steel substrates and of steel substrates after overall removal of previous coatings*

ISO 10684, *Fasteners — Hot dip galvanized coatings*

ISO 13704, *Petroleum, petrochemical and natural gas industries — Calculation of heater-tube thickness in petroleum refineries*

ISO 15649, *Petroleum and natural gas industries — Piping*

IEC 60079 (all parts), *Electrical apparatus for explosive gas atmospheres*

EN 10025-2:2004<sup>1)</sup>, *Hot rolled products of structural steels — Part 2: Technical delivery conditions for non-alloy structural steels*

ABMA Standard 9<sup>2)</sup>, *Load Ratings and Fatigue Life for Ball Bearings*

AMCA 210<sup>3)</sup>, *Laboratory Methods of Testing Fans for Aerodynamic Performance Rating*

AMCA 801:2001, *Industrial Process/Power Generation Fans — Specifications and Guidelines*

API 673<sup>4)</sup>, *Centrifugal Fans for Petroleum, Chemical and Gas Industry Services*

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2) American Bearing Manufacturers Association, 2025 M. Street, NW, Suite 800, Washington, DC 20036, USA.

3) Air Movement and Control Association, 30 West University Drive, Arlington Heights, IL 60004, USA.

4) American Petroleum Institute, 1220 L Street NW, Washington, DC 20005-4070, USA.

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ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code, Section VIII, *Pressure Vessels*

ASTM A 36<sup>6)</sup>, *Standard Specification for Carbon Structural Steel*

ASTM A 53, *Standard Specification for Pipe, Steel, Black and Hot-Dipped, Zinc-Coated, Welded and Seamless*

ASTM A 105, *Standard Specification for Carbon Steel Forgings for Piping Applications*

ASTM A 106, *Standard Specification for Seamless Carbon Steel Pipe for High-Temperature Service*

ASTM A 123, *Standard Specification for Zinc (Hot-Dip Galvanized) Coatings on Iron and Steel Products*

ASTM A 143, *Standard Practice for Safeguarding Against Embrittlement of Hot-Dip Galvanized Structural Steel Products and Procedure for Detecting Embrittlement*

ASTM A 153, *Standard Specification for Zinc Coating (Hot-Dip) on Iron and Steel Hardware*

ASTM A 181, *Standard Specification for Carbon Steel Forgings, for General-Purpose Piping*

ASTM A 182, *Standard Specification for Forged or Rolled Alloy-Steel Pipe Flanges, Forged Fittings, and Valves and Parts for High-Temperature Service*

ASTM A 192, *Standard Specification for Seamless Carbon Steel Boiler Tubes for High-Pressure Service*

ASTM A 193, *Standard Specification for Alloy-Steel and Stainless Steel Bolting Materials for High-Temperature or High-Pressure Service and Other Special Purpose Applications*

ASTM A 194, *Standard Specification for Carbon and Alloy Steel Nuts for Bolts for High-Pressure or High-Temperature Service, or Both*

ASTM A 209, *Standard Specification for Seamless Carbon-Molybdenum Alloy-Steel Boiler and Superheater Tubes*

ASTM A 210, *Standard Specification for Seamless Medium-Carbon Steel Boiler and Superheater Tubes*

ASTM A 213, *Standard Specification for Seamless Ferritic and Austenitic Alloy-Steel Boiler, Superheater, and Heat-Exchanger Tubes*

ASTM A 216, *Standard Specification for Steel Castings, Carbon, Suitable for Fusion Welding, for High-Temperature Service*

ASTM A 217, *Standard Specification for Steel Castings, Martensitic Stainless and Alloy, for Pressure-Containing Parts, Suitable for High-Temperature Service*

ASTM A 234, *Standard Specification for Piping Fittings of Wrought Carbon Steel and Alloy Steel for Moderate and High Temperature Service*

ASTM A 240, *Standard Specification for Chromium and Chromium-Nickel Stainless Steel Plate, Sheet, and Strip for Pressure Vessels and for General Applications*

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- ASTM A 307, *Standard Specification for Carbon Steel Bolts and Studs, 60 000 PSI Tensile Strength*
- ASTM A 312, *Standard Specification for Seamless, Welded, and Heavily Cold Worked Austenitic Stainless Steel Pipes*
- ASTM A 320, *Standard Specification for Alloy Steel and Stainless Steel Bolting Materials for Low-Temperature Service*
- ASTM A 325, *Standard Specification for Structural Bolts, Steel, Heat Treated, 120/105 ksi Minimum Tensile Strength*
- ASTM A 335, *Standard Specification for Seamless Ferritic Alloy-Steel Pipe for High-Temperature Service*
- ASTM A 351, *Standard Specification for Castings, Austenitic, for Pressure-Containing Parts*
- ASTM A 376, *Standard Specification for Seamless Austenitic Steel Pipe for High-Temperature Central-Station Service*
- ASTM A 384, *Standard Practice for Safeguarding Against Warpage and Distortion During Hot-Dip Galvanizing of Steel Assemblies*
- ASTM A 385, *Standard Practice for Providing High-Quality Zinc Coatings (Hot-Dip)*
- ASTM A 387, *Standard Specification for Pressure Vessel Plates, Alloy Steel, Chromium-Molybdenum*
- ASTM A 403, *Standard Specification for Wrought Austenitic Stainless Steel Piping Fittings*
- ASTM A 447, *Standard Specification for Steel Castings, Chromium-Nickel-Iron Alloy (25-12 Class), for High-Temperature Service*
- ASTM A 560, *Standard Specification for Castings, Chromium-Nickel Alloy*
- ASTM A 572, *Standard Specification for High-Strength Low-Alloy Columbium-Vanadium Structural Steel*
- ASTM A 608, *Standard Specification for Centrifugally Cast Iron-Chromium-Nickel High-Alloy Tubing for Pressure Application at High Temperatures*
- ASTM B 366, *Standard Specification for Factory-Made Wrought Nickel and Nickel Alloy Fittings*
- ASTM B 407, *Standard Specification for Nickel-Iron-Chromium Alloy Seamless Pipe and Tube*
- ASTM B 564, *Standard Specification for Nickel Alloy Forgings*
- ASTM B 633, *Standard Specification for Electrodeposited Coatings of Zinc on Iron and Steel*
- ASTM C 27, *Standard Classification of Fireclay and High-Alumina Refractory Brick*
- ASTM C 155, *Standard Classification of Insulating Firebrick*
- ASTM C 332, *Standard Specification for Lightweight Aggregates for Insulating Concrete*
- ASTM C 401, *Standard Classification of Alumina and Alumina-Silicate Castable Refractories*
- ASTM C 612, *Standard Specification for Mineral Fiber Block and Board Thermal Insulation*
- AWS<sup>7)</sup> D 1.1, *Structural Welding Code — Steel*
- AWS D 14.6, *Welding of Rotating Elements of Equipment*

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7) American Welding Society, 550 NW Le Jeune Road, Miami, FL 33126, USA.

MSS SP-53<sup>8)</sup>, *Quality Standard for Steel Castings and Forgings for Valves, Flanges and Fittings and Other Piping Components — Magnetic Particle Exam Method*

MSS SP-55, *Quality Standard for Steel Castings for Valves, Flanges and Fittings and Other Piping Components — Visual Method for Evaluation of Surface Irregularities*

MSS SP-93, *Quality Standard for Steel Castings and Forgings for Valves, Flanges, and Fittings and Other Piping Components — Liquid Penetrant Examination Method*

NFPA 70<sup>9)</sup>, *National Electrical Code*

SSPC SP 6<sup>10)</sup>, *Commercial Blast Cleaning — NACE No. 3*

### **3 Terms and definitions**

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

NOTE Terms and definitions related to centrifugal fans are given in Annex E.

**3.1**  
**air heater**  
**air preheater**  
heat transfer apparatus through which combustion air is passed and heated by a medium of higher temperature, such as combustion products, steam or other fluid

**3.2**  
**anchor**  
**tieback**  
metallic or refractory device that holds the refractory or insulation in place

**3.3**  
**arch**  
flat or sloped portion of the heater radiant section opposite the floor

**3.4**  
**atomizer**  
device used to reduce a liquid fuel oil to a fine mist, using steam, air or mechanical means

**3.5**  
**backup layer**  
refractory layer behind the hot-face layer

**3.6**  
**balanced draught heater**  
heater that uses forced-draught fans to supply combustion air and uses induced-draught fans to remove flue gases

**3.7**  
**breeching**  
heater section where flue gases are collected after the last convection coil for transmission to the stack or the outlet ductwork

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8) Manufacturers Standardization Society, 127 Park Street NE, Vienna, VA 22180, USA.

9) National Fire Protection Association, 1 Batterymarch Park, Quincy, MA 02269-9101, USA.

10) The Society for Protective Coatings, 40, 24th Street, Pittsburg, PA 15222-4643, USA.

**3.8****bridgewall  
gravity wall**

wall that separates two adjacent heater zones

**3.9****bridgewall temperature**

temperature of flue gas leaving the radiant section

**3.10****burner**

device that introduces fuel and air into a heater at the desired velocities, turbulence and concentration to establish and maintain proper ignition and combustion

NOTE Burners are classified by the type of fuel fired, such as oil, gas, or a combination of gas and oil, which may be designated as "dual fuel" or "combination".

**3.11****butterfly damper**

single-blade damper, which pivots about its centre

**3.12****casing**

metal plate used to enclose the fired heater

**3.13****castable**

insulating concrete poured or gunned in place to form a rigid refractory shape or structure

**3.14****ceramic fibre**

fibrous refractory insulation which can be in the form of refractory ceramic fibre (RCF) or man-made vitreous fibre (MMVF)

NOTE Applicable forms include bulk, blanket, board, modules, paper, coatings, pumpables and vacuum-formed shapes.

**3.15****convection section**

portion of the heater in which the heat is transferred to the tubes primarily by convection

**3.16****corbel**

projection from the refractory surface generally used to prevent flue gas bypassing the tubes of the convection section if they are on a staggered pitch

**3.17****corrosion allowance**

additional material thickness added to allow for material loss during the design life of the component

**3.18****corrosion rate**

rate of reduction in the material thickness due to chemical attack from the process fluid or flue gas or both

**3.19****crossover**

interconnecting piping between any two heater-coil sections

**3.20**

**damper**

device for introducing a variable resistance in order to regulate the flow of flue gas or air

**3.21**

**direct-air preheater**

heat exchanger that transfers heat directly between the flue gas and the combustion air

NOTE A regenerative air preheater uses heated rotating elements and a recuperative design uses stationary tubes, plates or cast iron elements to separate the two heating media.

**3.22**

**draught**

negative pressure (vacuum) of the air and/or flue gas measured at any point in the heater

**3.23**

**draught loss**

pressure drop (including buoyancy effect) through duct conduits or across tubes and equipment in air and flue-gas systems

**3.24**

**duct**

conduit for air or flue-gas flow

**3.25**

**fuel efficiency**

total heat absorbed divided by the total input of heat derived from the combustion of fuel only (lower heating value basis)

NOTE This definition excludes sensible heat of the fuels and applies to the net amount of heat exported from the unit.

**3.26**

**thermal efficiency**

total heat absorbed divided by the total input of heat derived from the combustion of fuel ( $h_L$ ) plus sensible heats from air, fuel and any atomizing medium

**3.27**

**erosion**

reduction in material thickness due to mechanical attack from a fluid

**3.28**

**excess air**

amount of air above the stoichiometric requirement for complete combustion

NOTE Excess air is expressed as a percentage.

**3.29**

**extended surface**

heat-transfer surface in the form of fins or studs attached to the heat-absorbing surface

**3.30**

**extension ratio**

ratio of total outside exposed surface to the outside surface of the bare tube

**3.31**

**flue gas**

gaseous product of combustion including excess air

**3.32****forced-draught heater**

heater for which combustion air is supplied by a fan or other mechanical means

**3.33****fouling allowance**

factor to allow for a layer of residue that increases the pressure drop

NOTE 1 This residue is usually a build-up of coke or scale on the inner surface of a coil.

NOTE 2 The fouling allowance is used in calculating the fouled pressure drop.

**3.34****fouling resistance**

factor used to calculate the overall heat transfer coefficient

NOTE The inside fouling resistance is used to calculate the maximum metal temperature for design. The external fouling resistance is used to compensate the loss of performance due to deposits on the external surface of the tubes or extended surface.

**3.35****guillotine****isolation blind**

single-blade device used to isolate equipment or heaters

**3.36****header****return bend**

cast or wrought fitting shaped in a 180° bend and used to connect two or more tubes

**3.37****header box**

internally insulated structural compartment, separated from the flue-gas stream, which is used to enclose a number of headers or manifolds

NOTE Access is afforded by means of hinged doors or removable panels.

**3.38****heat absorption**

total heat absorbed by the coils, excluding any combustion-air preheat

**3.39****average heat flux density**

heat absorbed divided by the exposed heating surface of the coil section

NOTE Average flux density for an extended-surface tube is indicated on a bare surface basis with extension ratio noted.

**3.40****maximum heat flux density**

maximum local rate of heat transfer in the coil section

**3.41****total heat release**

heat liberated from the specified fuel, using the lower heating value of the fuel

**3.42****volumetric heat release**

heat released divided by the net volume of the radiant section, excluding the coils and refractory dividing walls

**3.43**

**higher heating value**

$h_H$

**gross heating value**

total heat obtained from the combustion of a specified fuel at 15 °C (60 °F)

**3.44**

**lower heating value**

$h_L$

**net heating value**

higher heating value minus the latent heat of vaporization of the water formed by combustion of hydrogen in the fuel

**3.45**

**hot-face layer**

refractory layer exposed to the highest temperatures in a multilayer or multi-component lining

**3.46**

**hot-face temperature**

temperature of the refractory surface in contact with the flue gas or heated combustion air

**3.47**

**indirect air preheater**

fluid-to-air heat-transfer device

NOTE The heat transfer can be accomplished by using a heat-transfer fluid, process stream or utility stream that has been heated by the flue gas or other means. A heat pipe air preheater uses a vaporizing/condensing fluid to transfer heat between the flue gas and air.

**3.48**

**induced-draught heater**

heater that uses a fan to remove flue gases and to maintain a negative pressure in the heater to induce combustion air without a forced-draught fan

**3.49**

**interface temperature**

calculated temperature between each layer of multilayer or multi-component refractory construction

**3.50**

**jump over**

interconnecting pipework within a heater coil section

**3.51**

**louvre damper**

damper consisting of several blades, each of which pivots about its centre and is linked to the other blades for simultaneous operation

**3.52**

**manifold**

chamber for the collection and distribution of fluid to or from multiple parallel flow paths

**3.53**

**man-made vitreous fibre**

**MMVF**

synthetic amorphous glass insulation fibre, based on a calcium, magnesium and silicate chemistry, that has enhanced solubility in body fluids

**3.54**

**metal fibre reinforcement**

stainless steel needles added to castable for improved toughness and durability

**3.55****monolithic lining**

single-component lining system

**3.56****mortar**

refractory-material preparation used for laying and bonding refractory bricks

**3.57****multi-component lining**

refractory system consisting of two or more layers of different refractory types

NOTE Examples of refractory types are castable, insulating firebrick, firebrick, block, board and ceramic fibre.

**3.58****multilayer lining**

refractory system consisting of two or more layers of the same refractory type

**3.59****natural-draught heater**

heater in which a stack effect induces the combustion air and removes the flue gases

**3.60****normal heat release**

design heat absorption of the heater divided by the calculated fuel efficiency

**3.61****pass****stream**

flow circuit consisting of one or more tubes in series

**3.62****pilot**

small burner that provides ignition energy to light the main burner

**3.63****plenum****windbox**

chamber surrounding the burners that is used to distribute air to the burners or reduce combustion noise

**3.64****plug header**

cast return bend provided with one or more openings for the purpose of inspection or mechanical tube cleaning

**3.65****pressure design code**

recognized pressure vessel standard specified or agreed by the purchaser

EXAMPLE ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code, Section VIII.

**3.66****pressure drop**

difference between the inlet and the outlet static pressures between termination points, excluding the static differential head

**3.67****primary air**

portion of the total combustion air that first mixes with the fuel

**3.68**

**protective coating**

corrosion-resistant material applied to a metal surface

EXAMPLE Coating on casing plates behind porous refractory materials to protect against sulfur in the flue gases.

**3.69**

**radiant section**

portion of the heater in which heat is transferred to the tubes primarily by radiation

**3.70**

**radiation loss**

**setting loss**

heat lost to the surroundings from the casing of the heater and the ducts and auxiliary equipment (when heat recovery systems are used)

**3.71**

**secondary air**

air supplied to the fuel to supplement primary air

**3.72**

**setting**

heater casing, brickwork, refractory and insulation, including the tiebacks

**3.73**

**shield section**

**shock section**

tubes that shield the remaining convection-section tubes from direct radiation

**3.74**

**sootblower**

device used to remove soot or other deposits from heat-absorbing surfaces in the convection section

NOTE

Steam is normally the medium used for soot-blowing.

**3.75**

**stack**

vertical conduit used to discharge flue gas to the atmosphere

**3.76**

**strake**

**spoiler**

metal attachment to a stack that can prevent the formation of von Karman vortices that can cause wind-induced vibration

**3.77**

**structural design code**

structural design standard specified or agreed by the purchaser

EXAMPLE

International Building Code.

**3.78**

**target wall**

**reradiating wall**

vertical refractory firebrick wall which is exposed to direct flame impingement on one or both sides



**3.79****temperature allowance**

number of degrees Celsius (Fahrenheit) to be added to the process fluid temperature to account for flow maldistribution and operating unknowns

NOTE The temperature allowance is added to the calculated maximum tube-metal temperature or the equivalent tube-metal temperature to obtain the design metal temperature

**3.80****terminal**

flanged or welded connection to or from the coil providing for inlet and outlet of fluids

**3.81****tube guide**

device used with vertical tubes to restrict horizontal movement while allowing the tube to expand axially

**3.82****tube retainer**

device used to restrain horizontal radiant tubes from lifting off the intermediate tube supports during operation

**3.83****tube support****tube sheet**

device used to support tubes

**3.84****vapour barrier**

metallic foil placed between layers of refractory as a barrier to flue gas flow

**4 General****4.1 Pressure design code**

- The pressure design code shall be specified or agreed by the purchaser. Pressure components shall comply with the pressure design code and the supplemental requirements in this International Standard.

**4.2 Regulations**

- The purchaser and the vendor shall mutually determine the measures required to comply with any local or national regulations applicable to the equipment.

**4.3 Heater nomenclature**

In a fired heater, heat liberated by the combustion of fuels is transferred to fluids contained in tubular coils within an internally insulated enclosure. The type of heater is normally described by the structural configuration, radiant-tube coil configuration and burner arrangement. Some examples of structural configurations are cylindrical, box, cabin and multi-cell box. Examples of radiant-tube coil configurations include vertical, horizontal, helical and arbor. Examples of burner arrangements include up-fired, down-fired and wall-fired. The wall-fired arrangement can be further classified as sidewall, endwall and multilevel.

Figure 1 illustrates some typical heater types.

Figure 2 illustrates typical burner arrangements.

Various combinations of Figures 1 and 2 can be used. For example, Figure 1 c) can employ burner arrangements as in Figure 2 a), b) or c). Similarly, Figure 1 d) can employ burner arrangements as in Figure 2 a) or d).

Figure 3 shows typical components.

Annex F gives guidelines for the design, selection and evaluation of air preheat (APH) systems. Figures F.1, F.2 and F.3 show typical APH systems.

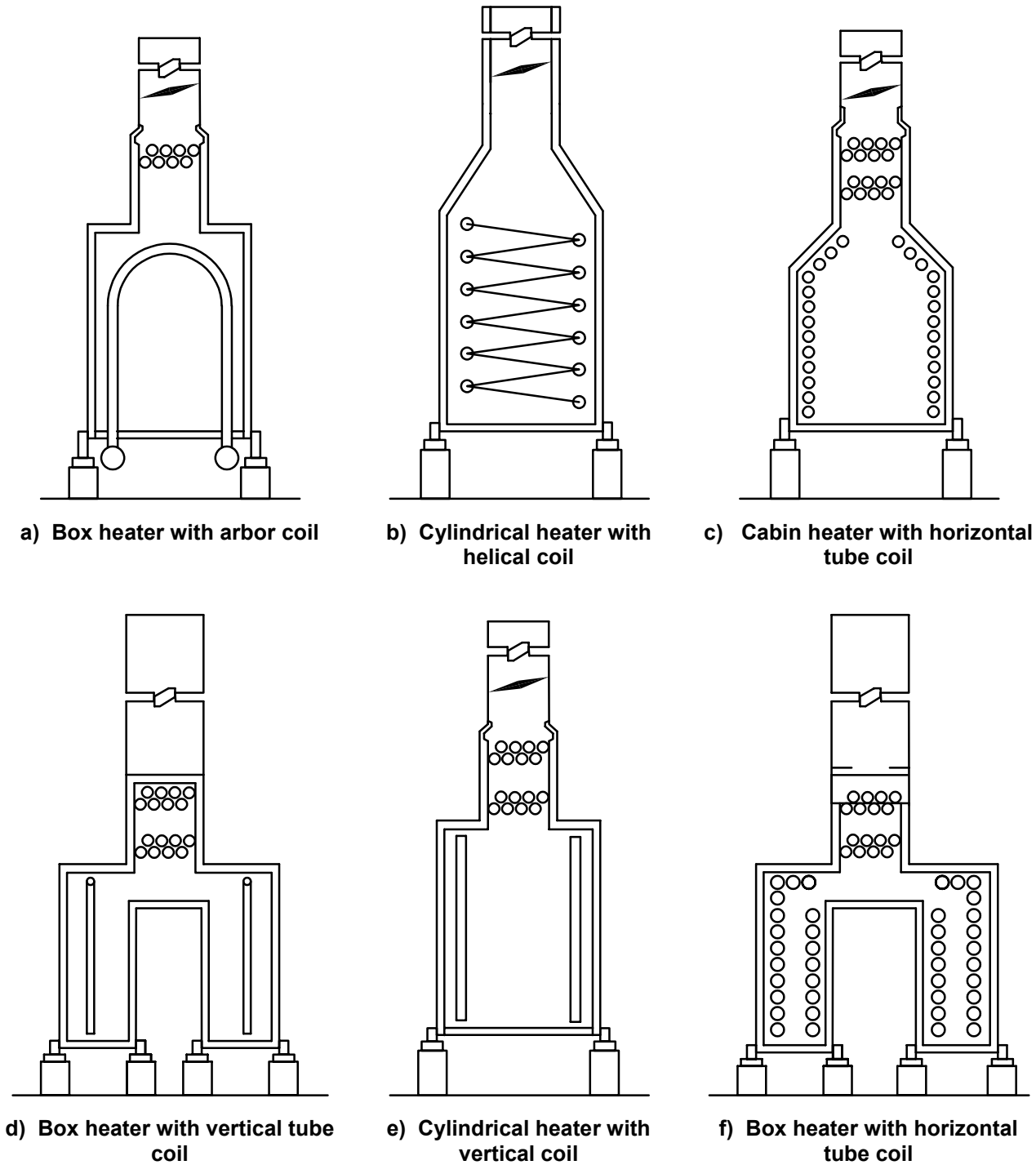
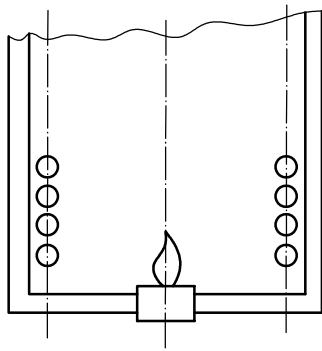
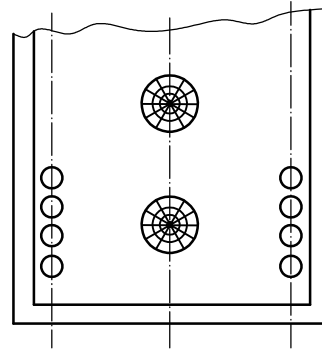


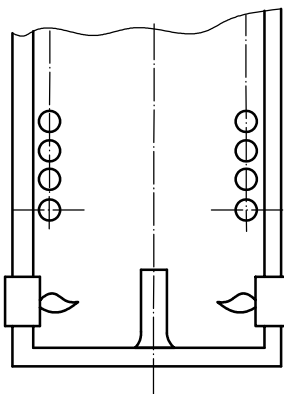
Figure 1 — Typical heater types



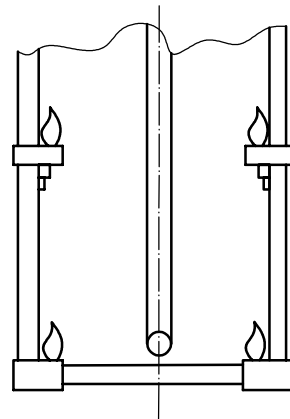
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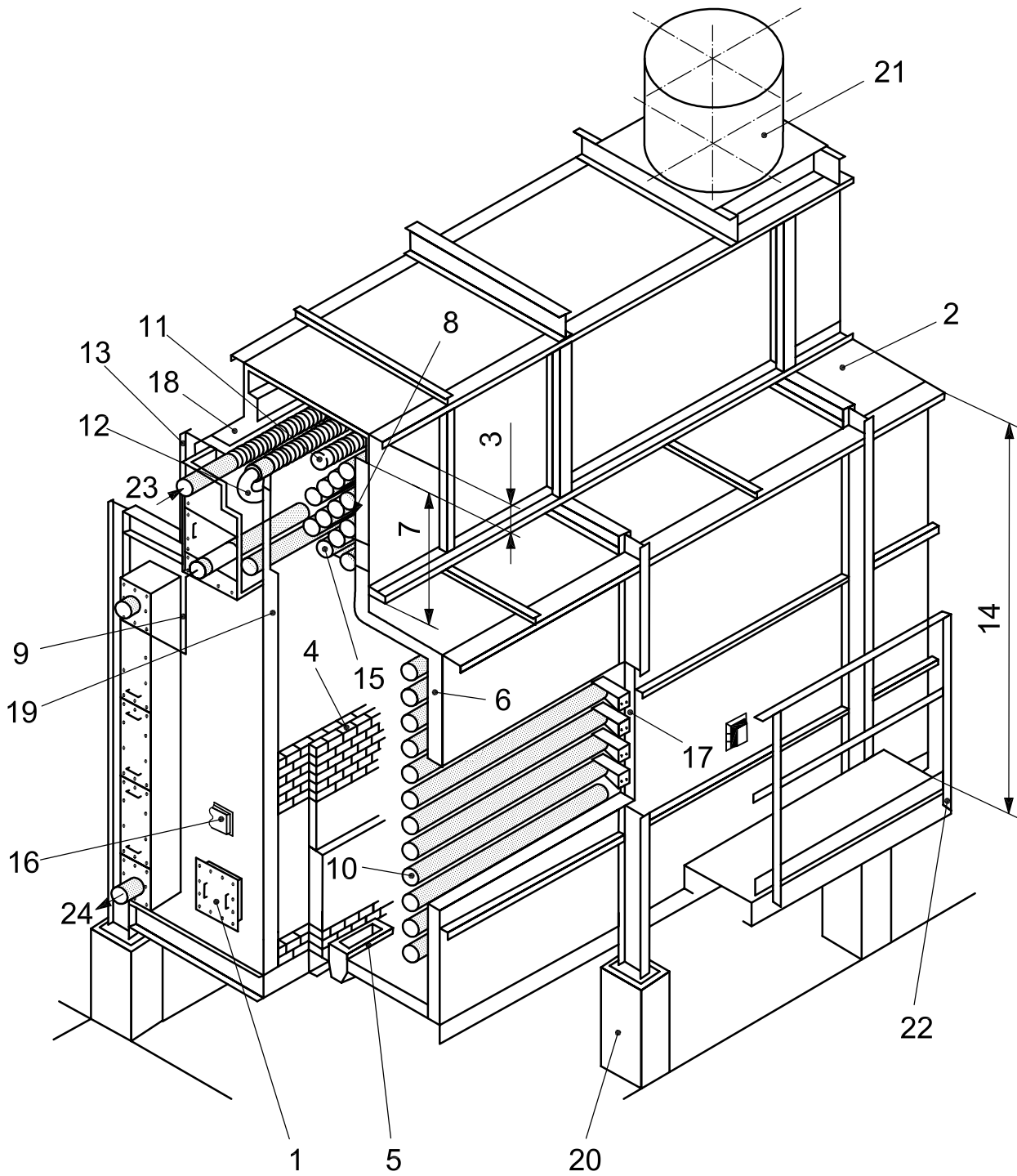


c) Sidewall-fired



d) Sidewall-fired multilevel

Figure 2 — Typical burner arrangements (elevation view)



**Key**

- |               |                      |                      |                   |
|---------------|----------------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| 1 access door | 7 convection section | 13 header box        | 19 end-tube sheet |
| 2 arch        | 8 corbel             | 14 radiant section   | 20 pier           |
| 3 breeching   | 9 crossover          | 15 shield section    | 21 stack/duct     |
| 4 bridgewall  | 10 tubes             | 16 observation door  | 22 platform       |
| 5 burner      | 11 extended surface  | 17 tube support      | 23 process in     |
| 6 casing      | 12 return bend       | 18 refractory lining | 24 process out    |

**Figure 3 — Heater components**

## 5 Proposals

### 5.1 Purchaser's responsibilities

**5.1.1** The purchaser's enquiry shall include data sheets, checklist and other applicable information outlined in this International Standard. This information shall include any special requirements or exceptions to this International Standard.

**5.1.2** The purchaser is responsible for the correct process specification to enable the vendor to prepare the fired-heater design. The purchaser should complete, as a minimum, those items on the data sheet that are designated by an asterisk (\*).

**5.1.3** The purchaser's enquiry shall state clearly the vendor's scope of supply.

- **5.1.4** The purchaser's enquiry shall specify the number of copies of drawings, data sheets, specifications, data reports, operating manuals, installation instructions, spare parts lists and other data to be supplied by the vendor, as required by 5.2, 5.3 and 5.4.

### 5.2 Vendor's responsibilities

The vendor's proposal shall include

- a) completed data sheets for each fired heater and the associated equipment (see examples in Annex A);
- b) an outline drawing showing firebox dimensions, burner layout and clearances, arrangement of tubes, platforms, ducting, stack, breeching, air pre-heater and fans;
- c) full definition of the extent of shop assembly (format given in Annex C may be used), including the number, size and mass of prefabricated parts and the number of field welds;
- d) detailed description of any exceptions to the specified requirements;
- e) a completed noise data sheet if specified by the purchaser;
- f) curves for heaters in vaporizing service, showing pressure, temperature, vaporization and bulk velocity as a function of the tube number;
- g) a time schedule for submission of all required drawings, data and documents;
- h) a programme for scheduling the work after receipt of an order; this should include a specified period of time for the purchaser to review and return drawings, procurement of materials, manufacture and the required date of supply;
- i) a list of utilities and quantities required;
- j) if specified by the purchaser, a list of sub-suppliers proposed for the pipes and fittings, coil fabrication, extended surfaces on tubes, castings, steel fabrication, ladders and platforms, refractory supply, refractory installation, air preheaters, fans, burners and other auxiliary equipment.

### 5.3 Documentation

#### 5.3.1 Drawings for purchaser's review

The vendor shall submit general arrangement drawings of each heater, for review. The final general arrangement drawings shall include the following information:

- a) heater service, the purchaser's equipment number, the project name and location, the purchase order numbers and the vendor's reference number;

- b) coil terminal sizes, including flange ratings and facings; dimensional locations; direction of process flow; and allowable loads, moments and forces on terminals;
- c) coil and crossover arrangements, tube spacings, tube diameters, tube-wall thicknesses, tube lengths, material specifications, including grades for pressure parts only, and all extended surface data;
- d) coil design pressures, hydrostatic test pressures, design fluid and tube-wall temperatures and corrosion allowance;
- e) a coil design code or recommended practice and fabrication code or specification;
- f) refractory and insulation types, thicknesses and service temperature ratings;
- g) types and materials of anchors for refractory and insulation;
- h) location and number of access doors, observation doors, burners, sootblowers, dampers and instrument and auxiliary connections;
- i) location and dimension of platforms, ladders and stairways;
- j) overall dimensions, including auxiliary equipment.

### **5.3.2 Foundation-loading diagrams**

The vendor shall submit for purchaser's review foundation-loading diagrams for each heater. The diagram shall include the following information:

- a) number and location of piers and supports;
- b) baseplate dimensions;
- c) anchor bolt locations, bolt diameters and projection above foundations;
- d) dead loads, live loads, wind or earthquake loads, reaction to overturning moments and lateral shear loads.

### **5.3.3 Documents for purchaser's review**

The vendor shall also submit to the purchaser the following documents for review and comment (individual stages of fabrication shall not proceed until the relevant document has been reviewed and commented upon):

- a) structural steel drawings, details of stacks, ducts and dampers and structural calculations;
- b) burner assembly drawings and, if applicable, burner piping drawings;
- c) tube-support details and, if specified by the purchaser, design calculations;
- d) thermowell and thermocouple details;
- e) welding, examination and test procedures;
- f) installation, dry-out and test procedures for refractories and insulation;
- g) refractory thickness calculations, including temperature gradients through all refractory sections and sources of thermal conductivities;
- h) decoking procedures if specified by the purchaser;
- i) installation, operation and maintenance instructions for the heater and for auxiliary equipment such as air preheaters, fans, drivers, dampers and burners;

- j) performance curves or data sheets for air preheaters, fans, drivers and burners and other auxiliary equipment;
- k) noise data sheets if specified by the purchaser.

#### 5.3.4 Certified drawings and diagrams

After receipt of the purchaser's comments on the general arrangement drawings and diagrams, the vendor shall furnish certified general arrangement drawings and foundation loading diagrams. The vendor shall furnish design-detail drawings, erection drawings and an erection sequence. Drawings of auxiliary equipment shall also be furnished.

### 5.4 Final records

Within a specified time after completion of construction or shipment, the vendor shall furnish the purchaser with the following documents:

- a) data sheets and drawings representing the as-manufactured equipment; in the event field-changes are made, as-built drawings and data sheets shall not be provided unless specifically requested by the purchaser;
- b) certified material reports, mill test reports or ladle analysis for all pressure parts and for alloy extended surfaces;
- c) installation, operation and maintenance instructions for the heater and auxiliary equipment, such as air preheaters, fans, drivers, dampers and burners;
- d) performance curves or data sheets for air preheaters, fans, drivers and burners and other auxiliary equipment;
- e) bill of materials;
- f) noise data sheets if specified by the purchaser;
- g) refractory dry-out procedures;
- h) decoking procedures;
- i) test certificates for tube-support castings;
- j) all other test documents, including test reports and non-destructive examination reports.

## 6 Design considerations

### 6.1 Process design

**6.1.1** Heaters shall be designed for uniform heat distribution. Multi-pass heaters shall be designed for hydraulic symmetry of all passes.

**6.1.2** The number of passes for vaporizing fluids shall be minimized. Each pass shall be a single circuit from inlet to outlet.

**6.1.3** Average heat flux density in the radiant section is normally based on a single row of tubes spaced at two nominal tube diameters. The first row of shield-section tubes shall be considered as radiant service in determining the average heat flux density if these tubes are exposed to direct flame radiation.

**6.1.4** Where the average radiant heat flux density is specified on the basis of two nominal diameters, the vendor may increase the flux rate for other coil arrangements, e.g. for three nominal diameters or double-sided firing, provided the maximum flux, including mal-distribution, shall not exceed that based on two nominal diameters.

**6.1.5** The maximum allowable inside film temperature for any process service shall not be exceeded in the radiant, shield or convection sections anywhere in the specified coil.

## 6.2 Combustion design

**6.2.1** Margins provided in the combustion system are not intended to permit operation of the heater at greater than the design process duty.

**6.2.2** Calculated fuel efficiencies shall be based on the lower heating value of the design fuel and shall include a radiation loss of 1,5 % of the calculated normal fuel heat release. Heaters employing flue gas/air preheat systems shall include a radiation loss of 2,5 % of the fuel heat release based on the lower heating value.

**6.2.3** Unless otherwise specified by the purchaser, calculated efficiencies for natural-draught operation shall be based upon 20 % excess air if gas is the primary fuel and 25 % excess air if oil is the primary fuel. In the case of forced-draught operation, calculated efficiencies shall be based on 15 % excess air for fuel gas and 20 % excess air for fuel oil.

**6.2.4** The heater efficiency and tube-wall temperature shall be calculated using the specified fouling resistances.

NOTE Annex G gives guidance on the measurement of efficiency.

**6.2.5** Volumetric heat release of the radiant section shall not exceed 125 kW/m<sup>3</sup> (12 000 Btu/h/ft<sup>3</sup>) for oil-fired heaters and 165 kW/m<sup>3</sup> (16 000 Btu/h/ft<sup>3</sup>) for gas-fired heaters based upon the design heat absorption.

**6.2.6** Stack and flue-gas systems shall be designed so that a negative pressure of at least 25 Pa (0,10 in of water column) is maintained in the arch section or point of minimum draught location (which is typically below the shield section) at 120 % of normal heat release with design excess air and design stack temperature.

## 6.3 Mechanical design

**6.3.1** Provisions for thermal expansion shall take into consideration all specified operating conditions, including short-term conditions such as steam-air decoking.

- **6.3.2** If specified by the purchaser, the convection-section tube layout shall include space for future installation of sootblowers, water washing or steam-lancing doors.

- **6.3.3** If the heater is designed for heavy fuel-oil firing, sootblowers shall be provided for convection-section cleaning. If light fuel oils such as naphtha are to be fired, the purchaser shall specify whether sootblowers are to be supplied.

**6.3.4** The convection-section design shall incorporate space for the future addition of two rows of tubes, including the end and intermediate tubesheets. Placement of sootblowers and cleaning lanes shall be suitable for the addition of the future tubes. Holes in end-tube sheets shall be plugged off to prevent flue-gas leakage.

**6.3.5** Vertical cylindrical heaters shall be designed with a maximum height-to-diameter ( $h/w$ ) ratio of 2,75, where the height is that of the radiant section (inside refractory face) and the diameter is that of the tube circle, both measured in the same units.



**6.3.6** For single-fired, box-type, floor-fired heaters with sidewall tubes only, an equivalent  $h/w$  factor shall be determined by dividing the height of the wall bank (or the straight tube length for vertical tubes) by the width of the tube bank and applying the following limitations:

Design absorption MW (Btu/h $\times$ 10 <sup>6</sup> )	$h/w$ max.	$h/w$ min.
Up to 3,5 (12)	2,00	1,50
3,5 to 7 (12 to 24)	2,50	1,50
Over 7 (24)	2,75	1,50

**6.3.7** Shield sections shall have at least three rows of bare tubes.

**6.3.8** Except for the first shield row, convection sections shall be designed with corbels or baffles to minimize the amount of flue gas bypassing the heating surface.

**6.3.9** The minimum clearance from grade to burner plenum or register shall be 2 m (6,5 ft) for floor-fired heaters, unless otherwise specified by the purchaser.

**6.3.10** For vertical-tube, vertical-fired heaters, the maximum radiant straight tube length shall be 18,3 m (60 ft). For horizontal heaters fired from both ends, the maximum radiant straight tube length shall be 12,2 m (40 ft).

**6.3.11** Radiant tubes shall be installed with minimum spacing from refractory or insulation to tube centre-line of 1,5 nominal tube diameters, with a clearance of not less than 100 mm (4 in) from the refractory or insulation. For horizontal radiant tubes, the minimum clearance from floor refractory to tube outside diameter shall be not less than 300 mm (12 in).

**6.3.12** The heater arrangement shall allow for replacement of individual tubes or hairpins without disturbing adjacent tubes.

## 7 Tubes

### 7.1 General

**7.1.1** Tube-wall thickness for coils shall be determined in accordance with ISO 13704, in which the practical limit to minimum thickness for new tubes is specified. For materials not included, tube-wall thickness shall be determined in accordance with ISO 13704 using stress values mutually agreed upon between purchaser and supplier.

**7.1.2** Unless otherwise agreed between the purchaser and supplier, calculations made to determine tube-wall thickness for coils shall include considerations for erosion and corrosion allowances for the various coil materials. The following corrosion allowances shall be used as a minimum:

- a) carbon steel through C-1/2Mo: 3 mm (0,125 in);
- b) low alloys through 9Cr-1Mo: 2 mm (0,080 in);
- c) above 9Cr-1Mo through austenitic steels: 1 mm (0,040 in).

**7.1.3** Maximum tube-metal temperature shall be determined in accordance with ISO 13704. The tube-metal temperature allowance shall be at least 15 °C (25 °F).

**7.1.4** All tubes shall be seamless. Tubes shall not be circumferentially welded to obtain the required tube length, unless approved by the purchaser, in which case the location of welds shall be agreed by purchaser.

Electric flash welding shall not be used for intermediate welds. Tubes furnished to an average wall thickness shall be in accordance with suitable tolerances so that the required minimum wall thickness is provided.

**7.1.5** Tubes, if projected into header box housings, shall extend at least 150 mm (6 in), in the cold position, beyond the face of the end tube sheet, of which 100 mm (4 in) shall be bare.

**7.1.6** Tube size (outside diameter in inches) shall be selected from the following sizes: 2,375; 2,875; 3,50; 4,00; 4,50; 5,563; 6,625; 8,625; or 10,75. Other tube sizes should be used only if warranted by special process considerations.

**7.1.7** If the shield and radiant tubes are in the same service, the shield tubes exposed to direct-flame radiation shall be of the same material as the connecting radiant tubes.

**7.2 Extended surface**

- **7.2.1** The extended surface in convection sections may be studded (where each stud is attached to the tube by arc or resistance welding) or finned (where helically wound fins are high-frequency, continuously welded to the tube). The purchaser shall specify or agree the type of extended surface to be provided. In the case of finning, the purchaser shall specify or agree whether the fins shall be solid or segmented (serrated).

**7.2.2** Metallurgy for the extended surface shall be selected on the basis of maximum calculated tip temperature as listed in Table 1.

**7.2.3** Extended surface dimensions shall be limited to those listed in Table 2.

**Table 1 — Extended surface materials**

Material	Studs		Fins	
	Maximum tip temperature		Maximum tip temperature	
	°C	(°F)	°C	(°F)
Carbon steel	510	(950)	454	(850)
2 1/4Cr-1Mo, 5Cr-1/2Mo	593	(1 100)	549	(1 000)
11-13Cr	649	(1 200)	593	(1 100)
18Cr-8Ni stainless steel	815	(1 500)	815	(1 500)
25Cr-20Ni stainless steel	982	(1 800)	982	(1 800)

**Table 2 — Extended surface dimensions**

Fuel	Studs				Fins					
	Minimum diameter		Maximum height		Minimum normal thickness		Maximum height		Maximum number per unit length	
	mm	(in)	mm	(in)	mm	(in)	mm	(in)	per m	(per in)
Gas	12,5	(1/2)	25	(1)	1,3	(0,05)	25,4	(1)	197	(5)
Oil	12,5	(1/2)	25	(1)	2,5	(0,10)	19,1	(3/4)	118	(3)

### 7.3 Materials

Tube materials shall conform to the specifications listed in Table 3 or their equivalent agreed by the purchaser.

**Table 3 — Heater-tube materials specifications**

Material	ASTM specifications	
	Pipe	Tube
Carbon steel	A 53, A 106 Gr B	A 192, A 210 Gr A-1
Carbon-1/2Mo	A 335 Gr P1	A 209 Gr T1
1 1/4Cr-1/2Mo	A 335 Gr P11	A 213 Gr T11
2 1/4Cr-1Mo	A 335 Gr P22	A 213 Gr T22
3Cr-1Mo	A 335 Gr P21	A 213 Gr T21
5Cr-1/2Mo	A 335 Gr P5	A 213 Gr T5
5Cr-1/2Mo-Si	A 335 Gr P5b	A 213 Gr T5b
9Cr-1Mo	A 335 Gr P9	A 213 Gr T9
9Cr-1Mo-V	A 335 Gr P91	A 213 Gr T91
18Cr-8Ni	A 312, A 376, TP 304, TP 304H and TP 304L	A 213, TP 304, TP 304H and TP 304L
16Cr-12Ni-2Mo	A 312, A 376, TP 316, TP 316H and TP 316L	A 213, TP 316, TP 316H and TP 316L
18Cr-10Ni-3Mo	A 312, TP 317 and TP 317L	A 213, TP 317 and TP 317L
18Cr-10Ni-Ti	A 312, A 376, TP 321 and TP 321H	A 213, TP 321 and TP 321H
18Cr-10Ni-Nb <sup>a</sup>	A 312, A 376, TP 347 and TP 347H	A 213, TP 347 and TP 347H
Nickel alloy 800 H/800 HT <sup>b</sup>	B 407	B 407
25Cr-20Ni	A 608 Gr HK40	A 213 TP 310H
<sup>a</sup> Niobium (Nb) was formerly called columbium (Cb). <sup>b</sup> Minimum grain size shall be ASTM #5 or coarser.		

## 8 Headers

### 8.1 General

**8.1.1** The design stress for headers shall be no higher than that allowed for similar materials as given in ISO 13704 and shall be reduced by casting-quality factors if made from castings. Casting-quality factors shall be in accordance with ISO 15649.

NOTE For the purposes of this provision, ASME B 31.3[14] is equivalent to ISO 15649.

**8.1.2** Headers shall be of metallurgy equivalent to the tubes.

**8.1.3** Headers shall be welded return bends or welded plug headers, depending on the service and operating conditions.

**8.1.4** The specified header wall thickness shall include a corrosion allowance. This allowance shall not be less than that used for the tubes.

**8.2 Plug headers**

**8.2.1** Plug headers shall be located in a header box and shall be selected for the same design pressure as the connecting tubes and for a design temperature equal to the maximum fluid operating temperature at that location, plus a minimum of 30 °C (55 °F).

**8.2.2** Tubes and plug headers shall be arranged so that there is sufficient space for field maintenance operations, such as welding and stress relieving.

**8.2.3** If plug headers are specified to permit mechanical cleaning of coked or fouled tubes, they shall consist of the two-hole type. Single-hole, 180° plug headers may be installed only for tube inspection and draining.

**8.2.4** If plug headers are specified to be used with horizontal tubes that are 18,3 m (60 ft) or longer, two-hole plug headers shall be used for both ends of the coil assembly. For shorter coils, plug headers shall be provided on one end of the coil with welded return bends on the opposite end.

**8.2.5** If plug headers are specified for vertical tube heaters, two-hole plug headers shall be installed on the top of the coil and one-hole Y-fittings at the bottom of the tubes.

**8.2.6** Headers and corresponding plugs shall be match-marked by 12 mm (0,5 in) permanent numerals and installed in accordance with a fitting-location drawing.

**8.2.7** Type 304 stainless steel thermowells, if required for temperature measurement and control, shall be provided in the plugs of the headers.

**8.2.8** Tube centre-to-centre dimensions shall be as shown in Table 4.

**Table 4 — Tube centre-to-centre dimensions**

Tube outside diameter mm (in)	Header centre-to-centre dimension	
	mm	(in)
60,3 (2,375)	101,6	(4,00) <sup>a</sup>
73,0 (2,875)	127,0	(5,00) <sup>a</sup>
88,9 (3,50)	152,4	(6,00) <sup>a</sup>
101,6 (4,00)	177,8	(7,00) <sup>a</sup>
114,3 (4,50)	203,2	(8,00) <sup>a</sup>
127,0 (5,00)	228,6	(9,00)
141,3 (5,563)	254,0	(10,00) <sup>a</sup>
152,4 (6,00)	279,4	(11,00)
168,3 (6,625)	304,8	(12,00) <sup>a</sup>
193,7 (7,625)	355,6	(14,00)
219,1 (8,625)	406,4	(16,00) <sup>a</sup>
273,1 (10,75)	508,0	(20,00) <sup>a</sup>
NOTE Centre-to-centre dimensions are applicable only to manufacturers' standard header pressure ratings for 5 850 kPa (850 psig) nominal fittings.		
<sup>a</sup> This centre-to-centre dimension equals two times the corresponding nominal size and is based on the centre-to-centre dimension for short-radius welded return bends.		

**8.2.9** Plugs and screws shall be assembled in the fittings with an approved compound on the seats and screws to prevent galling.

### 8.3 Return bends

**8.3.1** Return bends should be used for the following conditions:

- a) in clean service, where coking or fouling of tubes is not anticipated;
- b) where leakage is a hazard;
- c) where steam-air decoking facilities are provided for decoking of furnace tubes;
- d) where mechanical pigging is the specified cleaning method.

**8.3.2** Return bends inside the firebox shall be selected for the same design pressure and temperature as the connecting tubes. Return bends inside a header box shall be selected for the same design pressure as the connecting tubes and for a design temperature equal to the maximum fluid operating temperature at that location plus a minimum of 30 °C (55 °F). Return bends shall be at least the same thickness as the connecting tubes.

**8.3.3** Regardless of the location of the welded return bends, the heater design shall incorporate means to permit convenient removal and replacement of tubes and return bends.

**8.3.4** Longitudinally welded fittings shall not be used.

### 8.4 Materials

**8.4.1** Plug header and return bend material shall conform to the ASTM specifications listed in Table 5 or to other specifications if agreed by the purchaser.

**8.4.2** Cast fittings shall have the material identification permanently marked on the fitting with raised letters or by using low-stress stamps.

Table 5 — Plug header and return bend materials

Material	ASTM specifications		
	Forged	Wrought	Cast
Carbon steel	A 105	A 234, WPB	A 216, WCB
	A 181, class 60 or 70		
C-1/2Mo	A 182, F1	A 234, WP1	A 217, WC1
1 1/4Cr-1/2Mo	A 182, F11	A 234, WP11	A 217, WC6
2 1/4Cr-1Mo	A 182, F22	A 234, WP22	A 217, WC9
3Cr-1Mo	A 182, F21	—	—
5Cr-1/2Mo	A 182, F5	A 234, WP5	A 217, C5
9Cr-1Mo	A 182, F9	A 234, WP9	A 217, C12
9Cr-1Mo-V	A 182, F91	A 234, WP91	A 217, C12A
18Cr-8Ni Type 304	A 182, F304	A 403, WP304	A 351, CF8
18Cr-8Ni Type 304H	A 182, F304H	A 403, WP304H	A 351, CF8
18Cr-8Ni Type 304L	A 182, F304L	A 403, WP304L	A 351, CF8
16Cr-12Ni-2Mo Type 316	A 182, F316	A 403, WP316	A 351, CF8M
16Cr-12Ni-2Mo Type 316H	A 182, F316H	A 403, WP316H	A 351, CF8M
16Cr-12Ni-2Mo Type 316L	A 182, F316L	A 403, WP316L	A 351, CF3M
18Cr-10Ni-3Mo Type 317	A 182, F317	A 403, WP317	—
18Cr-10Ni-3Mo Type 317L	A 182, F317L	A 403, WP317L	—
18Cr-10Ni-Ti Type 321	A 182, F321	A 403, WP321	—
18Cr-10Ni-Ti Type 321H	A 182, F321H	A 403, WP321H	—
18Cr-10Ni-Nb Type 347	A 182, F347	A 403, WP347	A 351, CF8C
18Cr-10Ni-Nb Type 347H	A 182, F347H	A 403, WP347H	A 351, CF8C
Nickel alloy 800H/800HT <sup>a</sup>	B 564	B 366	A 351, CT-15C
25Cr-20Ni	A 182, F310	A 403, F310	A 351, CK-20 A 351, HK40

<sup>a</sup> Minimum grain size shall be ASTM #5 or coarser.

## 9 Piping, terminals and manifolds

### 9.1 General

9.1.1 The minimum corrosion allowance shall be in accordance with 7.1.2.

9.1.2 All flanges shall be welding-neck flanges.

9.1.3 Piping, terminals and manifolds external to the heater enclosure shall be in accordance with ISO 15649.

NOTE For the purposes of this provision, ASME B 31.3<sup>[14]</sup> is equivalent to ISO 15649.

- **9.1.4** The purchaser shall specify if inspection openings are required; in which case, if agreed by the purchaser, terminal flanges may be used provided that pipe sections are readily removable for inspection access.

**9.1.5** Threaded connections shall not be used.

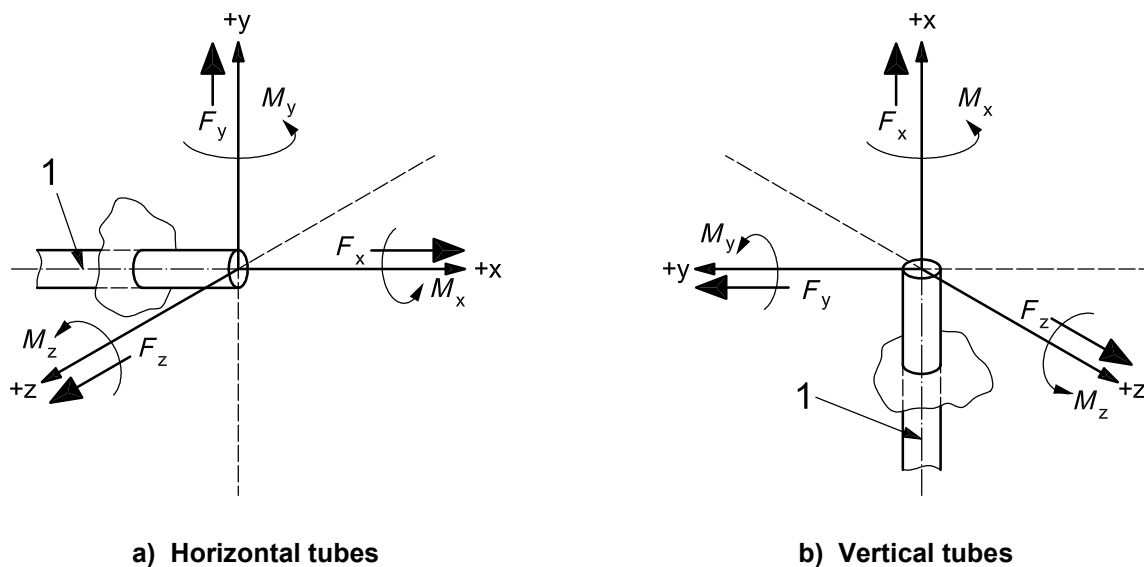
- **9.1.6** The purchaser shall specify if low-point drains and high-point vents are required; in which case they shall be accessible from outside the heater casing.

**9.1.7** Manifolds and external piping shall be located so as not to block access for the removal of single tubes or hairpins.

**9.1.8** Manifolds inside a header box shall be selected for the same design pressure as the connecting tubes and for a design temperature equal to the maximum fluid operating temperature at that location plus a minimum of 30 °C (55 °F).

## 9.2 Allowable movement and loads

Heater terminals shall be designed to accept the moments,  $M$ , forces,  $F$ , and movements shown in Figure 4, and Tables 6 and 7 for tubes and Figure 5 and Tables 8 and 9 for manifolds.



### Key

- 1 tube centre-line

**Figure 4 — Diagram of forces for tubes**

Table 6 — Allowable forces and moments for tubes

Pipe size DN (NPS)	Force						Moment					
	$F_x$		$F_y$		$F_z$		$M_x$		$M_y$		$M_z$	
	N	(lbf)	N	(lbf)	N	(lbf)	N·m	(ft·lbf)	N·m	(ft·lbf)	N·m	(ft·lbf)
50 (2)	445	(100)	890	(200)	890	(200)	475	(350)	339	(250)	339	(250)
75 (3)	667	(150)	1 334	(300)	1 334	(300)	610	(450)	475	(350)	475	(350)
100 (4)	890	(200)	1 779	(400)	1 779	(400)	813	(600)	610	(450)	610	(450)
125 (5)	1 001	(225)	2 002	(450)	2 002	(450)	895	(660)	678	(500)	678	(500)
150 (6)	1 112	(250)	2 224	(500)	2 224	(500)	990	(730)	746	(550)	746	(550)
200 (8)	1 334	(300)	2 669	(600)	2 669	(600)	1 166	(860)	881	(650)	881	(650)
250 (10)	1 557	(350)	2 891	(650)	2 891	(650)	1 261	(930)	949	(700)	949	(700)
300 (12)	1 779	(400)	3 114	(700)	3 114	(700)	1 356	(1 000)	1 017	(750)	1 017	(750)

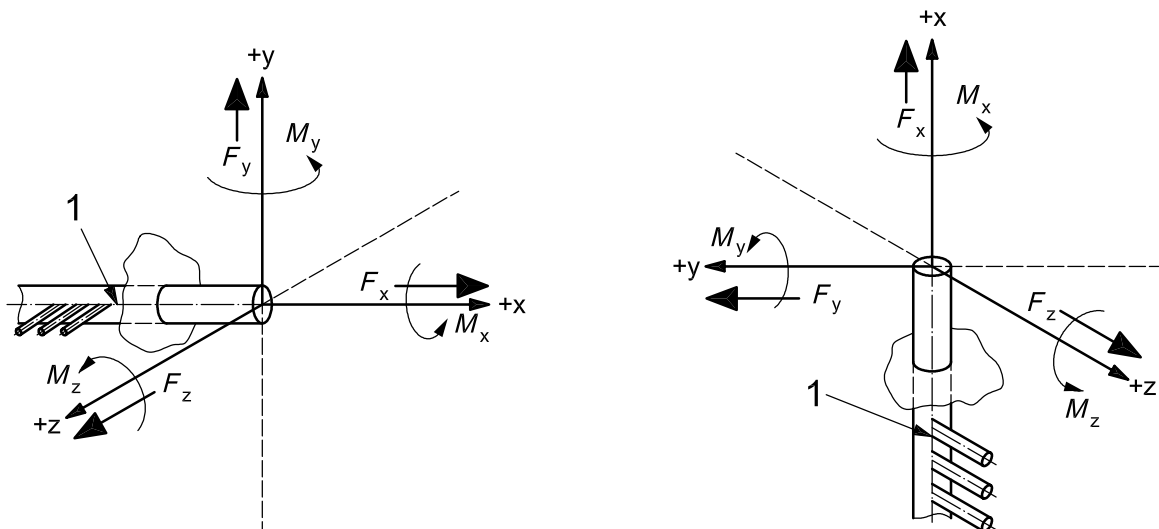
Table 7 — Allowable movements for tubes

Dimensions in millimetres (inches)

Terminals	Allowable movement											
	Horizontal tubes						Vertical tubes					
	$\Delta x$		$\Delta y$		$\Delta z$		$\Delta x$		$\Delta y$		$\Delta z$	
Radiant	a	a	+ 25	(+ 1)	25	(1)	a	a	25	(1)	25	(1)
Convection	a	a	+ 13	(+ 0,5)	13	(0,5)	—	—	—	—	—	—

NOTE Except where noted, the above movements are allowable in both directions ( $\pm$ ).

<sup>a</sup> To be specified by heater vendor.



a) Horizontal manifold

b) Vertical manifold

Key

1 manifold centreline

Figure 5 — Diagram of forces for manifolds



Table 8 — Allowable forces and moments for manifolds

Manifold size DN (NPS)	Force						Moment					
	$F_x$		$F_y$		$F_z$		$F_x$		$F_y$		$F_z$	
	N	(lbf)	N	(lbf)	N	(lbf)	N·m	(ft·lbf)	N·m	(ft·lbf)	N·m	(ft·lbf)
150 (6)	2 224	(500)	4 448	(1 000)	4 448	(1 000)	1 980	(1 460)	1 492	(1 100)	1 492	(1 100)
200 (8)	2 668	(600)	5 338	(1 200)	5 338	(1 200)	2 332	(1 720)	1 762	(1 300)	1 762	(1 300)
250 (10)	3 114	(700)	5 782	(1 300)	5 782	(1 300)	2 522	(1 860)	1 898	(1 400)	1 898	(1 400)
300 (12)	3 558	(800)	6 228	(1 400)	6 228	(1 400)	2 712	(2 000)	2 034	(1 500)	2 034	(1 500)
350 (14)	4 004	(900)	6 672	(1 500)	6 672	(1 500)	2 902	(2 140)	2 170	(1 600)	2 170	(1 600)
400 (16)	4 448	(1 000)	7 117	(1 600)	7 117	(1 600)	3 092	(2 280)	2 305	(1 700)	2 305	(1 700)
450 (18)	4 893	(1 100)	7 562	(1 700)	7 562	(1 700)	3 282	(2 420)	2 441	(1 800)	2 441	(1 800)
500 (20)	5 338	(1 200)	8 006	(1 800)	8 006	(1 800)	3 471	(2 560)	2 576	(1 900)	2 576	(1 900)
600 (24)	5 782	(1 300)	8 451	(1 900)	8 451	(1 900)	3 661	(2 700)	2 712	(2 000)	2 712	(2 000)

Table 9 — Allowable movements for manifolds

Dimensions in millimetres (inches)

Terminals	Allowable movement											
	Horizontal manifolds						Vertical manifolds					
	$\Delta x$		$\Delta y$		$\Delta z$		$\Delta x$		$\Delta y$		$\Delta z$	
Radiant	13	(0,5)	0	(0)	a	a	0	(0)	13	(0,5)	a	a
Convection	13	(0,5)	0	(0)	a	a	—	—	—	—	—	—
NOTE The above movements are allowable in both directions ( $\pm$ ).												
<sup>a</sup> $\Delta z$ is to be specified by heater vendor.												

### 9.3 Materials

External crossover piping shall be of the same metallurgy as the preceding heater tube; internal crossover piping shall be of the same metallurgy as the radiant tubes.

## 10 Tube supports

### 10.1 General

10.1.1 The design temperature for tube supports and guides exposed to flue gas shall be based on design operation of the furnace as follows:

- for the radiant and shock sections and outside the refractory, the flue-gas temperature to which the supports are exposed plus 100 °C (180 °F); the minimum design temperature shall be 870 °C (1 600 °F);
- for the convection section, the temperature of the flue gas in contact with the support plus 55 °C (100 °F);

- c) maximum flue-gas temperature gradient across a single convection intermediate tube support shall be 222 °C (400 °F);
- d) where the radiant tube-support castings are shielded behind a row of tubes, the bridgewall temperature may be used.

No credit shall be taken for the shielding effect of refractory coatings on intermediate supports or guides.

**10.1.2** Guides, horizontal radiant-section intermediate tube supports and top supports for vertical radiant tubes shall be designed to permit their replacement without tube removal and with minimum refractory repair.

**10.1.3** The unsupported length of horizontal tubes shall not exceed 35 times the outside diameter or 6 m (20 ft), whichever is less.

**10.1.4** The minimum corrosion allowance of each side for all exposed surfaces of each tube support and guide contacting flue gases shall be 1,3 mm (0,05 in) for austenitic materials and 2,5 mm (0,10 in) for ferritic materials.

**10.1.5** The following shall apply to end-tube sheets for tubes with external headers.

- Tube sheets shall be structural plate. If the tube-sheet design temperature exceeds 425 °C (800 °F), alloy materials shall be used.
- Minimum thickness of tube sheets shall be 12 mm (0,5 in).
- Tube sheets shall be insulated on the flue-gas side with a castable having a minimum thickness of 75 mm (3 in) for the convection section and 125 mm (5 in) for the radiant section. (Anchors shall be made from austenitic stainless steel or nickel alloy as listed in Table 11.)
- Sleeves with an inside diameter at least 12 mm (0,5 in) greater than the tube or the extended-surface outside diameter shall be welded to the tube sheet at each tube hole, to prevent the refractory from being damaged by the tubes. The sleeve material shall be austenitic stainless steel.

**10.1.6** The following shall apply to the supporting of extended-surface tubes.

- Intermediate supports shall be designed to prevent mechanical damage to the extended surface and shall permit easy removal and insertion of the tubes without binding.
- For studded tubes, a minimum of three rows of studs shall rest on each support.
- For finned tubes, at least five fins shall rest on each support.

## **10.2 Loads and allowable stress**

**10.2.1** Tube-support loads shall be determined as follows.

- Loads shall be determined in accordance with acceptable procedures for supporting continuous beams on multiple supports (e.g. AISC). Friction loads shall be based on a friction coefficient of not less than 0,30.
- Friction loads shall be based on all tubes expanding and contracting in the same direction. Loads shall not be considered to be cancelled or reduced due to movement of tubes in opposite directions.

**10.2.2** Tube-support maximum allowable stresses at design temperature shall not exceed the following:

a) dead-load stress:

- 1) one-third of the ultimate tensile strength,
- 2) two-thirds of the yield strength (0,2 % offset),
- 3) 50 % of the average stress required to produce 1 % creep in 10 000 h,
- 4) 50 % of the average stress required to produce rupture in 10 000 h;

b) dead-load plus frictional stress:

- 1) one-third of the ultimate tensile strength,
- 2) two-thirds of the yield strength (0,2 % offset),
- 3) average stress required to produce 1 % creep in 10 000 h,
- 4) average stress required to produce rupture in 10 000 h.

**10.2.3** For castings, the allowable stress value shall be multiplied by 0,8 to determine the required casting thickness.

**10.2.4** Stress data shall be as presented in Annex D.

### 10.3 Materials

**10.3.1** Tube-support materials shall be selected for maximum design temperatures as shown in Table 10. Other materials and alternative specifications shall be subject to the approval of the purchaser.

- **10.3.2** If the tube-support design temperature exceeds 650 °C (1 200 °F) and the fuel contains more than 100 mg/kg total vanadium and sodium, the supports shall exhibit one of the following design details, as specified or agreed by the purchaser:

- a) constructed of stabilized, 50Cr-50Ni metallurgy, without any coating;
- b) for radiant or accessible supports only, covered with 50 mm (2 in) of castable refractory having a minimum density of 2 080 kg/m<sup>3</sup> (130 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>).

**Table 10 — Maximum design temperatures for tube-support materials**

Material	ASTM specification		Maximum design temperature	
	Casting	Plate	°C	(°F)
Carbon steel	A 216 Gr WCB	A 283 Gr C	425	(800)
2 1/4Cr-1Mo	A 217 Gr WC 9	A 387 Gr 22, Class 1	650	(1 200)
5Cr-1/2Mo	A 217 Gr C5	A 387 Gr 5, Class 1	650	(1 200)
19Cr-9Ni	A 297 Gr HF	A 240, Type 304H	815	(1 500)
25Cr-12Ni	—	A 240, Type 309H	870	(1 600)
25Cr-12Ni	A 447 Type II	—	980	(1 800)
25Cr-20Ni	—	A 240, Type 310H	870	(1 600)
25Cr-20Ni	A 351 Gr HK40	—	1 090	(2 000)
50Cr-50Ni-Nb	A 560 Gr 50Cr-50Ni	—	980	(1 800)

For exposed radiant and shield-section tube supports, the material shall be 25Cr-12Ni or higher alloy.

## 11 Refractories and insulation

### 11.1 General

**11.1.1** Selection of refractory and insulating materials is at least partially based on the anticipated operating temperature and the classification temperature for the material. The following temperature definitions are to be used when making refractory selections.

- Rated temperature is a classification temperature for refractory materials as defined by each refractory manufacturer, in accordance with specifications such as ASTM. Manufacturers most often use the terms “service temperature”, “maximum temperature rating” and “classification temperature” to describe the rated temperature of the refractory product.
- Design temperature is a classification temperature used to make refractory selections. It is the calculated hot-face temperature plus the required design margin, and the calculated interface temperature plus that same design margin if there is more than a single layer of refractory. The selected design temperature for each layer of refractory shall be equal to or less than the stated continuous-use limit for the refractory product.
- Continuous-use limit temperature is the manufacturer’s stated temperature limit at which the refractory product does not suffer degradation during extended use at that temperature. It is also sometimes referred to as the “recommended use limit”.
- Hot-face temperature is the calculated temperature at the refractory surface in contact with the flue gas or the heated combustion air.
- Interface temperature is the calculated temperature at the intersection of each different layer of refractory material if multilayer or multi-component refractory construction is used.

**11.1.2** The temperature of the outside casing of the radiant and convection sections and hot ductwork shall not exceed 82 °C (180 °F) at an ambient temperature of 27 °C (80 °F) with zero wind velocity. Radiant floors shall not exceed 90 °C (195 °F).

**11.1.3** Walls, arches and floors shall be designed to allow for proper expansion of all parts. Where multilayer or multi-component linings are used, joints shall not be continuous through the lining.

**11.1.4** Each layer of refractory shall be suitable for a design temperature at least 165 °C (300 °F) above the calculated hot-face or calculated interface temperature. The minimum design temperature for refractories used in the radiant and shield sections of the heater is 980 °C (1 800 °F).

**11.1.5** The floor hot surface shall be a 63 mm (2,5 in) thick layer of high-duty fireclay brick or a 75 mm (3 in) thick layer of castable with a 1 370 °C (2 500 °F) service temperature and a minimum cold crush strength of 3 450 kN/m<sup>2</sup> (500 psi) after drying at 110 °C (230 °F).

**11.1.6** Burner blocks shall be suitable for a service temperature of at least 1 650 °C (3 000 °F).

**11.1.7** Target walls with flame impingement on both sides shall be constructed of high-duty firebrick with at least a 1 540 °C (2 800 °F) rating. Bricks shall be laid dry or with mortared joints. Expansion joints shall be packed with ceramic fibre strips having a rated temperature not less than 1 540 °C (2 800 °F).

**11.1.8** Target walls with flame impingement on one side shall be of brick or of plastic refractory with a rated temperature of at least 1 540 °C (2 800 °F). Either may be backed by a castable or ceramic fibreboard.

**11.1.9** Expansion joints shall be provided around burner blocks, brick and pre-fired shapes.

**11.1.10** Access doors shall be protected from direct radiation by a refractory system of at least the same thermal rating and resistance as the adjacent wall lining.

**11.1.11** Refractory anchors are not mandatory for floor castable, unless required for shipping considerations.

**11.1.12** Maximum temperatures for anchor tips are listed in Table 11.

**Table 11 — Maximum temperatures for anchor tips**

Anchor material	Maximum anchor temperature	
	°C	(°F)
Carbon steel	455	850
TP 304 stainless steel	760	1 400
TP 316 stainless steel	760	1 400
TP 309 stainless steel	815	1 500
TP 310 stainless steel	927	1 700
TP 330 stainless steel	1 038	1 900
Alloy 601 (UNS N06601)	1 093	2 000
Ceramic studs and washers	> 1 093	> 2 000

## 11.2 Brick and tile construction

**11.2.1** Brick construction may be used for gravity walls and floors or as hot-face layers.

**11.2.2** Radiant chamber walls of gravity construction shall not exceed 7,3 m (24 ft) in height and shall be at least high-duty fireclay brick. The base width shall be a minimum of 8 % of wall height. The height-to-width ratio of each wall section shall not exceed 5 to 1. The walls shall be self-supporting and the base shall rest on the steel wall, not on another refractory.

**11.2.3** Gravity walls shall be of mortared construction. The mortar shall be non-slagging, air-setting, chemically compatible with adjacent refractory, including at the rated temperature of the brick.

**11.2.4** Vertical expansion joints shall be provided at gravity-wall ends and required intermediate locations. All expansion joints shall be kept open and free to move. If the joint is formed with lapped brick, no mortar shall be used, that is, it shall be a dry joint.

**11.2.5** Floor brick shall not be mortared. A 13 mm (0,5 in) gap for expansion shall be provided at 1,8 m (6 ft) intervals. This gap may be packed with fibrous refractory material of similar rated temperature, in strip, not loose bulk, form.

**11.2.6** Minimum service temperature for a hot-face brick layer shall be 1 430 °C (2 600 °F) on walls with expected flame impingement and 1 260 °C (2 300 °F) for other exposed-wall applications. Minimum service temperature for shielded walls shall be 1 095 °C (2 000 °F).

**11.2.7** All brick linings on vertical flat casing shall be tied back to, and supported by, the structural steel framing members. All tie members shall be austenitic alloy material, except that pipe supports located in the backup layer may be carbon steel. At least 15 % of the bricks shall be tied back. It is not necessary for the brick lining on the cylindrical casing to be tied back if the radius of curvature of the casing keys the bricks.

**11.2.8** Brick linings shall be supported by metal support shelves (lintels) attached to the casing on vertical centres not to exceed 1,8 m (6 ft). Support shelves shall be slotted to provide for differential thermal expansion. Shelf material is defined by the calculated service temperature; carbon steel is satisfactory up to 370 °C (700 °F).

**11.2.9** Expansion joints shall be provided in both vertical and horizontal directions of the walls, at wall edges and about burner tiles, doors and sleeved penetrations.

### 11.3 Castable construction

**11.3.1** Hydraulic-setting castables are suitable as refractory lining material for all areas of fired heaters. Only premixed refractory products shall be used and the equivalent of a 1:2:4 volumetric mix of lumnite-haydite-vermiculite product shall be limited to use at a design temperature of 1 040 °C (1900 °F). If the lumnite-haydite-vermiculite equivalent is used as a hot-face material, it shall be used only in clean-fuel applications and shall be limited to a maximum thickness of 200 mm (8 in) on arch and wall areas.

**11.3.2** For dual-layer castable construction, the hot-face layer shall be a minimum of 75 mm (3 in) thick. Except for the floor, the anchoring systems shall provide independent support for each layer.

**11.3.3** Anchoring penetration shall be not less than 70 % of the individual layer being anchored for castable thickness greater than 50 mm (2 in). The anchor shall not be closer than 12 mm (0,5 in) to the hot-face.

**11.3.4** The anchoring spacing shall be a maximum of three times the total lining thickness, but shall not exceed 300 mm (12 in) on a square pattern for walls and 225 mm (9 in) on a square pattern for arches. The anchor orientation shall be varied to avoid creating continuous shear planes.

**11.3.5** Anchors for total castable thickness up to 150 mm (6 in) shall be at least 5 mm (3/16 in) in diameter. For greater castable thickness, the anchors shall be at least 6,3 mm (1/4 in) in diameter.

**11.3.6** Castable linings in header boxes, breechings and lined flue-gas ducts and stacks shall not be less than 50 mm (2 in) thick.

- **11.3.7** In castable linings up to 50 mm (2 in) thick, fencing or wire mesh shall be used for anchoring the lining. The purchaser shall specify or agree if carbon steel material is acceptable.

**11.3.8** Metallic fibre may be added for reinforcement only in castables of density 880 kg/m<sup>3</sup> (55 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>) or higher. Metallic fibres shall be limited to no more than 3 % mass fraction of the dry mixture.

**11.3.9** Low iron content (maximum 1,5 % mass fraction) materials shall be used when the total heavy metals content of the fuel exceeds 100 mg/kg (100 ppm by mass).

**11.3.10** Castables with low iron content, or heavy-weight castables, shall be used on exposed hot-face walls if the total heavy-metals content, including sodium, within the fuel exceeds 250 mg/kg (250 ppm by mass). Heavy-weight castables shall have a minimum density of 1 800 kg/m<sup>3</sup> (110 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>) with an Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> content of not less than 40 %. In aggregate, the Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> content shall be not less than 40 % and the SiO<sub>2</sub> content shall not exceed 35 %.

**11.3.11** Hydraulic-setting castables, in particular light-weight and medium-weight insulating castables, are susceptible to the development of alkaline hydrolysis (carbonization) placed under high ambient temperatures and/or high humidity conditions shortly after placement. See 16.5.8 regarding placement and curing.

### 11.4 Ceramic-fibre construction

- **11.4.1** If specified or agreed by the purchaser, ceramic-fibre in layered or modular construction may be used in all heater areas except stacks, ducts and floors.

**11.4.2** The hot-face of layered ceramic-fibre blanket installations shall be a minimum of 25 mm (1 in) thick, 128 kg/m<sup>3</sup> (8 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>) density, needled material. Ceramic fibreboard, if applied as a hot-face layer, shall not be less than 38 mm (1,5 in) thick nor have a density less than 240 kg/m<sup>3</sup> (15 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>). Backup layer(s) of ceramic-fibre blanket shall be needled material with a minimum density of 96 kg/m<sup>3</sup> (6 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>). The size of the ceramic fibreboard, if used as hot-face layer, shall be limited to maximum dimensions of 600 mm × 600 mm (24 in × 24 in) if temperatures of the flue gases are below 1 100 °C (2 000 °F) and 450 mm × 450 mm (18 in × 18 in) if temperatures of the flue gases exceed 1 100 °C (2 000 °F).

**11.4.3** Any layer of ceramic fibre shall be suitable for a service temperature at least 280 °C (500 °F) above its calculated hot-face temperature.

**11.4.4** The hot-face layer of a ceramic-fibre blanket system shall be anchored at a maximum distance of 75 mm (3 in) from all edges.

**11.4.5** The anchor spacing for arches shall not exceed the following rectangular pattern: 150 mm × 225 mm (6 in × 9 in) for 300 mm (12 in) wide blankets; 225 mm × 225 mm (9 in × 9 in) for 600 mm (24 in) wide blankets; 225 mm × 250 mm (9 in × 10 in) for 900 mm (36 in) wide blankets; and 225 mm × 270 mm (9 in × 10,5 in) for 1 200 mm (48 in) wide blankets.

**11.4.6** The anchor spacing for walls shall not exceed the following rectangular pattern: 150 mm × 225 mm (6 in × 9 in) for 300 mm (12 in) wide blankets; 225 mm × 300 mm (9 in × 12 in) for 600 mm (24 in) wide blankets; and 270 mm × 300 mm (10,5 in × 12 in) for 1 200 mm (48 in) wide blankets.

**11.4.7** Metallic anchor parts that are not shielded by tubes shall be completely wrapped with ceramic-fibre patches or be protected by ceramic retainer cups filled with mouldable ceramic fibre.

**11.4.8** Ceramic-fibre blanket shall not be used as the hot-face layer if flue-gas velocities are in excess of 12 m/s (40 ft/s). Wet-blanket, ceramic fibreboard, or ceramic-fibre modules shall be used on hot-face layers with velocities greater than 12 m/s (40 ft/s) but less than 24 m/s (80 ft/s). Hot-face refractory with velocities greater than 24 m/s (80 ft/s) shall have castable or external lining.

**11.4.9** Ceramic-fibre blanket shall be installed with its longest dimension in the direction of gas flow. The hot-face layer of blanket shall be constructed with all joints overlapped. Overlaps shall be in the direction of gas flow. Hot-face layers of ceramic fibreboard shall be constructed with tight butt joints.

**11.4.10** Ceramic-fibre blanket used in backup layers shall be installed with butt joints with at least 25 mm (1 in) compression on the joints. All joints in successive layers of blanket shall be staggered.

**11.4.11** Ceramic-fibre blanket modules shall be installed in soldier-course (with batten strips) patterns. Parquet pattern may be used only on arches.

**11.4.12** Module systems shall be installed so that joints at each edge are compressed to avoid gaps due to shrinkage.

**11.4.13** Modules applied in arches shall be designed so that anchorage is provided over at least 80 % of the module width.

**11.4.14** Anchors shall be attached to the casing before modules are installed.

**11.4.15** Anchor assembly shall be located in the module at a maximum distance of 50 mm (2 in) from the module cold face.

**11.4.16** Module internal hardware shall be austenitic stainless steel or nickel alloy (see Table 11).

- **11.4.17** If ceramic-fibre construction is used with fuels having a sulfur content exceeding 10 mg/kg (10 ppm by mass), the casing shall have an internal protective coating, specified or agreed by the purchaser, to prevent corrosion. The protective coating shall be rated for a 175 °C (350 °F) service temperature.

**11.4.18** A vapour barrier of austenitic stainless steel foil shall be provided if the fuel sulfur content exceeds 500 mg/kg (500 ppm by mass). The vapour barrier shall be located so that the exposure temperature is at least 55 °C (100 °F) above the calculated acid dew point for all operating cases. Vapour-barrier edges shall be overlapped by at least 175 mm (7 in); edges and punctures shall be sealed.

**11.4.19** Ceramic-fibre systems shall not be applied for services where the total heavy-metals content in the fuel exceeds 100 mg/kg (100 ppm by mass).

**11.4.20** Ceramic fibre shall not be used in convection sections where sootblowers, steam lances or waterwash facilities are initially provided.

**11.4.21** Anchors shall be installed before applying protective coating to the casing. The coating shall cover the anchors so that uncoated parts are above the acid dew-point temperature.

## **11.5 Multi-component lining construction**

**11.5.1** Castable layers shall have a minimum thickness of 75 mm (3 in).

**11.5.2** The anchoring system shall provide retention and support for each component layer.

**11.5.3** Anchor types and installation for individual lining components shall meet the applicable requirements of 11.2, 11.3 and 11.4.

**11.5.4** The material used in any layer shall be suitable for service temperatures in accordance with 11.1.4 and 11.4.3.

**11.5.5** Brick may be used for hot-face service or as a backup layer if the hot-face layer is brick.

**11.5.6** Block insulation shall be made of calcium silicate or mineral-wool fibre, with a minimum service-temperature rating of 938 °C (1 800 °F). Block insulation shall be used only as a backup material, but shall not be used if the fuel sulfur content exceeds 1 % mass fraction in liquid fuel or 100 mg/kg hydrogen sulfide in gas fuel. Block insulation shall not be used as backup material in floor construction.

**11.5.7** If insulating block or ceramic fibre is used as backup insulation, the casing shall have a protective coating if the fuel sulfur content exceeds 10 mg/kg. The protective coating shall be rated for 175 °C (350 °F) service temperature.

**11.5.8** If used as backup for castable, block insulation or ceramic-fibre blanket shall be sealed to prevent water migration from the castable.

**11.5.9** The minimum density of insulating block and ceramic-fibre blanket used as backup materials shall be 130 kg/m<sup>3</sup> (8 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>).

## **11.6 Materials**

**11.6.1** Materials shall conform to the following ASTM specifications or equivalent:

- a) fireclay brick, ASTM C 27;
- b) insulating firebrick, ASTM C 155;
- c) castable refractory, ASTM C 401, Class N, O, P, Q or R;
- d) vermiculite sieve analysis, ASTM C 332, Group I density;
- e) insulating block (mineral-slag wool, neutral pH), ASTM C 612 CL5;
- f) haydite, ASTM C 332 Group II:
  - 1) poured application: Fine Aggregate No. 4,
  - 2) gunned application: combined fine and coarse 10 mm (3/8 in) to Fine Aggregate No. 0.

**11.6.2** The following materials shall have a composition as follows:

- a) lumnite or calcium aluminate cement: the mass fraction of Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> shall be at least 35 %;
- b) ceramic fibre: the mass fraction of Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> shall be at least 43 % and the remainder shall be primarily SiO<sub>2</sub> or ZrO<sub>2</sub>.



## 12 Structures and appurtenances

### 12.1 General

- **12.1.1** The purchaser shall specify or agree the structural design code. Structures shall comply with the structural design code.
- 12.1.2** Minimum design loads for wind and earthquake shall conform to the structural design code.
- 12.1.3** Platform live loads shall be in accordance with the structural design code.
- 12.1.4** Structures and appurtenances shall be designed for all applicable load conditions expected during shipment, erection and operation. Cold-weather conditions shall be considered, particularly when the furnace is not in operation. These load conditions shall include, but are not limited to, dead load, wind load, earthquake load, live load and thermal load.
- 12.1.5** Design metal temperature of structures and appurtenances shall be the calculated metal temperature plus 55 °C (100 °F), based on the maximum flue-gas temperature expected for all operating modes with an ambient temperature of 27 °C (80 °F) in still air.
- 12.1.6** The effect of elevated design temperature on yield strength and modulus of elasticity shall be taken into account (see Table 12).
- 12.1.7** The material of the structures and appurtenances shall be adequate for all load conditions at the lowest specified ambient temperature when the furnace is not in operation.

### 12.2 Structures

- 12.2.1** All loads from the tubes and headers shall be supported by the structural steel and shall not be transmitted into the refractory.
- 12.2.2** Structural steel shall be designed to permit lateral and vertical expansion of all heater parts.
- 12.2.3** Heater casing shall be plate of a minimum thickness of 5 mm (3/16 in), which shall be reinforced against warping. Casing, if calculated to resist buckling stresses, shall have a minimum thickness of 6 mm (1/4 in). Floor and radiant roof plates shall have a minimum thickness of 6 mm (1/4 in).
- 12.2.4** Heater-casing plate shall be seal-welded externally to prevent air and water infiltration.
- **12.2.5** The heater structure shall be capable of supporting ladders, stairs and platforms in locations where installed or where specified by the purchaser for future use.
- 12.2.6** Flat-roof design shall allow for runoff of rainwater. This can be accomplished by arrangement of structural members and drain openings, by sloping the roof or with a secondary roof for weather protection. If pitched roofs are provided for weather protection, eaves and gables shall prevent the entry of windblown rain.
- **12.2.7** If fireproofing is specified by the purchaser, the main structural columns of the heater from the baseplate to the floor level plus the main floor beams shall be designed for the addition of 50 mm (2 in) of fireproofing.
- 12.2.8** Heaters with horizontal tubes that have return bends inside the firebox shall have removable end panels or panels in the sidewalls to provide access to the return-bend welds.
- 12.2.9** Duct structural systems shall support ductwork independent of expansion joints during operation, when idle or with duct sections removed.
- 12.2.10** The casing shall be reinforced at the burner mounting to maintain the burner alignment during operation. Gaskets shall be provided at each bolted burner mounting flange connection to the heater.

## 12.3 Header boxes, doors and ports

### 12.3.1 Header boxes

**12.3.1.1** Each header box shall allow for the total tube expansion. A minimum clearance of 75 mm (3 in) shall be provided between the header box door refractory and the header in the hot position.

- **12.3.1.2** Header boxes enclosing plug headers shall have hinged doors or bolted end panels as specified by the purchaser.

**12.3.1.3** Header boxes, including doors, shall be of 5 mm (3/16 in) minimum steel plate reinforced against warping. Header boxes shall be removable.

- **12.3.1.4** If specified by the purchaser, to minimize flue-gas bypassing, horizontal partitions shall be provided in convection-section header boxes at a spacing no greater than 1,5 m (5 ft).

**12.3.1.5** Gaskets shall be used in all header-box joints to achieve airtightness. Where terminals and crossovers protrude through the header box, the opening around the coil shall be sealed to minimize leakage.

### 12.3.2 Doors and ports

**12.3.2.1** Two access doors having a minimum clear opening of 600 mm × 600 mm (24 in × 24 in) shall be provided for each radiant chamber of a box or cabin heater.

**12.3.2.2** One access door having a minimum clear opening of 450 mm × 450 mm (18 in × 18 in) shall be provided in the floor for vertical cylindrical heaters. A bolted and gasketed access door shall also be provided in any air plenum below the floor accessway. Where space is not available, access via a burner port is acceptable.

**12.3.2.3** One access door having a minimum clear opening of 600 mm × 600 mm (24 in × 24 in), or 600 mm (24 in) in diameter, shall be provided in the stack or breeching for access to the damper and convection sections.

**12.3.2.4** One tube-removal door having a minimum clear opening of 450 mm × 600 mm (18 in × 24 in) shall be provided in the arch of each radiant chamber of vertical tube heaters.

**12.3.2.5** Observation doors and ports shall be provided for viewing all radiant tubes and all burner flames for proper operation and for light-off.

**12.3.2.6** Access doors having a minimum clear opening of 600 mm × 600 mm (24 in × 24 in) shall be provided to ducts, plenums and at all duct connections to air preheaters and control dampers.

## 12.4 Ladders, platforms and stairways

**12.4.1** Platforms shall be provided as follows:

- a) at burner and burner controls that are not accessible from grade;
- b) at both ends of the convection section for maintenance purposes;
- c) at damper and sootblower locations for maintenance and operation purposes;
- d) at all observation ports and firebox-access doors not accessible from grade;
- e) at auxiliary equipment, such as steam drums, fans, drivers and air preheaters as required for operating and maintenance purposes;
- f) at all areas necessary to meet the requirements of 15.5.

**12.4.2** Vertical cylindrical heaters with shell diameters greater than 3 m (10 ft) shall have a full circular platform at the floor level. Individual ladders and platforms to each observation door may be used if shell diameters are 3 m (10 feet) or less.

**12.4.3** Platforms shall have a minimum clear width as follows:

- a) operating platforms: 900 mm (3 ft);
- b) maintenance platforms: 900 mm (3 ft);
- c) walkways: 750 mm (2,5 ft).

- **12.4.4** Platform decking shall have a minimum thickness of 6 mm (1/4 in) checkered plate or 25 mm × 5 mm (1 in × 3/16 in) open grating, as specified by the purchaser. Stair treads shall be open grating with a checkered plate nosing.

**12.4.5** Dual access shall be provided to each operating platform, except if the individual platform length is less than 6 m (20 ft).

**12.4.6** An intermediate landing shall be provided if the vertical rise exceeds 9 m (30 ft) for ladders and 4,5 m (15 ft) for stairways.

**12.4.7** Ladders shall be caged from a point 2,3 m (7,5 ft) above grade or any platform. A self-closing safety gate shall be provided for all ladders serving platforms and landings. Ladders shall be arranged for side step-off; step-through ladders shall not be used unless specified or agreed by the purchaser.

**12.4.8** Stairs shall have a minimum width of 750 mm (2,5 ft), a minimum tread width of 240 mm (9,5 in), and a maximum riser of 200 mm (8 in). The slope of the stairway shall not exceed a 9 (vertical) to 12 (horizontal) ratio.

**12.4.9** Headroom over platforms, walkways and stairways shall be a minimum of 2,1 m (7 ft).

**12.4.10** Handrails shall be provided on all platforms, walkways and stairways.

**12.4.11** Handrails, ladders and platforms shall be arranged so as not to interfere with tube handling. Where interference exists, removable sections shall be provided.

## 12.5 Materials

- **12.5.1** Materials for service at design ambient temperatures below – 30 °C (– 20 °F) shall be as specified by the purchaser. For ambient temperatures below – 20 °C (– 5 °F), special low-temperature steels shall be considered.

**12.5.2** The mechanical properties and the chemical composition of structural, alloy or stainless steels shall comply with ISO Standard requirements or their equivalent.

**12.5.3** For metal temperatures lower than 425 °C (800 °F), stacks, ducts and breeching shall be constructed from one of the following structural grades of steel: EN 10025-2:2004, Annex A (grades Fe360, Fe430, Fe510), ASTM (A 36, A 242, A 572), or their equivalent.

**12.5.4** If metal temperatures exceed 425 °C (800 °F), stainless or alloy steels shall be used.

**12.5.5** The mechanical properties of the steels at temperatures between 0 °C (32 °F) and 425 °C (800 °F) shall be determined according to the values given in Table 12.

**12.5.6** If the minimum service temperature is – 18 °C (0 °F) or higher, bolting material shall be in accordance with ASTM A 307, ASTM A 325, ASTM A 193-B7 or equivalent. Below – 18 °C (0 °F), A 193-B7 bolts with A 194-2H nuts, A 320-L7 bolting or equivalent shall be used. No welding is permitted on A 320-L7 or A 193-B7 materials.

**Table 12 — Minimum yield strength,  $F_y$ , and modulus of elasticity,  $E$ , for structural steel**

$T$	EN 10025-2, Annex A: Fe 360		EN 10025-2, Annex A: Fe 430		EN 10025-2, Annex A: Fe 510		ASTM A 36		ASTM A 242		ASTM A 572 grade 50	
	$F_y$	$E$	$F_y$	$E$	$F_y$	$E$	$F_y$	$E$	$F_y$	$E$	$F_y$	$E$
°C (°F)	MN/m <sup>2</sup> (psi × 10 <sup>3</sup> )	GN/m <sup>2</sup> (psi × 10 <sup>6</sup> )	MN/m <sup>2</sup> (psi × 10 <sup>3</sup> )	GN/m <sup>2</sup> (psi × 10 <sup>6</sup> )	MN/m <sup>2</sup> (psi × 10 <sup>3</sup> )	GN/m <sup>2</sup> (psi × 10 <sup>6</sup> )	MN/m <sup>2</sup> (psi × 10 <sup>3</sup> )	GN/m <sup>2</sup> (psi × 10 <sup>6</sup> )	MN/m <sup>2</sup> (psi × 10 <sup>3</sup> )	GN/m <sup>2</sup> (psi × 10 <sup>6</sup> )	MN/m <sup>2</sup> (psi × 10 <sup>3</sup> )	GN/m <sup>2</sup> (psi × 10 <sup>6</sup> )
20 (70)	235 (34,1)	210 (30,5)	275 (39,9)	210 (30,5)	355 (51,5)	210 (30,5)	248 (36,0)	200 (29,0)	290 (42,1)	192 (27,8)	344 (50,0)	207 (30,0)
200 (390)	207 (30,0)	202 (29,3)	242 (35,1)	202 (29,3)	312 (45,3)	202 (29,3)	200 (29,0)	193 (28,0)	261 (37,9)	186 (27,0)	296 (42,9)	200 (29,0)
250 (480)	196 (28,4)	198 (28,7)	229 (33,2)	198 (28,7)	295 (42,8)	198 (28,7)	192 (27,8)	189 (27,4)	254 (36,8)	182 (26,4)	283 (41,1)	196 (28,4)
300 (570)	183 (26,5)	192 (27,8)	214 (31,0)	192 (27,8)	276 (40,0)	192 (27,8)	183 (26,5)	185 (26,8)	246 (35,7)	177 (25,7)	271 (39,4)	191 (27,7)
350 (660)	169 (24,5)	185 (26,8)	197 (28,6)	185 (26,8)	255 (37,0)	185 (26,8)	175 (25,4)	180 (26,1)	238 (34,5)	171 (24,8)	264 (38,3)	186 (27,0)
425 (800)	161 (23,4)	173 (25,1)	178 (25,8)	173 (25,1)	230 (33,4)	173 (25,1)	161 (23,4)	176 (25,5)	229 (33,2)	161 (23,4)	248 (36,0)	173 (25,1)

### 13 Stacks, ducts and breeching

#### 13.1 General

13.1.1 Clause 13 applies to the structural design of ducts, breeching and self-supporting vertical steel stacks of circular or conical section.

- 13.1.2 The design of stacks, ducts and breechings shall be in accordance with the applicable provisions of the codes and standards specified by the purchaser and, as a minimum requirement, shall comply with Clause 13.

#### 13.2 Design considerations

13.2.1 Stacks shall be self-supporting and shall be bolted to their supporting structure.

- 13.2.2 Stack intermediate construction shall be performed with full-penetration welding or, if agreed by the purchaser, shall be bolted.

13.2.3 Breeching and ducting shall be of welded or bolted construction.

13.2.4 External attachments to stacks shall be seal-welded.

13.2.5 Stacks, ducts and breeching mounted on concrete shall be designed to prevent concrete temperatures in excess of 150 °C (300 °F).

13.2.6 Connections between stacks and flue-gas ducts shall not be welded.

13.2.7 A corrosion-resistant metal cap should be provided at the top of the stack lining refractory to protect its horizontal surface from the weather.

**13.2.8** Linings can be required in steel stacks for one or more of the following purposes:

- a) fire protection;
- b) to protect structural steel from gases of excessively high temperature;
- c) corrosion protection;
- d) to maintain the flue-gas temperature at least 20 °C (35 °F) above the acid dew point;
- e) to reduce potential for aerodynamic instability.

**13.2.9** The suitability of specialist linings other than refractory should be discussed with the manufacturers but consideration should be given to their strength, flexibility, thermal properties and resistance to chemical attack.

**13.2.10** Castable linings shall be secured to stacks, ducts and breeching by suitable anchorage (see 11.3.7).

**13.2.11** All openings and connections on the stack, duct or breeching shall be sealed to prevent air or flue-gas leakage.

**13.2.12** Breeching shall have a minimum clear distance beyond the last (present or future) convection row of 0,8 m (2,5 ft) for access and flue-gas distribution. At least one take-off shall be provided every 12 m (40 ft) of convection-section tube length.

**13.2.13** Stacks, ducts and breeching shall be designed for all applicable load conditions expected during shipment, erection and operation. Snow and ice shall be considered, particularly when the furnace is not in operation. These load conditions shall include, but not be limited to, dead load, wind load, earthquake load, live load and thermal load.

**13.2.14** The combination of loads that could occur simultaneously to create the maximum load condition shall be the design load, but in no case shall individual loads create stresses that exceed those allowed by 13.4. Wind and earthquake loads shall not be considered as acting simultaneously.

**13.2.15** The minimum thickness of the stack shell plate shall be 6 mm (1/4 in), including corrosion allowance. The minimum corrosion allowance shall be 1,6 mm (1/16 in) for lined stacks and 3,2 mm (1/8 in) for unlined stacks.

**13.2.16** The minimum number of anchor bolts for any stack shall be eight.

**13.2.17** Lifting lugs on stacks, if required, shall be designed for the lifting load as the stack is raised from a horizontal to a vertical position.

**13.2.18** Design metal temperature of stacks, ducts and breeching shall be the calculated metal temperature plus 50 °C (90 °F), based on the maximum flue-gas temperature expected for all operating modes with an ambient temperature of 27 °C (80 °F) with zero wind velocity.

**13.2.19** The minimum thickness of breeching and duct plate shall be 5 mm (3/16 in).

**13.2.20** Ducts and breeching shall be stiffened to prevent excessive warpage and deflection. Deflection of castable refractory lined ducts and breeching shall be limited to 1/360th of the span. Deflection of other ducts and breeching shall be limited to 1/240th of the span.

### **13.3 Design methods**

Where no specific requirements are given by the purchaser, one of the methods given in Clause H.2 or H.3 should be adopted.

### 13.4 Static design

**13.4.1** All stacks shall be designed as cantilever beam columns.

**13.4.2** Linings shall not be considered as contributing to the strength of the stack, duct or breeching.

**13.4.3** Discontinuities in the stack shell plate, such as conical-to-cylindrical junctions and non-circular transitions, shall be designed so that the combined membrane and bending stresses in the stack shell or stiffening rings do not exceed 90 % of the minimum yield strength of the respective materials at design temperature.

**13.4.4** Openings cut into the stack shall be limited in size to a clear width no greater than two-thirds of the stack diameter. For two openings opposite each other, each chord shall not exceed the stack radius. Openings shall be reinforced to fully restore the required structural capacity of the uncut section.

**13.4.5** Apertures in the stack shell plates, other than flue inlets, shall have the corners radiused to a minimum of 10 times the plate thickness.

**13.4.6** Changes in cylindrical stack diameters shall be made with cones having an apex angle of 60° or less.

**13.4.7** Ring stiffeners provided to carry wind pressure should be designed for the circumferential bending moments.

**13.4.8** Circumferential bending moments due to wind pressure may be neglected in unstiffened cylindrical shells if the ratio  $R/t \leq 160$ , where  $R$  is the radius and  $t$  is the corroded thickness of the shell.

**13.4.9** Stiffening rings are required if  $t \leq (5M/9F_{ys})^{0,5}$  and shall be provided as follows:

a) ring spacing limits:  $1 \leq H_s/D < 3$

b) ring section modulus required:

$$Z \geq H_s M / (0,6 F_{yr})$$

where

$M$  is the maximum circumferential moment per unit length of shell, expressed in newton metres per metre (inch-pounds per inch);

$F_{ys}$  is the minimum yield strength of shell material at design temperature, expressed in newtons per square millimetre (pounds per square inch);

$t$  is the corroded shell thickness, expressed in millimetres (inches);

$H_s$  is the ring spacing, expressed in millimetres (inches);

$D$  is the shell diameter, expressed in millimetres (inches);

$Z$  is the section modulus of ring, expressed in cubic millimetres (cubic inches);

$F_{yr}$  is the minimum yield strength of ring stiffener at the shell design temperature, expressed in newtons per square millimetre (pounds per square inch).

**13.4.10** Stack deflection due to static wind loads shall not exceed 1 in 200 of stack height, based on the shell-plate thickness less 50 % of the corrosion allowance and without considering the presence of a lining.

**13.4.11** The permitted deviation (execution tolerance) from the vertical of the steel shell at any level above the base of the erected stack shall be determined from Equation (1) in metres or Equation (2) in (feet):

$$\delta = \frac{h}{1000\sqrt{1+50/h}} \quad (1)$$

or

$$\delta = \frac{h}{1000\sqrt{1+164/h}} \quad (2)$$

where  $h$  is the stack height, expressed in metres (feet).

### 13.5 Wind-induced vibration design

**13.5.1** A dynamic analysis shall be made to determine the stack's response to wind and earthquake action. If no specific requirements are given by the purchaser, the methods given in Annex H should be adopted for the dynamics due to wind.

**13.5.2** If the critical wind speed for the first mode of vibration of the stack is 1,25 times higher than the maximum (hourly mean) design wind speed (evaluated at the top of the stack), dynamic loads resulting from cross-wind response need not be included in the design load.

**13.5.3** If analysis indicates that excessive vibrations due to cross-winds are possible, one of the following methods to reduce vortex-induced amplitudes shall be used.

- a) Increase mass and structural damping characteristics (e.g. use of refractory lining).
- b) Use a mass damper (e.g. tuned pendulum damper).
- c) Use aerodynamic devices (e.g. helical or vertical strakes as described in 13.5.4 and 13.5.5 or staggered vertical plates as described in 13.5.6), the choice of which shall be specified or agreed by the purchaser. Annex H gives recommendations regarding the application of spoilers or strakes.
- d) Modify stack length and/or diameter until acceptable vibration characteristics are achieved.

**13.5.4** If strakes are required to disrupt wind-induced vibration, they shall be used on at least the upper third of the stack height.

**13.5.5** Helical strakes shall consist of three rectangular strakes of 6 mm (1/4 in) thickness at 120° spacing with a pitch of five diameters and a projection of 0,1 diameters.

**13.5.6** Staggered vertical plates shall be not less than 6 mm (1/4 in) thick and not more than 1,5 m (5 ft) long. Three strakes shall be placed at 120° around the stack and shall project 0,10 diameters from the outside of the stack. Adjacent levels of strakes shall be staggered 30° from each other.

**13.5.7** If a stack is positioned within close proximity of other tall structures, consideration should be given to the possibility of buffeting effects.

**13.5.8** If a stack is positioned adjacent to another stack or tall cylindrical vessel, the minimum recommended spacing between centres is  $4d$ , where  $d$  is the largest diameter of the adjacent structures. Interference effects may be neglected for spacing between centres of greater than  $15d$ .

**13.5.9** For a stack downwind of an adjacent stack or a tall vessel, interference effects shall be accounted for by an increase in wind load.

## 13.6 Materials

The material of the stack, breeching and duct shall be adequate for all load conditions at the lowest specified ambient temperature when the furnace is not in operation (see 12.5).

## 14 Burners and auxiliary equipment

### 14.1 Burners

**14.1.1** Burner design, selection, spacing, location, installation and operation shall ensure against flame impingement on tubes, tube supports and flame exiting the radiant section of the heater throughout the entire operating range of the burners. The location and operation of burners shall ensure complete combustion within the radiant section of the heater.

**14.1.2** Burners shall be designed in accordance with all local and national statutes and regulations.

**14.1.3** For burner clearances, the data given in Table 13 shall be used for natural-draught burners and in Table 14 for forced-draught burners. The tables are based on low  $\text{NO}_x$  burners which are designed to reduce the formation of  $\text{NO}_x$  below levels generated during normal combustion in conventional burners.

**14.1.4** In addition to 14.1.3, the following shall apply.

- a) The number and size of burners shall ensure that the visible flame length is a maximum of two-thirds of the radiant section height. For floor-fired heaters the CO content at the bridge wall shall be a maximum of  $40 \text{ ml/m}^3$  (40 ppm by volume) for gas-fired heaters, or  $80 \text{ ml/m}^3$  (80 ppm by volume) for oil-fired heaters, at maximum design firing conditions.
- b) For horizontal opposed firing, the minimum visible clearance between directly opposed firing flame tips shall be 1,2 m (4 ft).

**14.1.5** For burners outside the range given in Tables 13 and 14, verifiable data shall be obtained before any design is finalized. For high heat releases, see 14.1.8 for burners and 14.1.10 for pilots.

**14.1.6** For other types of burners (e.g. fan-shaped flame or radiant-wall flame), vendor or other verifiable data shall be obtained.

**14.1.7** All burners shall be sized for a maximum heat release at the design excess air based on the following:

- a) five or fewer burners: 120 % of normal heat release at design conditions;
  - b) six or seven burners: 115 % of normal heat release at design conditions;
  - c) eight or more burners: 110 % of normal heat release at design conditions.
- **14.1.8** For liquid-fuel-fired heaters with a maximum heat release greater than 4,4 MW ( $15 \times 10^6$  Btu/h), a minimum of three burners shall be used. Alternatively, if specified or agreed by the purchaser, a single burner with auxiliary guns may be used to permit gun maintenance without shutting down or upsetting the process.

**14.1.9** Gas pilots shall be provided for each burner, unless otherwise specified.



Table 13 — Minimum clearance guidelines for natural-draught operation

Burner type	Maximum heat release per burner		Minimum clearance							
			A		B		C		D	
			Vertical to centre-line roof tubes or refractory (vertical firing only)		Horizontal from burner centre-line to wall tubes centre-line		Horizontal from burner centre-line to unshielded refractory		Between opposing burners (horizontal firing)	
MW	(Btu/h × 10 <sup>6</sup> )	m	(ft)	m	(ft)	m	(ft)	m	(ft)	
Oil-firing	1,0	(3,41)	4,3	(14,1)	0,8	(2,6)	0,56	(1,9)	6,5	(21,4)
	1,5	(5,12)	5,6	(18,5)	0,9	(3,0)	0,70	(2,3)	8,8	(29,0)
	2,0	(6,8)	7,0	(22,9)	1,1	(3,5)	0,83	(2,7)	11,2	(36,7)
	2,5	(8,5)	8,3	(27,4)	1,2	(3,9)	0,96	(3,1)	13,3	(43,6)
	3,0	(10,2)	9,7	(31,8)	1,3	(4,3)	1,09	(3,6)	14,8	(48,7)
	3,5	(11,9)	11,0	(36,2)	1,4	(4,7)	1,22	(4,0)	16,4	(53,8)
	4,0	(13,6)	12,4	(40,7)	1,6	(5,2)	1,35	(4,4)	18,0	(59,0)
Gas-firing	0,5	(1,71)	2,6	(8,5)	0,6	(1,9)	0,44	(1,4)	3,4	(11,1)
	1,0	(3,41)	3,6	(11,9)	0,7	(2,4)	0,56	(1,9)	4,9	(16,2)
	1,5	(5,11)	4,6	(15,2)	0,8	(2,8)	0,70	(2,3)	6,5	(21,4)
	2,0	(6,82)	5,6	(18,5)	1,0	(3,2)	0,83	(2,7)	8,1	(26,5)
	2,5	(8,53)	6,7	(21,8)	1,1	(3,6)	0,96	(3,1)	9,6	(31,6)
	3,0	(10,24)	7,7	(25,2)	1,2	(4,1)	1,09	(3,6)	11,1	(36,4)
	3,5	(11,94)	8,7	(28,5)	1,4	(4,5)	1,22	(4,0)	11,9	(38,9)
	4,0	(13,65)	9,7	(31,8)	1,5	(4,9)	1,35	(4,4)	12,6	(41,5)
	4,5	(15,36)	10,7	(35,1)	1,6	(5,3)	1,48	(4,8)	13,4	(44,0)
	5,0	(17,06)	11,7	(38,5)	1,8	(5,7)	1,61	(5,3)	14,2	(46,6)

For horizontal firing, the distance between the burner centre-line and the roof tube centre-line or refractory shall be 50 % greater than the distances in column B.

For combination liquid-and-gas burners, the clearances shall be based on liquid-fuel firing, except if liquid fuel is used for start-up only.

For conventional gas burners, the longitudinal clearance may be decreased. This shall be achieved by multiplying dimensions in column A by a factor of 0,77 and column D by a factor of 0,67.

For intermediate firing rates, the required clearances may be achieved by linear interpolation.

The clearances in column A and column D should be increased by 20 % for low NO<sub>x</sub> burners with NO<sub>x</sub> levels below 70 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (34 ppm by volume) based on a single burner with natural-gas firing, with 15 % excess ambient air and a firebox temperature of 870 °C (1 600 °F).

NOTE Fuel-gas composition can affect the flame length.

**Table 14 — Minimum clearance guidelines for forced-draught operations**

Burner type	Maximum heat release per burner		Horizontal distance to centre-line of wall tubes from burner centre-line	
	MW	(Btu/h × 10 <sup>6</sup> )	m	(ft)
Oil-firing	2,00	(6,820)	0,932	(3,058)
	3,00	(10,240)	1,182	(3,878)
	4,00	(13,650)	1,359	(4,458)
	5,00	(17,060)	1,520	(4,987)
	6,00	(20,470)	1,664	(5,459)
	8,00	(27,300)	1,919	(6,292)
	10,00	(34,120)	2,143	(7,031)
	12,00	(40,950)	2,346	(7,697)
Gas-firing	2,00	(6,820)	0,932	(3,058)
	3,00	(10,240)	1,182	(3,878)
	4,00	(13,650)	1,359	(4,458)
	5,00	(17,060)	1,520	(4,987)
	6,00	(20,470)	1,664	(5,459)
	8,00	(27,290)	1,786	(5,860)
	10,00	(34,120)	1,923	(6,309)
	12,00	(40,950)	2,035	(6,677)

For horizontal firing, the distance between the burner centre-line and the roof tube centre-line or refractory shall be 50 % greater than the distances shown in the column above.

For combination liquid-and-gas burners, the clearances shall be based on liquid-fuel firing, except if liquid fuel is used for start-up only.

For intermediate firing rates, the required clearances may be achieved by linear interpolation.

Lack of data does not allow other clearances to be specified.

At high peak flux, additional clearances may be required.

**14.1.10** If a continuous pilot is provided, it shall meet the following requirements.

- a) The pilot shall have a nominal heat release of 22 kW (75 000 Btu/h). The minimum heat release shall be approved by the purchaser if it is for a high capacity burner whose heat release is 4,4 MW (15 × 10<sup>6</sup> Btu/h) or greater.
- b) The pilot burner shall be provided with a continuous supply of air, under all operating conditions. This includes operation with the main burner out of service.
- c) The pilot burner shall remain stable over the full firing range of the main burner. It shall also remain stable upon loss of main burner fuel, minimum draught, all combustion air flow rates and for all operating conditions.

- d) The pilot shall be positioned and sized to ensure that it is capable of lighting any of the main burner fuels. The purchaser shall specify the minimum main fuel flow rate during cold-burner light-off.
- e) The pilot shall be capable of relighting an individual main burner over the full range of fuels. The combustion air flow rate might need to be reduced for satisfactory reignition, particularly for forced-draught and low-NO<sub>x</sub> burners.

**14.1.11** Burner block installations shall be designed to be supported and to expand and contract as a unit, independent of the heater refractory.

**14.1.12** Burner tiles shall be supplied, pre-dried as required, so as to allow full firing after installation without further treatment. Burner tiles fabricated from water-based and hydrous materials shall be pre-dried to no less than 260 °C (500 °F).

**14.1.13** The materials used for construction of a burner shall be chosen for strength, as well as temperature- and corrosion-resistance, for the anticipated service conditions. Burner components shall be designed in accordance with the minimum requirements shown in Table 15.

**14.1.14** The burner shall maintain flame stability when operating at no less than 33 % of the maximum heat release settings without adjusting the air controls.

**14.1.15** At maximum design, the burner shall be selected to use no less than 90 % of the maximum available draught loss for the maximum specified heat release.

**14.1.16** The burner fuel valve and air registers shall be operable from grade or platforms. A means shall be provided to view the burner and pilot flame during light-off and operating adjustment.

- **14.1.17** If a natural-draught burner is to be used in forced-draught service, the purchaser shall specify the required heater capacity during natural-draught operation, if required.

**14.1.18** Oil burners should be designed to operate at a normal kinematic viscosity of 15 mm<sup>2</sup>/s (15 cSt) to 20 mm<sup>2</sup>/s (20 cSt). The maximum shall not exceed 40 mm<sup>2</sup>/s (40 cSt).

**14.1.19** Atomizing steam shall be supplied dry at the burner or with slight superheat.

**14.1.20** If volatile fuels, such as naphtha or gasoline, are burned, a safety interlock shall be provided on each burner. The interlock design shall (in sequence) shut off the fuel, purge the oil gun and shut off the purge medium before the gun can be removed.

**14.1.21** Oil guns shall be removable while the heater is in operation.

- **14.1.22** The purchaser shall specify whether gas guns, diffusers or the complete burner assembly shall be removable.

Table 15 — Materials of construction

	Component	Operation	Material
Fuel gas (burner and pilot)	Fuel-gas manifold and piping	Normal	Cast iron or carbon steel
		> 100 mg/kg H <sub>2</sub> S and > 150 °C (300 °F) fuel	AISI 316L stainless steel
	Fuel-gas riser pipe	Normal	Carbon steel
		> 370 °C (700 °F) combustion air	AISI 304 stainless steel
		> 100 ml/m <sup>3</sup> (ppmv) H <sub>2</sub> S and either > 150 °C (300 °F) fuel or > 205 °C (400 °F) combustion air	AISI 316L stainless steel
	Fuel-gas tip	Normal	Cast iron or AISI 300 series stainless steel
		> 100 mg/kg H <sub>2</sub> S and either > 150 °C (300 °F) fuel or > 205 °C (400 °F) combustion air	AISI 310 stainless steel
Premix venturi	Normal	Cast iron or carbon steel	
Fuel oil	Oil-gun receiver and body	Normal	Ductile iron
	Oil-gun tip	Normal	AISI 416 stainless steel
		Erosive oils	T-1 or M-2 tool steel
	Atomizer	Normal	Brass or AISI 300 series stainless steel
		> 3 % (mass fraction) sulfur	AISI 303 stainless steel
	Atomizer body only	Erosive fuel oils <sup>a</sup>	Nitride-hardened alloy
Other	Normal	Carbon steel	
Burner housing	Exterior casing	Normal	Carbon steel
		Preheated combustion air	Insulated carbon steel
	Flame stabilizer or cone	Normal	AISI 300 series stainless steel
		≤ 370 °C (700 °F) combustion air	Mineral wool <sup>b</sup>
	Insulation and noise reduction linings	> 370 °C (700 °F) combustion air	Mineral wool covered with erosion protection liner <sup>b</sup>
		Normal	Carbon steel
	Other interior metal parts	> 370 °C (700 °F) combustion air	ASTM A 242 or AISI 304 stainless steel
		Normal	> 40 % alumina refractory
	Burner tile	High intensity combustor	> 85 % alumina castable refractory/firebrick
		≤ 50 mg/kg (V + Na)	≥ 60 % alumina refractory
Oil-firing tile	> 50 mg/kg (V + Na)	> 90 % alumina refractory	

ASTM and AISI material grades are indicative of chemical composition; other grades may be used if they have similar properties.

<sup>a</sup> Erosive fuel oils are those which contain 3 % or more (by mass) of sulfur, catalyst fines or other particulates.

<sup>b</sup> Castables shall be used for oil firing where surfaces can be soaked with fuel oil.

## 14.2 Sootblowers

- **14.2.1** Sootblowers shall be automatic, sequential and/or fully retractable, as specified by the purchaser. Sootblowers normally use steam, but other types are available (e.g. air and acoustic devices) and these may be used if specified by the purchaser.

**14.2.2** Individual sootblowers shall be designed to pass a minimum of 4 500 kg/h (10 000 lb/h) of steam with a minimum steam gauge pressure of 1 030 kPa (150 psi) at the inlet flange.

**14.2.3** Retractable sootblower lances shall have two nozzles, an air bleed and a check valve to stop flue gas entering. The minimum distance at any position between the lance outside diameter and the bare-tube outside diameter shall be 225 mm (9 in).

**14.2.4** Spacing of retractable sootblowers shall be based upon a maximum horizontal or vertical coverage of 1,2 m (4 ft) from the lance centre-line, or five tube rows, whichever is less. The first (bottom) row of shield tubes may be neglected from sootblower coverage. Tube supports are considered as a limit to individual sootblower coverage.

**14.2.5** Erosion protection shall be provided for convection-section walls located within the soot-blowing zones, using castable refractory with a minimum density of 2 000 kg/m<sup>3</sup> (125 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>).

**14.2.6** Retractable sootblower entrance ports (through the refractory wall) shall be provided with stainless steel sleeves.

## 14.3 Fans and drivers

Fans and drivers for use with fired heaters shall be designed and built in accordance with the requirements of Annex E.

## 14.4 Dampers and damper controls for stacks and ducts

**14.4.1** Butterfly dampers shall be limited to stacks and ducts having a maximum internal cross-sectional area of 1,2 m<sup>2</sup> (13 ft<sup>2</sup>).

**14.4.2** Louvre dampers shall have a minimum of one blade for every 1,2 m<sup>2</sup> (13 ft<sup>2</sup>) of internal cross-sectional area in the stack or duct. The blades shall have approximately equal surface areas. Blades shall have opposed movement unless they are located at the fan suction, in which case there will be parallel closing movement opposite to the fan rotation.

**14.4.3** Damper shafts and bolting shall be of the same materials as the blade.

**14.4.4** Damper bearings and control mechanisms shall be external. Bearings shall be self-aligning, of non-lubricated graphite and mounted in the bearing manufacturer's standard housing.

- **14.4.5** Control dampers shall be designed to move to the position specified by the purchaser in the event of failure of either the damper control signal or the motive force.

**14.4.6** Dampers shall be equipped with a visual indicator of external blade position on the damper shaft and on any remote control mechanism.

**14.4.7** Dampers shall be furnished with a position control mechanism that is operable from grade and is capable of holding the damper blade in any position from fully open to fully closed. The damper controller shall provide positive action to translate the damper blade into either an open or a closed direction.

**14.4.8** Manual damper operators shall be designed so that one person can, without excessive effort, position the damper blade in any desired position. Wire-rope damper operators shall be a minimum of 3 mm (1/8 in) in diameter, made of austenitic stainless steel wire rope with galvanized hardware, such as thimbles, turnbuckles and clamps.

**14.4.9** Damper materials shall be limited to maximum service temperatures as follows:

- a) carbon steel: 430 °C (805 °F);
- b) 5Cr-1/2Mo: 650 °C (1 200 °F);
- c) 18Cr-8Ni: 815 °C (1 500 °F);
- d) 25Cr-12Ni: 980 °C (1 800 °F).

**14.4.10** Stack and flue-gas duct dampers shall have blades of minimum thickness of 6 mm (0,25 in).

## **15 Instrument and auxiliary connections**

### **15.1 Flue gas and air**

#### **15.1.1 Flue-gas and combustion-air temperature**

**15.1.1.1** One connection shall be provided in the flue-gas exit of each radiant section for each 9 m (30 ft) of radiant box length or diameter. At least two connections shall be provided.

**15.1.1.2** One connection shall be provided in the convection section, preceding the first process or utility coil, if multi-radiant-section heaters or multiple heaters have their flue gas combined to a common convection section, for each 9 m (30 ft) of convection tube length.

**15.1.1.3** One connection shall be provided in the convection section immediately after each process or utility coil for each 9 m (30 ft) of convection tube length. A minimum of two connections shall be provided after the last convection coil.

**15.1.1.4** Connections shall be provided in each stack and each take-off to a stack.

**15.1.1.5** Connections shall be provided in the inlet and outlet air and flue-gas ductwork of an air heater and final combustion air to the burners.

**15.1.1.6** The connections furnished shall be DN 40 (1½ NPS), 20 MPa (3 000 lb) screwed forged-steel couplings welded to the outside casing plate. If the refractory lining exceeds 75 mm (3 in) in thickness, the opening shall be lined with austenitic stainless steel pipe (schedule 80). A hex-head forged-steel screwed plug shall be furnished with each coupling. Flanged connections may also be used.

#### **15.1.2 Flue-gas and combustion-air pressure**

**15.1.2.1** Two connections shall be provided in each radiant section located 300 mm to 600 mm (1 ft to 2 ft) above the top of the floor refractory.

**15.1.2.2** For heaters with horizontal firing, one connection shall be provided at the highest burner centre-line on each burner wall.

**15.1.2.3** Two connections shall be provided in each radiant section at the point of minimum draught.

**15.1.2.4** A connection shall be provided in the convection-section outlet immediately after the final process or utility coil.

**15.1.2.5** Connections shall be provided upstream and downstream of the draught-control dampers.

**15.1.2.6** Connections shall be provided in the inlet and outlet ductwork connected with a fan.

**15.1.2.7** Connections shall be provided in the inlet and outlet flue-gas and combustion-air ducting of a combustion air heater.

**15.1.2.8** A connection of at least DN 15 (½ NPS) shall be provided at a suitable location downstream of any combustion air-control damper in the burner windbox or plenum.

**15.1.2.9** The connections furnished shall be DN 40 (1½ NPS), 20 MPa (3 000 lb) screwed forged-steel couplings welded to the outside casing plate. If the refractory lining exceeds 75 mm (3 in) in thickness, the opening shall be lined with austenitic stainless steel pipe (schedule 80). A hex-head forged-steel screwed plug shall be furnished with each coupling.

### **15.1.3 Flue-gas sampling**

**15.1.3.1** Connections shall be provided in the flue-gas exit from each radiant section.

**15.1.3.2** Connections shall be provided at the convection-section outlet.

**15.1.3.3** Connections shall be provided in each stack and each take-off to a stack in compliance with environmental air-quality monitoring requirements as specified by the appropriate regulatory body. Sampling-point locations shall be determined according to environmental requirements regarding upstream and downstream flow disturbances.

**15.1.3.4** The connections shall be DN 100 (4 NPS) schedule 80 pipe with a class PN 20 (ASME class 150) raised-face flange. The pipe shall be welded to the outside casing plate and project 200 mm (8 in) to the face of the flange. The heater vendor shall furnish for each connection a class PN 20 (ASME class 150) blind flange with appropriate gaskets for the temperature and corrosive conditions of the flue gas. The pipe shall extend 38 mm (1,5 in) into the heater from the hot-face of the refractory lining.

- **15.1.3.5** Additional connections to meet applicable governmental or local environmental requirements shall be specified by the purchaser.

## **15.2 Process fluid temperature**

- **15.2.1** The heater vendor shall provide fluid thermowell connections in the convection-to-radiant crossovers, if specified by the purchaser.
- **15.2.2** If process-outlet thermowell connections are specified by the purchaser and individual outlets are provided by the heater vendor, the thermowell connections shall be furnished as part of the outlet piping system. If an outlet manifold is furnished, the specified thermowell connections shall be provided by the heater vendor.

**15.2.3** Process-fluid thermowell connections shall be DN 40 (1 1/2 NPS) raised face flanges with a rating adequate for the fluid-design pressure and temperature. The material shall be the same as the tube or pipe to which it is connected.

## **15.3 Auxiliary connections**

### **15.3.1 Purge-steam connections**

**15.3.1.1** Purge connections may also be used as snuffing-steam connections.

**15.3.1.2** A minimum of two purge connections shall be provided of minimum size DN 20 (¾ NPS) and minimum rating 20 MPa (3 000 lb) for each firebox. The connections shall be DN 40 (1 1/2 NPS) or DN 50 (2 NPS), 20 MPa (3 000 lb) screwed forged-steel pipe couplings, welded to the outside casing plate. Flanged connections may also be used. The openings through the refractory shall be lined with a schedule 80 austenitic stainless steel pipe.

**15.3.1.3** Purge connections shall allow for a flow rate providing a minimum of three firebox volume changes within 15 min.

**15.3.1.4** Connections shall be located to preclude impingement on the heater coils and any ceramic-fibre linings, and shall provide even distribution in the radiant section. The minimum size connection to header boxes shall be DN 20 (3/4 NPS). At least one DN 25 (1 NPS) connection shall be provided for each common burner plenum chamber.

**15.3.1.5** For forced-draught systems, the forced-draught fan can be used to purge the firebox in lieu of purge steam.

### **15.3.2 Vent and drain connections**

**15.3.2.1** Manifold or piping vents and drains shall be a welded coupling of minimum size DN 25 (1 NPS), 40 MPa (6 000 lb), of the same metallurgy as the manifold or piping. Flanged connections may also be used.

- **15.3.2.2** If water-washing of either radiant or convection tubes is specified by the purchaser, provisions shall be made for draining water to the outside of the heater using at least one DN 100 (4 NPS) connection with a cap.

**15.3.2.3** For header boxes containing flanged or plug fittings, a screwed forged-steel drain connection with hex plug shall be provided, of minimum properties DN 20 (3/4 NPS), 20 MPa (3 000 lb).

### **15.4 Tube-skin thermocouples**

- **15.4.1** The quantity and location of tube-skin thermocouple connections shall be specified by the purchaser. Lead wire, insulators and protective sheaths shall be designed to accommodate all anticipated tube movement.

**15.4.2** Protective sheaths shall be made gas-tight and constructed of type 310 stainless steel or other alloy suitable for the operating conditions. Such sheaths shall be attached to the heater tubes by welded clips or bands. All thermocouple assemblies shall terminate on the exterior shell of the fired heater with a thermocouple head.

### **15.5 Access to connections**

All instrument and sampling connections shall be accessible from grade, platforms or ladders.

Thermocouple connections considered as accessible from a platform or grade shall be no more than 2 m (6,5 ft) above the floor of the platform or the grade. Flue-gas sampling connections shall be no more than 1,2 m (4 ft) above the floor of the platform or the grade.

Connections considered as accessible from permanent vertical ladders shall be no more than 0,8 m (2,5 ft) from the centre-lines of such ladders and at least 0,9 m (3 ft) below the top rung of such ladders.

## **16 Shop fabrication and field erection**

### **16.1 General**

- **16.1.1** The heater, all auxiliary equipment, ladders, stairs and platforms shall be shop assembled to the maximum extent possible consistent with the available shipping, receiving and handling facilities specified by the purchaser. Individual sections shall be properly braced and supported to prevent damage during shipment. All blocking and bracing used for shipping purposes shall be clearly identified for field removal. Coil-flange faces and other machined faces shall be coated with an easily removable rust preventive. Openings in pressure parts shall be covered to prevent entrance of foreign materials.



**16.1.2** The vendor shall state the type of protection provided for refractory and insulation to avoid damage from handling or weather during shipment, storage and erection.

**16.1.3** All surfaces to be welded shall be free from scale, oil, grease, dirt and other harmful agents. Welding operations shall be protected from wind, rain and other weather conditions that can affect weld quality.

**16.1.4** The heater steel structures shall be fabricated in accordance with the structural design code.

**16.1.5** Coils shall be fabricated in accordance with the applicable provisions of the pressure design code.

## **16.2 Structural-steel fabrication**

### **16.2.1 General requirements**

- a) Welders for structural-steel fabrication shall be qualified in accordance with the structural design code.
- b) Seam welds between plates shall be continuous, full-penetration welds.
- c) Horizontal exterior welds between plates and structural members shall have a continuous fillet weld on the top side and 50 mm (2 in) long fillet welds on 225 mm (9 in) centres on the bottom side. Diagonal and vertical exterior welds shall have continuous fillet welds on both sides.
- d) Fillet welds shall be of uniform size with full throat and legs.
- e) Welding filler materials shall be in accordance with the structural design code and shall have a chemical composition matching that of the base materials being joined.
- f) Impact test requirements and Charpy values shall be specified by the purchaser for all welds with design metal temperatures below  $-30\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$  ( $-20\text{ }^{\circ}\text{F}$ ) and for submerged arc welds at design metal temperatures below  $-18\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$  ( $0\text{ }^{\circ}\text{F}$ ).
- g) Circular and slotted bolt holes in columns and baseplates shall be drilled or punched. Baseplates shall be shop-welded.
- h) The minimum thickness of gusset plates shall be 6 mm (1/4 in).
- i) Shop connections shall be bolted or welded. Field joints between casing plates and stack intermediate joints shall be welded unless full structural-strength flanged connections are supplied. All other field joints shall be bolted. Where field bolting is impractical, erection clips or other suitable positioning devices shall be furnished for field-welded connections.
- j) The minimum size of bolts shall be 16 mm (5/8 in) in diameter, except where the flange width prohibits use of such size bolts. In no case shall bolts be less than 12 mm (1/2 in) in diameter.
- k) Drain holes in structural members shall be a minimum of 12 mm (1/2 in) in diameter. Checkered plate flooring shall be furnished with one, 12 mm (1/2 in) diameter drain hole for every 1,4 m<sup>2</sup> (15 ft<sup>2</sup>) of floor plate area.
- l) The threads of bolts securing damper blades to the shaft shall be scored or tack-welded after installation.
- m) Attachment of refractory anchors or tiebacks to the heater casing shall be by manual or stud-gun welding. If manual welding is employed, welds shall be "all around".
- n) Suitable lifting lugs shall be provided for the erection of all sections where the section mass exceeds 1 820 kg (4 000 lb). The lifting load used shall be 1,5 times the section mass to allow for impact.
- o) All structural steel and sub-assemblies shall be clearly marked with letters or numbers at least 50 mm (2 in) high for field identification. All loose items such as rods, turnbuckles, clevises, bolts, nuts and washers shall be shipped in bags, kegs or crates. Bags, kegs or crates shall be tagged with the size,

diameter and length of contents so that tags for each item are individually identifiable. Tags used for marking shall be metal and markings shall be applied by stamping.

- p) The erection drawings and a bolt list shall be furnished prior to the shipping of heater steel. Erection marks and size and length of field welds shown on erection drawings shall be in lettering at least 3 mm (1/8 in) high. The bolt list shall specify the number, diameter, length and material for each connection. A bill of material shall also be furnished showing the mass of sections over 1 820 kg (4 000 lb).
- q) A minimum 5 % surplus number of bolts and nuts (size and material) used in the erection of the heater shall be furnished.

### **16.2.2 Heater stacks**

**16.2.2.1** The stack shall be sufficiently true so that the erected stack, when plumbed, exhibits a maximum vertical deviation of 25 mm (1 in) per 15 m (50 ft) of height.

**16.2.2.2** The maximum perpendicular deviation from a straightedge applied to the stack shell shall not exceed 3 mm (1/8 in) in any 3 m (10 ft).

**16.2.2.3** The difference between minimum and maximum diameters at any cross-section along the stack length shall not exceed 2 % of the nominal diameter for that section.

**16.2.2.4** Plate misalignment at any stack joint shall not exceed 3 mm (1/8 in) or 25 % of the nominal plate thickness, whichever is less.

**16.2.2.5** Vertical-joint peaking shall not exceed a depth of 5 mm (3/16 in) when measured from a 600 mm (24 in) circumferential template centred on the joint.

**16.2.2.6** Circumferential-joint banding shall not exceed a depth of 8 mm (5/16 in) when measured from a 900 mm (36 in) straightedge centred on the joint.

### **16.3 Coil fabrication**

**16.3.1** Unless otherwise specified by the purchaser, the following welding processes are permitted, provided satisfactory evidence is submitted that the procedure is qualified in accordance with the pressure design code:

- a) shielded metal arc with covered electrodes;
- b) gas tungsten-arc, manual and automatic;
- c) gas welding process for DN 50 (2 NPS) and smaller for carbon steel material;
- d) gas metal-arc welding in the spray transfer range;
- e) flux cored-arc welding with external shielding gas.

**16.3.2** Permanently installed backing rings shall not be used.

**16.3.3** An argon or helium internal purge shall be used for gas tungsten-arc root pass welding of 2,25Cr-1Mo and higher alloys, except that nitrogen may be used for austenitic stainless steels, unless otherwise specified by the purchaser. The root pass in carbon steel and in alloy steels lower than 2,25Cr-1Mo may be welded with or without an internal purge.

**16.3.4** Each weld shall be uniform in width and size throughout its full length. Each weld shall be smooth and free of slag, inclusions, cracks, porosity, lack of fusion and undercut, except to the extent permitted by the referenced codes. In addition, the cover pass shall be free of course ripples, irregular surfaces, non-uniform head patterns, and high crowns and deep ridges or valleys between heads.

**16.3.5** Butt welds shall be slightly convex and uniform in height, as specified in the applicable codes. Limitations on weld reinforcement shall apply to the internal surface as well as the external surface.

**16.3.6** Repair welds shall be carried out in accordance with a repair procedure approved by the purchaser. Repairs shall not damage the adjacent base material.

**16.3.7** The preheat temperature, interpass temperature and post-weld heat treatment shall be in accordance with the provisions of the applicable codes.

## **16.4 Painting and galvanizing**

**16.4.1** Heater steel shall be prepared in accordance with either ISO 8501-1 grade Sa 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  or SSPC SP 6, and primed with one coat of inorganic zinc primer to a minimum dry film thickness (DFT) of 75  $\mu\text{m}$  (0,003 in). Surfaces shall be painted in conditions in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations on temperature and relative humidity.

**16.4.2** Uninsulated flue-gas ducts and stacks shall be primed with an inorganic zinc primer. Surface preparation and dry film thickness shall be in accordance with the paint manufacturer's recommendation.

- **16.4.3** If specified by the purchaser, platforms, handrails and toeboards, gratings, stairways, fasteners, ladders and attendant light structural supports shall be hot-dipped galvanized. Galvanizing shall comply with ISO 1461, or the applicable sections of ASTM A 123, ASTM A 143, ASTM A 153, ASTM A 384 and ASTM A 385 or equivalent. Bolts joining galvanized sections shall be galvanized in accordance with ISO 10684 or ASTM A 153, or zinc-coated in accordance with ASTM B 633 or equivalent.

**16.4.4** Internal coatings shall be applied in accordance with the manufacturers' recommended practices, including surface preparation and ambient conditions.

## **16.5 Refractories and insulation**

**16.5.1** Materials shall be stored in original containers, if possible, and shall be protected from moisture and from atmospheric and foreign contaminants. They shall be kept completely dry and at manufacturer's recommended storage temperature until used. Bricks shall be free of cracks, chips, spalling or other defects.

**16.5.2** Prior to installation of refractory, all steel surfaces shall be cleaned to remove dirt, grease, paint, loose scale or other foreign materials.

**16.5.3** Water used to install refractories shall be of potable quality and the temperature shall be between 7 °C (45 °F) and 32 °C (90 °F) unless the refractory manufacturer specifies otherwise.

**16.5.4** All material shall be prepared and installed in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations.

**16.5.5** The mortar joints in firebrick construction shall be as thin as possible. In applying the mortar, the brick shall be dipped or troweled on two edges. Expansion joints shall be mortar-free. Brick should be placed against the mating surface and tapped gently to ensure uniform joints no more than 1,5 mm (1/16 in) wide.

**16.5.6** Anchors with circular bases shall be welded all around. Other anchors shall be welded to casing along both sides.

**16.5.7** Chain-link fence anchoring shall be pulled out and held in place after welding, and prior to castable application, to ensure proper position in the castable layer.

**16.5.8** The following shall apply to castables.

- a) The surfaces to which castable is applied shall be kept above 7 °C (45 °F) and below 38 °C (100 °F) during installation and curing.

- b) For pneumatic application, the lining shall be applied in horizontal strips working upward from the bottom. It shall proceed continuously to the required thickness in a given area. If the installation is interrupted, the lining shall be cut back immediately to the casing surface. This cut shall be full depth at a 90° angle to the casing surface.
- c) Rebound materials shall not be re-used in applying linings.
- d) Scoring of the castable surfaces shall be in accordance with the vendor's specifications.
- e) Each layer of the castable shall be properly air-cured after installation. To reduce the tendency for hydraulic-setting castables to develop alkaline hydrolysis, an application of an impervious organic coating shall be applied to the hot-face layer immediately after placement and the same coating shall be reapplied shortly after the 24-h cure. The use of forced drying by air movement or low temperature to remove a percentage of the mechanical water prior to the application of the impervious coating can further reduce the possibility of development of alkaline hydrolysis. Alkaline hydrolysis is a naturally occurring phenomenon, such that the use of either or both of the above procedures might not entirely prevent the formation thereof. In instances where alkaline hydrolysis has occurred, the loss in refractory thickness is usually less than 10 mm (0,375 inch). When this occurs, the loose material shall be brushed off and an impervious organic coating applied.
- f) Shop-installed castable shall not be handled or tested for 72 h after installation.

## **16.6 Preparation for shipment**

**16.6.1** See also 16.1.1.

**16.6.2** See 16.1.2. The following shall also apply.

- a) For shop-lined castable refractory sections, to minimize the tendency for alkali hydrolysis to occur, the sections shall be prepared for shipment in such a way as to allow good air circulation during the entire shipping and storage periods. The use of shrink wrap (air-tight packaging) coverings shall be avoided.
- b) For shop-lined fibre refractory sections, shrink wrapping of lined sections is required.
- c) The vendor shall identify on the drawings the maximum number of shop-lined sections that can be stacked and orientation of sections for shipping and storage purposes.

**16.6.3** See 16.2.1 p).

**16.6.4** All openings shall be suitably protected to prevent damage and the possible entry of water and other foreign material.

**16.6.5** All flange gasket surfaces shall be coated with an easily removable rust preventative and shall be protected by suitably attached durable covers such as wood, plastic or gasketed steel.

**16.6.6** All threaded connections shall be protected by metal plugs or caps of compatible material.

**16.6.7** Connections that are beveled for welding shall be suitably covered to protect the bevel from damage.

**16.6.8** All exposed ferrous surfaces not otherwise coated shall be given one coat of manufacturer's standard shop primer. Any additional painting requirements shall be specified by the purchaser.

**16.6.9** The item number, shipping mass and purchaser's order number shall be painted on the heater and loose components.

**16.6.10** All boxes, crates or packages shall be identified with the purchaser's order number and the equipment item number.

**16.6.11** The words “DO NOT WELD” shall be stencilled (in at least two places 180° apart) on equipment that has been post-weld heat-treated.

**16.6.12** All liquids used for cleaning or testing shall be drained from units before shipment.

**16.6.13** Tubes shall be free of foreign material prior to shipment.

**16.6.14** The vendor shall advise the purchaser if any pieces are temporarily fixed for shipping purposes. Transit and erection clips or fasteners shall be clearly identified on the equipment and the field-assembly drawings to ensure removal before commissioning of the heater.

- **16.6.15** The extent of skidding, boxing, crating or coating for export shipment shall be specified by the purchaser.
- **16.6.16** Any long-term storage requirements shall be specified by the purchaser.

## **16.7 Field erection**

**16.7.1** It shall be the responsibility of the erector to ensure that the heater is erected in accordance with the specifications and drawings furnished by the vendor. The heater shall be erected in accordance with the applicable clauses of this International Standard.

**16.7.2** Castable-lined panels shall be handled to avoid excessive cracking or separation of the refractory from the steel.

**16.7.3** Care shall be taken to avoid refractory damage due to weather. Standing water or saturation of the refractory shall be prevented. Protection shall include cover to avoid rain impingement and shall allow drainage, proper fit and tightening of doors and header boxes.

**16.7.4** Sections where refractory edges are exposed shall be protected against cracking of edges and corners. External blows to the steel casing shall be avoided.

**16.7.5** Field joints between panels shall be sealed in accordance with the heater vendor's requirements.

**16.7.6** Construction joints resulting from panel or modular construction shall have continuous refractory cover to the full thickness of the adjacent refractory.

## **17 Inspection, examination and testing**

### **17.1 General**

**17.1.1** The purchaser, his designated representative, or both, reserve the right to inspect, after prior notice, all heater components and their assembled units at any time during the material procurement, fabrication and shop assembly to ensure materials and workmanship are in accordance with applicable standards, specifications, codes and drawings.

**17.1.2** The vendor shall examine all individual heater components and their shop-assembled units to ensure that materials and workmanship are in accordance with applicable standards, specifications, codes and drawings.

- **17.1.3** If specified by the purchaser, pre-inspection meetings between the purchaser and the fabricator shall be held before the start of fabrication.

### **17.2 Weld examination**

**17.2.1** Radiographic, ultrasonic, visual, magnetic-particle or liquid-penetrant examination of welds in coils shall be in accordance with the pressure design code.

**17.2.2** The extent of examination of welds in coils, including return bends, fittings, manifolds and crossover piping, shall be as follows.

- a) The root passes of 10 % of all austenitic welds for each welder shall be liquid-penetrant examined following weld-surface preparation in accordance with the pressure design code. If the required examination identifies a defect, further examination shall be performed.
- b) All welds in Cr-Mo steels and austenitic stainless steels shall be 100 % radiographed.
- c) 10 % of all carbon-steel welds by each welder shall be 100 % radiographed. If the required examination identifies a defect, progressive examination shall be performed in accordance with ISO 15649.

NOTE For the purposes of this provision, ASME B 31.3 is equivalent to ISO 15649.

- d) Acceptance criteria of welds shall be in accordance with the pressure design code.
- e) All longitudinal seam welds on manifolds shall be 100 % radiographed. In addition, these welds shall be examined by the liquid-penetrant method (for austenitic materials) or the magnetic-particle method (for ferritic materials).
- f) In cases where weld or material configuration makes radiographic examination difficult to interpret or impossible to perform, such as nozzle (fillet) welds, ultrasonic examination may be substituted. If ultrasonic examination is impractical, liquid-penetrant examination shall be performed (for austenitic materials) or magnetic-particle examination shall be performed (for ferritic materials).

**17.2.3** Post-weld heat treatment shall be performed in accordance with the pressure design code. Any required radiographic examination shall be performed after completion of heat treatment.

**17.2.4** Proposed welding procedures, procedure qualification records and welding-consumable specifications for all pressure-retaining welds shall be in accordance with the pressure design code and shall be submitted by the fabricator for review, comment or approval by the purchaser.

**17.2.5** Welder qualifications and applicable manufacturer's report forms shall be maintained. Examples include certified material mill test reports, AWS or other classification and manufacturer of electrode or filler material, welding specifications and procedures, positive materials identification documentation of alloy materials, and non-destructive examination procedures and results. Unless otherwise specified by the purchaser, records of examination procedures and examination-personnel qualifications shall be retained for at least five years after the record is generated for the project.

### 17.3 Castings examination

- **17.3.1** Material conformance shall be verified by review of chemical and physical test results submitted by the manufacturer. The purchaser shall specify if positive materials identification shall be performed to verify these results.

**17.3.2** Shield and convection-section cast tube supports shall be examined as follows.

- a) Tube supports shall be visually examined in accordance with MSS SP 55 and dimensionally checked. Tube supports shall be adequately cleaned to facilitate examination of all surfaces.
- b) Intersections of all reinforcing ribs with the main member shall be either 100 % liquid-penetrant examined (if austenitic) or 100 % magnetic-particle examined (if ferritic). The examination procedures and acceptance criteria shall be in accordance with the pressure design code.
- c) Radiographic examination of critical sections shall be performed if specified by the purchaser, and the procedure and acceptance criteria shall be in accordance with the pressure design code.

**17.3.3** Cast radiant tube supports, hangers and guides shall be visually examined for surface imperfections using MSS SP 55 as a reference for categories and degrees of severity. Defects shall be marked either for

removal or repair, or to warrant complete replacement of the casting. Dimensions shall be verified with checks based on the sampling plan agreed by the purchaser.

**17.3.4** Cast return bends and pressure fittings shall be examined as follows.

- a) All cast return bends and pressure fittings shall be visually examined for imperfections in accordance with MSS SP 55, and measured to confirm dimensions in accordance with reference drawings and the sampling plan agreed by the purchaser. Examination shall confirm proper and complete identification as specified in the purchase order.
- b) All surfaces shall be suitably prepared for liquid-penetrant examination (for austenitic materials) or magnetic-particle examination (for ferritic materials); evaluation shall be in accordance with the agreed acceptance levels as specified in MSS SP 93 and MSS SP 53, respectively.
- c) Cast return bends and pressure fittings shall be examined by radiography in accordance with the pressure design code. The sampling quantities and degree of coverage shall be as specified by the purchaser.

**17.3.5** Machined weld bevels shall be examined by the liquid-penetrant method. Indications with any dimension greater than 1,5 mm (1/16 in) shall not be permitted.

**17.3.6** Repairs shall meet the following requirements.

- Imperfections not meeting the acceptance criteria shall be removed and their removal verified by liquid-penetrant examination. If the cavity formed by removing an imperfection reduces the thickness to below that required for the design, the cavity shall be repaired by welding.
- All repairs shall be verified by liquid-penetrant examination, with the procedure and acceptance criteria in accordance with the pressure design code.
- Major repairs shall be verified by radiography in accordance with the pressure design code. A repair shall be considered major if the depth of the cavity before repair exceeds 20 % of the section thickness or if the length of the cavity exceeds 250 mm (10 in).
- Weld repairs shall be made using welding procedures and welders qualified in accordance with the pressure design code.

**17.3.7** Bearing surfaces of all castings shall be free from sharp edges and burrs.

## **17.4 Examination of other components**

**17.4.1** Examination of heater steelwork shall be in accordance with the structural design code.

**17.4.2** Refractory linings shall be examined throughout for thickness variations during application and for cracks after curing. Thickness tolerance is limited to a range of minus 6 mm (1/4 in) to plus 13 mm (1/2 in). Cracks which are 3 mm (1/8 in) or greater in width and penetrate more than 50 % of the castable thickness shall be repaired. Repairs shall be made by chipping out the unsound refractory to the backup layer interface or casing and exposing a minimum of three tieback anchors, or to the sound metal, making a joint between sound refractory that has a minimum slope of 25 mm (1 in) to the base metal (dove-tail construction) and then gunning, casting or hand-packing the area to be repaired.

**17.4.3** Finned extended surface shall be examined to ensure fins are perpendicular to the tube within 15°. The maximum discontinuity of the weld shall be 65 mm (2,5 in) in 2,5 m (100 in) of weld. The attachment weld shall provide a cross-sectional area of not less than 90 % of the cross-sectional area of the root of the fin. Cross-sectional area is the product of the fin width and the peripheral length.

**17.4.4** Fins and studs shall be examined to verify conformity with specified dimensions.

**17.4.5** For rolled-joint fittings, the fitting tube-hole inner diameter, the tube outer diameter and the tube inner diameter (before and after rolling) shall be measured and recorded in accordance with the fitting location drawing. These measurements shall be supplied to the purchaser.

**17.4.6** Fabricated supports include both plate-fabricated and multicast techniques. Fabricated convection-tube intermediate supports shall have support lug welds radiographed. Warping of the completed support shall be within the limits permitted by the structural design code.

## 17.5 Testing

### 17.5.1 Pressure testing

**17.5.1.1** All assembled pressure parts shall be hydrostatically tested to a minimum pressure equal to 1,5 times the coil design pressure, multiplied by the ratio of the allowable stress at 38 °C (100 °F) to the allowable stress at the design tube metal temperature. The following test requirements also apply.

a) The maximum test pressure shall be limited to the extent that the weakest component shall not be stressed beyond 90 % of the material's yield strength at ambient temperature.

b) Hydrostatic test pressures shall be maintained for a minimum period of 1 h to test for leaks.

- **17.5.1.2** If hydrostatic testing or pneumatic pressure-testing of pressure parts is not considered practical, by agreement between the purchaser and the vendor, 100 % radiography shall be performed on all welds and pneumatic leak-testing shall be performed using air or a non-toxic, non-flammable gas. The pneumatic leak test pressure shall be 430 kPa (60 psi) gauge or 15 % of the maximum allowable design pressure, whichever is less. The pneumatic test pressure shall be maintained for a length of time sufficient to examine for leaks, but in no case for less than 15 min. A bubble surfactant shall be applied to weld seams to aid visual leak detection.

**17.5.1.3** Water used for hydrostatic testing shall be potable. For austenitic materials, the chloride content of the test water shall not exceed 50 mg/kg (50 ppm by mass).

**17.5.1.4** Unless the test fluid is the process fluid, the test fluid shall be removed from all heater components upon completion of hydrostatic testing. Heating shall not be used to evaporate water from austenitic stainless steel tubes.

### 17.5.2 Refractory testing

Installed castable linings shall undergo hammer tests to check for voids within the refractory material. For dual-layer linings, the hammer tests shall be conducted on each layer after curing. Linings shall be struck with a 450 g (1 lb) machinist's ball peen hammer over the entire surface using a grid pattern approximating the following:

a) for arch areas: 600 mm (24 in) centres;

b) for sidewall and floor areas: 900 mm (36 in) centres.

### 17.5.3 Studded tube testing

Each length of a studded tube assembly shall be randomly examined and inspected by hammer testing to verify the adequacy of the stud-to-tube weld.

### 17.5.4 Positive materials identification

**17.5.4.1** Positive materials identification (PMI) is the process of verifying that the chemical composition of a metallic alloy is within the specified limits. It is normally performed on components after they have been installed (or at a stage after which it is no longer possible to mix up the materials).



- **17.5.4.2** PMI programme methods, degree of examination, PMI testing instruments, and tester qualifications shall be agreed upon between the purchaser and the vendor prior to manufacturing. PMI shall not be required for burner components, unless specified by the purchaser.

**17.5.4.3** Unless superseded by the purchaser's requirements, 10 % of all alloy components shall be PMI-tested. If random testing is carried out, PMI shall be made on components from different heater numbers. The purchaser may alternatively choose to specify that a PMI test be made on each component.

**17.5.4.4** Tabulation of tested items shall be included within all final data books, keyed to weld maps on as-built drawings and mill certification document stampings. Tested items shall be immediately marked.

## **Annex A** (informative)

### **Equipment data sheets**

This annex includes data sheets for the following equipment items:

- a) fired-heater data sheets: 12 sheets (6 in SI units, 6 in USC units);
- b) burner data sheets: 6 sheets (3 in SI units, 3 in USC units);
- c) air-preheater data sheets: 4 sheets (2 in SI units, 2 in USC units);
- d) fan data sheets: 4 sheets (2 in SI units, 2 in USC units);
- e) sootblower data sheets: 2 sheets (1 in SI units, 1 in USC units).

See Clause 5 for instructions on using the equipment data sheets. Note that the purchaser should complete, as a minimum, those items that are designated by an asterisk (\*).

Fired-heater data sheet		SI units			
		rev.:	date:	sheet 1 of 6	
Purchaser/owner:		Item No.:			
Service:		Location:			
1	unit:	*number required:			rev.
2	manufacturer:	Reference:			
3	type of heater:				
4	*total heater absorbed duty, MW:				
5	<b>Process design conditions</b>				
6	*operating case				
7	heater section				
8	*service				
9	heat absorption, MW				
10	*fluid				
11	*flow rate, kg/s				
12	*flow rate, m <sup>3</sup> /h				
13	*pressure drop, allowable (clean/fouled), kPa				
14	pressure drop, calculated (clean/fouled), kPa				
15	*avg. rad. sect. flux density, allow., W/m <sup>2</sup>				
16	avg. rad. sect. flux density, calc., W/m <sup>2</sup>				
17	max rad. sect. flux density, W/m <sup>2</sup>				
18	conv. sect. flux density (bare tube), W/m <sup>2</sup>				
19	*velocity limitation, m/s				
20	process fluid mass velocity, kg/s.m <sup>2</sup>				
21	*maximum allow./calc. inside film temperature, °C				
22	*fouling factor, m <sup>2</sup> .K/W				
23	*coking allowance, mm				
24	<b>Inlet conditions:</b>				
25	*temperature, °C				
26	*pressure, kPa (ga)				
27	*liquid flow rate, kg/s				
28	*vapour flow rate, kg/s				
29	*liquid relative density (at 15 °C)				
30	*vapour relative molecular mass <sup>1)</sup>				
31	*vapour density, kg/m <sup>3</sup>				
32	*viscosity (liquid/vapour), mPa.s				
33	*specific heat (liquid/vapour), kJ/kg.K				
34	*thermal conductivity (liquid/vapour), W/m.K				
35	<b>Outlet conditions:</b>				
36	*temperature, °C				
37	*pressure, kPa (ga)				
38	*liquid flow rate, kg/s				
39	*vapour flow rate, kg/s				
40	*liquid relative density (at 15 °C)				
41	*vapour relative molecular mass <sup>1)</sup>				
42	*vapour density, kg/m <sup>3</sup>				
43	*viscosity (liquid/vapour), mPa.s				
44	*specific heat (liquid/vapour), kJ/kg.K				
45	*thermal conductivity (liquid/vapour), W/m.K				
46	<b>Remarks and special requirements:</b>				
47	*distillation data or feed composition:				
48	short-term operating conditions:				
49					
50	<b>Notes:</b>				
51	1) Relative molecular mass is the SI term used for the more familiar "molecular weight".				
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Fired-heater data sheet				SI units			
				rev.:	date:	sheet 2 of 6	
Combustion design conditions							
1	operating case						rev.
2	*type of fuel						
3	*excess air, %						
4	calculated heat release ( $h_L$ ), MW						
5	fuel efficiency calculated, % ( $h_L$ )						
6	fuel efficiency guaranteed, % ( $h_L$ )						
7	radiation loss, % of heat release ( $h_L$ )						
8	flue-gas temperature leaving:		radiant section, °C				
9			convection section, °C				
10			air preheater, °C				
11	flue-gas quantity, kg/s						
12	flue-gas mass flow rate through convection section, kg/s·m <sup>2</sup>						
13	draught	at arch, Pa					
14		at burners, Pa					
15	*ambient air temperature, efficiency calculation, °C						
16	*ambient air temperature, stack design, °C						
17	*altitude above sea level, m						
18	volumetric heat release ( $h_L$ ), W/m <sup>3</sup>						
19	*emission limits (dry):	mg/m <sup>3</sup> (corrected to 3% O <sub>2</sub> )		NO <sub>x</sub> :	CO:	SO <sub>x</sub>	
20		kJ/kg ( $h_L$ ) ( $h_H$ )		UHC:	particulates:		
21	<b>Fuel characteristics:</b>						
22	*gas type		*liquid type		*other type		
23	* $h_L$	kJ/m <sup>3</sup>	* $h_L$	kJ/kg	* $h_L$	kJ/kg kJ/m <sup>3</sup>	
24	* $h_H$	kJ/m <sup>3</sup>	* $h_H$	kJ/kg	* $h_H$	kJ/kg kJ/m <sup>3</sup>	
25	*press. available @ burner	kPa (ga)	*press. available @ burner	kPa (ga)	*press. available @ burner	kPa (ga)	
26	*temp. @ burner	°C	*temp. @ burner	°C	*temp. @ burner	°C	
27	*relative molecular mass		*viscosity @ °C		mPa·s		
28			*atomizing steam temp.		°C		
29			*pressure		kPa (ga)		
30	component	mole fraction %	component	mass fraction	component	mass fraction	
31							
32							
33							
34			*vanadium (mg/kg)				
35			*sodium (mg/kg)				
36			*sulfur				
37			*ash				
38	<b>Burner data:</b>						
39	manufacturer:		size/model No.:		number:		
40	type:		location:		orientation:		
41	heat release per burner, MW		design: normal:		minimum:		
42	pressure drop across burner @ design heat release, Pa:						
43	distance burner centre-line to tube centre-line, horizontal, mm:				vertical, mm:		
44	distance burner centre-line to unshielded refractory, horizontal, mm:				vertical, mm:		
45	pilot, type:		capacity, MW:		fuel:		
46	ignition method:						
47	flame detection, type:			number:			
48	<b>Notes:</b>						
49							
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Fired-heater data sheet		SI units			
		rev.:	date:	sheet 3 of 6	
<b>Mechanical design conditions</b>					
1	*plot limitations:	*stack limitations:			rev.
2	*tube limitations:	*noise limitations:			
3	*structural design data:	wind velocity:	*wind occurrence:		
4		snow load:	*seismic zone:		
5	*minimum/normal/maximum ambient air temperature, °C:		*relative humidity, %		
6	heater section:				
7	service:				
8	<b>Coil design:</b>				
9	*design basis: tube wall thickness (code or spec.)				
10	rupture strength (minimum or average)				
11	*stress-to-rupture basis, h				
12	*design pressure, elastic/rupture, kPa				
13	*design fluid temperature, °C				
14	*temperature allowance, °C				
15	corrosion allowance, tubes/fittings, mm				
16	hydrostatic test pressure, kPa				
17	*post-weld heat treatment (yes or no)				
18	* % of welds fully radiographed				
19	maximum (clean) tube metal temperature, °C				
20	design tube metal temperature, °C				
21	inside film coefficient, W/m <sup>2</sup> ·K				
22	<b>Coil arrangement:</b>				
23	tube orientation: vertical or horizontal				
24	*tube material (specification and grade)				
25	tube outside diameter, mm				
26	tube-wall thickness, (minimum) (average), mm				
27	number of flow passes				
28	number of tubes				
29	number of tubes per row (convection section)				
30	overall tube length, m				
31	effective tube length, m				
32	bare tubes: number				
33	total exposed surface, m <sup>2</sup>				
34	extended surface tubes: number				
35	total exposed surface, m <sup>2</sup>				
36	tube layout (in line or staggered)				
37	tube spacing, cent. to cent.: horiz. × diag. (or vert.)				
38	spacing tube cent. to furnace wall (min.), mm				
39	corbels (yes or no)				
40	corbel width, mm				
41	<b>Description of extended surface:</b>				
42	type: (studs) (serrated fins) (solid fins)				
43	material				
44	dimensions (height × diameter/thickness), mm				
45	spacing (fins/m) (studs/plane)				
46	maximum tip temperature (calculated), °C				
47	extension ratio (total area/bare area)				
48	<b>Plug type headers:</b>				
49	*type				
50	material (specification and grade)				
51	nominal rating				
52	*location (one or both ends)				
53	welded or rolled joint				
54	<b>Notes:</b>				
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Fired-heater data sheet		SI units			
		rev.:	date:	sheet 4 of 6	
<b>Mechanical design conditions (continued)</b>					
1	heater section:				rev.
2	service:				
3	<b>Return bends:</b>				
4	type				
5	material (specification and grade)				
6	nominal rating or schedule				
7	*location (f. b. = firebox, h. b. = header box)				
8	<b>Terminals and/or manifolds:</b>				
9	*type (bev. = bevelled, manif. = manifold, flg. = flanged)				
10	inlet: material (specification and grade)				
11	size/schedule or thickness				
12	number of terminals				
13	flange material (ASTM specification and grade)				
14	flange size and rating				
15	outlet: material (specification and grade)				
16	size/schedule or thickness				
17	number of terminals				
18	flange material (specification and grade)				
19	flange size and rating				
20	*manifold to tube connection (welded, extruded, etc.)				
21	manifold location (inside or outside header box)				
22	<b>Crossovers:</b>				
23	*welded or flanged				
24	*pipe material (specification and grade)				
25	pipe size/schedule or thickness				
26	*flange material				
27	flange size/rating				
28	*location (internal/external)				
29	fluid temperature, °C				
30	<b>Tube supports:</b>				
31	location (ends, top, bottom)				
32	material (specification and grade)				
33	design metal temperature, °C				
34	thickness, mm				
35	type and thickness of insulation, mm				
36	anchor (material and type)				
37	<b>Intermediate tube supports:</b>				
38	material (specification and grade)				
39	design metal temperature, °C				
40	thickness, mm				
41	spacing, m				
42	<b>Tube guides:</b>				
43	location:				
44	material:				
45	type/spacing:				
46	<b>Header boxes:</b>				
47	location:	hinged door/bolted panel:			
48	casing material:	thickness, mm:			
49	lining material:	thickness, mm:			
50	anchor (material and type):				
51	<b>Notes:</b>				
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Fired-heater data sheet		SI units		
		rev.:	date:	
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<b>Mechanical design conditions (continued)</b>				
1	<b>Refractory design basis:</b>			rev.
2	ambient temperature, °C:	wind velocity, m/s	casing temperature, °C:	
3	<b>Exposed vertical walls:</b>			
4	lining thickness, mm:	hot-face temperature, design/calculated, °C:		
5	wall construction:			
6				
7	anchor (material & type):			
8	casing material:	thickness, mm:	temperature, °C:	
9	<b>Shielded vertical walls:</b>			
10	lining thickness, mm:	hot-face temperature, design/calculated, °C:		
11	wall construction:			
12				
13	anchor (material & type):			
14	casing material:	thickness, mm:	temperature, °C:	
15	<b>Arch:</b>			
16	lining thickness, mm:	hot-face temperature, design/calculated, °C:		
17	wall construction:			
18				
19	anchor (material & type):			
20	casing material:	thickness, mm:	temperature, °C:	
21	<b>Floor:</b>			
22	lining thickness, mm:	hot-face temperature, design/calculated, °C:		
23	floor construction:			
24				
25	casing material:	thickness, mm:	temperature, °C:	
26	minimum floor elevation, m:	free space below plenum, m:		
27	<b>Convection section:</b>			
28	lining thickness, mm:	hot-face temperature, design/calculated, °C:		
29	wall construction:			
30				
31	anchor (material & type):			
32	casing material:	thickness, mm:	temperature, °C:	
33	<b>Internal wall:</b>			
34	type:	material:		
35	dimension, height/width:			
36	<b>Ducts:</b>	<b>Flue gas</b>		<b>Combustion air</b>
37	location:	breeching		
38	size, m, or net free area, m <sup>2</sup> :			
39	casing material:			
40	casing thickness, mm:			
41	lining: internal/external			
42	thickness, mm			
43	material			
44	anchor (material & type)			
45	casing temperature, °C.			
46	<b>Plenum chamber (air):</b>			
47	casing material:	thickness, mm:	size, mm:	
48	lining material:		thickness, mm:	
49	anchor (material & type):			
50	<b>Notes:</b>			
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Fired-heater data sheet		SI units				
		rev.:	date:	sheet 6 of 6		
<b>Mechanical design conditions (continued)</b>						
1	<b>Stack or stack stub:</b>					rev.
2	number:	self-supported or guyed:	location:			
3	casing material:	*corrosion allow., mm:	minimum thickness, mm:			
4	inside metal diameter, m:	height above grade, m:	stack length, m:			
5	lining material:	thickness, mm:				
6	anchor (material and type):					
7	extent of lining:	internal or external:				
8	design flue-gas velocity, m/s	flue-gas temp., °C:				
9	<b>Dampers:</b>					
10	location					
11	type (control, tight shut-off, etc.)					
12	material: blade					
13	material: shaft					
14	multiple/single leaf					
15	provision for operation (man. or auto.)					
16	type of operator (cable or pneumatic)					
17	<b>Miscellaneous:</b>					
18	platforms: location	number	width	length/arc	stairs/ladder	access from
19						
20						
21						
22						
23						
24	type of flooring:					
25	doors:	number	location	size	bolted/hinged	
26	access					
27						
28	observation					
29						
30	tube removal					
31						
32	instrument connections:		number	size	type	
33	flue-gas/combustion-air temperature					
34	flue-gas/combustion-air pressure					
35	flue-gas sample					
36	snuffing steam/purge					
37	O <sub>2</sub> analyser					
38	CO or NO <sub>x</sub> analyser					
39	vents/drains					
40	process fluid temperature					
41	tube skin thermocouples					
42						
43						
44	painting requirements:					
45	internal coating:					
46	galvanizing requirements:					
47	are painter's trolley and rail included?					
48	special equipment:	sootblowers:				
49		air preheater:				
50		fan (s):				
51		other:				
52	<b>Notes:</b>					
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Burner data sheet		SI units	
		rev.:	date:
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<b>Purchaser/owner:</b>		<b>Item No.:</b>	
<b>Service:</b>		<b>Location:</b>	
1	<b>General data:</b>		rev.
2	type of heater		
3	altitude above sea level, m		
4	air supply:		
5	ambient/preheated air/gas turbine exhaust		
6	temperature, °C (min./max./design)		
7	relative humidity %		
8	draught type: forced/natural/induced		
9	draught available, Pa: across burner		
10	draught available, Pa: across plenum		
11	required turndown		
12	burner-wall lining thickness, mm		
13	heater-casing thickness, mm		
14	firebox height, m		
15	tube-circle diameter, m		
16	<b>Burner data:</b>		
17	manufacturer		
18	type of burner		
19	model/size		
20	direction of firing		
21	location (roof/floor/sidewall)		
22	number required		
23	minimum distance burner centre-line, mm		
24	to tube centre-line (horizontal/vertical)		
25	to adjacent burner centre-line (horizontal/vertical)		
26	to unshielded refractory (horizontal/vertical)		
27	burner-circle diameter, m		
28	pilots:		
29	number required		
30	type		
31	ignition method		
32	fuel		
33	fuel pressure, kPa		
34	capacity, MW		
35	<b>Operating data:</b>		
36	fuel		
37	heat release per burner, MW ( $h_L$ )		
38	design		
39	normal		
40	minimum		
41	excess air @ design heat release, (%)		
42	air temperature, °C		
43	draught loss, Pa		
44	design		
45	normal		
46	minimum		
47	fuel pressure required, kPa		
48	flame length @ design heat release, m		
49	flame shape (round, flat, etc.)		
50	atomizing medium/oil ratio, kg/kg		
51	<b>Notes:</b>		
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Burner data sheet		SI units		
		rev.:	date:	sheet 2 of 3
<b>Gas fuel characteristics</b>				
1	fuel type			rev.
2	massic heat value ( $h_L$ ), kJ/m <sup>3</sup>			
3	relative density (air = 1,0)			
4	relative molecular mass			
5	fuel temperature @ burner, °C			
6	fuel pressure: available @ burner, kPa (ga)			
7	fuel gas composition (mole fraction, %)			
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20	total			
<b>Liquid fuel characteristics</b>				
22	fuel type			
23	massic heat value ( $h_L$ ), kJ/kg			
24	relative density (at 15 °C)			
25	h/c ratio (by mass)			
26	viscosity, @ °C, mPa·s			
27	viscosity, @ °C, mPa·s			
28	vanadium, mg/kg			
29	potassium, mg/kg			
30	sodium, mg/kg			
31	nickel, mg/kg			
32	fixed nitrogen, mg/kg			
33	sulfur, mass fraction (%)			
34	ash, mass fraction (%)			
35	water, mass fraction (%)			
36	distillation: ASTM initial boiling point, °C			
37	ASTM mid-point, °C			
38	ASTM end-point, °C			
39	fuel temperature @ burner, °C			
40	fuel pressure available @ burner, kPa			
41	atomizing medium: air/steam/mechanical			
42	temperature, °C			
43	pressure, kPa			
44	<b>Notes:</b>			
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<b>Miscellaneous</b>			
1	burner plenum:	common/integral	rev.
2		material	
3		plate thickness, mm	
4		internal insulation	
5	inlet air control:	damper or registers	
6		mode of operation	
7		leakage, %	
8	burner tile:	composition	
9		minimum service temperature, °C	
10	noise specification		
11	attenuation method		
12	painting requirements		
13	ignition port:	size/No.	
14	sight port:	size/No.	
15	flame detection:	type	
16		number	
17	scanner connection:	size/No.	
18	safety interlock system for atomizing medium and oil		
19	performance test required (yes or no)		
20	<b>Emission limits:</b>		
21	firebox bridgewall temperature, °C.		
22	NO <sub>x</sub>	* ml/m <sup>3</sup> (d) or g/GJ (h <sub>L</sub> ) (h <sub>H</sub> )	
23	CO	* ml/m <sup>3</sup> (d) or g/GJ (h <sub>L</sub> ) (h <sub>H</sub> )	
24	UHC	* ml/m <sup>3</sup> (d) or g/GJ (h <sub>L</sub> ) (h <sub>H</sub> )	
25	particulates	g/GJ (h <sub>L</sub> ) (h <sub>H</sub> )	
26	SO <sub>x</sub>	* ml/m <sup>3</sup> (d) or g/GJ (h <sub>L</sub> ) (h <sub>H</sub> )	
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28	*corrected to 3% O <sub>2</sub> (dry basis @ design heat release)		
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30	NOTE 1 At design conditions, a minimum of 90 % of the available draught with air register fully open shall be utilized across the burner. In addition, a minimum of 75 % of the air-side pressure drop with air registers fully open shall be utilized across burner throat.		
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33	NOTE 2 Vendor to guarantee burner flame length.		
34	NOTE 3 Vendor to guarantee excess air, heat release and draught loss across burner.		
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Air-preheater data sheet		SI units				
		rev.:	date:	sheet 1 of 2		
Purchaser/owner:		Item No.:				
Service:		Location:				
1	manufacturer:					rev.
2	model:					
3	number required:					
4	heating surface, m <sup>2</sup>					
5	mass, kg					
6	approximate dimensions: (h × w × l), m					
7	<b>Performance data</b>					
8	operating case					
9						
10	air side: flow rate entering, kg/s					
11	inlet temperature, °C					
12	outlet temperature, °C					
13	pressure drop: allowable, Pa					
14	pressure drop: calculated, Pa					
15	heat absorbed, MW					
16	flue-gas side: flow rate, kg/s					
17	inlet temperature, °C					
18	outlet temperature, °C					
19	pressure drop: allowable, Pa					
20	pressure drop: calculated, Pa					
21	heat exchanged, MW					
22	air bypass rate, kg/s					
23	total air flow rate to burners, kg/s					
24	mix air temperature, °C					
25	flue-gas composition, mole fraction, % (O <sub>2</sub> /N <sub>2</sub> /H <sub>2</sub> O/CO <sub>2</sub> /SO <sub>x</sub> )					
26	flue-gas specific heat, kJ/kg-K					
27	flue-gas acid dew-point temperature, °C					
28	minimum metal temperature: allowable, °C					
29	minimum metal temperature: calculated, °C					
30	<b>Miscellaneous:</b>					
31	minimum ambient air temperature, °C					
32	site elevation above sea level, m					
33	relative humidity, %					
34	external cold-air bypass (yes/no)					
35	cold-end thermocouples (yes/no): number required					
36	access doors: number/size/location					
37	insulation (internal/external):					
38	cleaning medium: steam or water					
39	pressure, kPa					
40	temperature, °C					
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42	<b>Mechanical design:</b>					
43	design flue-gas temperature, °C.					
44	design pressure differential, kPa					
45	seismic factor					
46	painting requirements					
47	leak test					
48	structural wind load, kg/m <sup>2</sup>					
49	air leakage (guaranteed maximum), %					
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52	<b>Notes:</b> (all data on per unit basis)					
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Construction data				
1	I	cast iron:		rev.
2		number of passes		
3		number of tubes per block		
4		number of blocks		
5		type of surface		
6		tube material		
7		tube thickness, mm		
8		glass block (yes/no)		
9		number of glass tubes		
10		air crossover duct: number		
11		bolted/welded		
12		supplied with clips		
13		water wash: yes/no		
14		type (off-line or on-line)		
15		location		
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17	II	plate type:		
18		number of passes		
19		number of plates per block		
20		number of blocks		
21		plate thickness, mm		
22		width of air channel, mm		
23		width of flue-gas channel, mm		
24		air-side rib pitch, mm		
25		flue-gas-side rib pitch, mm		
26		material: plate		
27		rib		
28		frame		
29		air crossover duct: number		
30		bolted/welded		
31		supplied with clips		
32		water wash: yes/no		
33		type (off-line or on-line)		
34		location		
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36	III	heat pipe:		
37		number of tubes		
38		tubes OD/wall thickness, mm		
39		tube material		
40		tubes per row		
41		number of rows		
42		tube pitch (square/triangular), mm		
43			air side	gas side
44		fins: type		
45		height × thickness × No./m		
46		material		
47		effective length, m		
48		heating surface, m <sup>2</sup>		
49		maximum allowable soak temperature, °C		
50		sootblower: yes/no		
51		type		
52		location		
53		<b>Notes:</b>		
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Fan data sheet				SI units			
				rev.:	date:	sheet 1 of 2	
Purchaser/owner:				Item No.:			
Service:				Location:			
1	fan manufacturer:		model/size:	arrangement:		rev.	
2	service:		number required:				
3	drive system:		fan rotation from driven end:		cw	ccw	
4	gas handled:		relative molecular mass:				
5	site elevation, m:		fan location:				
6	<b>Operating conditions</b>						
7	operating condition/case:		normal	rated	other conditions		
8	mass flow-rate capacity, kg/s						
9	volume flow-rate capacity, m <sup>3</sup> /s						
10	air density, kg/m <sup>3</sup>						
11	temperature, °C						
12	relative humidity, %						
13	static pressure @ inlet, Pa						
14	static pressure @ outlet, Pa						
15	performance:						
16	kW @ temperature (all losses included)						
17	fan speed, r/min						
18	static pressure rise across fan, Pa						
19	inlet damper/vane position						
20	discharge damper position						
21	fan static efficiency, %						
22	steam rate, kg/kW·h (turbine only)						
23	fan control:		drive:				
24	air supply		make	type			
25	fan control, furnished by		rated kW	r/min			
26	method:	inlet damper	outlet damper	electrical area classification:			
27		inlet guide vanes	variable speed	class	group	division	
28	starting method		power	volts	ph	Hz	
29	<b>Construction features</b>						
30	housing:		bearings:				
31	material	thickness, mm		hydrodynamic		anti-friction	
32	split for wheel removal	yes no	type				
33	drains, number/size		lubrication				
34	access doors, number/size		mass flow rate coolant required		m <sup>3</sup> /s water @ °C		
35	blades:		thermostatically cont. heaters		yes	no	
36	type		temperature detectors		yes	no	
37	number	thickness, mm	vibration detectors		yes	no	
38	material						
39	hub:		speed detectors:				
40		shrink fit	keyed		non-contact probe		
41	material			speed switch			
42	shaft:			other			
43	material		couplings:				
44	diameter @ brgs., mm		type				
45	shaft sleeves:		make		model		
46	material		service factor				
47	shaft seals:		mount coupling halves				
48	type:			fan			
49				driver			
50	centrifugal force ωr <sup>2</sup> , kg·m <sup>2</sup>		spacer	yes	number	length, mm	
51	Notes: (all data on per unit basis)						
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				rev.:	date:	sheet 2 of 2	
Construction features (continued)							
1	miscellaneous:						rev.
2		common baseplate (fan driver)		silencer (inlet) (outlet)		inlet (screen) (filter)	
3		bearing pedestals/soleplates		evase		housing drain connection	
4		performance curves		vibration isolation		spark-resistant coupling guard	
5		sectional drawing		type		insulation clips	
6		outline drawing		special coatings		inspection access	
7		inlet boxes		control panel		heat shields	
8	noise attenuation:				masses, kg		
9		maximum allowable sound pressure level		dB(A) @ m	fan	driver	base
10		predicted sound pressure level		dB(A) @ m	sound trunk		
11	attenuation method				evase		
12	furnished by				total shipping mass		
13	painting:				connections:		
14		manufacturer's standard			size	rating	orientation
15					inlet		
16	shipment:				outlet		
17		domestic		export		export boxing required	
18					drains		
19	erection:						
20		assembled			tests:		
21		partly assembled			mechanical run-in (no load)		
22		outdoor storage over 6 months			witnessed performance		
23	applicable specifications:					rotor balance	
24						shop inspection	
25						assembly and fit-up check	
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28	<b>Notes:</b>						
29		Items marked to be included in vendor scope of supply.					
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Sootblower data sheet		SI units		
		rev.:	date:	sheet 1 of 1
Purchaser/owner:		Item No.:		
Service:		Location:		
1	<b>Operating data:</b>			rev.
2	fuel oil type/relative molecular mass			
3	sulfur, mass fraction, %			
4	vanadium, mg/kg			
5	nickel, mg/kg			
6	ash, mass fraction, %			
7	lane location			
8	flue-gas temperature @ blower, maximum °C			
9	flue-gas pressure @ blower, maximum °C			
10	blowing medium			
11	<b>Utility data:</b>			
12				
13	steam _____ kPa @ _____ °C _____ kg/s per blower			
14				
15	air _____ kPa _____ m <sup>3</sup> /s (N) per blower			
16				
17	power _____ volts _____ phase _____ Hz			
18				
19	<b>Layout data:</b>			
20	tube outside diameter, mm			
21	tube length, m			
22	tube spacing (stag./in line), mm			
23	bank width, m			
24	number of intermediate tube sheets			
25	lane dimension (minimum clearance), mm			
26	maximum cleaning radius, m			
27	extended-surface type			
28	number of extended-surface rows			
29	lining thickness, mm			
30	<b>Blower data:</b>			
31	manufacturer			
32	type			
33	model			
34	number required			
35	number of lanes (rows)			
36	number per lane			
37	arrangement			
38	operation			
39	control required			
40	control panel location (local or remote)			
41	driver type (man., pneumatic or electrical motor)			
42	electrical-area classification			
43	motor-starters classification			
44	motor: kW			
45	enclosure			
46	r/min			
47	lance travel speed			
48	head: material & rating			
49	wall box isolation			
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52	<b>Notes:</b>			
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<b>Purchaser/owner:</b>		<b>Item No.:</b>		
<b>Service:</b>		<b>Location:</b>		
1	unit:	* number required:	rev.	
2	manufacturer:	reference:		
3	type of heater:			
4	*total heater absorbed duty, Btu/h:			
5	<b>Process design conditions</b>			
6	*operating case			
7	heater section			
8	*service			
9	heat absorption, Btu/h			
10	*fluid			
11	*flow rate, lb/h			
12	*flow rate, b.p.d.			
13	*pressure drop, allowable (clean/fouled), psi			
14	pressure drop, calculated (clean/fouled), psi			
15	*avg. rad. sect. flux density, allow., Btu/h - ft <sup>2</sup>			
16	avg. rad. sect. flux density, calc., Btu/h - ft <sup>2</sup>			
17	max rad. sect. flux density, Btu/h - ft <sup>2</sup>			
18	conv. sect. flux density (bare tube), Btu/h - ft <sup>2</sup>			
19	*velocity limitation, ft/s			
20	process fluid mass velocity, lb/s - ft <sup>2</sup>			
21	*maximum allow./calc. inside film temperature, °F			
22	*fouling factor, h - ft <sup>2</sup> - °F/Btu			
23	*coking allowance, in			
24	<b>Inlet conditions:</b>			
25	*temperature, °F.			
26	*pressure, (psia) (psig)			
27	*liquid flow, lb/h			
28	*vapour flow, lb/h			
29	*liquid gravity, (°API) (sp. gr. @ 60 °F)			
30	*vapour relative molecular mass			
31	*vapour density, lb/ft <sup>3</sup>			
32	*viscosity (liquid/vapour), cP			
33	*specific heat (liquid/vapour), Btu/lb-°F			
34	*thermal conductivity, (liquid/vapour), Btu/h-ft - °F			
35	<b>Outlet conditions:</b>			
36	*temperature, °F.			
37	*pressure, (psia) (psig)			
38	*liquid flow, lb/h			
39	*vapour flow, lb/h			
40	*liquid gravity, (°API) (sp. gr. @ 60 °F)			
41	*vapour relative molecular mass			
42	*vapour density, lb/ft <sup>3</sup>			
43	*viscosity (liquid/vapour), cP			
44	*specific heat (liquid/vapour), Btu/lb - °F			
45	*thermal conductivity (liquid/vapour), Btu/h - ft - °F			
46	<b>Remarks and special requirements:</b>			
47	*distillation data or feed composition:			
48	short-term operating conditions:			
49				
50	<b>NOTES:</b>			
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<b>Combustion design conditions</b>					
1	operating case				rev.
2	*type of fuel				
3	*excess air, %				
4	calculated heat release ( $h_L$ ), Btu/h				
5	fuel efficiency calculated, % ( $h_L$ )				
6	fuel efficiency guaranteed, % ( $h_L$ )				
7	radiation loss, % of heat release ( $h_L$ )				
8	flue-gas temperature leaving:		radiant section, °F		
9			convection section, °F		
10			air preheater, °F		
11	flue-gas quantity, lb/h				
12	flue-gas mass vel. through convection section, lb/s - ft <sup>2</sup>				
13	draught	at arch, in H <sub>2</sub> O			
14		at burners, in H <sub>2</sub> O			
15	*ambient air temperature, efficiency calculation, °F				
16	*ambient air temperature, stack design, °F				
17	*altitude above sea level, ft				
18	volumetric heat release, ( $h_L$ ), Btu/h - ft <sup>3</sup>				
19	*emission limits:	ppmv (d) (corrected to 3% O <sub>2</sub> )	NO <sub>x</sub> :	CO:	SO <sub>x</sub>
20		lb/Btu ( $h_L$ ) ( $h_H$ )	UHC:	particulates:	
21	<b>Fuel characteristics:</b>				
22	*gas type	*liquid type	*other type		
23	* $h_L$ Btu/(lb) (scf)	* $h_L$ Btu/lb	* $h_L$ Btu/(scf) (lb)		
24	* $h_H$ Btu/(lb) (scf)	* $h_H$ Btu/lb	* $h_H$ Btu/(scf) (lb)		
25	*press. @ burner, psig	*press. @ burner, psi	*press. @ burner, psi		
26	*temp. @ burner, °F	*temp. @ burner, °F	*temp. @ burner, °F		
27	*relative molecular mass	*viscosity @ °F	cSt		
28		*atomizing steam temp.	°F		
29		*pressure,	psi		
30	component	mole %	component	mass fraction	component %
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34			*vanadium (ppm)		
35			*sodium (ppm)		
36			*sulfur		
37			*ash		
38	<b>Burner data:</b>				
39	manufacturer:	size/model No.:	number:		
40	type:	location:	orientation:		
41	heat release per burner, Btu/h	design:	normal:	minimum:	
42	pressure drop across burner @ design heat release, in H <sub>2</sub> O:				
43	distance burner centre-line to tube centre-line, horizontal, in:			vertical, in:	
44	distance burner centre-line to unshielded refractory, horizontal, in:			vertical, in:	
45	pilot, type:	capacity (Btu/h):		fuel:	
46	ignition method:				
47	flame detection, type:	number:			
48	<b>Notes:</b>				
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<b>Mechanical design conditions</b>					
1	*plot limitations:	*stack limitations:			rev.
2	*tube limitations:	*noise limitations:			
3	*structural design data:	wind velocity:	*wind occurrence:		
4		snow load:	*seismic zone:		
5	*minimum/normal/maximum ambient air temperature, °F:		*relative humidity, %		
6	heater section:				
7	service:				
8	<b>Coil design:</b>				
9	*design basis: tube-wall thickness (code or spec.)				
10	rupture strength (minimum or average)				
11	*stress-to-rupture basis, h				
12	*design pressure, elastic/rupture, psi				
13	*design fluid temperature, °F				
14	*temperature allowance, °F				
15	corrosion allowance, tubes/fittings, in				
16	hydrostatic test pressure, psi				
17	*post-weld heat treatment (yes or no)				
18	* % of welds fully radiographed				
19	maximum (clean) tube metal temperature, °F				
20	design tube metal temperature, °F				
21	inside film coefficient, Btu/h ft <sup>2</sup> -°F				
22	<b>Coil arrangement:</b>				
23	tube orientation: vertical or horizontal				
24	*tube material (specification and grade)				
25	tube outside diameter, in				
26	tube-wall thickness, (minimum) (average), in				
27	number of flow passes				
28	number of tubes				
29	number of tubes per row (convection section)				
30	overall tube length, ft				
31	effective tube length, ft				
32	bare tubes: number				
33	total exposed surface, ft <sup>2</sup>				
34	extended surface tubes: number				
35	total exposed surface, ft <sup>2</sup>				
36	tube layout (in line or staggered)				
37	tube spacing, cent. to cent.: horiz. × diag. (or vert.)				
38	spacing tube cent. to furnace wall (min.), in				
39	corbels (yes or no)				
40	corbel width, in				
41	<b>Description of extended surface:</b>				
42	type: (studs) (serrated fins) (solid fins)				
43	material				
44	dimensions (height × diameter/thickness), in				
45	spacing (fins/in) (studs/plane)				
46	maximum tip temperature (calculated), °F				
47	extension ratio (total area/bare area)				
48	<b>Plug type headers:</b>				
49	*type				
50	material (specification and grade)				
51	nominal rating				
52	*location (one or both ends)				
53	welded or rolled joint				
54	<b>Notes:</b>				
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<b>Mechanical design conditions (continued)</b>					
1	heater section:				rev.
2	service:				
3	<b>Return bends:</b>				
4	type				
5	material (specification and grade)				
6	nominal rating or schedule				
7	*location (f. b = firebox, h. b. = header box)				
8	<b>Terminals and/or manifolds:</b>				
9	*type (bev. = bevelled, manif. = manifold, flg. = flanged)				
10	inlet: material (specification and grade)				
11	size/schedule or thickness				
12	number of terminals				
13	flange material (specification and grade)				
14	flange size and rating				
15	outlet: material (specification and grade)				
16	size/schedule or thickness				
17	number of terminals				
18	flange material (specification and grade)				
19	flange size and rating				
20	*manifold to tube connection (welded, extruded, etc.)				
21	manifold location (inside or outside header box)				
22	<b>Crossovers:</b>				
23	*welded or flanged				
24	*pipe material (specification and grade)				
25	pipe size/schedule or thickness				
26	*flange material				
27	flange size/rating				
28	*location (internal/external)				
29	fluid temperature, °F.				
30	<b>Tube supports:</b>				
31	location (ends, top, bottom)				
32	material (specification and grade)				
33	design metal temperature, °F				
34	thickness, in				
35	type and thickness of insulation, in				
36	anchor (material and type)				
37	<b>Intermediate tube supports:</b>				
38	material (specification and grade)				
39	design metal temperature, °F				
40	thickness, in				
41	spacing, ft				
42	<b>Tube guides:</b>				
43	location:				
44	material:				
45	type/spacing:				
46	<b>Header boxes:</b>				
47	location:	hinged door/bolted panel:			
48	casing material:	thickness, in:			
49	lining material:	thickness, in:			
50	anchor (material and type):				
51	<b>Notes:</b>				
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Mechanical design conditions (continued)					
1	<b>Refractory design basis:</b>				rev.
2	ambient temperature, °F:	wind velocity, mph/fps:	casing temperature, °F:		
3	<b>Exposed vertical walls:</b>				
4	lining thickness, in:	hot-face temperature, design/calculated, °F:			
5	wall construction:				
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7	anchor (material & type):				
8	casing material:	thickness, in:	temperature, °F:		
9	<b>Shielded vertical walls:</b>				
10	lining thickness, in:	hot-face temperature, design/calculated, °F.:			
11	wall construction:				
12					
13	anchor (material & type):				
14	casing material:	thickness, in:	temperature, °F:		
15	<b>Arch:</b>				
16	lining thickness, in:	hot-face temperature, design/calculated, °F:			
17	wall construction:				
18					
19	anchor (material and type):				
20	casing material:	thickness, in:	temperature, °F:		
21	<b>Floor:</b>				
22	lining thickness, in:	hot-face temperature, design/calculated, °F:			
23	floor construction:				
24					
25	casing material:	thickness, in:	temperature, °F:		
26	minimum floor elevation, ft:	free space below plenum, ft:			
27	<b>Convection section:</b>				
28	lining thickness, in:	hot-face temperature, design/calculated, °F:			
29	wall construction:				
30					
31	anchor (material and type):				
32	casing material:	thickness, in:	temperature, °F:		
33	<b>Internal wall:</b>				
34	type:	material:			
35	dimension, height/width:				
36	<b>Ducts:</b>	<b>Flue gas</b>		<b>Combustion air</b>	
37	location:	breeching			
38	size, ft, or net free area, ft <sup>2</sup> :				
39	casing material:				
40	casing thickness, in:				
41	lining: internal/external				
42	thickness, in				
43	material				
44	anchor (material and type)				
45	casing temperature, °F				
46	<b>Plenum chamber (air):</b>				
47	casing material:	thickness, in:	size, ft:		
48	lining material:	thickness, in:			
49	anchor (material & type):				
50	<b>Notes:</b>				
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Fired-heater data sheet		USC units				
		rev.:	date:	sheet 6 of 6		
Mechanical design conditions (continued)						
1	<b>Stack or stack stub:</b>					rev.
2	number:	self-supported or guyed:		location:		
3	casing material:	*corrosion allow., in:		minimum thickness, in:		
4	inside metal diameter, ft:	height above grade, ft:		stack length, ft:		
5	lining material:			thickness, in:		
6	anchor (material and type):					
7	extent of lining:		internal or external:			
8	design flue-gas velocity, ft/s:		flue-gas temp., °F:			
9	<b>Dampers:</b>					
10	location					
11	type (control, tight shut-off, etc.)					
12	material: blade					
13	material: shaft					
14	multiple/single leaf					
15	provision for operation (man. or auto.)					
16	type of operator (cable or pneumatic)					
17	<b>Miscellaneous:</b>					
18	platforms: location	number	width	length/arc	stairs/ladder	access from
19						
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24	type of flooring:					
25	doors:	number	location	size	bolted/hinged	
26	access					
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28	observation					
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30	tube removal					
31						
32	instrument connections:			number	size	type
33	flue-gas/combustion-air temperature					
34	flue-gas/combustion-air pressure					
35	flue-gas sample					
36	snuffing steam/purge					
37	O <sub>2</sub> analyser					
38	CO or NO <sub>x</sub> analyser					
39	vents/drains					
40	process fluid temperature					
41	tube skin thermocouples					
42						
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44	painting requirements:					
45	internal coating:					
46	galvanizing requirements:					
47	are painter's trolley and rail included?					
48	special equipment:		sootblowers:			
49			air preheater:			
50			fan(s):			
51			other:			
52	<b>Notes:</b>					
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Burner data sheet		USC units	
		rev.:	date:
		sheet 1 of 3	
Purchaser/owner:		Item No.:	
Service:		Location:	
1	<b>General data:</b>		rev.
2	type of heater		
3	altitude above sea level, ft		
4	air supply:		
5	ambient/preheated air/gas turbine exhaust		
6	temperature, °F (min./max./design)		
7	relative humidity, %		
8	draught type: forced/natural/induced		
9	draught available: across burner, in H <sub>2</sub> O		
10	draught available: across plenum, in H <sub>2</sub> O		
11	required turndown		
12	burner-wall lining thickness, in		
13	heater-casing thickness, in		
14	firebox height, ft		
15	tube-circle diameter, ft		
16	<b>Burner data:</b>		
17	manufacturer		
18	type of burner		
19	model/size		
20	direction of firing		
21	location (roof/floor/sidewall)		
22	number required		
23	minimum distance burner centre-line, ft:		
24	to tube centre-line (horizontal/vertical)		
25	to adjacent burner centre-line (horizontal/vertical)		
26	to unshielded refractory (horizontal/vertical)		
27	burner-circle diameter, ft		
28	pilots:		
29	number required		
30	type		
31	ignition method		
32	fuel		
33	fuel pressure, psi.		
34	capacity, Btu/h		
35	<b>Operating data:</b>		
36	fuel		
37	heat release per burner, Btu/h ( $h_L$ )		
38	design		
39	normal		
40	minimum		
41	excess air @ design heat release, (%)		
42	air temperature, °F.		
43	draught (air pressure) loss, in H <sub>2</sub> O		
44	design		
45	normal		
46	minimum		
47	fuel pressure required, psig		
48	flame length @ design heat release, ft		
49	flame shape (round, flat, etc.)		
50	atomizing medium/oil ratio, lb/lb		
51	<b>Notes:</b>		
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Burner data sheet		USC units		
		rev.:	date:	sheet 2 of 3
<b>Gas fuel characteristics</b>				
1	fuel type			rev.
2	heating value ( $h_L$ ), (Btu/scf) (Btu/lb)			
3	relative molecular mass (air = 1,0)			
4	molecular mass			
5	fuel temperature @ burner, °F			
6	fuel pressure: available @ burner, psi			
7	fuel gas composition (mole %)			
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20	total			
<b>Liquid fuel characteristics</b>				
22	fuel type			
23	heating value ( $h_L$ ), Btu/lb.			
24	specific gravity/°API			
25	h/c ratio (by mass)			
26	viscosity, @ °F, cSt			
27	viscosity, @ °F, cSt			
28	vanadium, ppm			
29	potassium, ppm			
30	sodium, ppm			
31	nickel, ppm			
32	fixed nitrogen, ppm			
33	sulfur, % wt.			
34	ash, % wt.			
35	water, % wt.			
36	distillation: ASTM initial boiling point, °F			
37	ASTM mid-point, °F			
38	ASTM end-point, °F			
39	fuel temperature @ burner, °F			
40	fuel pressure available @ burner, psi			
41	atomizing medium: air/steam/mechanical			
42	temperature, °F			
43	pressure, psi			
44	<b>Notes:</b>			
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Burner data sheet		USC units	
		rev.:	date:
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<b>Miscellaneous</b>			
1	burner plenum:	common/integral	rev.
2		material	
3		plate thickness, in	
4		internal insulation	
5	inlet air control:	dampers or registers	
6		mode of operation	
7		leakage, %	
8	burner tile:	composition	
9		minimum service temperature, °F	
10	noise specification		
11	attenuation method		
12	painting requirements		
13	ignition port:	size/number	
14	sight port:	size/number	
15	flame detection:	type	
16		number	
17	scanner connection:	size/number	
18	safety interlock system for atomizing medium & oil		
19	performance test required (yes or no)		
20	<b>Emission limits:</b>		
21	firebox bridgewall temperature, °F		
22	NO <sub>x</sub>	* ppmv (d) or lb/MM Btu ( <i>h<sub>L</sub></i> ) ( <i>h<sub>H</sub></i> )	
23	CO	* ppmv (d) or lb/MM Btu ( <i>h<sub>L</sub></i> ) ( <i>h<sub>H</sub></i> )	
24	UHC	* ppmv (d) or lb/MM Btu ( <i>h<sub>L</sub></i> ) ( <i>h<sub>H</sub></i> )	
25	particulates	lb/MM Btu ( <i>h<sub>L</sub></i> ) ( <i>h<sub>H</sub></i> )	
26	SO <sub>x</sub>	* ppmv (d) or lb/MM Btu ( <i>h<sub>L</sub></i> ) ( <i>h<sub>H</sub></i> )	
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28	*corrected to 3 % O <sub>2</sub> (dry basis @ design heat release)		
30	NOTE 1 At design conditions, a minimum of 90% of the available draught with air register fully open shall be utilized across the burner. In addition, a minimum of 75% of the air-side pressure drop with air registers fully open shall be utilized across burner throat.		
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33	NOTE 2 Vendor to guarantee burner flame length.		
34	NOTE 3 Vendor to guarantee excess air, heat release and draught loss across burner.		
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Air-preheater data sheet		USC units				
		rev.:	date:	sheet 1 of 2		
<b>Purchaser/owner:</b>		<b>Item No.:</b>				
<b>Service:</b>		<b>Location:</b>				
1	manufacturer:					rev.
2	model:					
3	number required:					
4	heating surface, ft <sup>2</sup>					
5	mass, lb					
6	approximate dimensions: (h x w x l) ft					
<b>Performance data</b>						
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8	operating case					
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10	air side: flow rate entering, lb/h					
11	inlet temperature, °F					
12	outlet temperature, °F					
13	pressure drop: allowable, in H <sub>2</sub> O					
14	pressure drop: calculated, in H <sub>2</sub> O					
15	heat absorbed, Btu/h					
16	flue-gas side: flow rate, lb/h					
17	inlet temperature, °F					
18	outlet temperature, °F					
19	pressure drop: allowable, in H <sub>2</sub> O					
20	pressure drop: calculated, in H <sub>2</sub> O					
21	heat exchanged, Btu/h					
22	air bypass rate, lb/h					
23	total air flow rate to burners, lb/h					
24	mix air temperature, °F					
25	flue-gas composition, mole % (O <sub>2</sub> /N <sub>2</sub> /H <sub>2</sub> O/CO <sub>2</sub> /SO <sub>x</sub> )					
26	flue-gas specific heat, Btu/lb - °F					
27	flue-gas acid dew-point temperature, °F					
28	minimum metal temperature: allowable, °F					
29	minimum metal temperature: calculated, °F					
30	<b>Miscellaneous:</b>					
31	minimum ambient air temperature, °F					
32	site elevation above sea level, ft					
33	relative humidity					
34	external cold-air bypass (yes/no)					
35	cold-end thermocouples (yes/no): number required					
36	access doors: number/size/location					
37	insulation (internal/external):					
38	cleaning medium: steam or water					
39	pressure, psi					
40	temperature, °F					
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42	<b>Mechanical design:</b>					
43	design flue-gas temperature, °F					
44	design pressure differential, in H <sub>2</sub> O					
45	seismic factor					
46	painting requirements					
47	leak test					
48	structural wind load, psf					
49	air leakage (guaranteed maximum), %					
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52	<b>Notes:</b> (all data on per unit basis)					
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Air-preheater data sheet		USC units	
		rev.:	date:
		sheet 2 of 2	
<b>Construction data</b>			
1	I	cast iron:	rev.
2		number of passes	
3		number of tubes per block	
4		number of blocks	
5		type of surface	
6		tube material	
7		tube thickness, in	
8		glass block (yes/no)	
9		number of glass tubes	
10		air crossover duct: number	
11		bolted/welded	
12		supplied with clips	
13		water wash: yes/no	
14		type (off-line or on-line)	
15		location	
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17	II	plate type:	
18		number of passes	
19		number of plates per block	
20		number of blocks	
21		plate thickness, in	
22		width of air channel, in	
23		width of flue-gas channel, in	
24		air-side rib pitch, in	
25		flue-gas-side rib pitch, in	
26		material: plate	
27		rib	
28		frame	
29		air crossover duct: number	
30		bolted/welded	
31		supplied with clips	
32		water wash: yes/no	
33		type (off-line or on-line)	
34		location	
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36	III	heat pipe:	
37		number of tubes	
38		tubes OD/wall thickness, in	
39		tube material	
40		tubes per row	
41		number of rows	
42		tube pitch (square/triangular), in	
43			air side      gas side
44		fins: type	
45		height × thickness × No./in	
46		material	
47		effective length, ft.	
48		heating surface, ft <sup>2</sup>	
49		maximum allowable soak temperature, °F	
50		sootblower: yes/no	
51		type	
52		location	
53	<b>Notes:</b>		
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Fan data sheet				USC units			
				rev.:	date:	sheet 1 of 2	
Purchaser/owner:				Item No.:			
Service:				Location:			
1	fan manufacturer:		model/size:	arrangement:		rev.	
2	service:		number required:				
3	drive system:		fan rotation from driven end:		cw	ccw	
4	gas handled:		relative molecular mass:				
5	site elevation, ft:		fan location:				
6	<b>Operating conditions</b>						
7	operating condition/case:		normal	rated	other conditions		
8	capacity, lb/h						
9	capacity, acfm						
10	density, lb/ft <sup>3</sup>						
11	air temperature, °F						
12	relative humidity, %						
13	static pressure @ inlet, inches H <sub>2</sub> O						
14	static pressure @ outlet, inches H <sub>2</sub> O						
15	performance:						
16	BHP @ temperature (all losses included)						
17	fan speed, r/min						
18	static pressure rise across fan, inches H <sub>2</sub> O						
19	inlet damper/vane position						
20	discharge damper position						
21	fan static efficiency, %						
22	steam rate, lb/HP-h (turbine only)						
23	fan control:		drive				
24	air supply		make	type			
25	fan control, furnished by		rated HP	r/min			
26	method:	inlet damper	outlet damper	electrical area classification			
27		inlet guide vanes	variable speed	class	group	division	
28	starting method		power	volts	ph	Hz	
29	<b>Construction features</b>						
30	housing:		bearings:				
31	material	thickness, in	hydrodynamic	anti-friction			
32	split for wheel removal		yes	no	type		
33	drains, number/size		lubrication				
34	access doors, number/size		coolant required	gpm water @	°F		
35	blades:		thermostatically cont. heaters	yes	no		
36	type		temperature detectors	yes	no		
37	number		thickness, in	vibration detectors	yes	no	
38	material						
39	hub:		speed detectors:				
40	shrink fit	keyed		non-contact probe			
41	material			speed switch			
42	Notes: (all data on per unit basis)						
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Fan data sheet				USC units			
				rev.:	date:	sheet 2 of 2	
Construction features (continued)							
1	shaft:				other		rev.
2	material			couplings:			
3	diameter @ brgs., in			type			
4	shaft sleeves:			make	model		
5	material			service factor			
6	shaft seals:			mount coupling halves			
7	type:				fan		
8					driver		
9	centrifugal force $\omega r^2$ , lb-ft <sup>2</sup>			spacer	yes	no	length, in
10	miscellaneous:						
11		common baseplate (fan driver)		silencer (inlet) (outlet)		inlet (screen) (filter)	
12		bearing pedestals/soleplates		evase		housing drain connection	
13		performance curves		vibration isolation		spark-resistant coupling guard	
14		sectional drawing		type		insulation clips	
15		outline drawing		special coatings		inspection access	
16		inlet boxes		control panel		heat shields	
17	noise attenuation:			mass, lb			
18		maximum allowable sound pressure level	dB(A) @ ft	fan	driver	base	
19		predicted sound pressure level	dB(A) @ ft	sound trunk			
20	attenuation method			evase			
21	furnished by			total shipping mass			
22	painting:			connections:			
14		manufacturer's standard			size	rating	orientation
15				inlet			
16	shipment:			outlet			
17		domestic	export	export boxing required	drains		
18							
19	erection:						
20		assembled		tests:			
21		partly assembled			mechanical run-in (no load)		
22		outdoor storage over 6 months			witnessed performance		
23	applicable specifications:				rotor balance		
24					shop inspection		
25					assembly and fit-up check		
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28	<b>Notes:</b>						
29		Items marked to be included in vendor scope of supply.					
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Sootblower data sheet		USC units		
		rev.:	Date:	sheet 1 of 1
Purchaser/owner:		Item No.:		
Service:		Location:		
1	<b>Operating data:</b>			rev.
2	fuel oil type/specific gravity or °API			
3	sulfur, mass fraction (%)			
4	vanadium, ppm (mass)			
5	nickel, ppm (mass)			
6	ash, mass fraction (%)			
7	lane location			
8	flue-gas temperature @ blower, maximum °F			
9	flue-gas pressure @ blower, maximum °F			
10	blowing medium			
11	<b>Utility data:</b>			
12				
13	steam _____ psi @ _____ °F _____ lb/h per blower			
14				
15	air _____ psi _____ scfm per blower			
16				
17	power _____ volts _____ phase _____ Hz			
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19	<b>Layout data:</b>			
20	tube outside diameter, in			
21	tube length, ft			
22	tube spacing (stag./in line), in			
23	bank width, ft			
24	number of intermediate tube sheets			
25	lane dimension (minimum clearance), in			
26	maximum cleaning radius, ft			
27	extended-surface type			
28	number of extended-surface rows			
29	lining thickness, in			
30	<b>Blower data:</b>			
31	manufacturer			
32	type			
33	model			
34	number required			
35	number of lanes (rows)			
36	number per lane			
37	arrangement			
38	operation			
39	control required			
40	control panel location (local or remote)			
41	driver type (man., pneumatic or electrical motor)			
42	electrical-area classification			
43	motor-starters classification			
44	motor: HP			
45	enclosure			
46	r/min			
47	lance travel speed			
48	head: material & rating			
49	wall box isolation			
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52	<b>Notes:</b>			
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## Annex B (informative)

### Purchaser's checklist

This checklist may be used to indicate the purchaser's specific requirements where this International Standard provides a choice or specifies that a decision shall be made. These items are indicated by a bullet (●) in this International Standard.

Subclause	Item	Requirement	
4.1	Pressure design code	_____	
4.2	Applicable local rules and regulations	_____	
5.1.4	Number of copies of referenced drawings and data required	_____	
5.2 j)	List of sub-suppliers required?	Yes	No
5.3.3 c)	Tube-support calculations required?	Yes	No
5.3.3 h)	Decoking procedures required?	Yes	No
5.2 e) 5.3.3 k) 5.4 f)	Noise data sheets required?	Yes	No
5.4 a)	As-built data sheets and drawings required?	Yes	No
6.3.2	Space required for future sootblowers, water washing, etc.?	Yes	No
6.3.3	Sootblowers to be provided?	Yes	No
7.2.1	Acceptable extended surface type: studs solid fins segmented fins	Yes Yes Yes	No No No
9.1.4	Inspection openings required? If yes, are terminal flanges acceptable?	Yes Yes	No No
9.1.6	Low-point drains required? High-point vents required?	Yes Yes	No No
10.3.2	Tube-support corrosion protection: 50Cr-50Ni material refractory coating	Yes Yes	No No
11.3.7	Anchor-fixing method	_____	
11.4.1	Ceramic fibre acceptable?	Yes	No
11.5.6	Block insulation as backup material?	Yes	No
11.4.17	Protective coating of casing, ceramic-fibre construction	_____	
11.5.7	Protective coating of casing, back-up insulation	_____	

Subclause	Item	Requirement
12.1.1	Structural design code	_____
12.2.5	Locations for future platforms, ladders and stairways	_____ _____
12.2.7	Fireproofing required?	Yes No
12.3.1.2	Header box closures: hinged doors bolted panels	Yes No Yes No
12.3.1.4	Horizontal partitions required in convection-section header boxes?	Yes No
12.4.4	Platform decking requirements: checkered plate open grating	Yes No Yes No
12.5.1	Acceptable low-temperature materials	_____
13.1.2	Codes for stacks, ducts and breeching or Methods in Annex H to be used?	Yes No
13.2.2	Bolting permitted for stack assembly?	Yes No
13.5.3 c)	Acceptable aerodynamic devices: helical strakes vertical strakes staggered vertical plates	Yes No Yes No Yes No
14.1.8	Single burner with multiple guns acceptable?	Yes No
14.1.10 d)	Minimum main fuel rate during cold-burner light-off	_____
14.1.17	Required heater capacity during forced-draught outage and continued operation on natural draught	_____ _____
14.1.22	On-stream removal of complete burner parts or assembly is required?	Yes No
14.2.1	Acceptable sootblower type: retractable automatic sequential	Yes No Yes No Yes No
14.4.5	Location of control dampers Position on failure	Open Close
15.1.3.5	Additional flue-gas sampling connections	_____
15.2.1	Crossover thermowell connections required?	Yes No
15.2.2	Outlet thermowell connections required?	Yes No
15.3.2.2	Water washing required? radiant section convection section	Yes No Yes No
15.4.1	Tube-skin thermocouples required?	Yes No
16.1.1	Site receiving and handling limitations	_____ _____



Subclause	Item	Requirement	
16.2.1 f)	Charpy impact test requirements	_____	_____
16.4.3	Galvanizing of handrails, etc.?	Yes	No
	Bolt protection: galvanizing zinc-coating	Yes Yes	No No
16.6.15	Export crating	_____	_____
16.6.16	Long-term storage requirements	_____	_____
17.1.3	Pre-inspection meetings required prior to the start of fabrication?	Yes	No
17.3.1	Positive materials identification (PMI) required?	Yes	No
17.3.2 c)	Radiography of critical sections required?	Yes	No
17.3.4 c)	Sampling quantities and degree of coverage for radiography of cast return bends and pressure fittings	_____	_____
17.5.1.2	Is pneumatic pressure-testing acceptable instead of hydrostatic?	Yes	No
17.5.4.2	PMI requirements	_____	_____
E.2.1.4	Electrical-area classification for fired-heater equipment/system	_____	_____
E.2.1.7	Weather and environmental requirements for outdoor installation	_____	_____
E.2.2.1	Corrosion allowance required for fan scroll and housing?	Yes	No
E.2.5.2	Blade design	_____	_____
E.2.5.8	Corrosion-resistant shaft sleeves required for ID fans?	Yes	No
E.2.7.4	Rotor response analysis required?	Yes	No
	To be confirmed by test-stand data?	Yes	No
E.2.8.3	Mechanical run test required?	Yes	No
E.2.11.1.2	Corrosive agents in the flue gas or environment affecting fan materials selection	_____	_____
E.2.11.3	Alternative notch-toughness requirements for fans	_____	_____
E.3.1	Accessories to be supplied by fan vendor	_____	_____
E.3.2.1	Fan driver type	_____	_____
E.3.2.2	Process variations for fan-driver sizing	_____	_____
E.3.4.1.2	Fan vendor required to review overall control system for compatibility?	Yes	No

Subclause	Item	Requirement
E.3.4.2.1	Type and source of control signal, its sensitivity and range and the equipment scope to be furnished by the vendor	_____ _____
E.3.4.3.1	Damper blades: parallel opposed	Yes No Yes No
E.3.4.3.2	Fan vendor to state maximum expected leakage through closed dampers and vanes?	Yes No
E.3.5.2.4	Corrosion allowance	_____
E.3.6.2.2	Type of insulation and jacketing	_____ _____
E.4.1.1	Non-destructive examination	_____ _____
E.4.1.6 a)	Shop fit-up and assembly of fan, drivers and other auxiliaries required prior to shipment?	Yes No
E.4.1.6 c)	Hardness testing required?	Yes No
E.4.2.1	Fan testing requirements	_____ _____
E.4.2.3	Rotor response analysis?	Yes No
E.4.3.1	Equipment to be specially prepared for six months of outdoor storage?	Yes No
E.4.3.2	Shipping preparation requirements	_____ _____

## Annex C (informative)

### Proposed shop-assembly conditions

**SHOP-ASSEMBLY  
CONDITIONS**

SERVICE _____	EQUIPMENT NO. _____
UNIT _____	PLANT LOCATION _____
TYPE _____	NO. REQUIRED _____
OWNER _____	REFERENCE NO. _____
PURCHASER _____	REFERENCE NO. _____
VENDOR _____	REFERENCE NO. _____
DATE _____	PAGE 1 OF _____

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**DEGREE OF ASSEMBLY**

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	Radiant	Convection
Complete assembly (Number of sections)	_____	_____
Boxes:		
1. Refractory only	_____	_____
2. With anchors only	_____	_____
Panels:		
3. With tubes and refractory installed	_____	_____
4. With refractory only	_____	_____
5. With anchors only	_____	_____
Coils:		
6. Number of coil assemblies	_____	_____
7. Number of hairpins, canes, tubes	_____	_____
8. Field welds, number/size	_____	_____
	Lined	Unlined
Number of pieces:		With anchors      Without anchors
9. Breeching	_____	_____
10. Flue-gas ducts	_____	_____
11. Combustion air ducts	_____	_____
12. Header boxes	_____	_____
13. Plenum chamber	_____	_____
14. Stack	_____	_____
Installation:	Shop-installed	Field-installed
15. Tube supports	_____	_____
16. Floor refractory	_____	_____
17. Header boxes	_____	_____
18. Plenum chambers	_____	_____
19. Bridgeway	_____	_____
20. Dampers	_____	_____
21. Cages to ladders	_____	_____
22. Platform flooring to framing	_____	_____
23. Platform support clips to casing	_____	_____
24. Handrails, midrails and toeplates to posts	_____	_____
25. Stair treads to stringers	_____	_____
26. Doors	_____	_____
27. Tube-skin thermocouples	_____	_____
28. Internal coatings	_____	_____
29. Burners	_____	_____
30. Sootblowers	_____	_____

**SHOP-ASSEMBLY  
CONDITIONS**

SERVICE \_\_\_\_\_  
 UNIT \_\_\_\_\_  
 TYPE \_\_\_\_\_  
 OWNER \_\_\_\_\_  
 PURCHASER \_\_\_\_\_  
 VENDOR \_\_\_\_\_  
 DATE \_\_\_\_\_

EQUIPMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_  
 PLANT LOCATION \_\_\_\_\_  
 NO. REQUIRED \_\_\_\_\_  
 REFERENCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_  
 REFERENCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_  
 REFERENCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_  
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**DEGREE OF ASSEMBLY (continued)**

Air heater:

- 31. \_\_\_\_\_
- 32. \_\_\_\_\_
- 33. \_\_\_\_\_
- 34. \_\_\_\_\_
- 35. \_\_\_\_\_
- 36. \_\_\_\_\_
- 37. \_\_\_\_\_
- 38. \_\_\_\_\_
- 39. \_\_\_\_\_
- 40. \_\_\_\_\_

Fans:

- 1. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. \_\_\_\_\_

Drivers:

- 4. \_\_\_\_\_
- 5. \_\_\_\_\_
- 6. \_\_\_\_\_

Other:

- 7. \_\_\_\_\_
- 8. \_\_\_\_\_
- 9. \_\_\_\_\_

**ESTIMATED SHIPPING MASSES AND DIMENSIONS**

- 10. Total heater mass, tonnes (long tons) \_\_\_\_\_
- 11. Total ladders, stairs, platform mass, tonnes (long tons) \_\_\_\_\_
- 12. Total stack mass, tonnes (long tons) \_\_\_\_\_
- 13. Maximum radiant-section mass, tonnes (long tons) \_\_\_\_\_
- 14. Maximum radiant-section dimensions, length × width × height, m (ft) \_\_\_\_\_
- 15. Maximum convection-section mass, tonnes (long tons) \_\_\_\_\_
- 16. Maximum convection-section dimensions, length × width × height, m (ft) \_\_\_\_\_

## Annex D (normative)

### Stress curves for use in the design of tube-support elements

#### D.1 General

This annex provides stress curves that shall be used in the design of tube-support elements. The following stress curves are provided:

- a) one-third of the ultimate tensile strength;
- b) two-thirds of the yield strength (0,2 % offset);
- c) 50 % of the average stress required to produce 1 % creep in 10 000 h;
- d) 50 % of the average stress required to produce rupture in 10 000 h.

Some of the stresses listed in items a) through d) were not available for carbon steel castings or plate or for 50Cr-50Ni-Nb castings. The stress curves were plotted from data gathered over normal design ranges. All of the materials are suitable for application at lower temperatures.

#### D.2 Casting factor

For cast materials, the stresses shown in Figures D.1 through D.13 are actual stresses based on published data accepted by the industry. A casting-factor multiplier of 0,8 shall be applied to the allowable stress value in the calculation of the minimum thickness.

#### D.3 Minimum cross-sections

If good foundry practice or casting methods or tolerances require the use of a cross section heavier than that based on the calculation specified in D.2 or the stress curves shown in Figures D.1 through D.13, the governing thickness shall be specified.

#### D.4 Maximum design temperatures

The maximum design temperatures shown in Figures D.1 through D.13 are obtained from Table 10 and are based on resistance to oxidation, except for the maximum design temperatures shown in Figures D.10 and D.12 (Types 309H and 310H plate), which are based on available stress data. The stress curves for some materials extend beyond the maximum design temperature because of the materials' possible use with high oxidation rates at higher temperatures.

#### D.5 Corrosion resistance

ASTM A 560, grade 50Cr-50Ni-Nb material is generally selected for its resistance to vanadium attack; however, its resistance diminishes at temperatures above 870 °C (1 600 °F).

#### D.6 Proprietary alloys

Many low-chromium alloys, alloy cast iron and high-chromium nickel alloys are proprietary. The allowable stresses used for the design of castings that use these materials (that are not included in Table 10) shall, therefore, be obtained from the supplier and shall be subject to the agreement of the purchaser.

## **D.7 Stress curves**

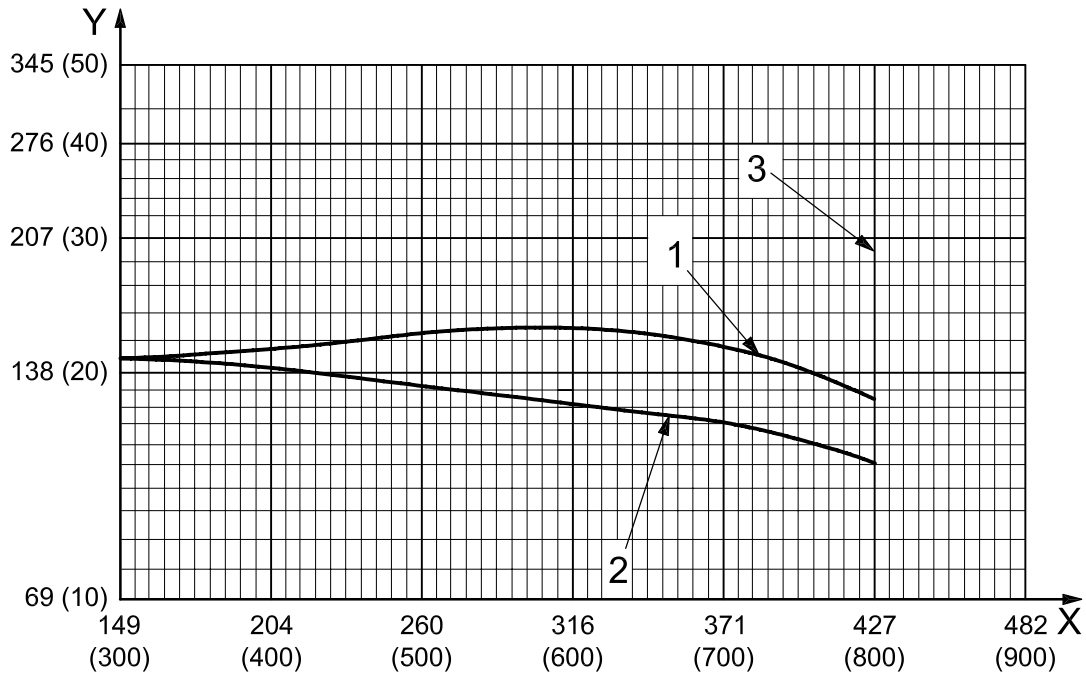
All the stress curves in Figures D.1 through D.13 are based on published data. Apparent anomalies in the shapes of the curves reflect the actual data points used to construct the curves.

## **D.8 Data sources**

Table D.1 lists the sources of the stress data presented in Figures D.1 through D.13.

Table D.1 — Sources of data presented in Figures D.1 through D.13

Figure	Material	Curve	Data source <sup>a</sup>
D.1	Carbon steel castings	Tensile strength Yield strength	SFSA <i>Steel Castings Handbook</i> SFSA <i>Steel Castings Handbook</i>
D.2	Carbon steel plate	Tensile strength Yield strength	ASTM DS 11S1 ASTM DS 11S1
D.3	21/4Cr-1Mo castings	Tensile strength Yield strength Rupture stress Creep stress	ASTM DS 6 ASTM DS 6S2 ASTM DS 6S2 ASTM DS 6S2
D.4	21/4Cr-1Mo plate	Tensile strength Yield strength Rupture stress Creep stress	ASTM DS 6S2 ASTM DS 6S2 ASTM DS 6S2 ASTM DS 6S2
D.5	5Cr-1/2Mo castings	Tensile strength Yield strength Rupture stress Creep stress	ASTM DS 6 ASTM DS 58 ASTM DS 58 ASTM DS 58
D.6	5Cr-1/2Mo plate	Tensile strength Yield strength Rupture stress Creep stress	ASTM DS 58 ASTM DS 58 ASTM DS 58 ASTM DS 58
D.7	19Cr-9Ni castings	Tensile strength Yield strength Rupture stress Creep stress	ASM <i>Metals Handbook</i> ASM <i>Metals Handbook</i> ASM <i>Metals Handbook</i> ASM <i>Metals Handbook</i>
D.8	Type 304H plate	Tensile strength Yield strength Rupture stress Creep stress	ASTM DS 5S2 ASTM DS 5S2 ASTM DS 5S2 ASTM DS 5S2
D.9	25Cr-12Ni castings	Tensile strength Yield strength Rupture stress Creep stress	ASM <i>Metals Handbook</i> ASM <i>Metals Handbook</i> ASM <i>Metals Handbook</i> ASM <i>Metals Handbook</i>
D.10	Type 309H plate	Tensile strength Yield strength Rupture stress Creep stress	ASTM DS 5 ASTM DS 5 ASTM DS 5 ASTM DS 5
D.11	25Cr-20Ni castings	Tensile strength Yield strength Rupture stress Creep stress	ASM <i>Metals Handbook</i> ASM <i>Metals Handbook</i> ASM <i>Metals Handbook</i> ASM <i>Metals Handbook</i>
D.12	Type 310H plate	Tensile strength Yield strength Rupture stress Creep stress	ASTM DS 5 ASTM DS 5 ASTM DS 5 ASTM DS 5
D.13	50Cr-50Ni-Nb castings	Rupture stress Creep stress	IN-657 <sup>b</sup> IN-657 <sup>b</sup>
<sup>a</sup> See Bibliography. <sup>b</sup> Reference [44].			

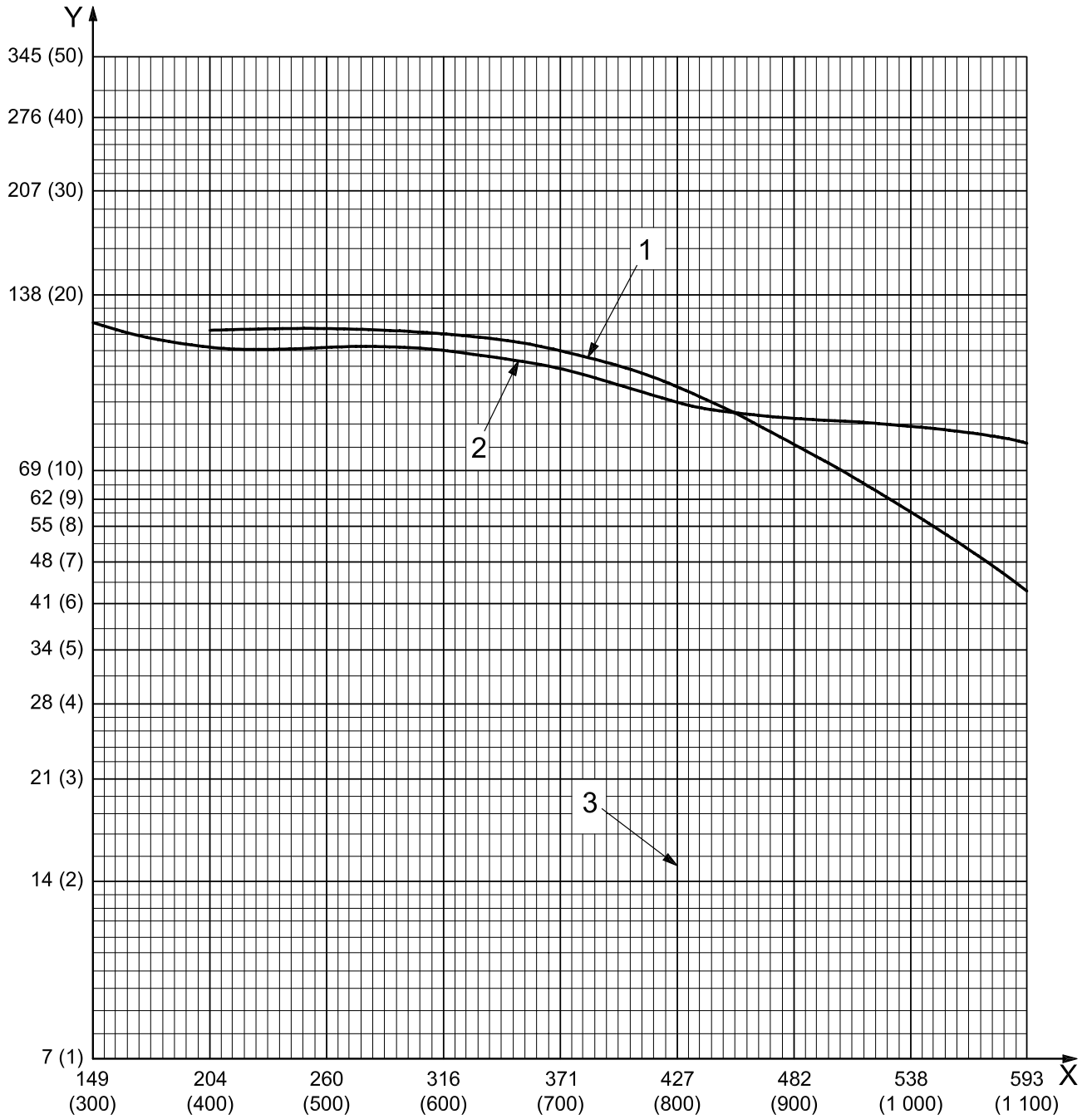


**Key**

- X temperature, expressed in degrees Celsius (degrees Fahrenheit)
- Y stress, expressed in megapascals (pounds per square inch × 1 000)
- 1 1/3 tensile strength
- 2 2/3 yield strength
- 3 maximum design temperature

**Figure D.1 — Carbon steel castings: ASTM A 216, grade WCB**

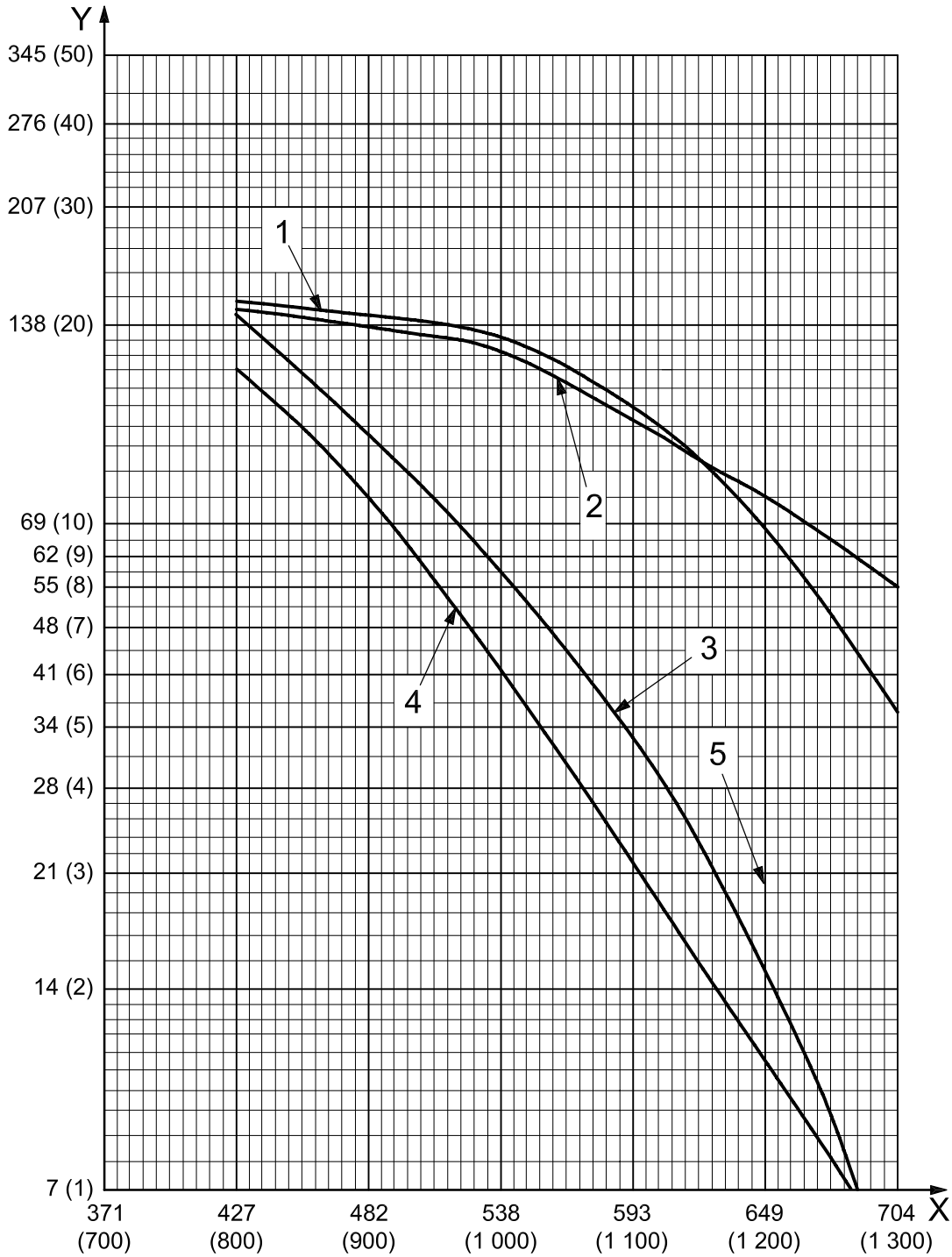




**Key**

- X temperature, expressed in degrees Celsius (degrees Fahrenheit)
- Y stress, expressed in megapascals (pounds per square inch × 1 000)
- 1 1/3 tensile strength
- 2 2/3 yield strength
- 3 maximum design temperature

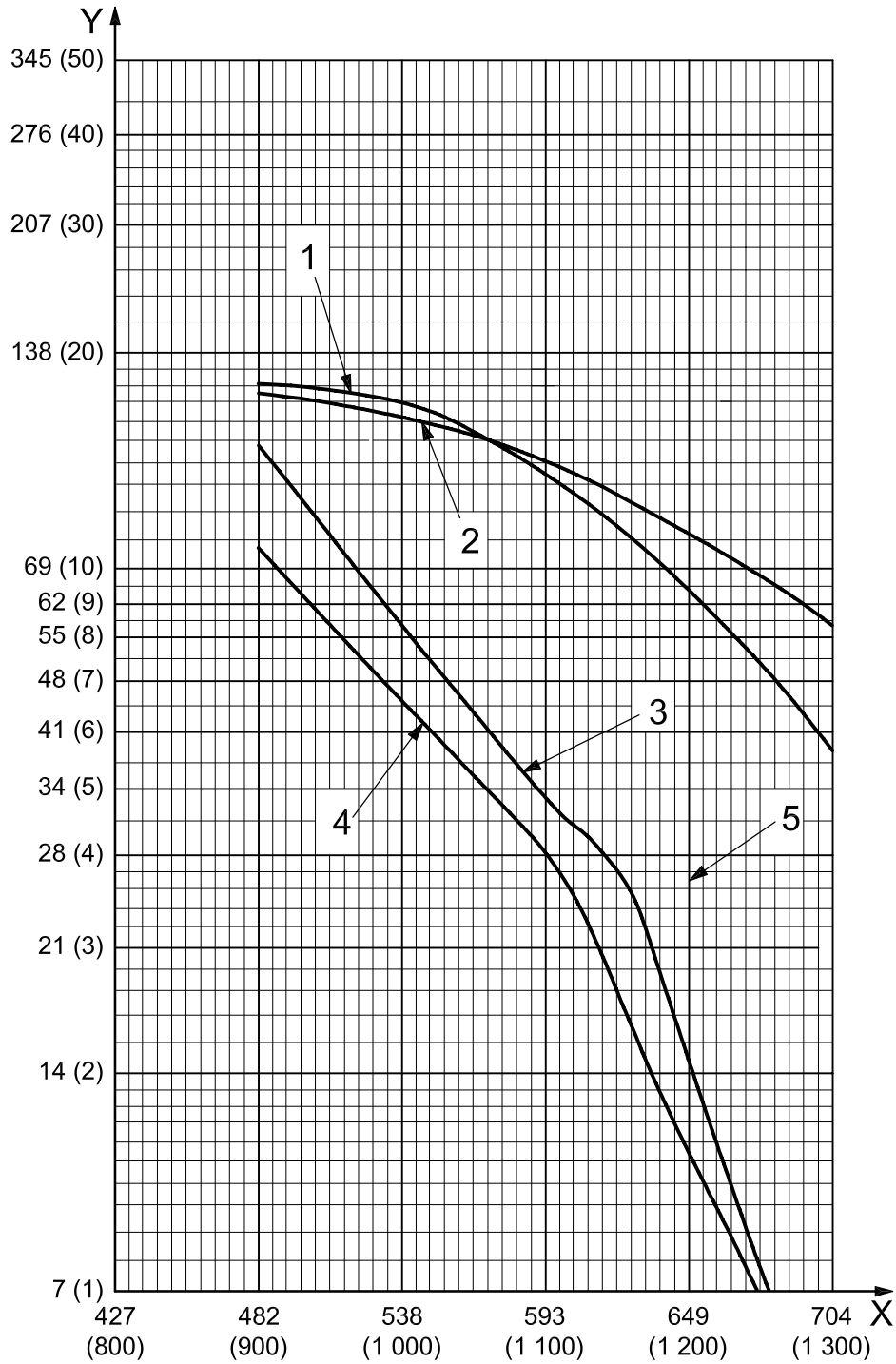
**Figure D.2 — Carbon steel plate: ASTM A 283, grade C**



**Key**

- X temperature, expressed in degrees Celsius (degrees Fahrenheit)
- Y stress, expressed in megapascals (pounds per square inch × 1 000)
- 1 2/3 yield strength
- 2 1/3 tensile strength
- 3 50 % of rupture in 10 000 h
- 4 50 % of 1 % creep in 10 000 h
- 5 maximum design temperature

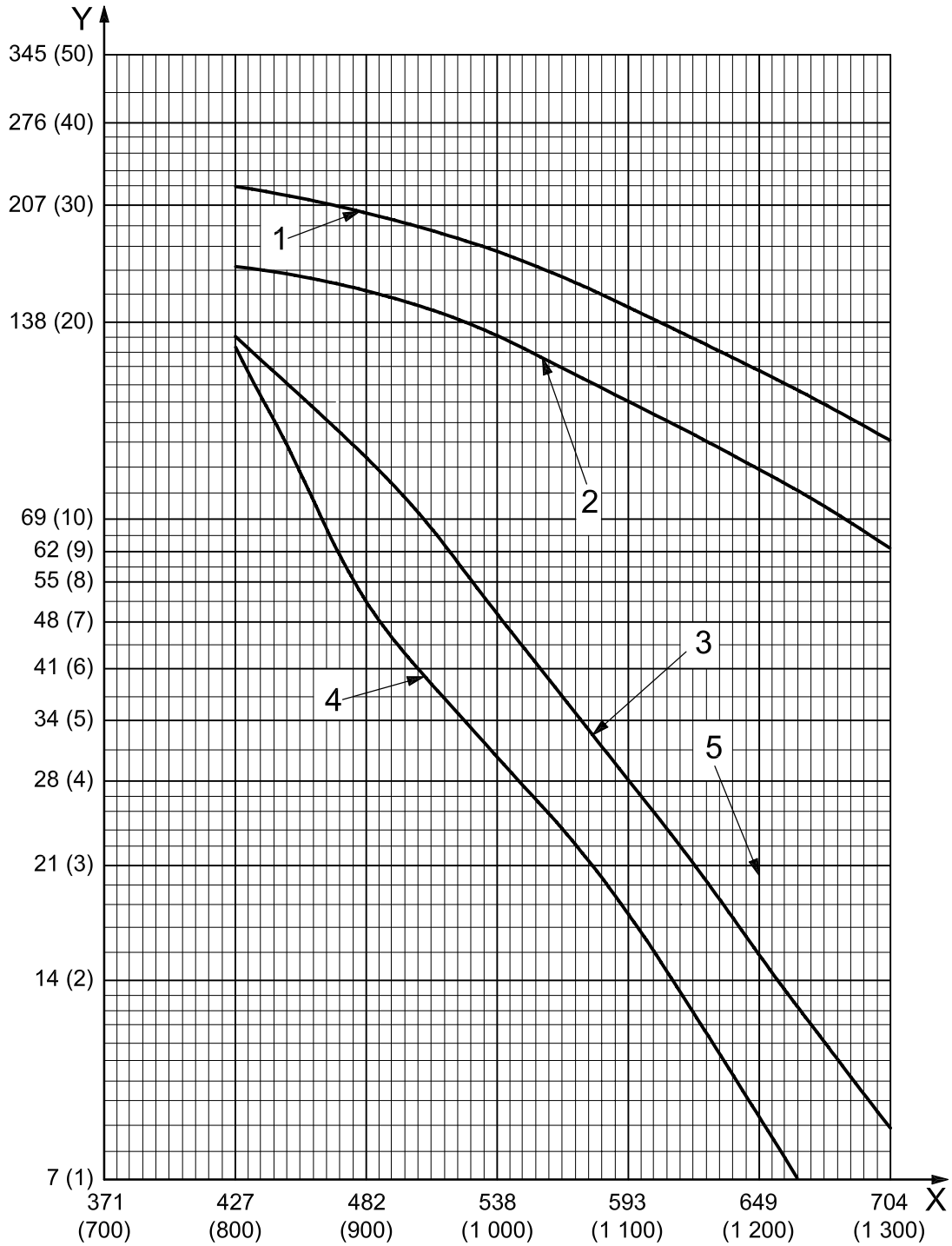
**Figure D.3 — 2 1/4Cr-1Mo castings: ASTM A 217, grade WC9**



**Key**

- X temperature, expressed in degrees Celsius (degrees Fahrenheit)
- Y stress, expressed in megapascals (pounds per square inch × 1 000)
- 1 2/3 yield strength
- 2 1/3 tensile strength
- 3 50 % of rupture in 10 000 h
- 4 50 % of 1 % creep in 10 000 h
- 5 maximum design temperature

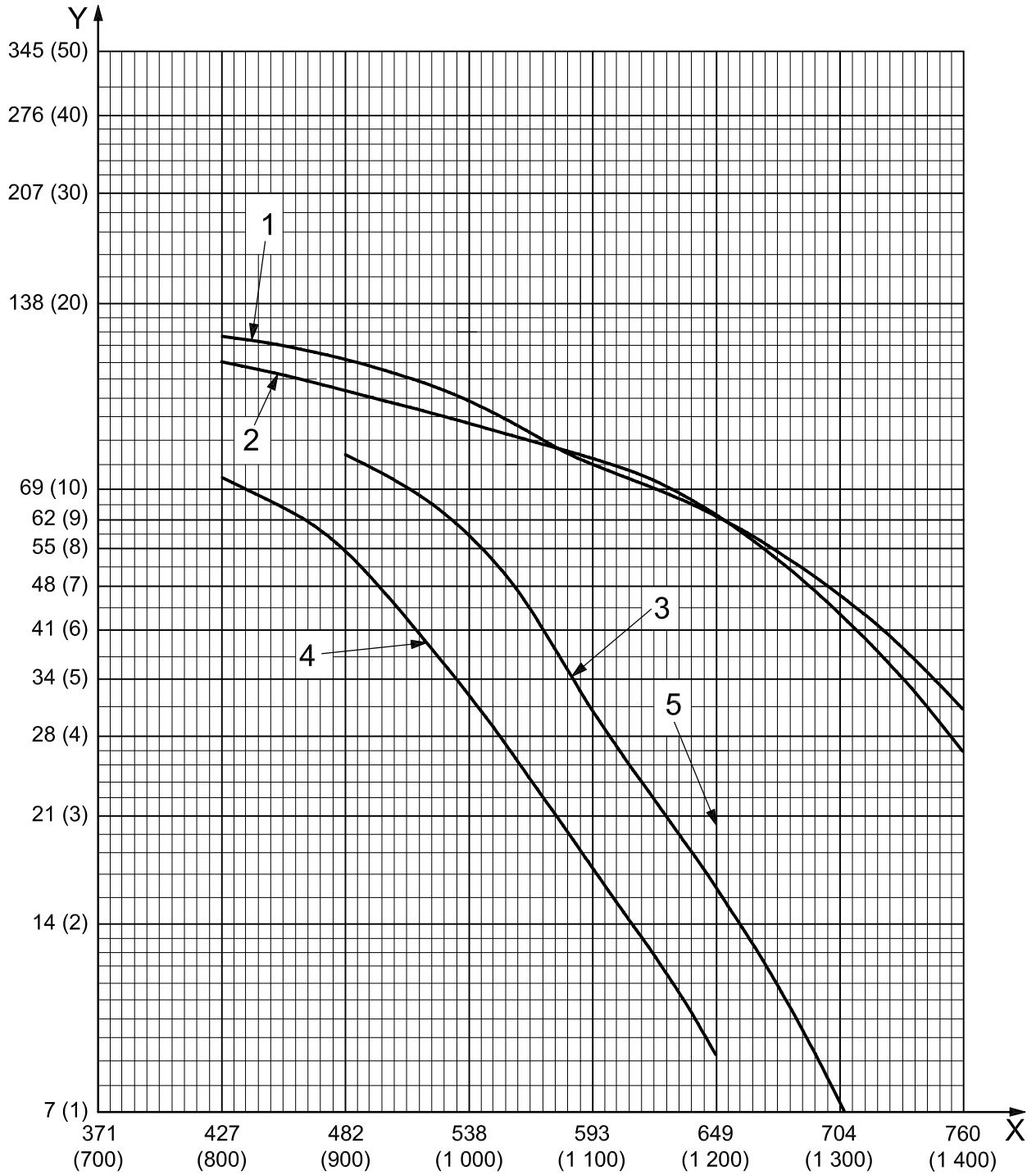
**Figure D.4 — 2 1/4Cr-1Mo plate: ASTM A 387, Grade 22, Class 1**



**Key**

- X temperature, expressed in degrees Celsius (degrees Fahrenheit)
- Y stress, expressed in megapascals (pounds per square inch × 1 000)
- 1 2/3 yield strength
- 2 1/3 tensile strength
- 3 50 % of rupture in 10 000 h
- 4 50 % of 1 % creep in 10 000 h
- 5 maximum design temperature

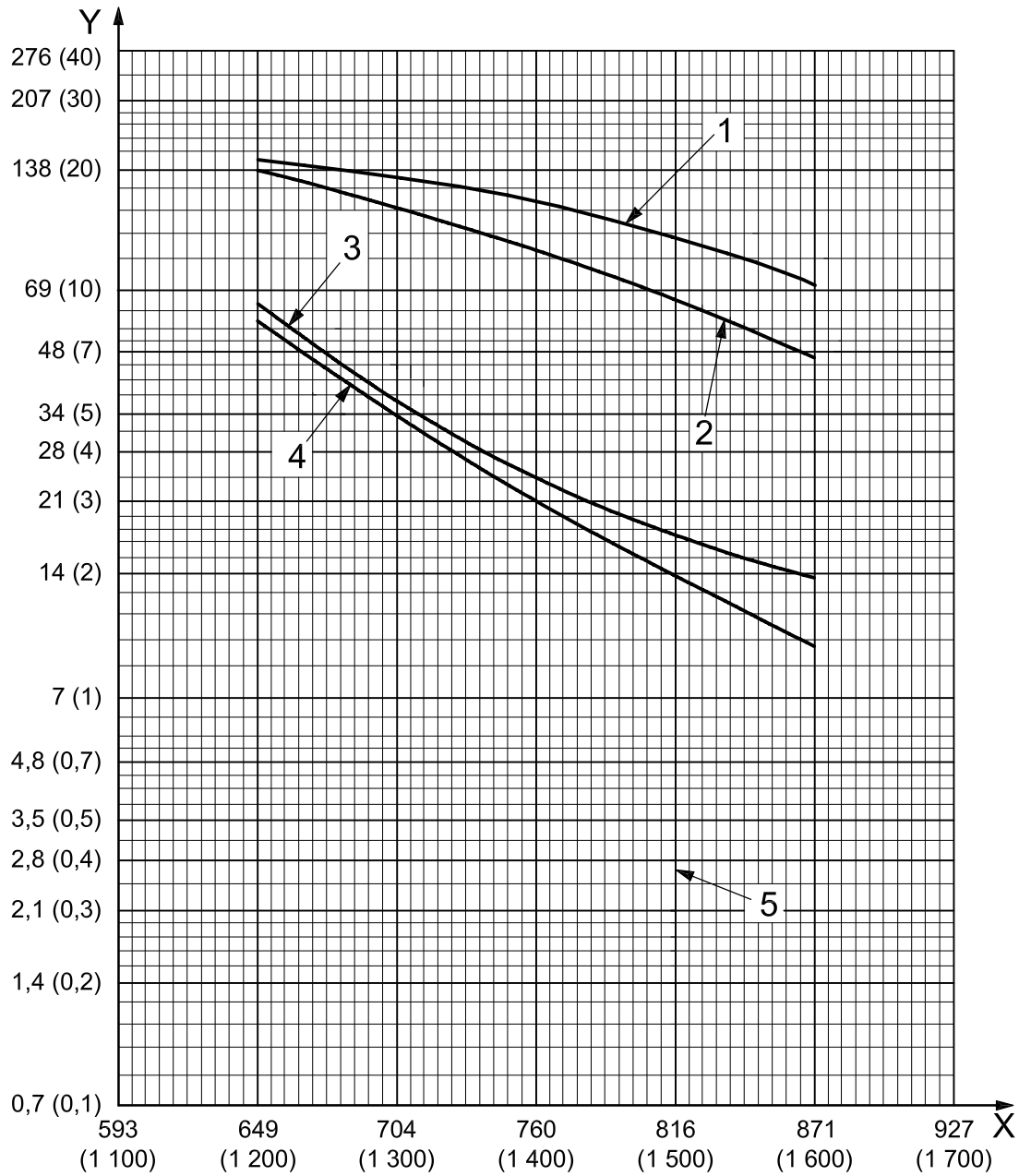
**Figure D.5 — 5Cr-1/2Mo castings: ASTM A 217, grade C5**



**Key**

- X temperature, expressed in degrees Celsius (degrees Fahrenheit)
- Y stress, expressed in megapascals (pounds per square inch × 1 000)
- 1 1/3 tensile strength
- 2 2/3 yield strength
- 3 50 % of rupture in 10 000 h
- 4 50 % of 1 % creep in 10 000 h
- 5 maximum design temperature

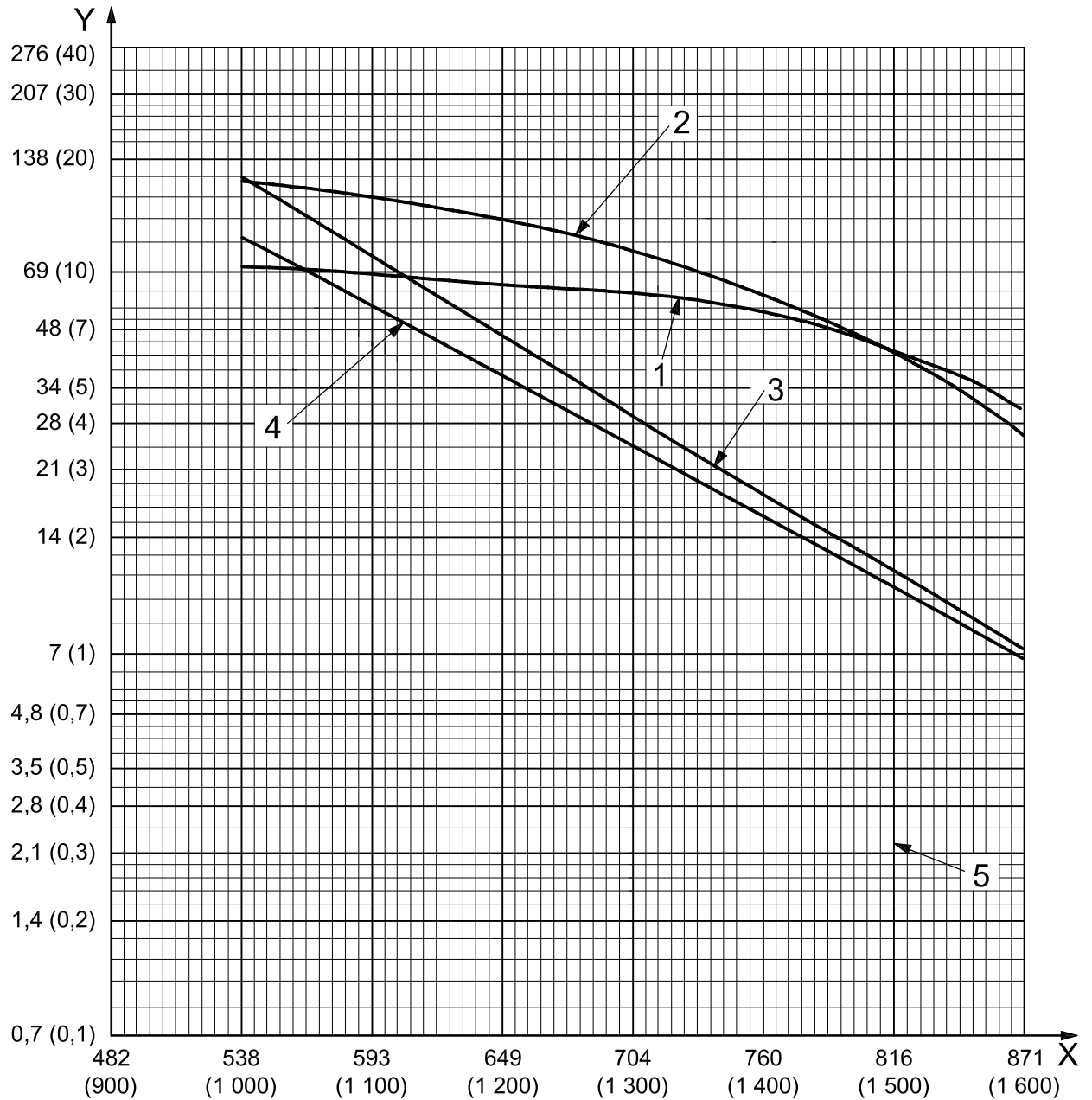
**Figure D.6 — 5Cr-1/2Mo plate: ASTM A 387, grade 5, class 1**



**Key**

- X temperature, expressed in degrees Celsius (degrees Fahrenheit)
- Y stress, expressed in megapascals (pounds per square inch × 1 000)
- 1 2/3 yield strength
- 2 1/3 tensile strength
- 3 50 % of rupture in 10 000 h
- 4 50 % of 1 % creep in 10 000 h
- 5 maximum design temperature

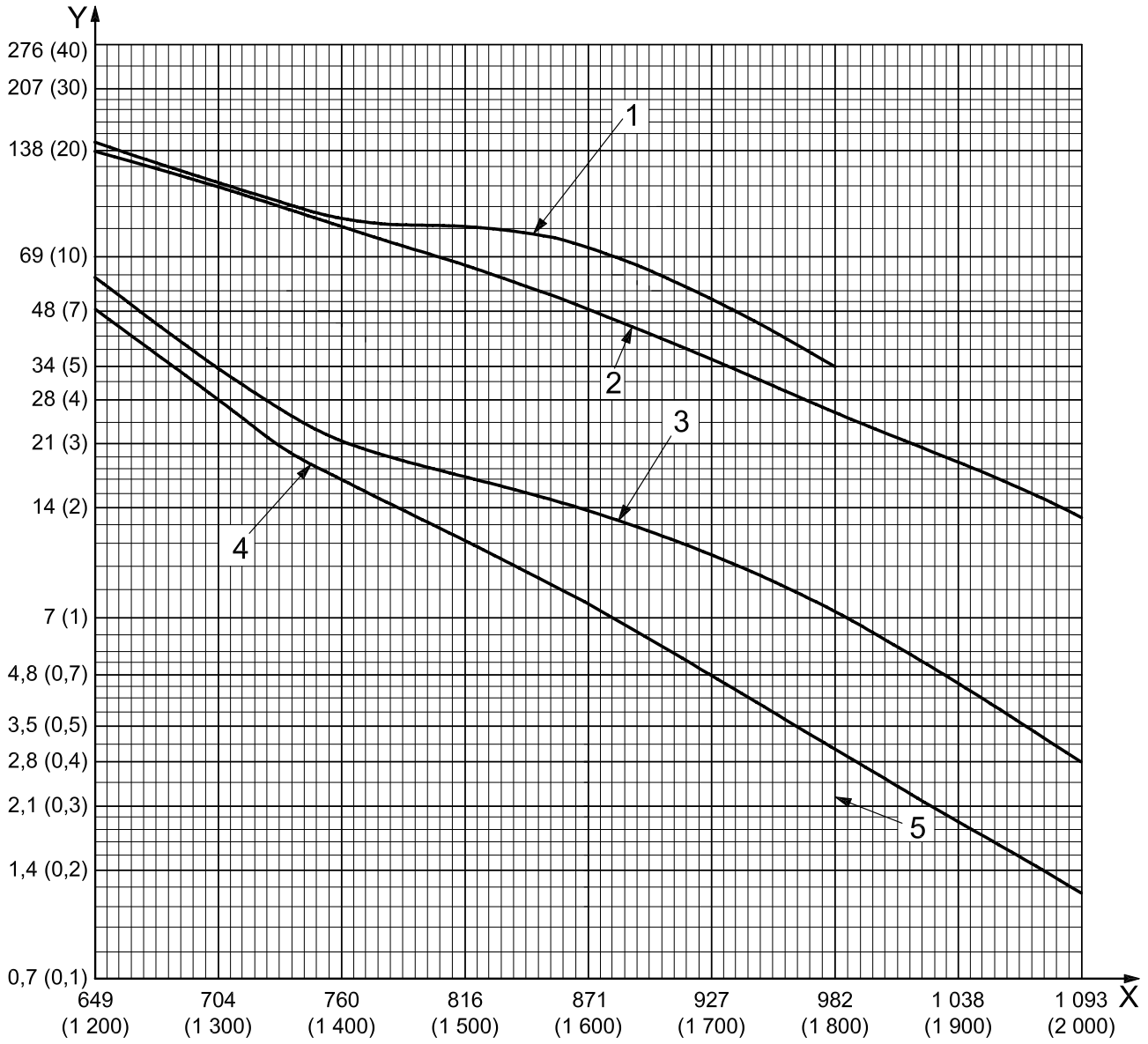
**Figure D.7 — 19Cr-9Ni castings: ASTM A 297, grade HF**



**Key**

- X temperature, expressed in degrees Celsius (degrees Fahrenheit)
- Y stress, expressed in megapascals (pounds per square inch  $\times$  1 000)
- 1 2/3 yield strength
- 2 1/3 tensile strength
- 3 50 % of rupture in 10 000 h
- 4 50 % of 1 % creep in 10 000 h
- 5 maximum design temperature

**Figure D.8 — Type 304H plate: ASTM A 240, type 304H**

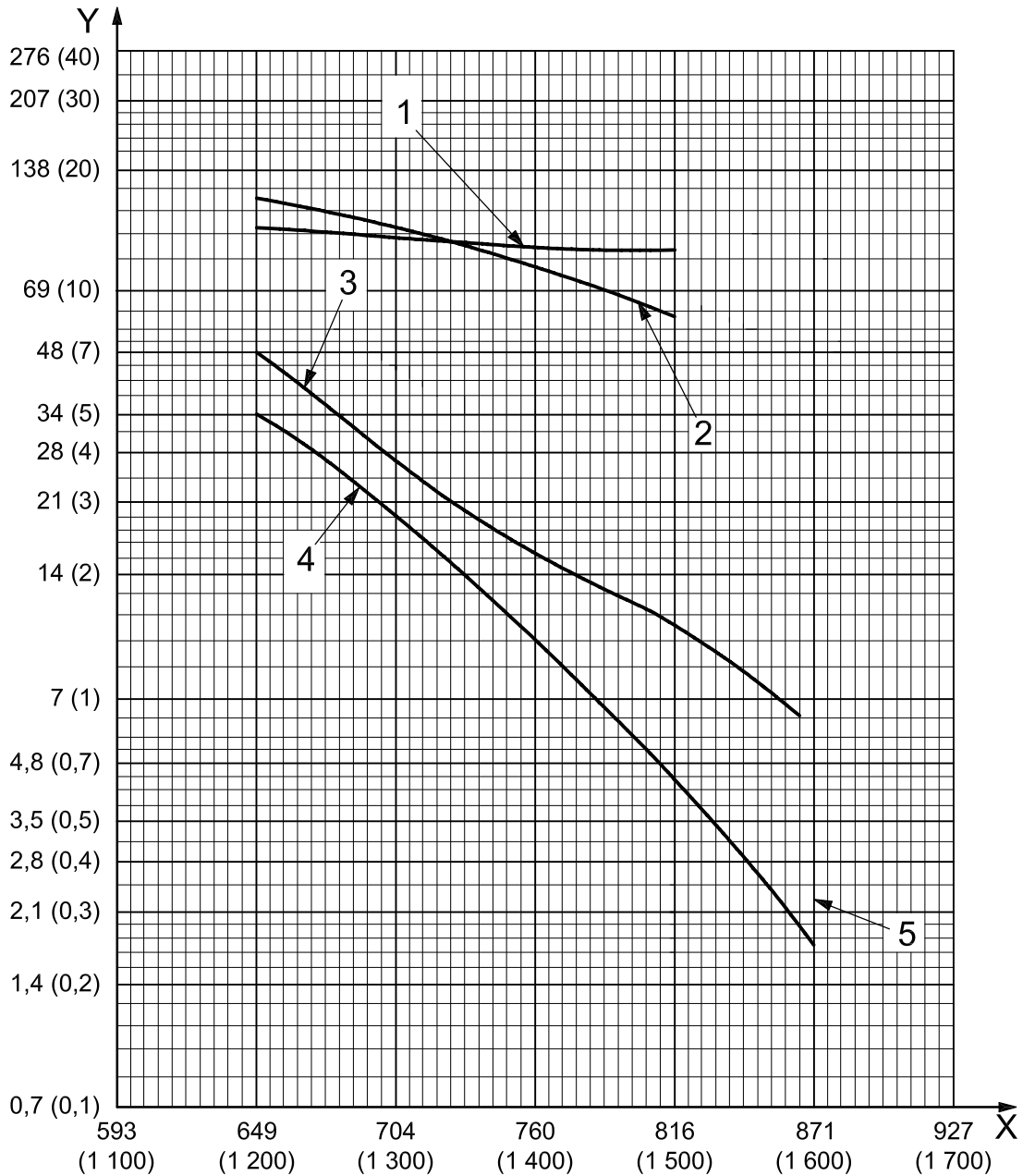


**Key**

- X temperature, expressed in degrees Celsius (degrees Fahrenheit)
- Y stress, expressed in megapascals (pounds per square inch × 1 000)
- 1 2/3 yield strength
- 2 1/3 tensile strength
- 3 50 % of rupture in 10 000 h
- 4 50 % of 1 % creep in 10 000 h
- 5 maximum design temperature

**Figure D.9 — 25Cr-12Ni castings: ASTM A 447, grade HH, type II**

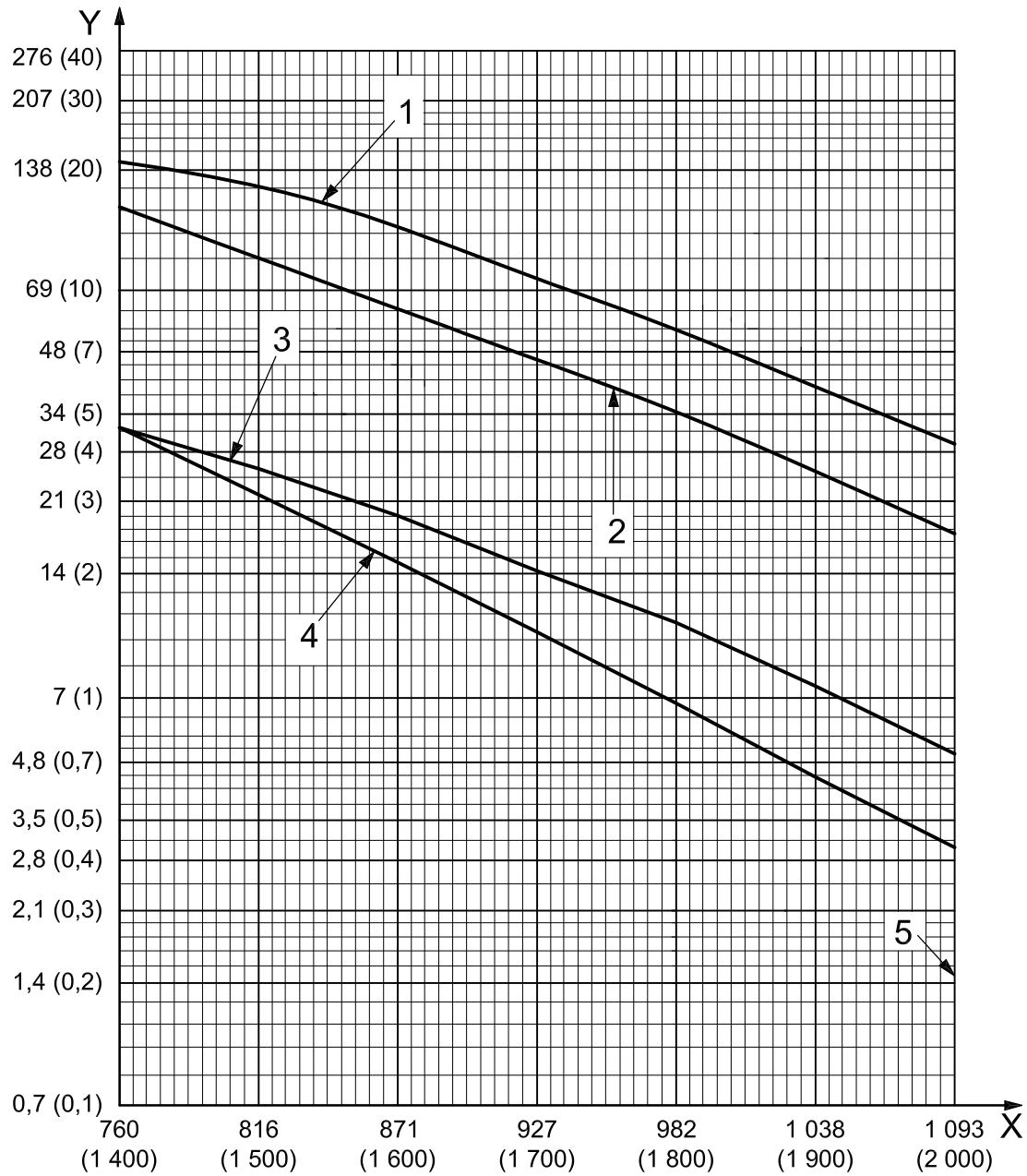




**Key**

- X temperature, expressed in degrees Celsius (degrees Fahrenheit)
- Y stress, expressed in megapascals (pounds per square inch × 1 000)
- 1 2/3 yield strength
- 2 1/3 tensile strength
- 3 50 % of rupture in 10 000 h
- 4 50 % of 1 % creep in 10 000 h
- 5 maximum design temperature

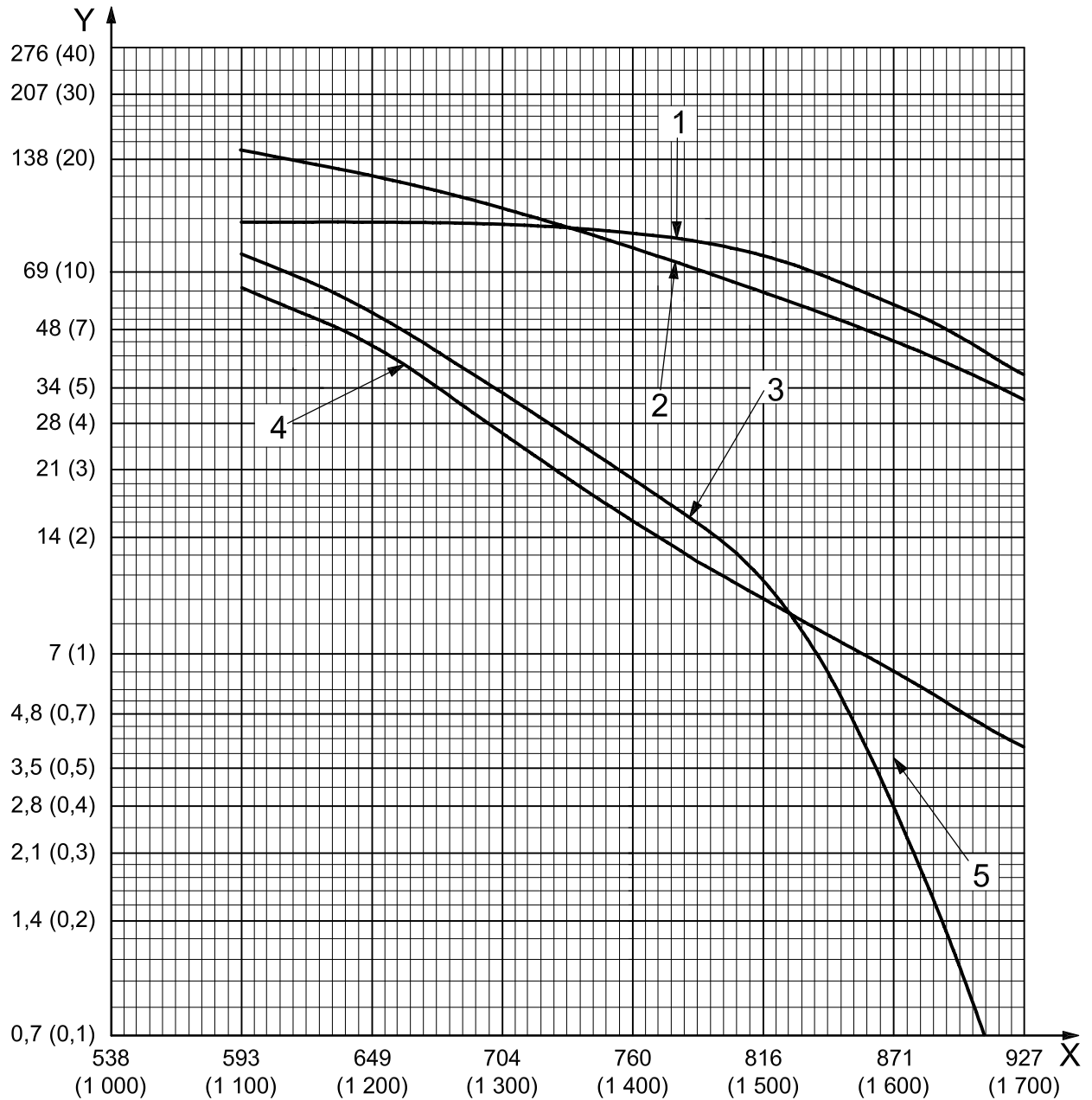
**Figure D.10 — Type 309H plate: ASTM A 240, type 309H**



**Key**

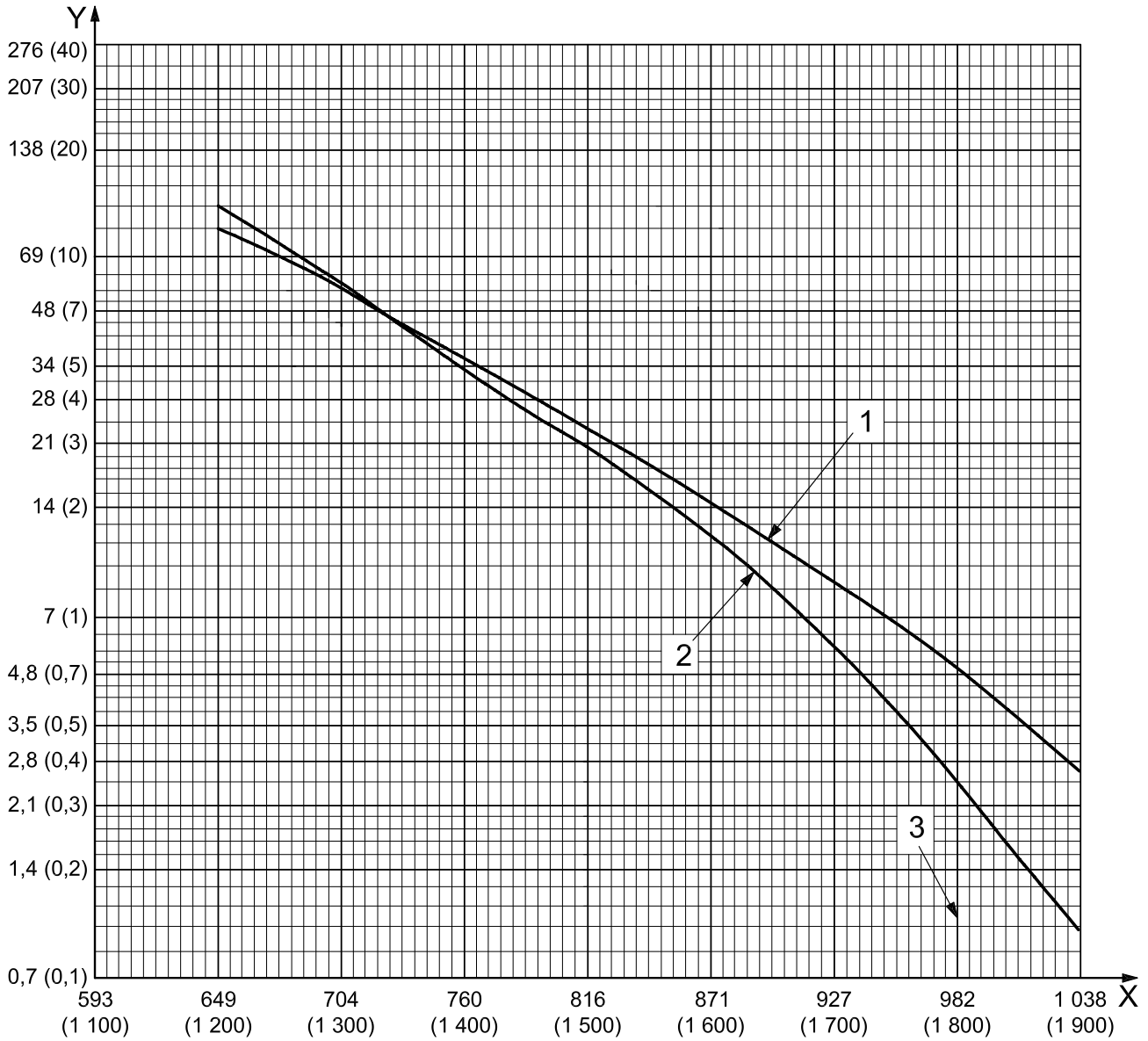
- X temperature, expressed in degrees Celsius (degrees Fahrenheit)
- Y stress, expressed in megapascals (pounds per square inch × 1 000)
- 1 2/3 yield strength
- 2 1/3 tensile strength
- 3 50 % of rupture in 10 000 h
- 4 50 % of 1 % creep in 10 000 h
- 5 maximum design temperature

**Figure D.11 — 25Cr-20Ni castings: ASTM A 351, grade HK40**

**Key**

- X temperature, expressed in degrees Celsius (degrees Fahrenheit)  
 Y stress, expressed in megapascals (pounds per square inch  $\times$  1 000)
- 1 2/3 yield strength
  - 2 1/3 tensile strength
  - 3 50 % of rupture in 10 000 h
  - 4 50 % of 1 % creep in 10 000 h
  - 5 maximum design temperature

**Figure D.12 — Type 310H plate: ASTM A 240, type 310H**



**Key**

- X temperature, expressed in degrees Celsius (degrees Fahrenheit)
- Y stress, expressed in megapascals (pounds per square inch × 1 000)
- 1 50 % of rupture in 10 000 h
- 2 50 % of 1 % creep in 10 000 h
- 3 maximum design temperature

**Figure D.13 — 50Cr-50Ni-Nb castings: ASTM A 560, grade 50Cr-50Ni-Nb**

## Annex E (normative)

### Centrifugal fans for fired-heater systems

#### E.1 General

This annex specifies requirements and gives recommendations for centrifugal fans intended for continuous duty in fired-heater systems. The terms and definitions given below apply specifically to this annex and therefore are not given in Clause 3.

##### E.1.1

##### **fan rated point**

⟨fan speed⟩ highest speed necessary to meet any specified operating condition

##### E.1.2

##### **fan rated point**

⟨fan capacity⟩ capacity and pressure rise required by fan design to meet all specified operating points

NOTE 1 Not to be confused with the rating point as defined in AMCA 802, to which users typically add head and/or volume margins for process uncertainties, reduced performance resulting from time-related “wear and tear” and other operating conditions known to exist.

NOTE 2 The fan rated point is the same as the MCR Test Block condition as defined in AMCA 801.

NOTE 3 See E.2.1.2.

##### E.1.3

##### **normal operating point**

point, consistent with the design total absorbed duty for the heater, at which usual operation is expected and optimum efficiency is desired

NOTE 1 This is usually the point at which the vendor certifies that performance is within the tolerances stated in this International Standard.

NOTE 2 This definition is similar to the rating point as defined in AMCA 802 (see E.1.2).

##### E.1.4

##### **maximum allowable speed**

highest speed at which the manufacturer’s design permits continuous operation

##### E.1.5

##### **maximum allowable temperature**

maximum continuous temperature for which the manufacturer has designed the equipment (or any part to which the term is referred) when handling the specified fluid at the specified pressure

NOTE Mechanical damage can occur if the fan is operated above this temperature.

##### E.1.6

##### **maximum expected inlet temperature**

normal operating temperature plus a margin for any abnormal specified operating condition, e.g the upstream equipment becoming fouled

##### E.1.7

##### **fan total pressure**

difference between the total pressure at the fan outlet and the total pressure at the fan inlet

**E.1.8**

**fan velocity pressure**

pressure corresponding to the average velocity at the specified fan outlet area

**E.1.9**

**fan static pressure**

difference between the fan total pressure and the fan velocity pressure

NOTE This can alternatively be expressed as the difference between the static pressure at the fan outlet and the total pressure at the fan inlet.

**E.1.10**

**static pressure rise**

static pressure at the fan outlet minus the static pressure at the fan inlet

**E.1.11**

**inlet velocity pressure**

difference between fan static pressure and static pressure rise

**E.1.12**

**actual flow rate**

flow rate determined at the conditions of static pressure, temperature, compressibility and gas composition, including moisture, at the fan inlet flange

NOTE The actual flow rate is expressed in actual cubic metres per minute (actual cubic feet per minute).

**E.1.13**

**fan vendor**

manufacturer of the fan

**E.1.14**

**trip speed**

speed at which the independent emergency over-speed device operates to shutdown a prime mover

## **E.2 Design**

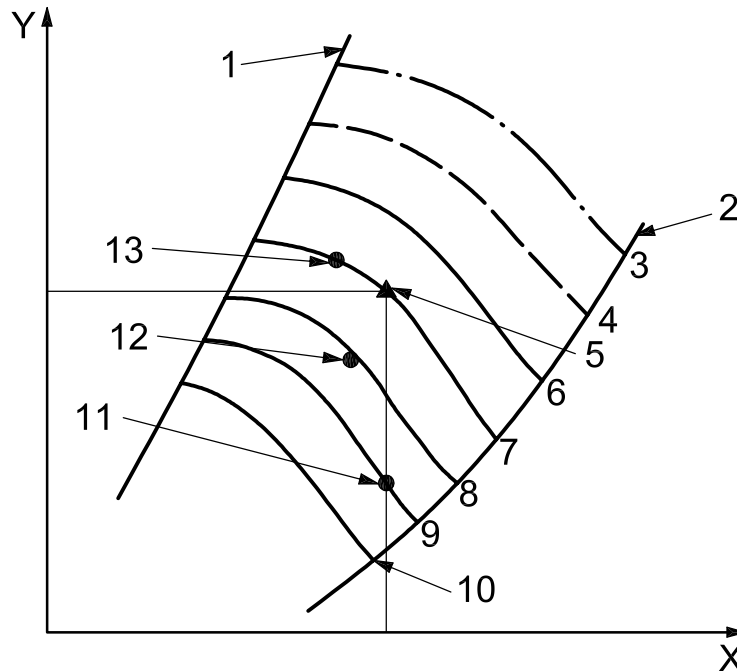
### **E.2.1 General**

**E.2.1.1** The centrifugal fan and driver equipment (including auxiliaries) shall be designed and constructed for a minimum service life of 20 years and at least three years of uninterrupted operation. It is recognized that this is a design criterion. Fans shall not exceed the rating limits of the manufacturer's design.

**E.2.1.2** Fans shall be designed to operate satisfactorily at all specified operating conditions. The two operating points of particular concern are the rated point and the normal operating point (see E.1.1, E.1.2 and E.1.3). It shall be the responsibility of the fan purchaser to provide complete required operating data (such as flow rate, pressure, pressure rise, temperature and inlet gas density) to the fan manufacturer. In developing these data, the fan purchaser shall consider the following.

- a) The normal operating point is that point at which it is expected that the furnace will be operated most of the time. It shall be the fan manufacturer's responsibility to optimize the fan's efficiency as close to this point as practical. This operating point shall be consistent with the normal heat release for the burners for the design total absorbed heater duty and efficiency.
- b) The fan rated point shall include the flow required (including all surpluses for excess air, system leakage and design safety factor) to meet the design heat release. In no case shall the rated point be less than 115 % of the normal operating flow. The fan purchaser shall specify the fan static pressure rise and temperature required for the rated point. In no case shall the rated point be achieved with the fan inlet damper beyond 100 % of the full open position.

- c) The fan rated point shall be selected to best encompass specified operating conditions within the scope of the expected performance curve (see Figure E.1).



#### Key

- X inlet capacity  
 Y static pressure
- 1 approximate surge line  
 2 approximate capacity line  
 3 critical speed  
 4 trip speed  
 5 rated point  
 6 maximum continuous speed for variable speed driver (105 % =  $100 \times 1,05$ )  
 7 100 % speed  
 8 normal speed  
 9 an operating speed  
 10 minimum operating speed  
 11 operating point  
 12 normal operating point  
 13 specified operating point

NOTE 1 Except where specific numerical relationships are stated, the relative values implied in this figure are assumed values for illustration only.

NOTE 2 The 100 % speed curve is determined from the operating point requiring the highest static pressure (item 13).

NOTE 3 Refer to E.1.1, E.1.2 and E.2.1.2 for information on fan rated point.

NOTE 4 Refer to E.2.7 for information on critical speeds.

NOTE 5 For trip speeds, see API 673.

**Figure E.1 — Fan performance nomenclature**

**E.2.1.3** The arrangement of the equipment, including ducting and auxiliaries, shall be developed jointly by the purchaser and the heater vendor. The arrangement shall provide adequate clearance areas and safe access for operation, maintenance and removal.

- **E.2.1.4** Motors, electrical components and electrical installations shall be suitable for the area classification (class, group and division) specified by the purchaser and shall meet the requirements of the applicable sections of IEC 60079 or NFPA 70, as well as local codes specified and furnished by the purchaser. API RP 500 provides guidance on area classification.

**E.2.1.5** All equipment shall be designed to permit rapid and economical maintenance. Major parts such as fan housing, inlet cone and bearing housings shall be designed (shouldered or dowelled) and manufactured to ensure accurate alignment on reassembly. Field dowelling by others may be required after final alignment.

**E.2.1.6** The fan vendor shall formally review and approve or comment on the fan purchaser's inlet and outlet duct and equipment arrangement drawings. This review shall consider structural aspects, such as loading on fan parts, and configuration details that impact fan performance as described in AMCA 801. Foundation drawing review by the fan vendor is not required unless specified by the purchaser.

- **E.2.1.7** Fans, drivers and auxiliary equipment shall be suitable for installation outdoors with no roof unless otherwise specified. The purchaser shall specify the weather and environmental conditions in which the equipment shall operate (including maximum and minimum temperatures and unusual humidity or dust problems). For the purchaser's guidance, the vendor shall list in the proposal any special protection that the purchaser is required to supply before and after installation.

**E.2.1.8** Spare parts for the machine and all furnished auxiliaries shall meet all the criteria of this International Standard.

**E.2.1.9** The selected operating speed of the fan shall not exceed 1 800 r/min, unless otherwise approved by the purchaser.

**E.2.1.10** Fan arrangement and bearing support shall be in accordance with AMCA 801:2001, arrangement 3 or arrangement 7, with the fan impeller located between bearings, the bearings mounted independently of the fan housing on rigid pedestals and sole plates, and the bearings protected from the air or gas stream if any of the following conditions exist:

- a) driver rated power of 112 kW (150 BHP) or greater;
- b) speed greater than 1 800 r/min;
- c) maximum specified operating temperature greater than 235 °C (455 °F);
- d) corrosive or erosive service;
- e) service subject to fouling deposits that could cause rotor unbalance.

For services not subject to the above conditions, AMCA 801:2001, arrangements 1, 8 and 9, all with bearings mounted independent of the fan housing may be used if approved by the purchaser.

For fan selection, it should also be considered that

- reduced speed is desirable for erosive service and for units subject to fouling deposits on the rotor;
- belt drives should be limited to no more than 75 kW (100 BHP) rated driver size.

If drivers are rated less than 30 kW (40 BHP) and speeds greater than 1 800 r/min, AMCA 801:2001 arrangements other than 3 and 7 may be specified on the data sheet.



**E.2.1.11** Fan performance shall be based on fan static pressure rise across the fan inlet and outlet flanges, not including discharge velocity pressure. When specifying required performance, the fan purchaser is responsible for including the effect of inlet velocity pressure. To obtain the static pressure differential, the silencer and inlet losses, including control system losses, shall be added by the fan vendor to the fan purchaser's specified inlet and outlet static pressures.

**E.2.1.12** Unless otherwise specified, fans shall have a continuously rising pressure characteristic (pressure versus flow rate plot) from the rated capacity to 60 % or less of rated flow. Performance curves, corrected for the specified gas at the specified conditions, shall be based on performance tests in accordance with AMCA 210, including, where applicable, evase and inlet box(es). Applications that include a variable-frequency drive (VFD) and/or a non-parabolic system resistance curve shall be reviewed in detail to ensure stable operation of the fan over the intended operating range.

**E.2.1.13** The fan shall be mechanically designed, as a minimum, for continuous operation at the following temperatures:

- a) 56 °C (100 °F) above the maximum expected inlet temperature to induced-draught fans;
- b) 14 °C (25 °F) above maximum specified ambient air temperature to forced-draught fans.

**E.2.1.14** Fan, components and accessories shall be designed to withstand all loads and stresses during rapid load changes, such as starting, failure of damper operator or sudden position change of dampers. Considerations for driver sizing and starting operations are covered in E.3.2.1 through E.3.2.5.

**E.2.1.15** Fan inlets shall be designed as described below.

- a) For forced-draught fans, provision of the inlet equipment and arrangements, including silencer(s) and transition piece(s), shall be coordinated between the fan purchaser and the fan vendor. (Portions may normally be supplied by each.)
- b) Unless otherwise specified, the air intake shall be at least 4,5 m (15 ft) above grade. The purchaser shall evaluate air-intake elevation requirements considering the possibility of dust entering the system and causing surface fouling, the area noise-limitation requirement and the corresponding need for a silencer, the possibility of combustible vapour entering the fan and power penalties for inlet stack and silencer configurations.
- c) The fan inlet equipment shall include intake cap or hood, trash screen, ducting and support, inlet damper or guide vanes, inlet boxes and silencer, as required. All components shipped separately shall be flanged for assembly. The inlet equipment assembly shall be designed for the wind load shown on the fan data sheet.

## **E.2.2 Fan housing**

- **E.2.2.1** The fan scroll and housing sides shall be continuously welded plate construction. The minimum plate thickness shall be 5 mm (3/16 in) for forced-draught fans and 6 mm (1/4 in) for induced-draught fans. The purchaser shall specify whether a corrosion allowance is required. Stiffeners shall be provided to form a rigid housing free of structural resonance and to limit vibration and noise. The external stiffeners may be intermittently welded to the fan housing. Unstiffened flat surface areas of casing walls shall not exceed 0,37 m<sup>2</sup> (4,0 ft<sup>2</sup>).

For fans in arrangements 3 and 7, the housing and inlet box(es) shall be split at a bolted, flanged and gasketed connection to allow assembled rotor removal and installation without disturbing duct connections. Other arrangements shall be similarly split where impeller diameter exceeds 1 070 mm (42 in).

The inlet cone shall be constructed so that it does not impede rotor removal or installation. The cone shall either be split, separately removed as a whole, or be removable in assembly with the rotor.

**E.2.2.2** Bolted and gasketed access doors, of largest possible size up to 600 mm × 600 mm (24 in × 24 in), shall be provided in the scroll and inlet box(es) for access to the fan internals for inspection, cleaning and rotor balancing and to any internal bolting necessary for rotor removal.

**E.2.2.3** Adequate flanged sections shall be provided in the fan housing and inlet box(es) so that the rotor can be removed and installed without requiring personnel to enter the inlet box(es).

### **E.2.3 Fan housing connections**

**E.2.3.1** Inlet and discharge connections shall be flanged and bolted. Facings, gaskets and bolting of all connections shall prevent leakage.

**E.2.3.2** Accessible flanged drain connections, DN 50 (NPS 2) minimum size, shall be provided at the low point(s) of the housing and inlet boxes.

### **E.2.4 External forces and moments**

Fan housings are generally designed for low external forces and moments from the inlet and outlet connections. It shall be the responsibility of the heater vendor to specify on the data sheets the expected external loads to be imposed on the fan housing from the ancillary equipment (that is, ducting, sound trunks, silencers and filters) if this equipment is not supplied by the fan vendor. The fan vendor shall design the housing to accept the specified loads. The following information shall be provided:

- a) maximum allowable external forces and moments;
- b) expansion joint information and recommendations if joints are required for thermal expansion, vibration isolation or both.

### **E.2.5 Rotating elements**

**E.2.5.1** Fan impellers shall have a non-overloading horsepower characteristic and shall be designed for the highest possible efficiency. Backward-curved/backward-inclined blades are permitted in the constructions detailed in a), b) and c) below.

Design and configurations available as options include

- a) hollow airfoil construction of 2,5 mm (0,10 in) minimum skin-thickness material designed and constructed to prevent the internal accumulation of condensables, foulants or corrosion products,
  - b) solid blades with airfoil shape,
  - c) non-airfoil shape of minimum single thickness, 6 mm (1/4 in).
- **E.2.5.2** Induced-draught fan design shall consider operations in a possible dirty-gas environment. Blade design shall be specified by the purchaser. Radial and radial-tipped configurations are considered non-fouling designs and have lower inherent efficiencies.

**E.2.5.3** The impeller shall be of welded construction. Shrouds, backplates and centre plates shall normally be of one-piece construction. They may be fabricated if the sections are joined by full-penetration butt welds meeting the examination requirements of E.4.1. Fan-wheel materials shall be suitable for operation with the gas specified on the data sheet, considering corrosion, erosion and temperature, including the maximum allowable temperature. The vendor shall state whether post-weld heat treatment of the fabricated wheel is required, after consideration of environmental and mechanical (residual stress) effects.

**E.2.5.4** Gas temperature-change rates, heating and cooling, in excess of 8 °C (15 °F) per minute may be expected on induced-draught fans. Fan vendors shall specify the maximum allowable rate of change to ensure that an adequate hub-to-shaft interference fit is maintained.

**E.2.5.5** Impellers shall have solid hubs, be keyed to the shaft and be secured with an interference fit. Unkeyed fits with appropriate interference are permissible with purchaser's approval. Cast or ductile iron hubs are acceptable below a mechanical design temperature of 150 °C (300 °F). If the impeller is to be bolted to the hub, the manufacturer's design shall preclude relative movement between the impeller and hub.

**E.2.5.6** Shafts shall be of one piece, heat-treated, forged steel. Shafts 150 mm (6 in) in diameter and smaller may be machined from hot-rolled steel. For arrangements 3 and 7, shaft diameters shall be stepped on both sides of the impeller-fit area to facilitate impeller assembly and removal. Fillets shall be provided at all changes in shaft diameters and in keyways. Keyways shall have fillet radii in accordance with ASME B 17.1. Welding on the shaft is not permitted. For fans operating above 120 °C (250 °F), shafts shall be rough-machined to within 6 mm (1/4 in) of final dimensions and stress relieved before final machining.

**E.2.5.7** Shafts shall be capable of handling 110 % of rated driver torque from rest to rated speed.

- **E.2.5.8** If specified by the purchaser, induced-draught fans shall be provided with corrosion-resistant shaft sleeves to reduce the effect of dew-point corrosion at shaft seals. Sleeves shall extend 150 mm (6 in) into the fan housing.

## **E.2.6 Shaft sealing of fans**

**E.2.6.1** Shaft seals shall be provided to minimize leakage from or into fans over the range of specified operating conditions and during idle periods. Seal operation shall be suitable for variations in inlet conditions that may prevail during start-up and shutdown or any special operation specified by the purchaser.

**E.2.6.2** Shaft seals shall be replaceable from the outside of the inlet box(es) without disturbing the shaft or bearings.

## **E.2.7 Critical speeds/resonance**

**E.2.7.1** Unless otherwise specified, the separation margin of critical speeds from all lateral (including rigid and bending) modes shall be at least 25 % over the maximum continuous speed. The separation margin is intended to prevent the overlapping of the resonance response envelope into the operating speed range.

NOTE The term critical speed used herein considers the factors defined by "design resonant speed" in AMCA 801.

**E.2.7.2** Resonances of support systems within the vendor's scope of supply shall not occur within the specified operating speed range or the specified separation margins, unless the resonances are critically damped.

**E.2.7.3** Bearing housing resonance shall not occur within the specified operating speed range or specified separation margins.

- **E.2.7.4** If specified by the purchaser, critical speeds shall be determined analytically by means of a damped, unbalanced rotor-response analysis and, if specified by the purchaser, this shall be confirmed by test-stand data.

**E.2.7.5** The vendor who has unit responsibility shall determine that the drive-train critical speeds are compatible with the critical speeds of the machinery being supplied, and that the combination is suitable for the specified range of operating speed. A list of all undesirable speeds, from zero to trip, shall be submitted to the purchaser for his review and included in the instruction manual for his guidance.

**E.2.7.6** For fixed speed fans, a minimum margin of  $\pm 10\%$  shall be provided between operating speed and drive-train torsional resonances. For variable speed fans, a list of all undesirable speeds from zero to trip shall be submitted.

**E.2.8 Vibration and balancing**

**E.2.8.1** The complete fan rotating assembly, with the coupling, shall be dynamically balanced. The residual unbalance shall not exceed the values in ISO 1940-1:2003, balancing grade G2.5.

**E.2.8.2** Prior to rotor assembly, the shaft shall be inspected for mechanical runout and concentricity at the impeller mounting-surface seat and bearing journals. Runout shall not exceed the total indicator reading specified in Table E.1.

**Table E.1 — Maximum shaft runout indicator readings**

Dimensions in millimetres (inches)

Shaft diameter	Total indicator reading	
	Bearing-journal area	Wheel-mounting area
< 150 (< 6)	0,025 (0,001)	0,050 (0,002)
150 (6) to 355 (14)	0,038 (0,001 5)	0,075 (0,003)
> 355 (> 14)	0,050 (0,002)	0,100 (0,004)

- **E.2.8.3** If specified by the purchaser, a mechanical running test shall be performed at the fan vendor's shop (see E.4.2.2). During the shop test of the assembled machine operating at maximum continuous speed or at any other speed within the specified operating range, the maximum allowable unfiltered peak vibration velocity, measured on the bearing housing in any plane, shall not exceed 5 mm/s (0,2 in/s) or 2,5 mm/s (0,1 in/s) at running frequency. At the trip speed of the driver, the vibration shall not exceed 6 mm/s (0,25 in/s) unfiltered velocity.

**E.2.9 Bearings and bearing housings**

**E.2.9.1** Bearing types shall be either antifriction or hydrodynamic (sleeve). Unless otherwise specified, fans rated at 112 kW (150 BHP) or greater shall have horizontally split, self-aligning hydrodynamic bearings.

**E.2.9.2** Antifriction bearings shall be self-aligning and the selection shall be based on the following ratings:

- DN factor less than 200 000 (the DN factor is the product of bearing bore, expressed in millimetres, and the rated speed, expressed in revolutions per minute);
- L-10 life factor (as defined in ABMA Standard 9) of 100 000 h or greater (the rating life is the number of hours at rated bearing load and speed that 90 % of the group of identical bearings will complete or exceed before the first evidence of failure);
- load factor less than 2 013 400 (load factor is the product of rated power, expressed in kilowatts, and rated speed, expressed in revolutions per minute).

"Maximum load" (filling slot) antifriction bearings shall not be used for any service, including drivers (motors, turbines and gears).

**E.2.9.3** Thrust bearings shall be sized for continuous operation under all specified conditions, including double-inlet fans operating with one inlet cone 100 % blocked. As a guide, thrust bearings shall be applied at no more than 50 % of the bearing manufacturer's ultimate load rating.

**E.2.9.4** Shaft bearings shall be accessible without dismantling ductwork or fan casing. Overhung impeller designs shall have provisions for supporting the rotor during bearing maintenance.

**E.2.9.5** All induced-draught fans shall be supplied with a heat slinger (with safety guards), located between the fan housing and/or inlet box(es) and the adjacent bearing(s).

**E.2.9.6** Sufficient cooling, including an allowance for fouling, shall be provided to maintain the oil temperature below 70 °C (160 °F) for pressurized systems and below 82 °C (180 °F) for ring-oiled or splash systems, based on the specified operating conditions and an ambient temperature of 43 °C (110 °F). If cooling coils (including fittings) are used, they shall be of nonferrous material and shall have no internal pressure joints or fittings. Coils shall have a thickness of at least 1,07 mm (19 BWG or 0,042 in) and shall be at least 12,5 mm (0,50 in) in diameter.

**E.2.9.7** Bearing housings shall be drilled with pilot holes for use in final dowelling.

## **E.2.10 Lubrication**

**E.2.10.1** Unless otherwise specified, bearings and bearing housings shall be arranged for hydrocarbon oil lubrication in accordance with the bearing manufacturer's recommendations. Grease-packed antifriction bearings shall not be provided without purchaser's approval.

**E.2.10.2** On dampers and variable inlet vanes, all linkage, shaft fittings and bearings shall be permanently lubricated. Components requiring periodic lubrication shall be furnished with lubrication fittings that are accessible while the fan is in operation.

**E.2.10.3** If a forced-feed oil system is required, the scope shall be agreed between the purchaser and the vendor.

**E.2.10.4** Transparent oil containers shall be of the glass type.

## **E.2.11 Materials**

### **E.2.11.1 General**

**E.2.11.1.1** Construction materials shall be the manufacturer's standard for the specified operating conditions, except as required by the purchaser.

- **E.2.11.1.2** The purchaser shall specify if there are any corrosive agents present in the flue gas and in the environment, including constituents that can cause stress-corrosion cracking. The fan vendor shall select materials that are suitable for mechanical design and fabrication (see E.2.5.3).

**E.2.11.1.3** Where mating parts such as studs and nuts of AISI Type 300 stainless steel or materials with similar galling tendencies are used, they shall be lubricated with an anti-seizure compound rated for the specified temperatures.

**E.2.11.1.4** Low-carbon steels can be notch-sensitive and susceptible to brittle fracture at ambient or low temperatures. Therefore, only fully killed, normalized steels made to fine-grain practice are acceptable. ASTM A 515 [45] steel shall not be used.

**E.2.11.1.5** Internal bolting shall be at least equivalent to the fan construction material.

### **E.2.11.2 Welding**

**E.2.11.2.1** All welding, including weld repairs, shall be performed by operators and procedures qualified in accordance with AWS D 14.6 for rotor welds and AWS D 1.1 for housings and inlet boxes.

**E.2.11.2.2** The vendor shall be responsible for the review of all welding, including weld repair, to ensure that the inspection and quality control requirements of AWS D 14.6 have been satisfied.

**E.2.11.2.3** All rotor-component butt welds shall be continuous full-penetration welds.

**E.2.11.2.4** Intermittent welds, stitch welds or tack welds are not permitted on any part of the fan or accessories furnished by the vendor, except as noted in E.2.2.1 and E.3.4.3.5. Such welds used for parts positioning during assembly shall be removed.

### E.2.11.3 Low temperature

- For operating temperatures below  $-29\text{ °C}$  ( $-20\text{ °F}$ ) or, if specified by the purchaser, for other low ambient temperatures, steels shall have, at the lowest specified temperature, an impact strength sufficient to qualify under the minimum Charpy V-notch impact energy requirements of the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code, Section VIII, Division 1, UG-84. For materials and thicknesses not covered by the Code, the purchaser shall specify the requirements on the data sheet.

### E.2.12 Nameplates and rotation arrows

**E.2.12.1** A nameplate shall be securely attached at an easily accessible point on the equipment and on any other major piece of auxiliary equipment.

**E.2.12.2** The rated conditions and other data shall be clearly stamped on the nameplate and shall include, but are not limited to, the following:

- a) vendor;
- b) year of manufacture;
- c) model number;
- d) serial number;
- e) size;
- f) type;
- g) purchaser's equipment item number (may be listed on separate nameplate if space is insufficient);
- h) actual flow rate, in cubic metres per minute (cubic feet per minute);
- i) static pressure differential, in mm H<sub>2</sub>O (in H<sub>2</sub>O);
- j) temperature, inlet, in °C (°F);
- k) revolutions per minute, rated;
- l) revolutions per minute, maximum allowable (at maximum allowable temperature);
- m) first critical speed;
- n) kilowatts (BHP) (rated);
- o) centrifugal force,  $\omega r^2$ , rated;
- p) rotor mass, in kilograms (pounds);
- q) design operating altitude, in metres (feet) above sea level.

The contract or data sheets shall specify SI, USC or other units.

**E.2.12.3** Rotation arrows shall be cast in or attached to each major item of rotating equipment.

**E.2.12.4** Nameplates and rotation arrows (if attached) shall be of AISI Type 300 stainless steel or of nickel-copper alloy (Monel<sup>11</sup>) or its equivalent). Attachment pins shall be of the same material. Welding is not permitted.

## **E.3 Accessories**

### **E.3.1 General**

- The purchaser shall specify those accessories to be supplied by the fan vendor.

### **E.3.2 Drivers**

- **E.3.2.1** The type of driver shall be specified by the purchaser. The driver shall be sized to meet the fan rated point conditions, including external gear and/or coupling losses and off-power drag of the start-up motor (if any), and shall be in accordance with applicable specifications, as stated in the enquiry and order. The driver shall be sized and designed for satisfactory operation under the utility and site conditions specified by the purchaser.
- **E.3.2.2** Anticipated process variations that can affect the sizing of the driver (such as changes in the pressure, temperature or properties of the fluid handled, as well as special plant start-up conditions) shall be specified by the purchaser.

**E.3.2.3** Forced-draught fan-driver sizing shall consider fan performance at minimum ambient temperature.

**E.3.2.4** Induced-draught fan-driver sizing shall consider possible variations in operating temperature and gas density (for example, a cold start).

Provisions for flow control, through dampering or speed variation, allows for start-up and operation to be at a lower-than-normal process operating temperature. With these features, the need for greater driver size to handle low temperatures can be avoided. Operating instructions shall cover the use of dampers or speed control for such cases, particularly at startup.

**E.3.2.5** The starting conditions for the driven equipment shall be specified by the purchaser, and the starting method shall be mutually agreed upon by the purchaser and the fan vendor. The driver's starting-torque capabilities shall exceed the speed-torque requirements of the driven equipment. The fan vendor shall verify that the starting characteristics of the fan and driver are compatible.

**E.3.2.6** Unless otherwise specified, motor-driven fans shall be direct-connected.

**E.3.2.7** For motor-driven units, the motor nameplate rating (exclusive of the service factor) shall be at least 110 % of the greatest power required (including gear and coupling losses) for any of the specified operating conditions.

**E.3.2.8** Full load and starting current, system centrifugal force and curves showing motor speed-torque, speed-current and speed-power factors shall be provided for each fan drive.

**E.3.2.9** Motor drivers shall be capable of starting the fan, with the control damper in the minimum position, with 80 % of the design voltage applied.

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11) Monel is an example of a suitable product available commercially. This information is given for the convenience of users of this part of ISO 13705 and does not constitute an endorsement by ISO of this product.

E.3.2.10 Service factors for the driver shall be in accordance with Table E.2.

Table E.2 — Service factors

Power	Service factor		
	Turbine	1,00 Motor	1,15 Motor
≤ 19 kW (25 hp)	1,10	1,25	1,14
> 19 kW (25 hp), ≤ 56 kW (75 hp)	1,10	1,15	1,05
> 56 kW (75 hp)	1,10	1,10	1,0

**E.3.3 Couplings and guards**

E.3.3.1 Flexible couplings and guards between drivers and fans shall be supplied by the fan vendor, unless otherwise specified on the data sheets.

E.3.3.2 Unless otherwise specified, all couplings shall be spacers with the spacer length sufficient to allow removal of the coupling hubs and allow maintenance of adjacent bearings and seals without removal of the shaft or disturbing the equipment alignment.

E.3.3.3 Each coupling shall have a coupling guard that sufficiently encloses the coupling and shafts to prevent any personnel access to the danger zone during operation of the equipment train. The guard shall be readily removable for inspection and maintenance of the coupling without disturbing the coupled machines.

**E.3.4 Controls and instrumentation**

**E.3.4.1 General**

E.3.4.1.1 Unless otherwise specified, controls and instrumentation shall be designed for outdoor installation.

- E.3.4.1.2 The fan vendor shall provide fan performance data (in accordance with Clause E.5) to enable the purchaser to properly design a control system for start-up and for all specified operating conditions. If specified by the purchaser, the fan vendor shall review the purchaser’s overall fan control system for compatibility with fan vendor-furnished control equipment (see E.3.2.5).

**E.3.4.2 Control systems**

- E.3.4.2.1 The fan may be controlled on the basis of inlet pressure, discharge pressure, flow rate or some combination of these parameters. This may be accomplished by suction or discharge throttling or speed variation. The purchaser shall specify the type and source of the control signal, its sensitivity and range and the equipment scope to be furnished by the vendor.

E.3.4.2.2 For constant-speed drive, the control signal shall actuate an operator that positions the inlet or outlet damper.

E.3.4.2.3 For a variable-speed drive, the control signal shall act to adjust the set point of the driver’s speed-control system. Unless otherwise specified, the control range shall be from the maximum continuous speed to 95 % of the minimum speed required for any specified operating case, or 70 % of the maximum continuous speed, whichever is lower.

E.3.4.2.4 The full range of the purchaser’s specified control signal shall correspond to the required operating range of the driven equipment. Unless otherwise specified, the maximum control signal shall correspond to the maximum continuous speed or the maximum flow rate.



**E.3.4.2.5** Unless otherwise specified, facilities shall be provided to automatically open or close (as specified) the dampers or variable-inlet vanes on loss of control signal and to automatically lock or brake the dampers or vanes in their last position on loss of motive force (such as air supply or electric power). This is a specific system consideration and the associated controls shall be arranged to avoid creating hazardous or other undesirable conditions.

**E.3.4.2.6** Unless otherwise specified, the fan vendor shall furnish and locate the operators, actuator linkages and operating shafts for remote control of the dampers or variable-inlet vanes. Operator output shall be adequate for the complete range of damper or variable-inlet vane positions. The proposed location of operator linkages and shafts shall be reviewed with the purchaser for consideration of maintenance access and safety.

**E.3.4.2.7** External position indicators shall be provided for all dampers or variable-inlet vanes.

**E.3.4.2.8** Unless otherwise specified, pneumatic activators shall be mechanically suitable for an air gauge pressure of 860 kPa (125 psi) and shall provide the required output with an air gauge pressure as low as 410 kPa (60 psi).

### **E.3.4.3 Dampers or variable-inlet vanes**

- **E.3.4.3.1** Frames for inlet dampers (unless integral with the inlet box) and outlet dampers shall be flanged and drilled airtight steel frames for tight-fitting bolting to the fan or ductwork. Dampers shall have either parallel or opposed blades, as specified by the purchaser for the required control. Damper blades shall be supported continuously by the shafts. No stub shafts are allowed. Damper shafts shall be sealed or packed to limit leakage, except for atmospheric air inlet dampers.

- **E.3.4.3.2** If specified by the purchaser, the fan vendor shall state the maximum expected leakage through the closed dampers or vanes, at the operating temperature and pressure specified by the purchaser. The stated leakage shall correspond to pressure and temperature differentials expected with the fan operating.

**E.3.4.3.3** Unless otherwise specified, the damper or variable-inlet vane mechanisms shall be interconnected to a single operator. The operating mechanism shall be designed so that the dampers or variable-inlet vanes can be manually secured in any position.

**E.3.4.3.4** Variable-inlet-vane operating mechanisms shall be located outside the gas stream. The mechanism shall be readily accessible for in-place inspection and maintenance and be of bolted attachment construction to permit removal if necessary. Provision shall be furnished for lubrication of the mechanism during operation.

**E.3.4.3.5** Variable-inlet vanes shall be continuously welded to the spindle or intermittently welded on the back side of the blade with full slot welds along the full length of the front side.

## **E.3.5 Piping and appurtenances**

### **E.3.5.1 Inlet trash screens**

Inlet trash screen(s) to prevent entry of debris shall be provided for forced-draught fans handling atmospheric air. This screen shall be fabricated from wire of minimum diameter 3 mm (1/8 in), with a mesh of 38 mm (1,5 in) nominal opening. The screen shall be suitably supported by cross-members. Rain hood(s) shall be provided on vertical inlets. Screen supports and rain hoods shall be of galvanized carbon steel or coated in accordance with E.3.6.1.1. Trash screens shall be of 300 series stainless steel.

### **E.3.5.2 Silencers and inlet ducts**

**E.3.5.2.1** The differential pressure across each inlet or exhaust silencer shall not exceed 20 mm (0,8 in) water column.

**E.3.5.2.2** Silencers shall be designed to prevent internal damage from acoustic or mechanical resonances.

E.3.5.2.3 Mineral-wool fibre insulation shall not be used in silencer construction.

- E.3.5.2.4 Carbon steel construction shall be of 5 mm (3/16 in) minimum-thickness plate. Corrosion allowance and alternative material, if required, shall be specified by the purchaser.

E.3.5.2.5 Main-inlet duct and silencer connections shall be flanged.

## E.3.6 Coatings, insulations and jacketing

### E.3.6.1 Coatings

E.3.6.1.1 Unless otherwise specified, if constructed of carbon steel, low-alloy steel or cast iron, the following areas shall be cleaned in accordance with ISO 8501-1, grade 21/2 and then painted with a 75 µm (0,003 in) dry-film thickness of inorganic zinc:

- a) internal surfaces of forced-draught fan intake ducts and accessories, fan housing and internals;
- b) internal surfaces of induced-draught fan housing, inlet box(es), discharge connection and accessories;
- c) external, non-machined surfaces of all bearing pedestals and bearing housings, fan housings, inlet and discharge connections and accessories on both insulated and uninsulated units. Apply after all external shop-weldments are complete.

E.3.6.1.2 Coatings shall be selected to resist deterioration and fume generation at the maximum specified inlet gas temperature.

### E.3.6.2 Insulation and jacketing

E.3.6.2.1 Insulation clips or studs shall be shop-welded on all fan housings, inlet boxes and discharge connections where normal operating temperature is 83 °C (180 °F) or higher, or if acoustic insulation of fans is required. Unless otherwise specified, the clips or studs shall be designed and installed for a minimum insulation thickness of 50 mm (2 in).

- E.3.6.2.2 The insulation shall maintain a maximum jacket-surface temperature of 83 °C (180 °F) at zero wind and 27 °C (80 °F) ambient conditions. The purchaser shall specify the type of insulation and jacketing. This material may be supplied and field-installed by other than the fan vendor, unless otherwise specified.

## E.4 Examination, testing and preparation for shipment

### E.4.1 Examination

#### E.4.1.1 Material examination

- If radiographic, ultrasonic, magnetic-particle or liquid-penetrant examination of welds, cast steel and wrought materials is specified by the purchaser, the criteria in E.4.1.2 through E.4.1.5 shall apply, unless other criteria are specified by the purchaser. Cast iron may be inspected in accordance with E.4.1.4 and E.4.1.5. Refer to E.2.11.1.2.

#### E.4.1.2 Radiography

The method and acceptance criteria for radiography shall be in accordance with the pressure design code.

#### E.4.1.3 Ultrasonic examination

The method and acceptance criteria for ultrasonic examination shall be in accordance with the pressure design code.

**E.4.1.4 Magnetic-particle examination**

The method and acceptance criteria for magnetic-particle examination shall be in accordance with the pressure design code.

**E.4.1.5 Liquid-penetrant examination**

The method and acceptance criteria for liquid-penetrant examination shall be in accordance with the pressure design code.

**E.4.1.6 Mechanical inspection**

- a) If specified by the purchaser, centrifugal fans shall be shop-assembled prior to shipment. Drivers (if provided) and other auxiliaries shall be included in the shop assembly as specified. The purchaser shall be notified prior to completion of shop assembly to permit inspection prior to disassembly (if required) and shipment. If disassembly is required for shipment, all mating parts shall be suitably match-marked and tagged for field assembly. All equipment shall be furnished completely assembled to the maximum extent, limited only by the requirements of shipping.
- b) During assembly of the system and before testing, each component (including cast-in passages of these components) and all piping and appurtenances shall be cleaned to remove foreign materials, corrosion products and mill scale.
- c) If specified by the purchaser, the hardness of parts and heat-affected zones shall be verified by testing as being within the allowable values. The method, extent, documentation and witnessing of the testing shall be mutually agreed upon by the purchaser and the vendor.

**E.4.2 Testing****E.4.2.1 General**

- If specified by the purchaser, the centrifugal fan equipment shall be tested; the minimum test requirements shall be as listed in E.4.2.2. Additional requirements for a shop or field test shall be provided by the purchaser. AMCA 210, AMCA 203, AMCA 802 and AMCA 803 may be used as the basis for testing.

Many fan manufacturers do not have the capability to perform shop mechanical-run tests except on the smaller units. The need for a shop test, along with the capability of vendors to perform the test, should be carefully considered before imposing such a requirement.

At least six weeks before the first scheduled test, the fan vendor shall submit to the purchaser, for his review and comment, detailed procedures for all running tests, including acceptance criteria for all monitored parameters.

The fan vendor shall notify the purchaser not less than five working days before the date the equipment will be ready for testing. All equipment required for specified tests shall be provided by the fan vendor.

Acceptance of shop tests does not constitute a waiver of requirements to meet field performance, under specified operating conditions, nor does the purchaser's inspection relieve the vendor of any required responsibilities.

**E.4.2.2 Mechanical running test**

If other test details are not specified, the testing shall include the following as a minimum.

- a) The fan shall be operated from 0 % to 115 % of design speed for turbine drives and at 100 % or rated speed for single-speed drives. For fans with variable-speed drives, the fan rotor shall be subjected to an overspeed test of at least 110 % of maximum continuous speed for 5 min. Operation at rated speed shall

be for an uninterrupted period of 2 h, with stabilized bearing temperatures, to check bearing performance and vibration.

- b) Following any overspeed test, each impellor shall be examined for cracks (using the liquid penetrant method) and for deformation or other defects. After this examination, fan rotors shall be dynamically rebalanced.
- c) Operation and function of fan instrumentation and controls shall be demonstrated to the extent practical.
- d) The vendor shall maintain a record of all final tests, including vibration and bearing-oil temperature data. Vibration measurements shall be recorded throughout the specified speed range.
- e) Bearings shall be removed, inspected and, if required, reassembled in the fan after completion of a satisfactory mechanical run test.
- f) All oil pressures, viscosities and temperatures shall be within the range of operating values recommended in the vendor's operating instructions for the specified unit being tested. Oil flow rates for each bearing housing shall be determined.

All bearings shall be pre-lubricated.

#### **E.4.2.3 Analysis of rotor response**

- If specified by the purchaser, the rotor-response analysis defined in E.2.7.4 shall be confirmed on the test stand.

#### **E.4.3 Preparation for shipment**

- **E.4.3.1** Equipment shall be suitably prepared for the type of shipment specified, including blocking of the rotor if necessary. If specified by the purchaser, the equipment shall be prepared so that it is suitable for six months of outdoor storage from the time of shipment. If storage for a longer period is contemplated, the vendor shall provide recommended protection procedures.
- **E.4.3.2** Preparation for shipment shall be made after all testing and inspection of the equipment has been accomplished and the equipment has been approved by the purchaser. The shipping preparations shall be specified by the purchaser.

### **E.5 Vendor's data**

#### **E.5.1 Data required with proposals**

The following data are required with the vendor's proposals:

- a) copies of the purchaser's data sheets with vendor's complete fan information entered thereon;
- b) utility requirements, including lubricant;
- c) net and maximum operating and erection masses and maximum normal maintenance masses, with item identification;
- d) typical drawings and literature to fully describe offering details;
- e) preliminary performance curves as described in E.5.2.1.

## E.5.2 Data required after contract

**E.5.2.1** The fan vendor shall provide complete performance curves to encompass the map of operations, with any limitations indicated thereon. The fan vendor shall provide, as a minimum, fan static pressure/capacity and horsepower/capacity curves for 100 %, 80 %, 60 %, 40 % and 20 % damper position settings; and fan static efficiency/capacity curves. If gas-temperature variations are specified, separate curves shall be provided for maximum, minimum and normal operating temperatures.

**E.5.2.2** For variable-speed fan systems, the performance curves shall illustrate the degree of speed control necessary to attain rated, normal and 50 % of normal flow rates. If additional turndown is specified, an illustrative curve shall be provided.

**E.5.2.3** The curves for dampered and variable-speed systems shall contain a system-resistance curve to illustrate the degree of control necessary to attain each operating point and shall correspond to the geometry of equipment as installed.

**E.5.2.4** Fan static-efficiency-versus-speed curves for variable-speed fan systems (including fan and drivers), within the vendor's scope of supply, shall be provided.

**E.5.2.5** Unless otherwise specified, the fan vendor shall provide fan and drive moment of inertia. For each motor-driven fan under full-voltage across-the-line starting conditions, the fan vendor shall provide

- a) full load and starting currents,
- b) curves for motor speed versus torque, versus current and versus power factor,
- c) fan and drive static and dynamic loads,
- d) allowable number of cold starts, hot restarts, or both, per hour, and any at-rest period required,
- e) curve of system acceleration time versus current,
- f) recommended acceleration or deceleration rate for the variable-frequency controller for each motor-driven fan under controlled-frequency starting conditions,
- g) preliminary outline and arrangement drawings and schematic diagrams,
- h) start-up, shutdown or operating restrictions recommended to protect equipment,
- i) spare-parts recommendations, including drawings, part numbers and materials,
- j) list of special tools included or required,
- k) shaft-seal details,
- l) certified drawings, including outline and arrangement drawings and schematic diagrams,
- m) shaft coupling details,
- n) data on cold-alignment setting and expected thermal growth,
- o) details of damper linkages and control systems, including torque or power requirements,
- p) completed as-built data sheets,
- q) parts lists for all equipment supplied,
- r) instruction manuals covering installation, final tests and checks, start-up, shutdown, operating limits and recommended operating and maintenance procedures.

## Annex F (normative)

### Air preheat systems for fired-process heaters

#### F.1 Scope

This annex specifies requirements and gives guidelines for the design, selection and evaluation of air preheat (APH) systems applied to fired-process heaters for general refinery and process industry service. The primary concepts covered within this annex are the following:

- a) application considerations (F.2);
- b) design considerations (F.3);
- c) selection guidelines (F.4);
- d) safety, operations and maintenance considerations (F.5);
- e) exchanger-performance guidelines (F.6);
- f) fan performance guidelines (F.7);
- g) ductwork design and analysis (F.8);
- h) major-components design guidelines (F.9);
- i) environmental impact (F.10);
- j) preparing an enquiry (F.11);
- k) flue-gas dew point (F.12).

Details of fired-heater design are considered only where they interact with the air-preheat-system design. The air preheat concepts and systems discussed herein are those currently in common use in the industry and it is not intended to imply that other concepts and systems are not acceptable or recommended. Many of the individual features dealt with in this annex are applicable to any type of air preheat system.

#### F.2 General factors in selecting an air preheat system

##### F.2.1 Factors affecting system applications

###### F.2.1.1 General

It is necessary to consider a number of general factors in the application of an APH system. Those general application factors are discussed in Clause F.2. Additionally, Clauses F.3 and F.4 provide design considerations and selection guidelines, respectively, for APH systems.

An APH system is usually applied to a fired heater to increase the heater's efficiency, and the economics of air preheating should be compared with other forms of flue-gas heat recovery. APH systems become more profitable with increasing fuel costs, with increasing process inlet temperature (i.e. higher stack flue-gas temperature), and with increasing fired duty. An APH-system economic analysis should account for the system's capital costs, operating costs, maintenance costs, fuel savings and the value (if any) of increased capacity. In the case of a system retrofit, the economic analysis should also include the cost of incremental heater downtime for the APH system installation.

### F.2.1.2 Operational advantages of APH systems

In addition to economics, an APH system's impact on a heater's operations and maintenance should also be considered. Compared to natural-draught systems, air preheat systems typically provide the following operational advantages:

- a) reduced fuel consumption;
- b) improved control of combustion air flow;
- c) reduced oil-burner fouling;
- d) better flame-pattern control;
- e) more complete combustion of difficult fuels.

In some cases, an APH system can provide an increase in fired-heater capacity or duty. For example, when a fired heater's operation is limited by a large flame envelope or poor flame shape (flame impingement on tubes) or by inadequate draught (flue-gas removal limitations), the addition of an air preheat system can increase the heater's capacity.

### F.2.1.3 Operational disadvantages of APH systems

In contrast to the advantages noted in F.2.1.1 and F.2.1.2, heaters with APH systems typically have the following operational disadvantages (compared with natural-draught heaters):

- a) increased radiant-section operating temperatures (coil, process film, coil supports, refractory, etc.);
- b) increased NO<sub>x</sub> production (resulting from higher flame temperatures);
- c) increased risk of corrosion of flue-gas wetted components (APH exchanger and downstream components);
- d) increased maintenance requirements for mechanical equipment;
- e) increased potential for acid-mist stack plume (if fuel sulfur content is high);
- f) reduced stack gas effluent velocity and dispersion.

In all applications, the use of an APH system increases both the heater's firebox temperatures and radiant flux rate(s). Because of the hotter radiant-section operating conditions, a thorough review of the heater's mechanical and process design under APH operations should be performed on all retrofit applications. The hotter firebox temperatures can result in overheated tubes, tube supports, guides and/or unacceptably high process-film temperatures.

## F.2.2 Types of APH systems

### F.2.2.1 General

To fully define an APH system type, it is common to use both of the following classifications: fluid-flow design and preheater (exchanger) design. For example, one of the most common APH system types is a balanced-draught direct system (Figure F.1). Another example is a balanced-draught indirect system (Figure F.2). Both examples reference the fluid flow and exchanger designs to describe the APH system.

**F.2.2.2 System types classified by fluid-flow design**

Based on the combustion air and flue-gas flow through the system, the three APH system types are as follows.

a) Balanced-draught APH system

This is the most common type. It has both a forced-draught (FD) fan and an induced-draught (ID) fan. The overall system is balanced because the combustion-air charge, provided by the forced-draught fan, is balanced by the flue-gas removal of the induced-draught fan. In most applications, the FD fan is controlled by a “duty controller,” which is reset by the heater’s oxygen analyzer, and the ID fan is controlled by an arch-pressure controller.

b) Forced-draught APH system

This is a simpler system, having only an FD fan to provide the heater’s combustion-air requirements. All flue gases are removed by stack draught. Because of the low draught-generation capabilities of a stack containing low-temperature flue gases, it is necessary to keep the exchanger’s flue-gas-side pressure drop very low, thus increasing the size and cost of the preheater (i.e. the APH exchanger).

c) Induced-draught APH system

The ID system has only an ID fan to remove flue gases from the heater and maintain the appropriate system draught. Combustion-air flow is induced by the sub-atmospheric pressure of the heater. In this system, it is necessary to carefully design the preheater to minimize the combustion-air-side pressure drop while providing the necessary heat transfer.

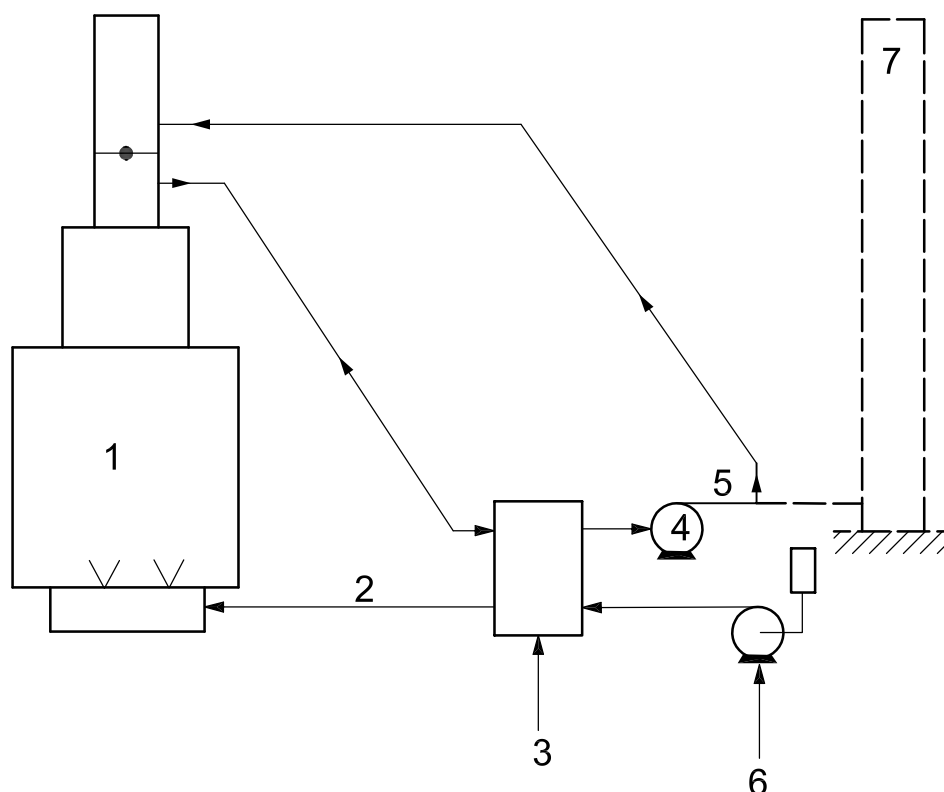


### F.2.2.3 System types classified by preheater (exchanger) design

Based on the preheater design, the three system types are as follows.

#### a) Direct APH systems

This is the most common type, using regenerative, recuperative or heat pipe preheaters (exchangers) to transfer heat directly from the outgoing flue gas to the incoming combustion air. Refer to F.2.3 for an overview of the most common direct-preheater types. Even though most direct systems are balanced-draught designs, forced-draught and induced-draught systems are not uncommon and have their own unique advantages and disadvantages, as overviewed in F.4. Figure F.1 illustrates a typical balanced-draught direct APH system.



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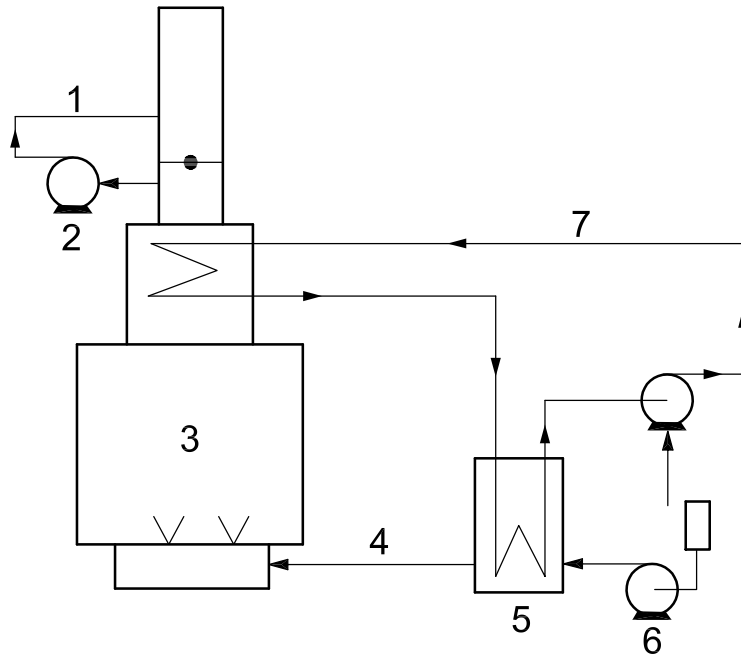
- 1 fired heater
- 2 air
- 3 air preheater
- 4 induced-draught fan
- 5 flue gas
- 6 forced-draught fan
- 7 separate stack (alternative)

**Figure F.1 — Balanced-draught APH system with direct exchanger**

b) Indirect APH Systems

These are less common and use two gas/liquid exchangers and an intermediate working fluid to absorb heat from the outgoing flue gas and then release the heat to the incoming combustion air. Thus, this APH system requires a working-fluid circulation loop to perform the task of a single direct exchanger. The vast majority of indirect systems are forced-circulation (i.e. the fluid is circulated by pumps); a natural-circulation, or thermosiphon, flow can be established if the working fluid is partially vaporized in the hot exchanger.

A typical balanced-draught, indirect APH system is illustrated in Figure F.2.



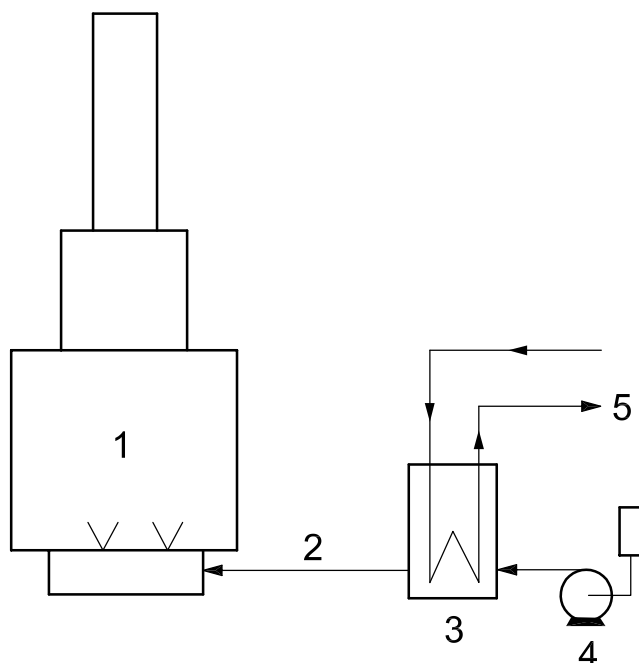
**Key**

- 1 flue gas
- 2 induced-draught fan
- 3 fired heater
- 4 air
- 5 air preheater
- 6 forced-draught fan
- 7 heat medium

**Figure F.2 — Balanced-draught APH system with indirect exchangers**

## c) External heat source systems

These use an external heat source (e.g. low-pressure steam) to heat the combustion air without cooling the flue gas. This type of system is usually used to temper very cold combustion air, thus minimizing both snow build-up in combustion air ducting and “cold-end” corrosion in downstream gas/air exchangers. A typical forced-draught, external-heat-source APH system is illustrated in Figure F.3.

**Key**

- 1 fired heater
- 2 air
- 3 air preheater
- 4 forced-draught fan
- 5 process or utility stream

**Figure F.3 — Forced-draught APH system with external-heat-source exchanger**

### F.2.3 Descriptions of common APH exchangers

#### F.2.3.1 Direct air preheaters

##### F.2.3.1.1 Regenerative air preheaters

A regenerative-air preheater contains a matrix of metal or refractory elements (which may be stationary or moving) that transfer heat from the hot flue-gas stream to the cold combustion-air stream. For fired-process-heater applications, the commonly used regenerative air preheater has the heat-absorbing elements housed in a rotating wheel. The elements are alternately heated in the outgoing flue gas and cooled in the incoming combustion air.

##### F.2.3.1.2 Recuperative air preheaters

A recuperative air preheater has separate passages for the flue gas and the air, and heat flows from the hot flue-gas stream, through the preheater-passage wall and into the cold combustion-air stream. The configuration is typically in the form of a tubular or plate heat exchanger in which the passages are formed by tubes, plates or a combination of tubes and plates, clamped together in a casing.

#### F.2.3.1.3 Heat-pipe air preheaters

A heat-pipe air preheater consists of a number of sealed pipes containing a heat-transfer fluid, which vaporizes in the hot ends of the tubes (in the flue-gas stream) and condenses in the cold ends of the tubes (in the air stream), thus transferring heat from the hot flue-gas stream to the cold combustion-air stream.

#### F.2.3.2 Indirect air preheaters

Typically, the two gas/liquid exchangers feature conventional, finned, serpentine coils enclosed in low-pressure housings. Even though the exchangers have the same heat-transfer rating, their physical sizes are usually different. The hot exchanger is usually configured to complement the convection-section shape, and the cold exchanger is configured to complement the shape of the combustion-air ducting.

#### F.2.3.3 External-heat-source air preheaters

External-heat-source preheaters (exchangers) use a “once-through” flow of utility or process fluid to heat incoming combustion air. Typically, external-heat-source preheat exchangers are used to temper very cold combustion-air streams. Because they are required to operate in very cold climates, the exchangers usually feature fully drainable coils. The common steam-condensing preheat exchanger has a small-diameter, multiple-pass, vertical-finned tube coil configured to complement the surrounding air ducting.

### F.3 Design considerations

#### F.3.1 Process design

##### F.3.1.1 General

In order to properly design a fired heater that incorporates an APH system, it is necessary to understand the process effects that an APH system imposes on the heater and account for these within the heater's design. The primary variable interactions are as follows.

- a) Firebox temperatures increase with increasing combustion-air temperatures.
- b) Radiant duty, flux rates and coil temperatures increase with increasing combustion-air temperatures.
- c) Radiant refractory and coil-support temperatures increase with increasing combustion-air temperatures.
- d) Radiant-process film temperatures increase with increasing combustion-air temperatures.
- e) Convection duty, flux rates and coil temperatures decrease with increasing combustion-air temperatures.
- f) Convection-process film temperatures decrease with increasing combustion-air temperatures.
- g) Flue-gas mass flows decrease with increasing combustion-air temperatures.

In short, because of the above functionalities, the operation of an APH system increases the radiant duty and decreases the convection duty in a fired heater. This small duty shift between the radiant and convection sections shall be expected and quantified (i.e. modelled) in order to properly design both heater sections. It is the proper quantification of the noted duty shifts and proper adjustment in radiant-surface area that enable a heater to achieve design duty without exceeding its allowable average radiant-heat flux and all directly related parameters during APH operations.

### F.3.1.2 APH system retrofits

Because of the variable relationships noted in F.3.1.1 [especially F.3.1.1 a) through F.3.1.1 d)], most APH-system retrofits should include a process design review to ascertain the heater's new operating conditions and any constraints of the existing components. During this process design review, the design excess-air and radiation-loss values should be reviewed (see F.3.2.2) to account for the affects of the APH system. Such a process design review typically produces new data sheets that document the heater's operating conditions with the APH system in operation.

In some retrofit cases, the heater's efficiency is so low that an APH-system retrofit creates other problems, such as the following.

- a) The increase in combustion-air temperature increases  $\text{NO}_x$  emissions above acceptable limits; it is necessary to limit or control the combustion-air temperature to achieve acceptable  $\text{NO}_x$  emissions.
- b) The increase in combustion-air temperature increases radiant coil-flux rates above acceptable limits; it is necessary to limit or control the combustion air temperature to achieve acceptable radiant average/peak-flux rates, radiant coil temperatures and/or process-film temperatures.
- c) The increase in combustion-air temperature raises tube-support and/or guide temperatures above their capabilities; it is necessary to limit the combustion temperature to reduce the tube-support and/or guide temperatures.
- d) Common air-preheater materials cannot tolerate the heater's high flue-gas temperatures; it is necessary to upgrade the preheater metallurgy to accommodate the temperatures of the incoming flue-gas.

In most retrofit applications, any or all of the above constraints can be avoided by increasing the convection section's duty. The incremental convection duty increases the heater's duty and efficiency and reduces the outlet flue-gas temperature, the APH exchanger duty, the hot combustion-air temperature and  $\text{NO}_x$  emissions.

## F.3.2 Combustion design

### F.3.2.1 Burner selection

In general, the application of an APH system to a fired heater does not alter the burner performance selection criteria. Application of an APH system does, however, elevate the operating temperatures of the burners, and it is necessary to meet the burner's performance criteria at these higher operating temperatures. Thus, a successful combustion design considers the following:

- a) burner performance during "air-preheat" operations (e.g., heat release, flue-gas emissions, noise emissions, etc.);
- b) burner performance during "natural-draught" operations;
- c) means to achieve equal and uniform air flow to each burner under all operating conditions;
- d) since the application of an APH typically requires FD fans, for new furnace designs, the use of high pressure-drop FD burners may be considered. This generally leads to fewer burners and an improved distribution of combustion air over the burners. This feature basically eliminates the possibility of operating without FD fans.

For a thorough review of burner technology and selection criteria, refer to API RP 535.

### F.3.2.2 Design excess air

#### F.3.2.2.1 General

An important consideration in maximizing a fired heater's efficiency is the consistent control of combustion-air flow rates such that design excess-air (or excess-oxygen) levels are maintained, while sustaining complete combustion, stable and well-defined flames and stable heater operation. Because of the improved combustion-air flow control provided by a forced-draught fan and its supporting instrumentation, forced- and balanced-draught APH systems are able to consistently operate at excess-air levels lower than natural-draught systems.

However, excess-air levels for "old" heaters, which suffer from significant air infiltration, should not be minimized. Care should be exercised in such retrofit applications to maintain sufficient excess-air flow through the burners and avoid sub-stoichiometric combustion at the burner. The flue-gas O<sub>2</sub> levels at the arch/roof areas include O<sub>2</sub> from both sources: burner excess air and infiltration air. The most common practice of estimating the burner excess O<sub>2</sub> is to subtract the radiant section's estimated air leakage (as percentage O<sub>2</sub>) from the arch/bridgewall measured excess percentage O<sub>2</sub>. As a point of reference, most seal-welded (i.e. airtight) fired heaters with airtight observation doors have less than a 1,0 % increase in O<sub>2</sub> from the arch to floor.

F.3.2.2.2 and F.3.2.2.3 are typical design excess-air levels for general-service "airtight" fired heaters. Where the heater design and/or user experience dictates, it is appropriate to design the system to operate at different excess-air levels.

#### F.3.2.2.2 Natural-draught burners

Typical excess-air levels are the following:

- a) fuel-gas fired, natural-draught operation 15 %;
- b) fuel-gas fired, forced-/balanced-draught operation 10 %;
- c) fuel-oil fired, natural-draught operation 20 %;
- d) fuel-oil fired, forced-/balanced-draught operation 15 %.

#### F.3.2.2.3 Forced-draught burners

Typical excess-air levels are the following:

- a) fuel-gas fired, forced-/balanced-draught operation 10 %;
- b) fuel-oil fired, forced-/balanced-draught operation 15 %.

#### F.3.2.3 Post-combustion NO<sub>x</sub>-reduction considerations

Most fired-heater post-combustion NO<sub>x</sub>-reduction systems employ a selective catalytic reduction (SCR) reactor located in the flue-gas stream downstream of the convection section. Even though the operating flexibility of SCR catalyst has improved, all reactors have an ideal temperature window that yields maximum NO<sub>x</sub> reduction.

An advantage of induced-draught and balanced-draught APH systems is that these system types can be designed to facilitate the "control" of flue-gas temperatures over broad operating ranges. The improved flue-gas temperature-control capability is typically achieved by the addition of temperature-control loops on preheaters upstream and downstream of the SCR reactor. The temperature-control loops enable a fraction of the total flue-gas stream to bypass the upstream and/or downstream exchangers to achieve the desired flue-gas temperatures. Although these features add capital expense, they increase the heater's turndown capability (without NO<sub>x</sub>-emissions problems) and provide improved operating flexibility during transient operations. For further guidelines on SCR and SNCR post-combustion NO<sub>x</sub>-reduction systems, refer to API RP 536.

### F.3.3 Draught generation for alternative operations

For economic, operating and safety reasons, some alternative means of providing heater draught is usually provided upon loss of operation of the fans or the air preheater. Examples of these methods are the following:

a) Natural-draught capability

Natural-draught capability can be provided for most APH applications and, because of the relatively small incremental capital costs to provide natural-draught capability, most fired heaters with APH systems do have some (reduced) level of natural-draught capability. Natural-draught capability is achieved with a sufficiently sized stack and a system of dampers that enable the stack to induce a draught through the heater while isolating the idled APH system from the operating heater. Dampers or guillotines should be used to isolate the APH system from the heater during natural-draught operations.

b) Spare fan assemblies

Another common practice used to keep a heater on-stream in the event of a mechanical fan failure is the provision of spare fan assemblies or spare fan drivers, with "on-line" switching capability. The choice of whether to back up either the FD fan or the ID fan, or both, depends upon the user's experience and equipment failure probability.

### F.3.4 Refractory design and setting losses

The addition of ducts, fans and an air preheater significantly increases the surface area from which heat losses occur. The heat losses through these surfaces should be modelled to confirm that the combined heater and APH-system setting losses are within acceptable limits. To reflect the additional heat losses of the APH system, it is common practice to increase the heater's setting losses by 0,50 % to 1,00 %, to a total of 2,00 % to 2,50 % of design heat release. Heaters with balanced-draught APH systems and a design basis of an 82 °C (180 °F) casing with 27 °C (80 °F) and 0 km/h (0 mph) ambient conditions typically yield slightly less than 2,5% setting losses. External insulation may be applied on the hot-air ducts.

Because most ducts have design velocities in excess of ceramic fibre's maximum-use velocity, the most common duct refractory is low-density insulating castable. If needed, refractory mass savings can be realized through the use of ceramic-fibre blanket or board. However, ceramic-fibre blanket requires a protective shrouding whenever the air/gas velocity exceeds ceramic-fibre blanket's maximum design velocity of 12 m/s (40 ft/s).

### F.3.5 Preheater cold-end temperature control

#### F.3.5.1 General

In most applications, the primary emphasis of cold-end temperature control is directed at the temperatures of the heat-transfer surfaces in the flue-gas stream. Because the recuperative-exchanger cold-end surfaces are the coolest flue-gas-wetted surfaces, the surfaces downstream of the exchanger typically remain above the dew point if the exchanger's cold-end surfaces are maintained above the dew point. Figure F.4 provides recommended minimum metal temperatures for flue-gas-wetted components on the basis of fuel sulfur content.

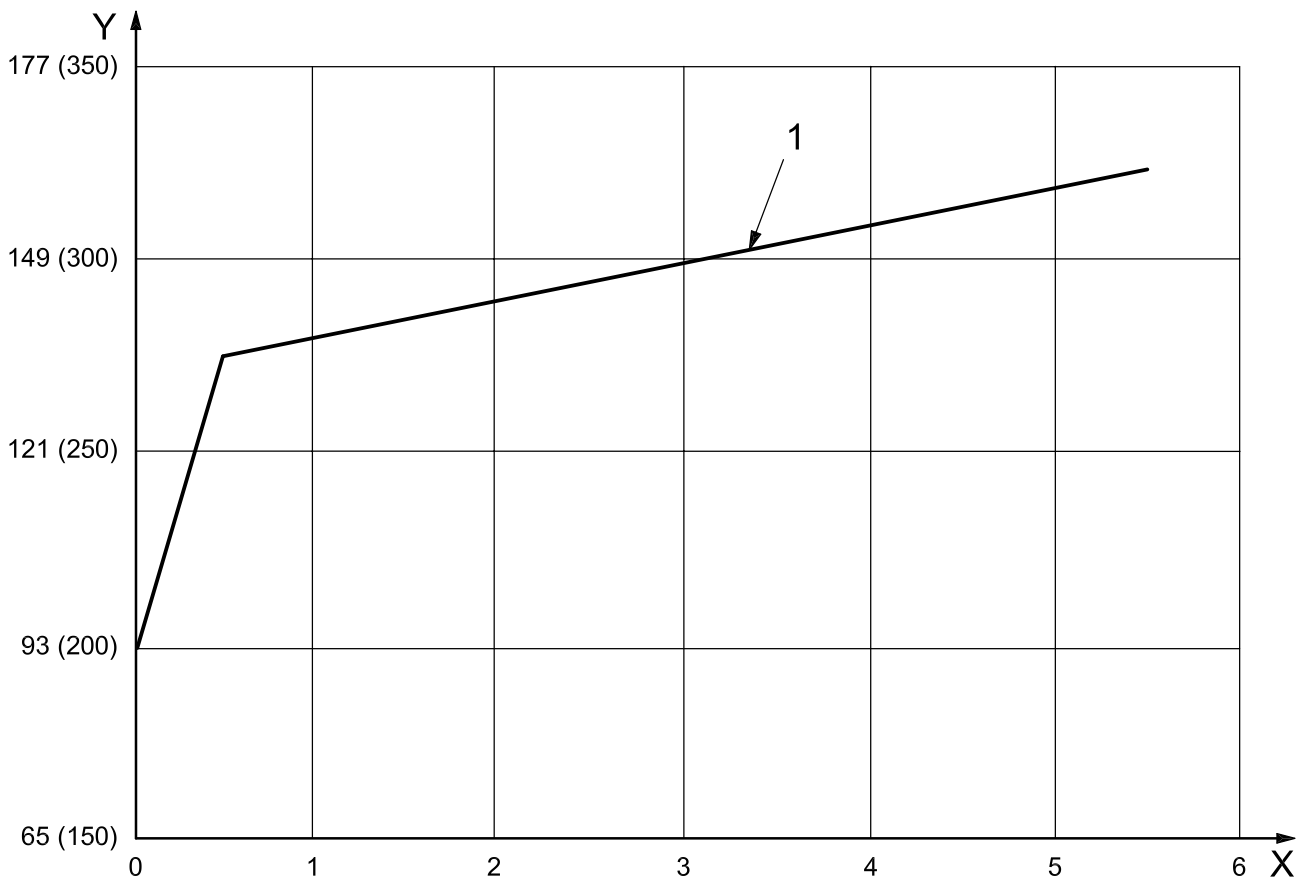
The following are a few operating cases that can require the use of cold-end temperature control:

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| a) reduced firing rates:  | produce lower flue-gas temperatures;                 |
| b) winter operating conditions (i.e. lower ambient temperatures): | produce lower flue-gas temperatures;                 |
| c) changes in combustion conditions:                              | with regard to heater fouling, excess air, and duty; |
| d) changes in fuel composition:                                   | can increase the flue-gas dew point.                 |

The typical APH-system design makes provisions for the above operating cases, and any combination of the above operating cases. In order to achieve the design life of recuperative preheaters, it is important for the APH system to have the capability to maintain the preheater's cold-end temperatures above the acid dew point under any possible operating condition. The system should provide the means for measuring cold-end and/or corrosion-susceptible surfaces and also for controlling the cold flue-gas temperature to maintain said surfaces above the acid dew point temperature.

NOTE If the control of cold-end temperatures results in a flue-gas discharge temperature that is higher than the design discharge temperature, such dew-point-corrosion avoidance is achieved at the expense of system efficiency.

Three methods of cold-end temperature control for regenerative, recuperative and heat pipe APH systems are presented in F.3.5.2 through F.3.5.4. A fourth method, reheat of fluid inlet temperature, is applicable only to indirect APH systems and is covered in F.3.5.5.



**Key**

- X mass fraction of sulfur in the fuel, expressed in percent
- Y metal temperature, expressed in degrees Celsius (degrees Fahrenheit)
- 1 recommended minimum metal temperature for convection coils, fans and duct steel exposed to flue gas

**Figure F.4 — Recommended minimum metal temperature versus sulfur content**

**F.3.5.2 Cold-air bypass**

The simplest type of cold-end temperature control is the cold-air bypass in which a portion of the combustion air is bypassed around the APH exchanger. The reduction of combustion-air flow through the preheater (APH exchanger) results in a lower air-side coefficient, which yields hotter flue-gas-wetted surfaces. This allows the cold-end surface temperatures to be maintained above the dew point, as necessary, while other conditions change.



### **F.3.5.3 External preheat of cold air**

In this system, the desired cold-end metal temperature is maintained by heating the combustion air, before it enters the APH exchanger, with low-pressure steam or some other source of low-level heat. It is necessary to give consideration to preventing fouling and plugging of the low-level heat unit with atmospheric dust that can be entrained in the combustion air and to preventing freeze-up of the coil during cold-weather operations.

### **F.3.5.4 Hot-air recirculation**

This type of cold-end control recycles heated combustion air to the FD-fan suction to obtain a mixed-air temperature that is high enough to keep the exchanger cold-end above the dew point temperature. This method provides improved cold-end temperature-control capability in comparison with the cold-air bypass method but requires the purchase and operation of an oversized forced-draught fan to accommodate the additional combustion-air flow.

### **F.3.5.5 Working fluid temperature control**

In the circulating-fluid, or indirect, APH systems, the exchanger cold-end temperatures can be regulated by controlling the inlet temperature of the heat-transfer fluid. Depending on the system design and configuration, the working fluid temperature can be increased either by bypassing a portion of the fluid around the exchanger (air-heating coil) or by decreasing the working fluid flow rate.

## **F.3.6 Exchanger mechanical design**

### **F.3.6.1 Regenerative air preheaters**

The heat-transfer surfaces of a regenerative air-preheat exchanger are not required to serve as pressure parts confining a fluid and are designed to tolerate moderate corrosion. As a result, regenerative air-preheat exchangers can operate at lower metal temperatures than most other types of air preheaters. However, it is necessary to consider the effects on downstream equipment of the inherent air leakage and the periodic removal of acidic soot particles during sootblowing.

Regenerative air preheaters are commercially available in standard combinations of carbon-steel, low-alloy-steel and corrosion-resistant enamelled-steel construction. The manufacturer should be consulted for recommended cold-end temperature limits.

### **F.3.6.2 Recuperative air preheaters**

Recuperative air preheaters are commercially available with carbon-steel, cast-iron, enamelled-steel and glass elements. The finning normally provided in the cast-iron construction may be modified on the air side of the cold-end elements to increase the metal temperatures.

Units equipped with enamelled steel or glass elements accommodate moderate acid condensation and fouling, but it is necessary to consider the requirements for the removal of deposits by sootblowing and/or water washing without adversely affecting downstream equipment. Additionally, the risk of breaking glass elements, particularly during cleaning operations, should be considered in the selection of such materials. The exchanger manufacturer should be consulted for recommended water-wash temperatures, minimum cold-end temperatures and materials of construction.

### **F.3.6.3 Indirect systems**

As illustrated by Figure F.2, indirect APH systems employ both a hot exchanger (flue-gas/fluid) and a cold exchanger (fluid/air) to transfer energy from the flue-gas stream to the combustion-air stream. The hot exchanger coils are generally similar in construction to, and located within, the fired-heater convection section. Consequently, the mechanical design of the hot exchanger usually complies with this International Standard.

## F.4 Selection guidelines

### F.4.1 General

General considerations in the application of an APH system are presented in F.2. In contrast, F.4 provides a more detailed review of each system's characteristics, which can be used as an aid in the understanding of strengths and weaknesses of each system. The following factors should be considered in the determination of the most appropriate APH system design and the selection of a preheater (APH-exchanger) type:

- a) the heater's natural-draught operating requirements;
- b) the heater's fuels and corresponding cleaning requirements;
- c) the APH system's available plot area;
- d) the APH system's design flue-gas temperatures;
- e) the ability to clean the preheater (i.e. APH exchanger) with minimal impact on the heater's operations;
- f) the ability to service the APH system with minimal impact on the heater's operations;
- g) the negative effects of air leakage into the flue-gas stream: corrosion of downstream equipment, increased hydraulic-power consumption and reduced combustion-air flow (which can cause a reduction in the heater's firing rate);
- h) the ability to provide uniform radiant flux via proper burner location and arrangement;
- i) the potential constraints of an exchanger's maximum exposure temperatures;
- j) the potential for, and the methods available to minimize, cold-end corrosion;
- k) the system's controls requirements and degree of automation;
- l) the negative effects of heat-transfer-fluid leakage;
- m) the effect of process terminal temperatures on the available system efficiency;
- n) the effect of burner type (forced versus natural draught);
- o) the feasibility of enlarging the APH system capacity to handle future increases in process requirements.

### F.4.2 Plot area

Plot area requirements are a function of the system type and system layout.

Balanced-draught systems, with grade-mounted fans and an independent exchanger structure, require the largest plot area. However, because of the ability to isolate the exchanger and fans from the heater, this system layout provides the greatest operating flexibility and maintenance flexibility.

Forced-draught systems, with a grade-mounted fan and an integral exchanger, require significantly less plot area than a balanced-draught system. Because the exchanger is located above the convection section, however, this system type does not permit the exchanger to be serviced while the heater is in operation.

Induced-draught systems, with a grade-mounted fan and an independent exchanger structure, require slightly less plot area than the balanced-draught system. However, because of the ability to isolate the exchanger and fan from the heater, this system layout provides the same operating flexibility and maintenance flexibility as the balanced-draught system.

Common practices to reduce the plot area include the following:

- a) locating the exchanger above the heater's convection section;
- b) locating exchanger terminals such that duct connections are vertically oriented;
- c) locating the induced-draught fan beneath the preheater or cold flue-gas duct.

### **F.4.3 Maintainability**

Air preheaters that require repeated water washing, regular maintenance or similar "off-line" maintenance should be located independent of the fired heater so that the exchanger's maintenance activities don't negatively impact the heater's operations. Locating the exchanger independently of the heater should be considered for applications with high flue-gas ash contents, high sulfur contents or depositable concentrations of ammonium sulfate/ammonium bisulfate. Refer to API RP 536 for additional information regarding the formation and control of ammonium sulfate/ammonium bisulfate compounds. All such systems that require regular off-line maintenance, should have adequate means of positively isolating the preheater from the heater, so that maintenance personnel can perform their work in a safe environment.

Air preheaters that do not require repeated or regular "off-line" maintenance may be located either integral to the heater or independent of the heater. Thus, applications firing clean fuel gas may locate the APH exchanger above the convection section with minimal negative consequences.

### **F.4.4 Fouling and cleanability**

APH systems on fuel-oil-fired heaters should use exchanger designs that can be soot-blown on-line or water-washed off-line. Most recuperative exchangers, most regenerative exchangers and most tubular indirect exchangers can be designed to permit on-line soot-blowing. Similarly, most cast-iron recuperative exchangers can be designed to facilitate cleaning via off-line warm-water washing.

### **F.4.5 Natural-draught capability**

Most heaters require some degree of natural-draught operation, usually from 75 % to 100% of design duty. If natural-draught operating capability is required, the system shall have low-draught-loss burners, an independently located APH exchanger and the appropriate ducts and dampers to bypass the APH exchanger, and shall provide adequate combustion air and a stack capable of maintaining a draught of 2,5 mm H<sub>2</sub>O (0,10 in H<sub>2</sub>O) at the arch during natural-draught operation. An alternative to low-draught-loss burners is to apply high-pressure-drop burners, whereby it is accepted that the furnace can only be operated in forced-draught mode; however, it can be necessary to bypass the APH system and ID fan.

The noted low-draught-loss burners are sized to operate satisfactorily on the draught generated by the stack and heater proper, just like any other natural-draught application. An independently located exchanger is one that is located independently of the heater structure, preferably at grade, so that a system of ducts and dampers can bypass the air and flue-gas streams around the exchanger during natural-draught operation.

### **F.4.6 Effects of air leakage into the flue gas**

Air leakage into the lower-pressure flue-gas stream is a potential problem with most preheater (APH exchanger) designs. Although most exchanger designs provide design leakage rates of less than 1,0 %, some regenerative exchangers have a design leakage rate of approximately 10 %. Furthermore, leakage rates in excess of 20 % are possible with poorly maintained regenerative exchangers.

Especially for systems applying regenerative exchangers, it is necessary to account for the design leakage rate in the design of the system. The three most significant effects of this air-to-flue-gas leakage are the following.

- a) The resultant cooling of the "cold" flue gas from air leakage should be monitored, and controlled as necessary, to avoid corrosion downstream of the APH exchanger.

- b) It is necessary to account for the decrease in combustion-air flow to the burners, which can require or justify the upsizing of the forced-draught fan to maintain sufficient airflow to the burners.
- c) It is necessary to account for the increase in flue-gas flow from the exchanger, which can require or justify the upsizing of the induced-draught fan to maintain the target draught at the arch.

#### **F.4.7 Maximum exposure temperature**

The exchanger manufacturer should provide the exchanger's maximum operating temperature limits. The limits are generally set by metallurgical and/or thermal expansion considerations.

#### **F.4.8 Acid-condensate corrosion**

Whenever the temperature of flue-gas-wetted exchanger surfaces drops below the acid-dew-point temperature, acids condense on such surfaces causing cold-end corrosion. Cold-end corrosion typically produces several undesirable effects: costly equipment damage, increased air leakage into the flue-gas stream, decreased flow of combustion air to the burners, a change in pressure drop and a reduction in heat recovery. To avoid these undesirable effects, one or more of the following techniques, as noted in F.3.5, should be applied to maintain the cold-end temperature above the dew point:

- a) cold-air bypassing (F.3.5.2);
- b) cold-air preheating upstream of the air preheater (F.3.5.3);
- c) hot-air recirculation (F.3.5.4);
- d) reheat-fluid inlet-temperature control (F.3.5.5).

If the application of one or more of the above techniques is not practical, the following practices are recommended.

- The design should maintain the bulk cold flue-gas temperature above the dew point.
- Appropriate corrosion-resistant materials should be used in the heat-exchanger cold end.
- A low-point drain should be provided to permit removal of the corrosive condensate.

#### **F.4.9 Increasing APH-system capacity**

If an increase in the fired-heater capacity or a fuel change is anticipated in the future, the following design options should be considered:

- a) use of a preheater exchanger that has the potential to be upgraded for future operations;
- b) use of variable-speed drivers on the fans to accommodate the changes in flow and pressure;
- c) use of a fan with operating curves that satisfy all operating cases;
- d) design the system (e.g. ducts and dampers) for both current and future requirements.

## F.4.10 Comparison of APH system designs

Table F.1 summarizes the inherent strengths and weaknesses of the most common APH systems.

**Table F.1 — Comparison of various APH systems**

Characteristic	Type of APH system										
	Regenerative		Recuperative			Heat pipe			Indirect		EHS <sup>a</sup>
	ID <sup>b</sup>	BD <sup>c</sup>	FD <sup>d</sup>	ID	BD	FD	ID	BD	FD	BD	FD
Plot area <sup>e</sup>	m	l	s	m	l	s	m	l	s	l	s
Exchanger location <sup>f</sup>	sep	sep	int	sep	sep	int	sep	sep	int and sep	sep	sep
Capital costs <sup>g</sup>	m	h	m	m	h	m	m	h	m	h	l
Operating costs <sup>g</sup>	m	h	l	m	h	l	m	h	m	h	l
Maintenance costs <sup>g</sup>	m	h	l	m	h	l	m	h	l	h	l
Online cleaning <sup>h</sup>	y	y	n	y	y	n	y	y	n	n	y
Online maintenance <sup>i</sup>	y	y	n	y	y	n	y	y	n	n	y
Quantity of rotating equipment <sup>j</sup>	1 + 1	2 + 1	1 + 0	1 + 0	2 + 0	1 + 0	1 + 0	2 + 0	1 + 1	2 + 1	1
Design leakage <sup>k</sup>	< 10	< 10	< 1,0	< 1,0	< 1,0	< 1,0	< 1,0	< 1,0	0,0	0,0	0,0

<sup>a</sup> External heat source APH exchanger (preheater); see F.2.2.3 c) for overview.  
<sup>b</sup> Induced-draught system, with APH exchanger located in a separate structure; see F.2.2.2 c).  
<sup>c</sup> Balanced-draught system, with APH exchanger located in a separate structure; see F.2.2.2 a).  
<sup>d</sup> Forced-draught system, with APH exchanger located within heater structure; see F.2.2.2 b).  
<sup>e</sup> Plot area requirements: s = small, m = medium, l = large.  
<sup>f</sup> Exchanger location: int = integral to heater structure; sep = exchanger located in separate structure.  
<sup>g</sup> Costs: l = low, m = medium, h = high.  
<sup>h</sup> Online cleaning: y = online cleaning is possible; n = online cleaning is not possible.  
<sup>i</sup> Online maintenance: y = online maintenance is possible; n = online maintenance is not possible.  
<sup>j</sup> Quantity of equipment assemblies (fans exchangers and pumps) that need to be operated and maintained.  
<sup>k</sup> Typical design leakage (air to flue gas) percentage for well-maintained exchangers.

## F.5 Safety, operations and maintenance considerations

### F.5.1 Safety

#### F.5.1.1 Personnel entry

APH system components that require on-line personnel entry should be positively isolated from the fired heater. Isolation may be by means of slide gates, guillotine blinds and/or specially designed dampers. The design of such guillotines/dampers should consider the maximum acceptable leakage rate, a means of locking the actuator, the negative effects of air leakage into the heater and the accessibility of the device.

#### F.5.1.2 Isolation of dangerous components

Natural-draught air doors (i.e. emergency air inlets) should be positioned so that their sudden opening does not produce a hot-air blast that can harm personnel (if the doors open when the forced-draught fan is operating). Automatically operated air doors should be located and/or isolated so that their moving parts (e.g. heavy counterweights) do not contact personnel when activated.

### F.5.1.3 Avoidance of stack effluent

As with any fired-equipment design, the stack-gases effluent plume should be evaluated and, as necessary, the heater or stack design modified, to ensure that personnel on adjacent structures are not exposed to hazardous hot flue gases.

### F.5.1.4 Periodic tests of safety systems

In order to ensure that the heater and APH system are able to appropriately respond to “emergency situations”, periodic operational tests of the natural-draught air doors (emergency air inlets), stack damper, spare fan or fans and other safety-related components are recommended.

## F.5.2 Operations

In order to provide the means to effectively monitor and operate an APH system, the following design features (as applicable) are recommended.

- a) Pressure and temperature connections should be provided upstream and downstream of the APH exchanger in both the combustion-air and flue-gas ducting; such can be used for exchanger-performance monitoring, foulant monitoring/water-wash scheduling and engineering reviews/system troubleshooting.
- b) Composition connections should be provided upstream and downstream of the APH exchanger in the flue-gas ducting; these can be used for exchanger leak detection, system mass balances and engineering reviews/system troubleshooting.
- c) Pressure connections should be provided upstream and downstream of the fan(s).
- d) Combustion-air flow element(s) should be located such that only the combustion air to the burners is measured (i.e. any preheater air leakage is excluded from the measurement).
- e) Parallel fireboxes/cells should be designed and instrumented to be individually controlled.
- f) Parallel fireboxes/cells should have their own oxygen analyzers to ensure that each firebox has adequate excess air.
- g) Combustion-air ducting to parallel fireboxes/cells should be hydraulically similar.
- h) Combustion-air ducting to parallel fireboxes/cells should contain a flow-control damper that permits O<sub>2</sub> control for each cell over the APH system’s operating range.
- i) Flue-gas ducting from parallel fireboxes/cells should be hydraulically similar.
- j) Flue-gas ducting from parallel fireboxes/cells should contain a flow-control damper that permits arch/roof draught control for each cell over the APH system’s operating range.
- k) Variable speed or multi-speed fan drivers should be considered for applications with large operating ranges and/or significant time periods of turndown operations. These drivers provide improved control, reduced noise and reduced power consumption.

## F.5.3 Maintenance

The most desirable location for duct blinds and dampers is near grade to limit work on or over an operating fired heater. When locating the fans and the air preheater, accessibility for maintenance should be considered.

Cleaning facilities are typically provided for air preheaters in heavy-fuel-oil-fired applications. Online cleaning provisions for the induced-draft fan can also be desirable.

Refractory systems in existing heaters and ductwork should be inspected periodically for mechanical integrity, and repaired as required.

#### F.5.4 APH system equipment failure

It is usually cost-effective to provide provisions for a “secondary” or fail-safe mode of heater operation. Thus, in most applications, the APH system is designed to permit stable fired-heater operation whenever the preheat system experiences a mechanical failure. The two most common secondary operating modes are the following:

- a) bypassing the APH system and defaulting to natural-draught operation;
- b) activating a spare fan or alternative device.

The APH system should have the means to confirm that such a change has been safely and successfully executed. Refer to F.3.3 and F.4.5 for additional guidelines for natural-draught operations.

### F.6 Exchanger performance guidelines

#### F.6.1 Introduction

The common design objective of most APH systems is to maximize the fired-heater’s efficiency consistent with the system’s capital, operating and maintenance costs. To achieve this objective, it is important to select a cold-end design (flue-gas) temperature that maximizes flue-gas heat recovery and minimizes fouling and corrosion. The flue-gas temperature at which corrosion and fouling become excessive is affected by the following:

- a) concentration in the fuel of sulfur, ash and other contaminants;
- b) fuel or flue-gas additives;
- c) flue-gas oxygen and moisture content;
- d) air-preheater design.

#### F.6.2 Cold-end temperatures

##### F.6.2.1 Recommended minimum metal temperatures

Corrosion of air-preheater cold-end surfaces is generally caused by the condensation of sulfuric acid vapour formed from the products of combustion of a sulfur-laden fuel. The acidic deposits also provide a moist surface that is ideal for collecting solid particles that foul the air preheater’s heat-transfer surface. Consequently, to obtain the preheater design life, it is imperative to measure and control the air preheater’s cold-end surfaces above the acid-dew-point temperature.

##### F.6.2.2 Recommended minimum flue-gas temperatures

Preheater design engineers typically calculate the minimum cold-end metal temperature directly, thus negating the need for flue-gas temperature control altogether.

However, for APH applications in which the exchanger’s minimum metal temperature is not measured or monitored, a common corrosion-avoidance practice is to control the cold flue-gas temperature above a calculated “minimum flue-gas temperature”. This minimum flue-gas-temperature limit is usually the appropriate minimum metal temperature from Figure F.4 plus a small temperature allowance. Temperature allowances of only 8 °C to 14 °C (15 °F to 25 °F) are typical.

##### F.6.2.3 Flue-gas dew-point monitoring

For APH systems with the capacity for reducing stack temperatures below the design temperature, a program of local, periodic flue-gas dew-point testing can offer considerable economic advantages. The dew-point

determinations can be used to adjust the exchanger's cold-end temperature limit. The cold-end metal temperature is lower than the cold flue-gas temperature, so care shall be exercised when the cold flue-gas temperature measurement is the only measurement available.

### F.6.3 Hot-end temperatures

#### F.6.3.1 General

The temperature of the hot flue gas leaving a fired heater is the product of the heater service, design and duty or firing rate. Thus, the hot flue-gas temperature to the preheater is not a variable that can be controlled and it shall be accommodated by the preheater design.

However, for any given set of conditions, a heater's hot flue-gas temperature can be manipulated by altering the heater's radiant- and/or convection-section design. The hot flue-gas temperature can be reduced by increasing the radiant- and/or convection-surface areas.

As a point of reference, current design practices for general-service fired heaters usually produce convection-section cold-end approach temperatures in the range of 60 °C to 160 °C (100 °F to 300 °F). For a conventional countercurrent convection section, the cold-end approach temperature is defined as the temperature differential between the flue gases leaving the convection section and the process fluid entering the convection section. Reducing the approach temperature increases the heater's efficiency and vice versa. Fired heaters with higher cold-end approach temperatures are simply less efficient than current practices and are candidates for efficiency enhancement.

#### F.6.3.2 Regenerative APH exchangers

Regenerative APH exchangers are generally suitable for maximum inlet flue-gas temperatures up to 540 °C (1 000 °F). By using special materials and constructions, these air preheaters can be designed for maximum flue-gas temperatures up to 680 °C (1 250 °F). The exchanger manufacturer should be consulted for specific recommendations.

#### F.6.3.3 Recuperative APH exchangers

The standard cast-iron recuperative air preheater is generally suitable for maximum flue-gas temperatures up to 540 °C (1 000 °F). By using special materials and constructions, these air preheaters can be designed for maximum flue-gas temperatures up to 980 °C (1 800 °F). The exchanger manufacturer should be consulted for specific recommendations.

#### F.6.3.4 Heat pipes and indirect systems

The coils of working fluid systems, whether heat pipes or indirect APH systems, are usually limited by the fluids' maximum allowable film temperatures, not the exchangers' coil material(s). For indirect systems containing a heat-transfer fluid, the fluid manufacturer's maximum allowable film-temperature limit should be followed. In the case of the heat-pipe preheater, the preheater manufacturer should be consulted for specific recommendations.

## F.7 Fan performance guidelines

### F.7.1 Introduction

All APH systems are dependent upon the proper operation of a fan, or fans, to overcome the draught losses (i.e. static pressure losses) inherent in an APH system. Thus, the proper design and performance of such fans is paramount for the APH system to achieve its design performance.

The design requirements of APH fans are established in Clause 11. Clause F.7 addresses the second component, that is, the proper performance of the fan(s).



## F.7.2 Fan sizing

If the heater's design conditions include a significant "design factor" for safety, future process increases and/or a general overage dictated by experience, the resulting APH system can be much larger than that required for the heater's normal operation. Consequently, the oversized APH system's turndown operation can be difficult and inefficient. It is recommended that the system designer consider the heater's design factor in the selection of the following test block factors (flow and static pressure) so that the APH system capabilities "match" the heater's operating requirements.

For example, if the heater duty has a 1,20 design factor (120 % of the normal duty), the use of the typical 1,15 test-block flow factor would establish the test-block flow at 138 % of the heater's normal flow requirements. The practice of applying a significant design factor to another significant design factor is not recommended; such a practice yields oversized fans that do not operate efficiently within the heater's normal operating range.

## F.7.3 Forced-draught fan performance

### F.7.3.1 Design mass flow rates

The forced-draught fan's design mass flow rate is defined as the sum of the following items a) to c):

- a) the heater's, or heaters', combustion-air mass flow rate at design (i.e. 100 % duty) conditions;
- b) the APH exchanger's design leakage air mass flow rate;
- c) the maximum hot-air recycle mass flow rate.

The design volumetric-flow-rate equivalent of the design mass flow rate should be based on the following three items:

- design ambient pressure;
- design ambient humidity;
- design ambient temperature [typically 16 °C (60 °F)].

### F.7.3.2 Test-block flow rate

The above design mass flow rate, which reflects the heater's combustion-air requirements at design conditions (with maximum hot-air recycle, as applicable), should be multiplied by a test-block flow factor to obtain the test-block mass flow rate. For typical APH-system applications, a test-block flow factor ( $F_{\text{tbf}}$ ) of 1,15 (115 %) is recommended. This 1,15 test-block flow factor accounts for the following:

- a) inaccuracies in the calculation of the heater's air requirements;
- b) inaccuracies and/or potential increases in the exchanger's leakage rate;
- c) inaccuracies in the FD fan's rating/sizing correlations;
- d) changes in the fuel composition(s) and/or excess-air percentages;
- e) a small tolerance for unforeseen air losses.

The test-block volumetric-flow-rate equivalent of the test-block mass flow rate should be based on the following design variables:

- design ambient pressure;
- design ambient humidity; and
- maximum ambient temperature.

### **F.7.3.3 Design static pressure**

The FD fan's design static pressure should account for all the APH-system static pressure losses (i.e. draught losses) for the forced-draught zone (see F.8.6.2. for details), plus a small contingency of 10 % to 15 %. The following forced-draught-zone components should be included in the static-pressure-loss tabulation:

- a) FD-fan suction ducting (screen, silencer, suction stack, ducting and fan transition);
- b) cold-air ducting from the FD fan to exchanger (outlet transition, ducting and exchanger transition);
- c) air-side losses of the exchanger;
- d) hot-air ducting from exchanger to burners (outlet transition, ducting and burner plenum);
- e) burner design static pressure loss.

### **F.7.3.4 Test-block static pressure**

The above design static pressure, which reflects the forced-draught zone's static pressure requirements at design conditions, should be multiplied by a test-block static pressure factor. For typical APH-system applications, a test-block static pressure factor ( $F_{\text{tbSP}}$ ) of 1,30 (130 %) is recommended. This factor provides a test-block static pressure that complements the test block flow rate calculated in F.7.3.2.

For systems that apply a test-block flow factor different from that mentioned in F.7.3.2 (115 %), the test-block static pressure factor should be calculated by squaring the test-block flow factor, i.e.  $F_{\text{tbSP}} = (F_{\text{tbF}})^2$ .

## **F.7.4 Induced-draught-fan performance**

### **F.7.4.1 Design mass flow rate**

The induced-draught fan's design mass flow rate is defined as the sum of the following items a) to c):

- a) the heater's, or heaters', flue gas mass flow rate at design (i.e. 100 % duty) conditions;
- b) the APH exchanger's design leakage air mass flow rate;
- c) the heater's design leakage air (through the casing and ducting joints) flow rate.

The design volumetric-flow-rate equivalent of the design mass flow rate should be based on the following four design variables:

- design fuel composition (i.e. design flue-gas relative molecular mass);
- design ambient pressure;
- design relative humidity;
- temperature of flue gases leaving the APH exchanger at design conditions.

#### F.7.4.2 Test-block flow rate

The above design mass flow rate, which reflects the heater's flue-gas removal requirements at design conditions, should be multiplied by a test-block flow factor. For typical APH systems, a test-block flow factor of 1,15 (115 %) is recommended. This flow factor accounts for the following items a) to e):

- a) inaccuracies in the calculation of the heater's flue-gas generation rate;
- b) inaccuracies and/or potential increases in the exchanger's leakage rate;
- c) inaccuracies in the ID fan's rating/sizing correlations;
- d) changes in the fuel composition(s) and/or excess-air percentages;
- e) a small tolerance for unforeseen air leakage.

The test-block volumetric-flow-rate equivalent of the test-block mass flow rate should be based on the following four design variables:

- fuel composition, i.e. the flue-gas relative molecular mass;
- ambient pressure;
- relative humidity;
- test-block temperature of flue-gases leaving the APH exchanger.

The test-block temperature is the temperature of the flue gases leaving the preheater (APH exchanger) at design conditions plus a small temperature allowance or factor. For typical APH applications, a temperature allowance of 25 °C (45 °F) is recommended.

#### F.7.4.3 Design static pressure

The ID fan's design static pressure should account for all the APH system static pressure losses (i.e. draught losses) for the induced-draught and flue-gas-return zones (see F.8.6.3 and F.8.6.4 for details), plus a small contingency of 10 % to 15 %. Included in the static-pressure-loss tabulation should be the following five induced-draught and flue-gas-zones components:

- a) convection-section coil(s) flue-gas side-pressure drop (draught losses);
- b) hot flue-gas ducting (ducting and transition upstream of the APH exchanger);
- c) flue-gas side losses of the exchanger;
- d) ID-fan suction ducting (exchanger transition, ducting and fan inlet);
- e) cold flue-gas ducting (fan transition, ducting and stack inlet).

#### F.7.4.4 Test-block static pressure

The above design static pressure, which reflects the induced-draught and flue-gas-return zones' static pressure requirements at design conditions, should be multiplied by a test-block static pressure factor. For typical APH systems, a test-block static pressure factor of 1,30 (130 %), is recommended. This factor provides a test-block static pressure that complements the test-block flow rate calculated in F.7.4.2.

For systems that apply a test-block flow factor different from that mentioned in F.7.4.2 (115 %), the test-block static pressure factor,  $F_{\text{tbSP}}$ , should be calculated by squaring the test block flow factor [i.e.  $F_{\text{tbSP}} = (F_{\text{tbF}})^2$ ].

### F.7.5 Retrofits

Where APH systems are added to existing fired-heater installations, flexibility in designing the most economical system is usually limited. The system designer shall work closely with the owner/user to achieve optimum results. To compensate for the possibility of greater leakage in an existing fired heater, increases in minimum design flow requirements should be considered.

## F.8 Ductwork design and analysis

### F.8.1 Introduction

Clause F.8 is intended to provide engineering procedures for the design and analysis of complex APH systems with regard to pressure drops and pressure profiles. It has been developed according to, and based on, commonly used correlations and procedures. While the individual correlations are relatively simple, their cumulative application to entire APH systems can become complicated. Comments on some specific applications have been included to provide guidance. Clause F.8 is not intended as a primer on fluid flow; see the references in F.8.9 for additional information.

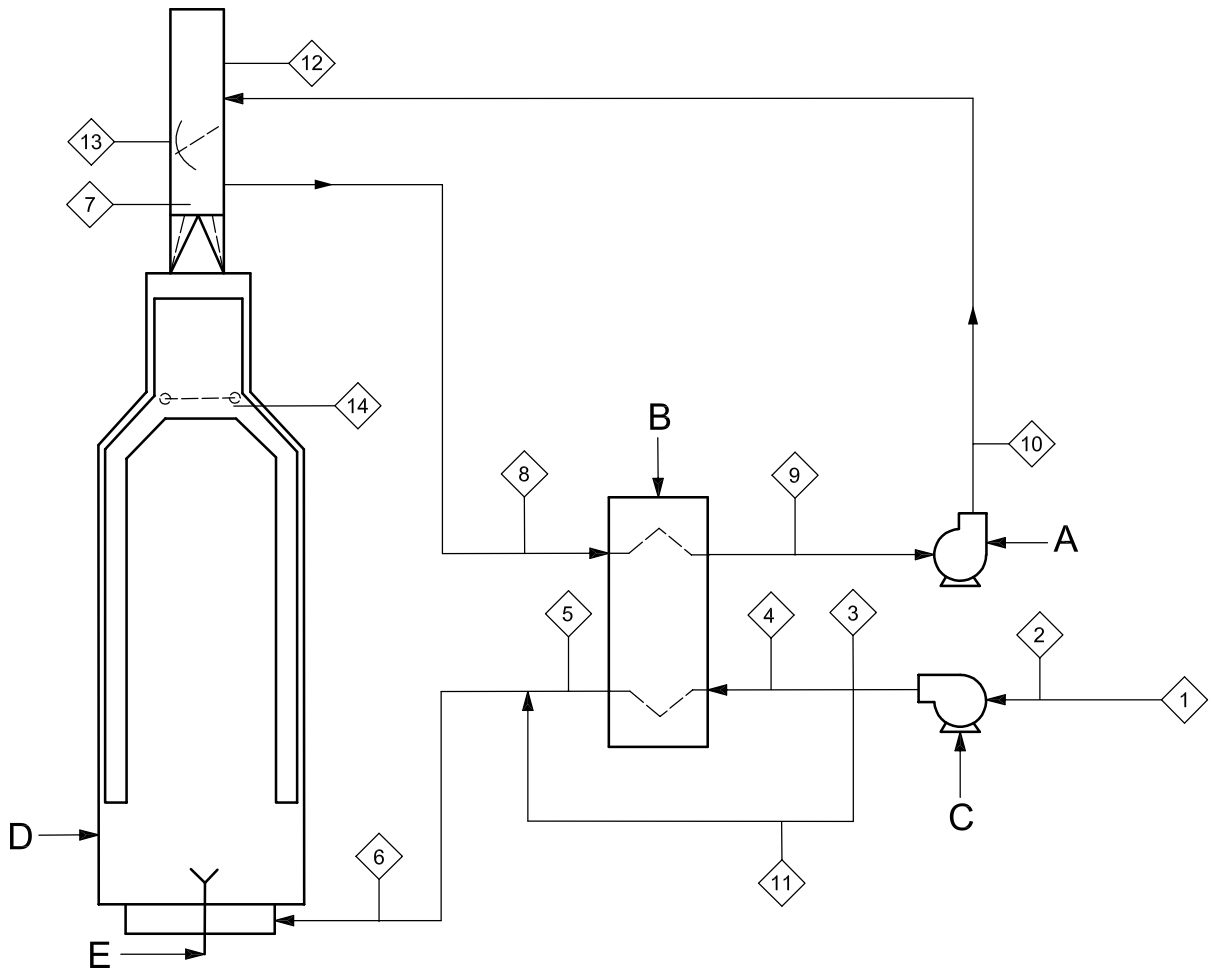
The basic assumption is that all of the pertinent design data such as flows, temperatures and pressure drops for all components are available for integration into the APH-system design. These data should be compiled in a usable form (see Figure F.5 as an example). Additionally, it is necessary to know or to lay out the spatial relationships between the basic pieces of equipment when developing the duct design.

### F.8.2 Velocity guidelines

In the absence of project-specific values, the following design parameters should be used:

- a) straight ducts: design velocity of 15 m/s (50 ft/s);
- b) turns or tees: design velocity of 15 m/s (50 ft/s);
- c) burner air-supply ducts: design velocity of 8 m/s to 10 m/s (25 ft/s to 35 ft/s).

The above design guidelines should be altered to reflect the system's physical constraints and energy costs (lower velocities can be economically justified by savings in hydraulic power). An alternative burner-air-supply-duct design methodology is to set the velocity head in these ducts equal to 10 % of the burner air-side pressure drop.



**Key**

- A induced-draught fan
- B exchanger
- C forced-draught fan
- D furnace
- E fuel

Point number	Flow rate kg/h (lb/h)	Temperature °C (°F)	Pressure mm H <sub>2</sub> O (in H <sub>2</sub> O)
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**Figure F.5 — System work sheet for design and/or analysis**

### F.8.3 Friction factor calculations

#### F.8.3.1 General

Before performing any of the pressure-drop calculations contained in F.8.4, the flow elements' friction factors shall be obtained.

NOTE The correlations of F.8.4 are predicated on the use of Moody friction factors, not Fanning friction factors. The Moody friction factors for lined and unlined ducts can be read from Figure F.6. For the calculation of the Reynolds number ( $Re$ ) in either SI or USC units, see F.8.3.2.

#### F.8.3.2 Reynolds number

The Reynolds number,  $Re$ , is calculated in SI units as given in Equation (F.1) or (F.2):

$$Re = \rho \cdot v \cdot d / \mu \quad (F.1)$$

or

$$Re = q_{m,a} \cdot d / \mu \quad (F.2)$$

where

$d$  is the duct inside diameter, in millimetres;

$\rho$  is the flow density, in kilograms per cubic metre ( $\text{kg/m}^3$ );

$v$  is the linear velocity, in metres per second;

$\mu$  is the viscosity, in millipascal seconds ( $\text{mPa}\cdot\text{s}$ );

$q_{m,a}$  is the areic mass flow rate, in kilograms per square metre per second ( $\text{kg/m}^2\cdot\text{s}$ ).

The Reynolds number,  $Re$ , is calculated in USC units as given in Equation (F.3) or (F.4):

$$Re = 123,9 \times \rho \cdot v \cdot d / \mu \quad (F.3)$$

or

$$Re = 123,9 \times q_{m,a} \cdot d / \mu \quad (F.4)$$

where

$d$  is the duct inside diameter, in inches;

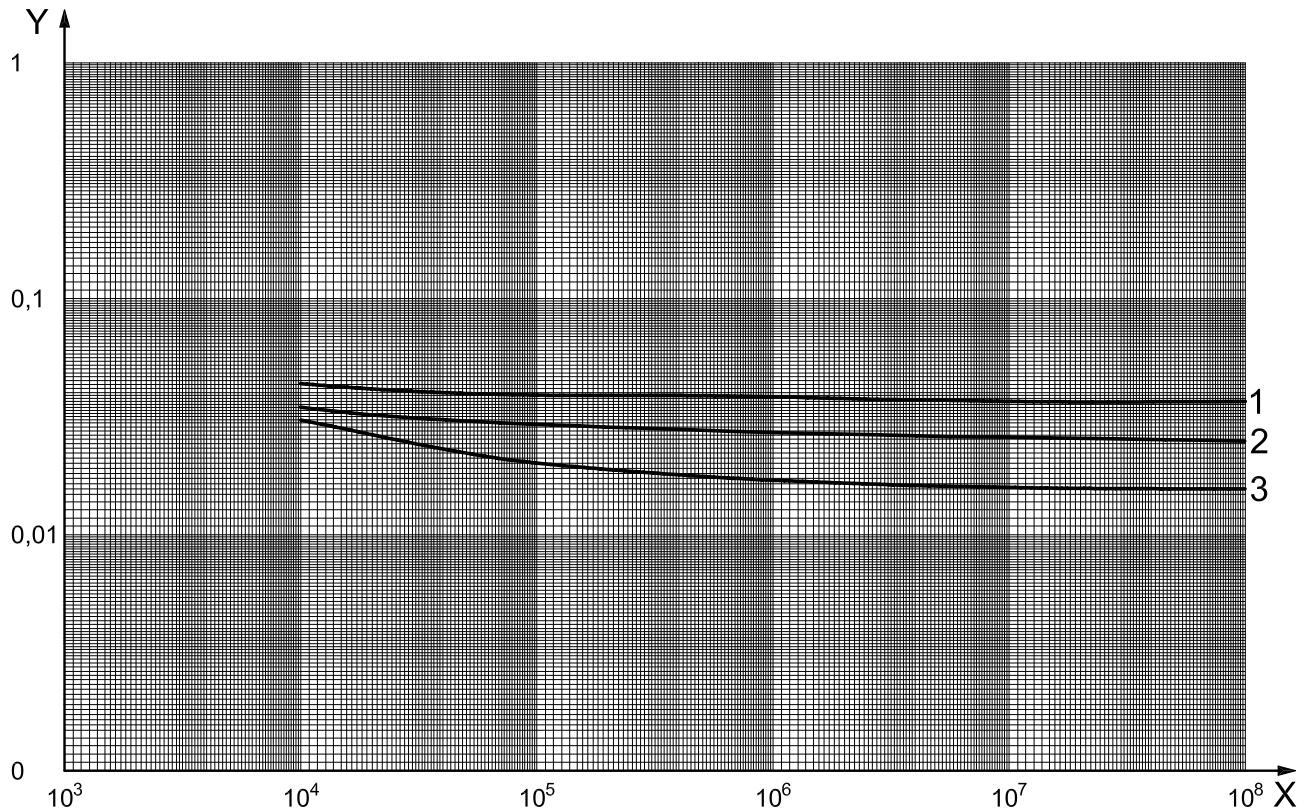
$\rho$  is the flow density, in pounds per cubic foot ( $\text{lb/ft}^3$ );

$v$  is the linear velocity, in feet per second ( $\text{ft/s}$ );

$\mu$  is the viscosity, in centipoise (cP);

$q_{m,a}$  is the areic mass flow rate, in pounds per square foot per second ( $\text{lb/ft}^2\cdot\text{s}$ ).

NOTE "Areic" is the SI term for "per unit area", in this case "mass flow rate per unit area".

**Key**

- X Reynolds number ( $Re = 123,9 \times \rho \cdot v \cdot d / \mu$  or  $123,9 \times q_{m,a} \cdot d / \mu$ )  
 Y Moody's friction factor,  $f_{mF}$   
 1 very rough lined ducts:  $E = 0,01$  (where  $E$  is the relative roughness)  
 2 medium-rough lined ducts:  $E = 0,003$   
 3 smooth unlined ducts:  $E = 0,0005$

**Figure F.6 — Moody's friction factor versus Reynolds number**

### F.8.3.3 Flue-gas and air viscosity

If the viscosities,  $\mu$ , of the combustion-air and/or flue-gas streams are not known at all pertinent locations within the system,  $\mu$ , expressed in millipascal seconds (mPa·s) and  $\mu$ , expressed in centipoise (cP), may be calculated using the generalized Equations (F.5) and (F.6), respectively, for both air and flue gas without introducing any significant error into the pressure-drop calculations:

$$\mu = 0,0162 \left( T/255,6 \right)^{0,691} \quad (\text{F.5})$$

where  $T$  is the absolute temperature, in kelvin (K).

$$\mu = 0,0162 \left( T/460 \right)^{0,691} \quad (\text{F.6})$$

where  $T$  is the absolute temperature, in degrees Rankine ( $^{\circ}\text{R}$ )<sup>12)</sup>.

12) Rankine is a deprecated unit.

## F.8.4 Pressure drop calculations

### F.8.4.1 General

The following equations and figures are a distillation of the large quantity of available literature on the subject of fluid flow. This material has been used successfully in the design of duct systems and it is thought to be particularly useful in that type of calculation. Two formats of each correlation are presented: linear velocity basis and mass velocity basis. Use of either format remains the preference of the designer, as both formats produce similar results.

### F.8.4.2 Pressure drop in a straight duct

#### F.8.4.2.1 Pressure drop

The correlations in Equations (F.7) to (F.11) may be applied to straight ducts with or without internal refractory linings. Additionally, these correlations can be used to calculate fitting losses for any fitting with a hydraulic length. For example, Figure F.8 provides the equivalent lengths of various physical configurations of cylindrical mitred elbows. The mitred elbow's hydraulic length that is used with Equations (F.7) to (F.11) can be obtained by multiplying the elbow's equivalent lengths (from Figure F.8) by its flow diameter.

The pressure drop per 100 m,  $\Delta P_{SI}/100$ , expressed in millimetres of water column (mm H<sub>2</sub>O), is given by Equations (F.7) and (F.8):

$$\Delta P_{SI}/100 = (5,098 \times 10^3) f_{mF} \cdot \rho \cdot v^2 / d \quad (F.7)$$

$$\Delta P_{SI}/100 = (5,098 \times 10^3) f_{mF} \cdot q_{m,a}^2 / \rho \cdot d \quad (F.8)$$

where

- $f_{mF}$  is Moody's friction factor (see Figure F.6);
- $\rho$  is the flowing bulk density, in kilograms per cubic metre;
- $v$  is the linear velocity, in metres per second;
- $q_{m,a}$  is the areic mass flowrate, in kilograms per square metre per second;
- $d$  is the duct inside diameter, in millimetres.

The pressure drop per 100 ft,  $\Delta P_{USC}/100$ , expressed in inches of water column (in H<sub>2</sub>O), is given by Equations (F.9) and (F.10):

$$\Delta P_{USC}/100 = (3,587) f_{mF} \cdot \rho \cdot v^2 / d \quad (F.9)$$

$$\Delta P_{USC}/100 = (3,587) f_{mF} \cdot q_{m,a}^2 / \rho \cdot d \quad (F.10)$$

where

- $f_{mF}$  is Moody's friction factor (see Figure F.6);
- $\rho$  is the flow density, in pounds per cubic foot;
- $v$  is the linear velocity, in feet per second;
- $q_{m,a}$  is the areic mass flow rate, in pounds-mass per square foot per second;
- $d$  is the duct inside diameter, in inches.



#### F.8.4.2.2 Hydraulic mean diameter

Equations (F.1) through (F.4) and Equations (F.7) through (F.10) employ a diameter dimension,  $d$ , and hence are applicable to round ducts. To use these equations for rectangular ducts, an equivalent circular duct diameter, also referred to as the hydraulic mean diameter, needs to be calculated. A useful correlation, in SI or USC units, for the hydraulic mean diameter,  $d_e$ , expressed in millimetres (inches), is given in Equation (F.11):

$$d_e = 2ab/(a + b) \quad (\text{F.11})$$

where

$a$  is the length of one side of rectangle, expressed in millimetres (inches);

$b$  is the length of adjacent side of rectangle, expressed in millimetres (inches).

NOTE When using  $d$  in Equation (F.11), use the actual velocity calculated for the rectangular duct.

#### F.8.4.3 Pressure drop estimation in straight ducts

By making several assumptions, the calculation of pressure drop in straight ducts can be reduced to a simplifying chart, presented for convenience as Figure F.7. Any error introduced is not significant for most cases.

Note that when the pressure drop,  $\Delta P$ , as given in Equation (F.12), is determined from Figure F.7 using a hydraulic mean diameter, it is necessary to apply the correlation shown on the curve rather than the one in Equation (F.11).

$$\Delta P = \Delta P_1 \cdot C_1 \cdot C_2 \quad (\text{F.12})$$

where

$\Delta P$  is the corrected pressure drop per 30 linear m (100 linear ft), expressed in mm H<sub>2</sub>O (in H<sub>2</sub>O);

$\Delta P_1$  is the uncorrected pressure drop taken from Figure 7 a);

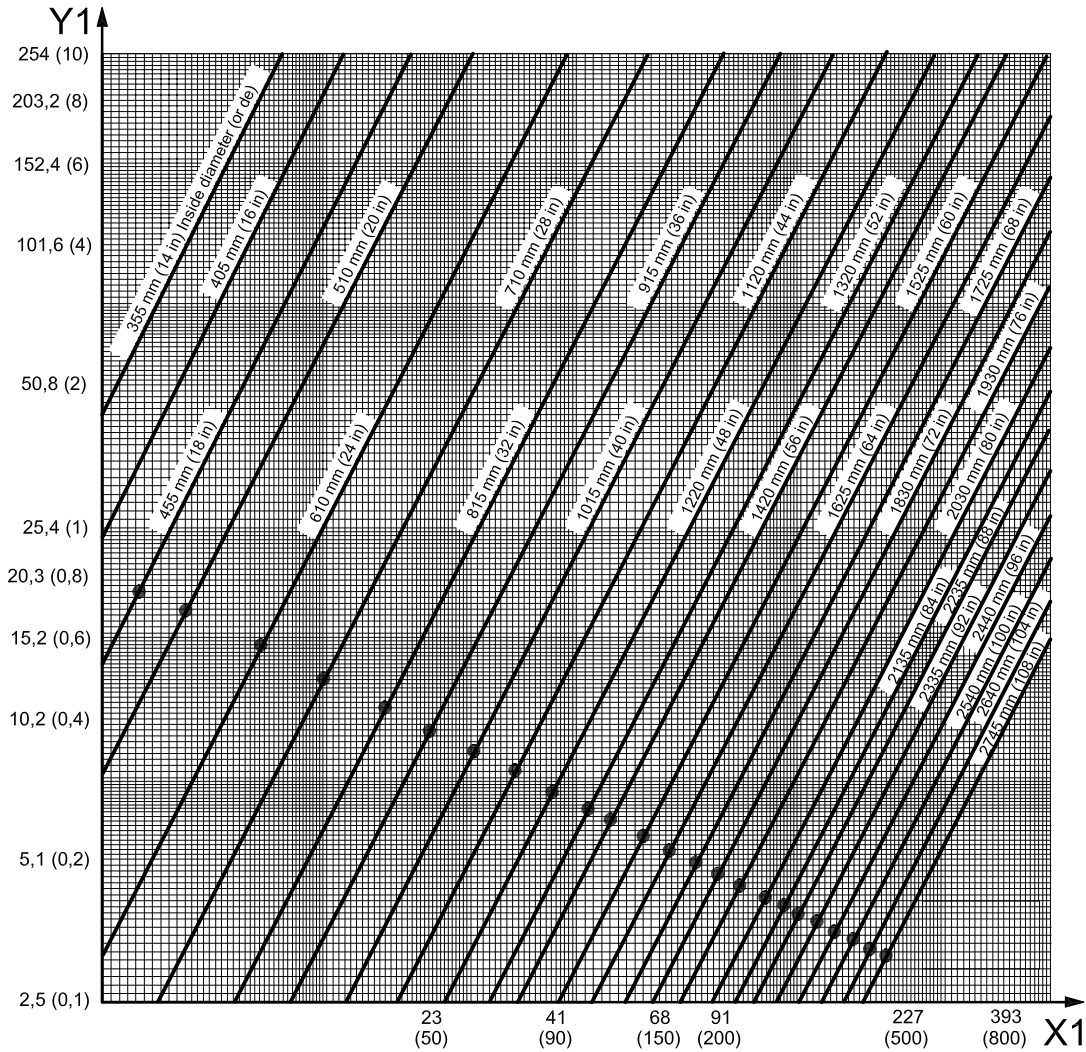
$C_1$  is a pressure-drop correction factor for temperature taken from Figure 7 b);

$C_2$  is a roughness correction factor, as follows:

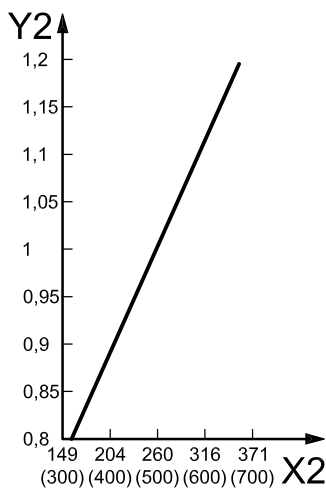
- very rough (e.g. brick): 1,0
- medium-rough (e.g. castable refractory): 0,68
- smooth (e.g. unlined steel): 0,45

The calculation for rectangular ducts is as given in Equation (F.13):

$$d_e = \frac{1,3[(a + b) \cdot 0,25]}{(a \times b) \cdot 0,65} \quad (\text{F.13})$$



a) Uncorrected pressure drop



b) Temperature correction factor

**Key**

- X1 flue-gas mass flow rate, 10<sup>3</sup> kg/h (10<sup>2</sup> lb-m/h)
- Y1 pressure drop,  $\Delta p_1$ , expressed as millimetres H<sub>2</sub>O per 30 linear m (inches H<sub>2</sub>O per 100 linear ft)
- X2 flue-gas temperature, expressed in degrees Celsius (degrees Fahrenheit)
- Y2 pressure-drop correction,  $C_1$

NOTE 1 Flue-gas relative molecular mass is 28.

NOTE 2 Gauge pressure in duct is 100 kPa (14,5 psi).

NOTE 3 The bullet points in the figure coincide with a flue-gas velocity of 15 m/s (50 ft/s).

Figure F.7 — Duct pressure drop versus mass flow

#### F.8.4.4 Pressure drop in fittings and changes in cross-section

The pressure drop,  $\Delta p$ , of formed round elbows, various fittings, shape changes and flow disturbances can be calculated with the loss coefficients provided in Table F.2 and Equations (F.14) and (F.15) for SI units, with  $\Delta p$  expressed in millimetres of water column (mm H<sub>2</sub>O), and Equations (F.16) and (F.17) for USC units with  $\Delta p$  expressed in inches of water column (in H<sub>2</sub>O).

In SI units:

$$\Delta p = C(5,102 \times 10^{-2})\rho \cdot v^2 \quad (\text{F.14})$$

or

$$\Delta p = C(5,102 \times 10^{-2})q_{m,a}^2 / \rho \quad (\text{F.15})$$

where

- $C$  is the fitting loss coefficient from Table F.2;
- $\rho$  is the flowing bulk density, in kilograms per cubic metre;
- $v$  is the linear velocity, in metres per second;
- $q_{m,a}$  is the areic mass flow rate, in kilograms per square metre per second.

In USC units:

$$\Delta p = C(2,989 \times 10^{-3})\rho \cdot v^2 \quad (\text{F.16})$$

or

$$\Delta p = C(2,989 \times 10^{-3})q_{m,a}^2 / \rho \quad (\text{F.17})$$

where

- $C$  is the fitting loss coefficient from Table F.2;
- $\rho$  is the flow density, in pounds per cubic foot;
- $v$  is the linear velocity, in feet per second;
- $q_{m,a}$  is the areic mass flow rate, in pounds-mass per square foot per second;

Consideration should be given to the use of turning or splitter vanes to improve the characteristics of high-pressure-drop fittings.

As previously noted in F.8.4.2, the pressure drop of multiple-piece mitred elbows can be calculated with the use of Equations (F.7) through (F.10) and the equivalent lengths provided. The hydraulic length of a mitred elbow can be obtained by simply multiplying the equivalent length from Figure F.8 by the elbow's flow diameter. Consideration should be given to the use of turning or flow-straightening vanes to improve the flow characteristics of high-pressure-drop fittings. Additional information on this subject can be found in the references cited in F.8.9.

Table F.2 — Loss coefficients for common fittings

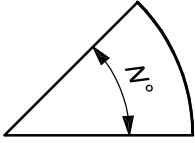
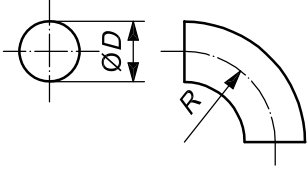
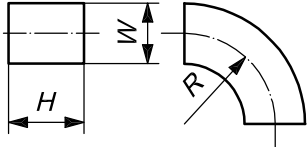
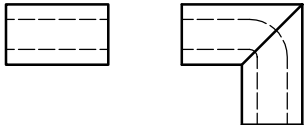
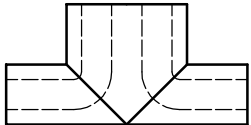
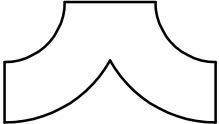
Fitting type	Fitting illustration	Dimensional condition	Loss coefficient	L/D or L/W		
Elbow of $N$ degree turn (rectangular or round)		No vanes	$N/90$ times the value for a similar 90° elbow			
90° round section elbow		Mitre <sup>a</sup> $R/D = 0,5$ $R/D = 1,0$ $R/D = 1,5$ $R/D = 2,0$	1,30 0,90 0,33 0,24 0,19	65 45 17 12 10		
90° rectangular section elbow		Mitre, $H/W = 0,25$ $R/W = 0,5$ $R/W = 1,0$ $R/W = 1,5$	1,25 1,25 0,37 0,19	25 25 7 4		
		Mitre $H/W = 0,5$ $R/W = 0,5$ $R/W = 1,0$ $R/W = 1,5$	1,47 1,10 0,28 0,13	49 40 9 4		
		Mitre $H/W = 1,0$ $R/W = 0,5$ $R/W = 1,0$ $R/W = 1,5$	1,50 1,00 0,22 0,09	75 50 11 4,5		
		Mitre $H/W = 4,0$ $R/W = 0,5$ $R/W = 1,0$ $R/W = 1,5$	1,35 0,96 0,19 0,07	110 85 17 6		
		90° mitre elbow with vanes <sup>a</sup>			$C = 0,1$ to $0,25$	
		Mitred tee with vanes			Equal to an equivalent elbow (90°) (base loss on the entering velocity)	
		Formed tee			Equal to an equivalent elbow (90°) (base loss on the entering velocity)	

Table F.2 (continued)

Fitting type	Fitting illustration	Dimensional condition	Loss coefficient based on velocity in smaller area
Sudden contraction		$A_2/A_1 = 0,2$ $A_2/A_1 = 0,4$ $A_2/A_1 = 0,6$ $A_2/A_1 = 0,8$	0,32 0,25 0,16 0,06
Gradual contraction		$\alpha = 30^\circ$ $\alpha = 45^\circ$ $\alpha = 60^\circ$	0,02 0,04 0,07
Slight contraction, change of axis		$A_1 \cong A_2$ $\alpha \leq 14^\circ$	0,15
Flanged entrance			0,34
Entrance to larger duct			0,85
Bell or formed entrance			0,03
Square-edged orifice at entrance		$D_1/D_2 = 0,2$ $D_1/D_2 = 0,4$ $D_1/D_2 = 0,6$ $D_1/D_2 = 0,8$	1,90 1,39 0,96 0,61

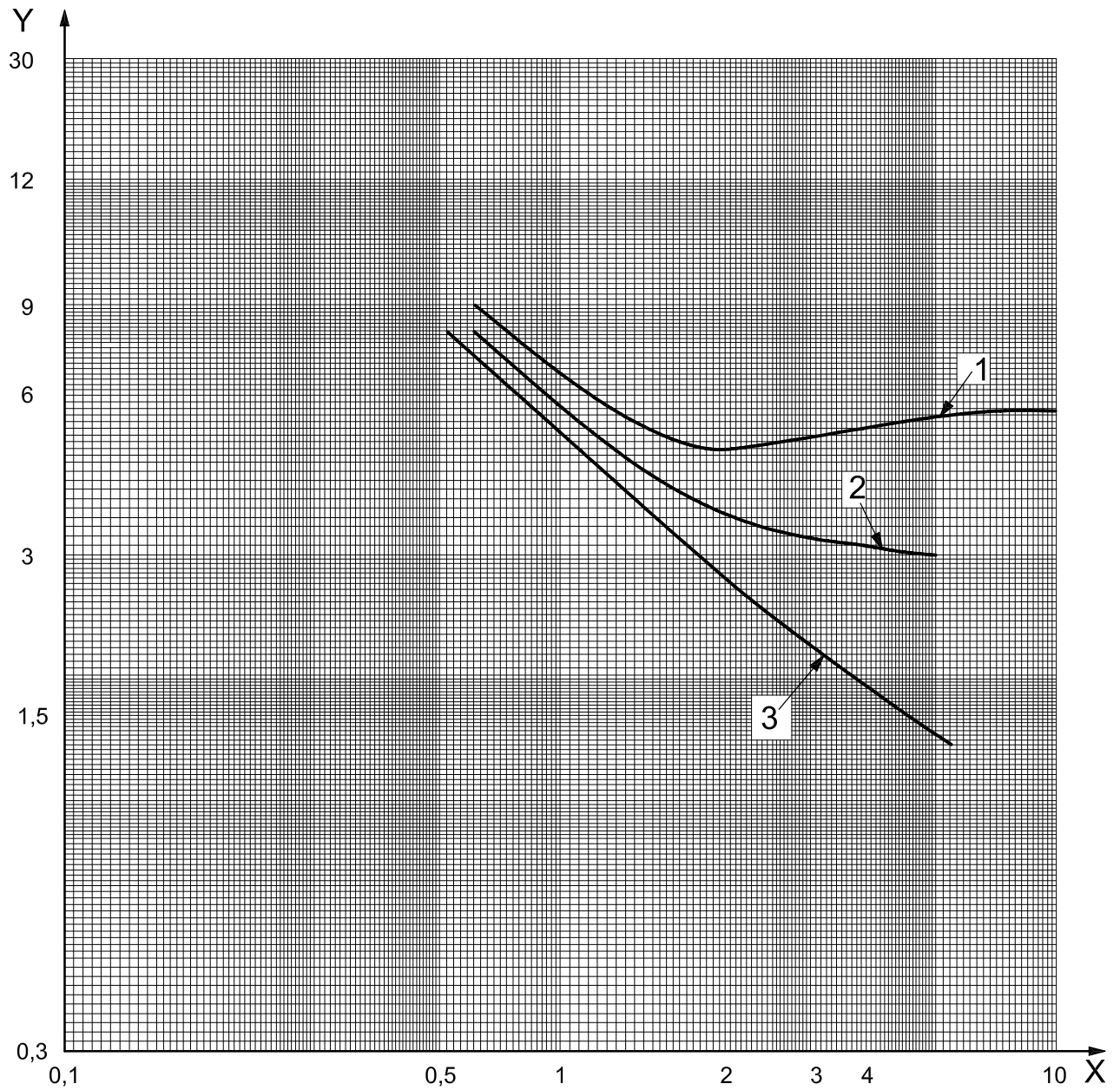
Table F.2 (continued)

Fitting type	Fitting illustration	Dimensional condition	Loss coefficient based on velocity in smaller area
Square-edged orifice in duct <sup>b</sup>		$D_1/D_2 = 0,2$ $D_1/D_2 = 0,4$ $D_1/D_2 = 0,6$ $D_1/D_2 = 0,8$	1,86 1,21 0,64 0,20
Sudden enlargement		$A_1/A_2 = 0,1$ $A_1/A_2 = 0,3$ $A_1/A_2 = 0,6$ $A_1/A_2 = 0,9$	0,81 0,49 0,16 0,01
Gradual enlargement		$\alpha = 5^\circ$ $\alpha = 10^\circ$ $\alpha = 20^\circ$ $\alpha = 30^\circ$ $\alpha = 40^\circ$	0,17 0,28 0,45 0,59 0,73
Sudden exit		$A_1/A_2 \cong 0$	1,0
Square-edged orifice at exit		$A_2/A_1 = 0,2$ $A_2/A_1 = 0,4$ $A_2/A_1 = 0,6$ $A_2/A_1 = 0,8$	2,44 2,26 1,96 1,54
Bar in duct		$D_1/D_2 = 0,10$ $D_1/D_2 = 0,25$ $D_1/D_2 = 0,50$	0,7 1,4 4,0
Pipe or rod in duct		$D_1/D_2 = 0,10$ $D_1/D_2 = 0,25$ $D_1/D_2 = 0,50$	0,2 0,55 2,0
Streamlined object in duct		$D_1/D_2 = 0,10$ $D_1/D_2 = 0,25$ $D_1/D_2 = 0,50$	0,07 0,23 0,90

<sup>a</sup> This value is for a two-piece mitre. For three-, four- or five-piece mitres, see Figure F.8.

<sup>b</sup> For permanent loss in venturis, use a loss coefficient of 0,05 based on throat area.

<sup>c</sup> A and D represent the cross-sectional area and the diameter, respectively, of the relevant section of the fitting.

**Key**

- $X$  radius ratio,  $R/D$   
 $Y$  equivalent length,  $L/D$   
 1 3-piece elbow  
 2 4-piece elbow  
 3 5-(or more) piece elbow

**Figure F.8 — Equivalent lengths for mitred elbows of round cross-section**

**F.8.4.5 Pressure drop in branch connections**

Velocity head,  $H_{v,i}$  at location  $i$ , expressed in millimetres of water column (mm H<sub>2</sub>O), and the corresponding pressure-drop values for the flow-through manifold branch and run connections can be calculated in SI units as given in Equations (F.18) and F.19):

$$H_{v,i} = (5,102 \times 10^{-2}) \rho \cdot v_i^2 \tag{F.18}$$

or

$$H_{v,i} = (5,102 \times 10^{-2}) q_{m,a,i} / \rho \tag{F.19}$$

where

- $v_i$  is the linear velocity at location  $i$ , expressed in metres per second;
- $\rho$  is the flowing bulk density, in kilograms per cubic metre (kg/m<sup>3</sup>);
- $q_{m,a,i}$  is the linear velocity at location  $i$ , expressed in kilograms per square metre per second;
- $i$  equals 1 for an upstream location, 2 for a downstream location and 3 for a branch location; see Figures F.9 and F.10.

Velocity head,  $H_{v,i}$  at location  $i$ , expressed in inches of water column (in H<sub>2</sub>O), and the corresponding pressure-drop values for the flow-through manifold branch and run connections can be calculated in USC units as given in Equations (F.20) and F.21):

$$H_{v,i} = (2,989 \times 10^{-3}) \rho \cdot v_i^2 \tag{F.20}$$

or

$$H_{v,i} = (2,989 \times 10^{-3}) q_{m,a,i} / \rho \tag{F.21}$$

where

- $v_i$  is the linear velocity at location  $i$ , expressed in feet per second;
- $\rho$  is the flowing bulk density, expressed in pounds-mass per cubic foot;
- $q_{m,a,i}$  is the linear velocity at location  $i$ , expressed in pounds per square foot per second;
- $i$  equals 1 for an upstream location, 2 for a downstream location and 3 for a branch location; see Figures F.9 and F.10.

Upon obtaining the velocity-head figures at the necessary locations, the run- or branch-connection pressure drop can then be calculated, respectively, with Equations (F.22) and (F.23).



The pressure drop,  $\Delta P_{1,2}$ , in the run location 1 to 2, expressed in mm H<sub>2</sub>O (in H<sub>2</sub>O), is given by Equation (F.22) in SI or USC units:

$$\Delta P_{1,2} = C_{r,1,2} (H_{v,1} - H_{v,2}) \quad (\text{F.22})$$

where

$C_{r,1,2}$  is the run-loss coefficient, from location 1 to 2, dimensionless;

NOTE A typical value is 0,50 for the net value of loss and regain, but this could be lower for a well-designed branch connection.

$H_{v,1}$  and  $H_{v,2}$  are the velocity heads at locations 1 and 2, respectively, expressed in mm H<sub>2</sub>O (in H<sub>2</sub>O).

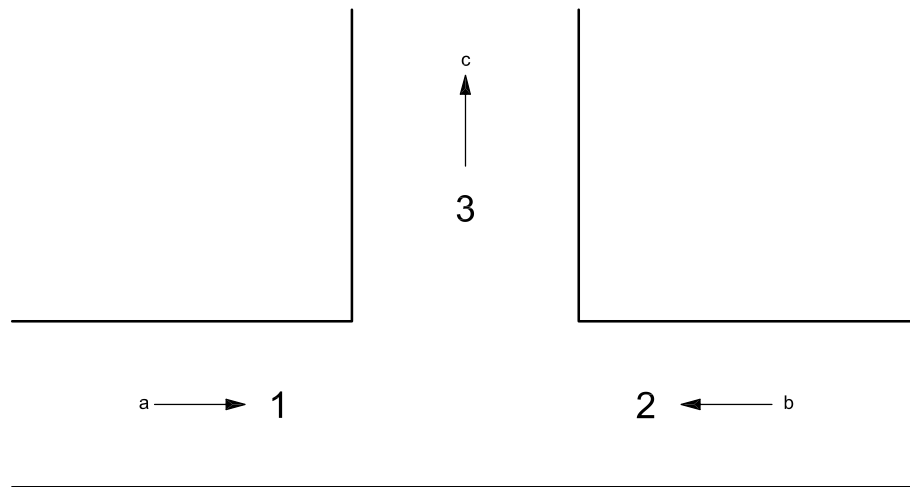
The pressure drop,  $\Delta P_{1,3}$ , into branch, location 1 to 3, expressed in mm H<sub>2</sub>O (in H<sub>2</sub>O), is given by Equation (F.23) in SI or USC units:

$$\Delta P_{1,3} = H_{v,1} (C_{b,1,3} - 1) + H_{v,3} \quad (\text{F.23})$$

where

$H_{v,1}$  and  $H_{v,3}$  are the velocity heads, at locations 1 and 3, respectively, expressed in mm H<sub>2</sub>O (in H<sub>2</sub>O);

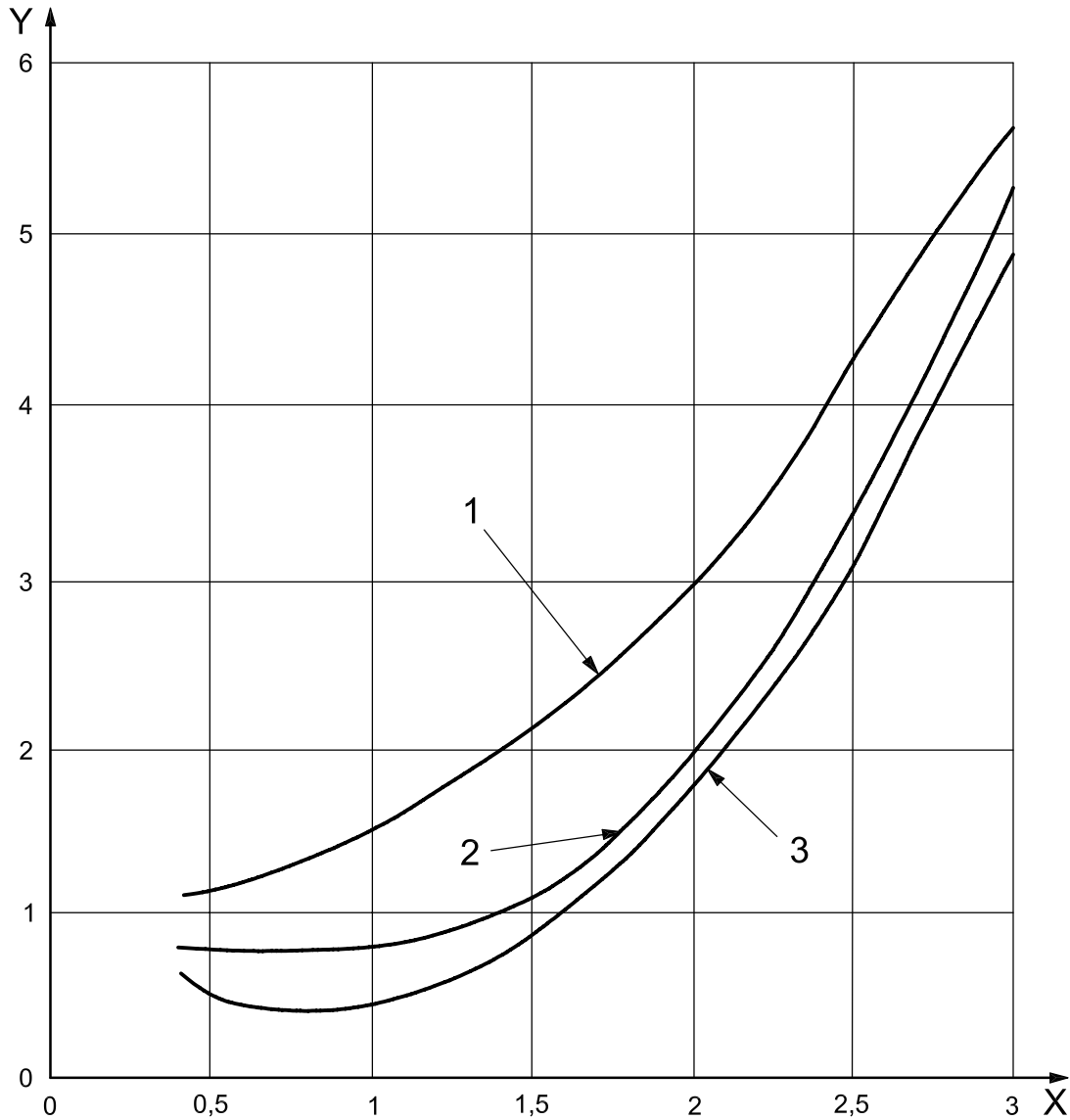
$C_{b,1,3}$  is the branch loss coefficient (see Figures F.9 and F.10), from location 1 to 3, dimensionless.



#### Key

- 1 inlet stream 1
- 2 inlet stream 2
- 3 combined stream in branch
- a  $v_1$  or  $q_{m,a,1}$
- b  $v_2$  or  $q_{m,a,2}$
- c  $v_3$  or  $q_{m,a,3}$

Figure F.9 — Location of pressure-measuring points 1, 2 and 3



**Key**

- X branch to main velocity ratio,  $v_3/v_1$
- Y branch loss coefficient,  $C_b$ , based on upstream main velocity
- 1 90° take-off
- 2 60° take-off
- 3 45° take-off

**Figure F.10 — Branch loss coefficients**

**F.8.5 Differential pressure (draught) resulting from temperature differential**

The draught or differential pressure,  $\Delta P$ , calculated in SI units and expressed in mm H<sub>2</sub>O, is given by Equation (F.24):

$$\Delta P = 0,1203 \times P_a [(29/T_a) - (M_r/T_g)] (l_2 - l_1) \tag{F.24}$$

where

- $P_a$  is the atmospheric absolute pressure at site grade, expressed in kilopascals;
- $T_a$  is the absolute temperature of ambient air, expressed in kelvin;
- $T_g$  is the temperature of flue gas or air in duct, expressed in kelvin;
- $M_r$  is the relative molecular mass of the flue gas, expressed in kilograms per kilogram-mole;
- $l_1$  is the elevation of point 1 above grade, expressed in metres;
- $l_2$  is the elevation of point 2 above grade, expressed in metres.

The draught or differential pressure,  $\Delta P$ , calculated in USC units and expressed in in H<sub>2</sub>O, is given by Equation (F.25):

$$\Delta P = 0,0179 \times P_a [(29/T_a) - (M_r/T_g)] (l_2 - l_1) \quad (\text{F.25})$$

where

- $P_a$  is the atmospheric absolute pressure at site grade, expressed in pounds per square inch;
- $T_a$  is the absolute temperature of ambient air, expressed in degrees Rankine;
- $T_g$  is the temperature of flue gas or air in duct, expressed in degrees Rankine;
- $M_r$  is the relative molecular mass of the flue gas, expressed in pounds per pound-mole;
- $l_1$  is the elevation of point 1 above grade, expressed in feet;
- $l_2$  is the elevation of point 2 above grade, expressed in feet.

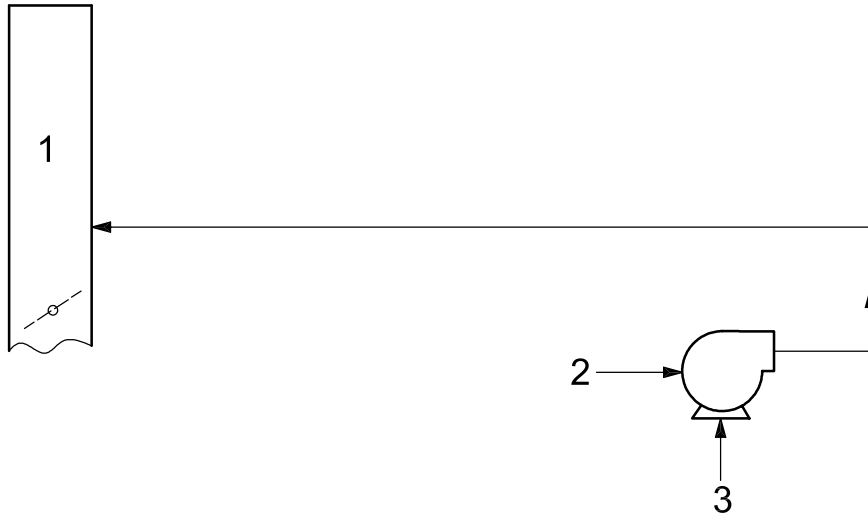
## F.8.6 System zones

### F.8.6.1 General

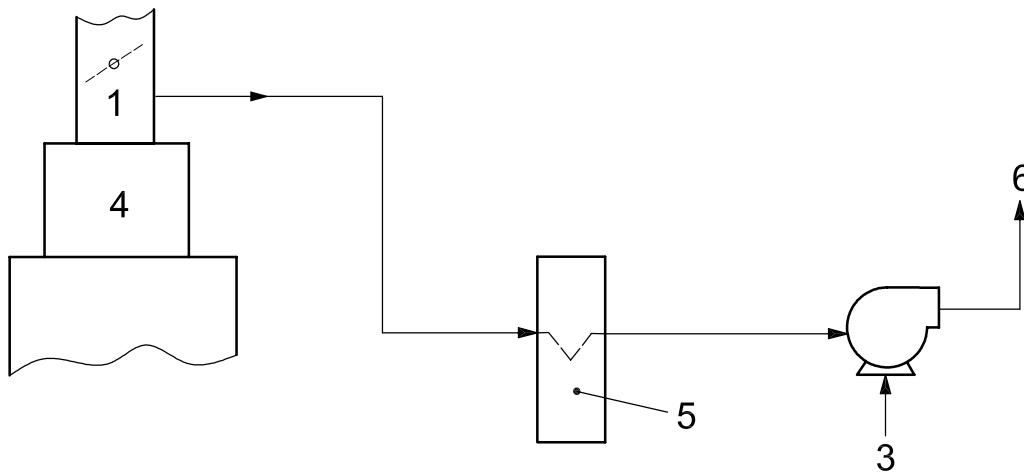
Regardless of which type of APH system is used, one or more of the duct zones shown in Figure F.11 is probably involved. Knowledge of the basic flows, temperatures and pressure drops for equipment within the system and knowledge of the basic spatial relationships of the components of the system are necessary for establishing meaningful calculations.

The following are two common sources of error, which should be considered in the evaluation of the forced- and induced-draught zones.

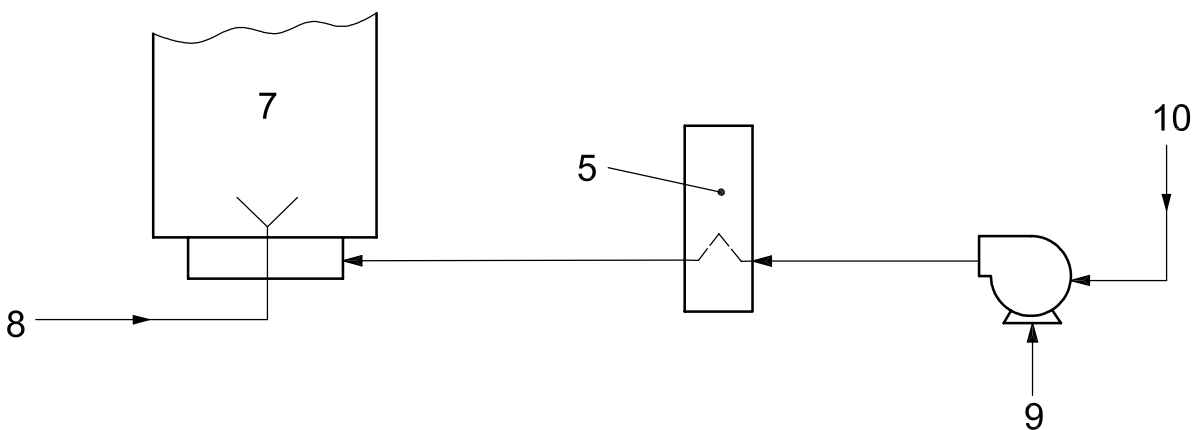
- a) Because a small pressure differential exists across the stack-isolation damper, some cold-to-hot flue-gas recycling occurs. Such flue-gas recycling reduces the effectiveness of the preheater and, if the amount is large, it can overload the ID fan.
- b) Similarly, because a small pressure differential exists between the air and flue-gas sides of a preheat exchanger, air leakage into the flue-gas stream occurs in regenerative exchangers and can occur in most recuperative exchangers. Typically, regenerative exchangers in good condition experience 5 % to 15 % air-leakage rates. Leakage rates are higher if the exchanger is in need of maintenance. Recuperative exchangers typically have less than 1,0 % leakage rates. If there is any air leakage across the air preheater, it is necessary to add it to the cold flue-gas flow at this point to determine the induced-draught fan's flow rate.



a) Typical induced-draught zone (induced-draught blower to top of stack)



b) Typical induced-draught zone (furnace to induced-draught blower)



c) Typical forced-air zone

**Key**

- |   |                            |   |                |    |                         |
|---|----------------------------|---|----------------|----|-------------------------|
| 1 | stack with damper          | 5 | air preheater  | 8  | fuel                    |
| 2 | from air preheater         | 6 | to stack       | 9  | forced-draught fan      |
| 3 | induced-draught blower     | 7 | furnace plenum | 10 | inlet trunk or silencer |
| 4 | furnace convection section |   |                |    |                         |

**Figure F.11 — Duct zones**

### F.8.6.2 Forced-draught zone

The forced-draught zone usually consists of the following: inlet stack, suction ducting, forced-draught fan, cold-air ducting, preheater, hot-air ducting, burner plenum and burners. Using the ends of this zone (e.g. the burner discharge and suction-stack inlet) as the anchor points, the operating pressure profile within the FD zone can be described as follows.

- a) The pressure at the burner discharge, inside the fired heater, is the draught at the floor (i.e. the arch draught plus the radiant-section draught). It is necessary to add the pressure drop across the burner to this floor-draught pressure (whether it be negative or positive) to obtain the burner-plenum or burner-duct pressure.
- b) If appropriate, the pressure losses of the feeder ducts (i.e. branch connections) should be added to the burner plenum pressure to arrive at the hot-combustion-air-duct terminus pressure.
- c) As appropriate, the pressure losses of the hot-combustion-air ducting should be added to the hot-air-duct terminus pressure to arrive at the preheater's hot-air outlet pressure.
- d) As appropriate, an allowance should be made for any dampers and/or flow-measurement devices in the hot-combustion-air ducting.
- e) The preheater's air-side pressure drop should be added to the preheater's outlet pressure to arrive at the preheater's inlet pressure.
- f) The pressure losses of the fan-discharge ducting should be added to the preheater's inlet pressure to arrive at a FD-fan discharge pressure.
- g) The pressure losses through the suction stack, silencer and suction ducting should be subtracted from the atmospheric pressure to obtain the FD-fan's suction pressure.
- h) By definition, the FD-fan's static pressure rise is the FD-fan's discharge pressure minus its suction pressure.

Clearly, the above overview is conceptual and the pressure profile of each zone requires a specific analysis that accounts for the unique features of the system.

### F.8.6.3 Induced-draught zone

The elements in this zone are typically the following: the convection section, uptake ducts, stack breeching, lower-stack section, isolation damper, hot-flue-gas ducting, air preheater, suction ducting, induced-draught fan, cold-flue-gas ducting and stack. All pressures upstream of the ID fan are increasingly negative. Pressures downstream of the ID-fan should be slightly positive (i.e. above atmospheric pressure). Using the ends of this zone (e.g. the arch and ID-fan inlet flange) as the anchor points, the operating-pressure profile within the ID zone can be described as follows.

- a) The gauge pressure at the arch is typically specified to be  $-2,5 \text{ mm H}_2\text{O}$  ( $-0,10 \text{ in H}_2\text{O}$ ).
- b) The pressure drop of the convection section, and any supplemental heat-recovery coils, should be subtracted from the arch pressure to arrive at the breeching pressure.
- c) The pressure drop of the stack transition, uptake ducts and stack plenum (as appropriate) should be subtracted from the breeching pressure to arrive at the stack-base pressure.
- d) The pressure losses of the lower stack, hot-flue ducts and preheater inlet transition should be subtracted from the stack-base pressure to arrive at the preheater inlet pressure.
- e) The pressure drop of the preheater should be subtracted from the inlet pressure to arrive at the preheater outlet pressure.
- f) The pressure drop of the preheater-outlet transition and suction ducting should be subtracted from the preheater outlet pressure to obtain the ID-fan suction pressure.

#### F.8.6.4 Flue-gas-return zone (induced-draught fan to top of stack)

The elements in this zone are the induced-draught fan, the cold-flue-gas ducting and the upper stack. It should be noted that a separate stack can be utilized so that the flue gas is not returned to the original stack. Using the ends of this zone (e.g. the stack-discharge point and ID-fan inlet flange) as the anchor points, the operating pressure profile within this zone can be described as follows.

- a) The pressure drop of the upper stack, cold-flue-gas ducting and the ID-fan discharge ducting should be added to atmospheric pressure to arrive at the ID-fan's discharge pressure.
- b) By definition, the ID-fan's static pressure rise is the ID-fan's discharge pressure minus its suction pressure.

#### F.8.7 Draught effects

Even though they are commonly considered during stack-draught calculations, draught effects are present for any system involving both a temperature differential (internal temperature vs. ambient temperature) and changes in elevation. This draught effect can produce either positive or negative pressure changes depending on elevation changes and conditions. All duct calculations should account for the differential pressures resulting from temperature differences, commonly known as draught effect. Draught effects should be accounted for in determining net pressure losses or gains in any system.

Refer to F.8.5 for the recommended methodology that may be used to calculate draught effect.

#### F.8.8 Dual-draught systems

In those systems with burners intended to be operated on natural draught as well as in the forced- or induced-draught mode, the sizing and arranging of ducts, plenums and air-door components must accommodate both types of operations. It is necessary that the heater's draught be adequate to overcome the friction losses of the system between the burner and the atmosphere. To facilitate swift conversion to natural draught, it is common practice to provide "natural-draught air doors" on, or adjacent to, the burner plenum. These doors fail open as appropriate to provide a local source of ambient combustion air for the heater.

#### F.8.9 Additional references

References [39] to [43] provide additional information.

### F.9 Major-components design guidelines

#### F.9.1 Introduction

Clause F.9 covers the design and fabrication of the various APH-system components that are not covered elsewhere within this International Standard. The preferred choice of materials, where applicable, is also included.

#### F.9.2 Ductwork

##### F.9.2.1 General

The ductwork requirements for APH systems can be separated into two classifications: flue-gas ductwork and combustion-air ductwork. The mechanical and structural design principles are the same for both. General recommended design requirements are the following.

- a) Design and fabrication should comply with this International Standard.
- b) Ducts should be gas-tight.

- c) Field joints should be flange-and-gasket or seal-welded construction.
- d) Ductwork should permit replacement of components (e.g. dampers, blowers, heat exchangers and expansion joints).
- e) Ductwork should provide uniform fluid flow distribution into the APH exchanger.

Failure to achieve a uniform velocity distribution can reduce the performance of preheaters and fans. Internal duct bracing, if used, should not be installed within three diameters of equipment since disruption or restriction of the flow can occur. Use of turning vanes or straightening vanes should be considered to ensure uniform distribution.

### F.9.2.2 Cross-section

The choice of cylindrical or rectangular duct designs is based on packaging (i.e. physical shape requirements) and economics. Where space permits, round sections of ducts are recommended because of the following.

- a) Round ducting provides the maximum flow area per unit of duct mass.
- b) Round ducting is structurally stronger than rectangular ductwork of the same mass.
- c) Round ducting generally requires less material for structural support.
- d) Round ducting is less prone to resonating with the induced harmonics.

Rectangular ducts shall be reinforced in a manner that keeps the deflections and stresses within acceptable limits. Also, the designer should avoid having the flat side of ducts coincidentally resonant with blower or fan speeds. Designing for possible buckling of flat walls can require additional bracing for stiffness.

### F.9.2.3 Layout and routing considerations

The following are recommended ductwork layout and routing guidelines.

- a) All flue-gas ducts that tie into a heater stack should have a structural anchor (on the duct) close to the stack tie-in point. An expansion joint should be located between the fixed point (i.e. anchor) and the stack to minimize the duct thermal-expansion forces and the resultant significant bending moment.
- b) A single stack is recommended for “common” APH systems that service multiple heaters.
- c) Manually adjustable and lockable biasing dampers should be provided in all applications that have parallel air ducts connected to a common header. Each parallel air duct should have its own biasing damper to provide a means for adjusting the airflow in each duct.
- d) All duct sections should be equipped with low-point drain connections. These connections should be at least DN 40 (NPS 1 1/2) nominal size.
- e) Manways should be a minimum of (460 × 460) mm [(18 × 18) in] and so located in the ductwork (if size permits) to provide for internal access to the entire duct system.
- f) Vertical, self-supporting cylindrical ducts should be designed as stacks. They should be designed to safely withstand wind loads and wind-induced (vortex-shedding) vibrations as specified in 13.5.
- g) Structural force should not be imposed on expansion joints.
- h) Expansion provisions for lined ducts should be based on the calculated casing temperature plus 55 °C (100 °F).

#### **F.9.2.4 Mechanical design**

##### **F.9.2.4.1 Design pressure**

Ductwork should be structurally designed for the maximum expected shut-in pressure of the fan or the differential pressure (i.e. the maximum operating pressure minus the ambient pressure), whichever is greater, but not less than 3,4 kPa (0,5 psig). If the design defaults to 3,4 kPa (0,5 psig) design pressure, it should be assumed that the fluid pressure is positive within the duct. Flat surfaces on the rectangular ductwork, if operating at less than atmospheric pressure inside the duct, shall be designed for the expected vacuum.

##### **F.9.2.4.2 Design loads**

Ducts and supports should be designed to accommodate all thermal and mechanical loads that can be imposed, including erection (including the mass of wet refractory during start-up, operation or shutdown of the system). Where duct sections can be removed for maintenance activities, the effect of existing loads and new forces results in changes of deflection or stress; the entire system design shall again be mechanically verified in accordance with codes or procedures agreed to by the user and the vendor. The loads and thermal effects of cold-weather design conditions (i.e. snow and ice) during shutdowns should also be considered in the analysis of ductwork. Additional reinforcement can be required for transient conditions or resonant fan conditions.

##### **F.9.2.4.3 Thermal expansion**

All ductwork subject to thermal expansion should be analyzed for thermal stresses encountered at the design pressure and design metal temperature. All ductwork subject to thermal expansion shall have supports designed to freely accommodate the expected movement resulting from thermal effects or to accept the forces and stresses. The use of rollers, graphite slides or polytetrafluoroethylene slide plates can be required to prevent binding of support shoes.

##### **F.9.2.5 Combustion air plenums**

The plenum design and layout should be such that there is a clearance around and under the plenum to permit withdrawal of burner parts without dismantling the plenum. The plenum should not enclose the structural supports of the fired process heater without providing for structural integrity. Plenum design should be such that the process-heater floor structure does not fail in the event of a fire in the plenum.

In retrofit situations, the design of floor support beams in the existing process heater shall be verified during the design for the effects of preheated air on structural integrity. Separate insulated plenum boxes can be required. The use of air spaces between main structural supports and preheated air plenums should be considered during the design.

#### **F.9.3 Expansion joints**

##### **F.9.3.1 General**

All ductwork subject to thermal expansion shall be furnished with metallic-bellows or flexible-fabric-bellows expansion joints suitable for gas temperatures expected in the ductwork and resistant to any corrosion products in the gas stream. Internal sleeve liners to protect the bellows of the expansion joint should be considered. Stiffening rings may be installed on either end of expansion joints in the ductwork to prevent ovaling of the ductwork or other distortion of the ductwork in the event of replacement of the expansion joint.

All ducts having expansion joints at both ends shall be suitably anchored or restrained between the joints to ensure absorption of ductwork thermal growth in the expansion joints in the desired manner.

If duct thermal expansion is deliberately controlled to cause lateral deflection in the expansion joint, the expansion joint shall be specified and designed to absorb lateral deflection or angulation without overstressing the bellows material at design temperature. Expansion joints subject only to lateral deflection should be provided with tie rods across the bellows. The tie-rod connections to the duct work shall be gimballed to allow



lateral displacement in the expansion joint without bending or shearing the tie rods or tie-rod connections. Do not use a tied expansion joint to absorb both axial and lateral deflections. Only internal pressure thrusts are contained by tie rods.

### F.9.3.2 Fabric expansion joints

Flexible fabric joints should be used to avoid stressing and/or deforming adjoining equipment. These expansion joints are usually a layered construction of materials suitable for the design conditions. If fabric expansion joints are used adjacent to components requiring steam cleaning or water washing, the use of internal sleeves is recommended to prevent water damage to the fabric joint.

### F.9.3.3 Metallic slip joints

Packed slip expansion joints can be a suitable alternative to fabric joints for negative-pressure applications. These slip joints should be designed to provide positive retention of the packing and permit packing replacement from the outside while the duct is in service. These joints should be between solid anchor points in hot ductwork.

Slip joints are subject to binding because of dirt, paint or corrosion. Avoid using slip joints adjacent to blower/fan inlet or outlet flanges. Slide bars or guide pins should be provided to prevent angulation (i.e. cocking) in the gland when friction or stresses within the gland is/are inconsistent around the joint circumference. Packed expansion joints can be designed to take horizontal movements if used as two hinged joints.

## F.9.4 Dampers

### F.9.4.1 Overview

In any duct-system design, the selection and location of the system's dampers should consider safety, maintenance, process and control needs and requirements. In short, each damper application has its own unique set of requirements. Table F.3 provides recommended damper types for the common APH-system applications.

When selecting a damper, the following should be considered:

- a) design pressure and design differential pressure;
- b) design temperature;
- c) design leakage rate;
- d) application type, as discussed below;
- e) mode of operation (manual, automatic, etc.);
- f) materials of construction of blades, shafts, bearings, frame, etc.;
- g) rate of operation;
- h) local instrumentation (limit switches, positioners, etc.).

Dampers can be classified into four types, based upon the amount of internal leakage across the closed damper at operating pressures:

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|---|---------------------------|
| — tight shutoff:                        | low leakage;              |
| — isolation or guillotine (slide gate): | no leakage;               |
| — flow control or distribution:         | medium to high leakage;   |
| — natural-draught air-inlet doors:      | low leakage to full open. |

Tight shutoff dampers may be of single blade or multi-blade construction. Leakage rates of 0,5 % or less of flow at operating conditions are typical.

Guillotine blinds or slide gates are used to isolate equipment, either after a change to natural draught or when isolating one of several heaters served by a common preheat system. The design should consider exposure of personnel, the effects of leakage on heater operation, the tightness of damper shutoff and the location of the damper (close to or remote from the affected heater). Isolation or guillotine (slide gate) dampers are designed to have no internal leakage when closed and may include double-gate with air purge or double-block-and-bleed designs consisting of one or more dampers in series with an air purge between. Internal leakage rates of 0 % are expected with this type of damper. Guillotines may have insulated blades to allow personnel to safely enter ductwork (downstream of the damper) during operation of connected equipment. Refer to F.9.4.3 for further guidelines.

Flow-control dampers are typically multiple-louvre, opposed-acting, multiple-blade dampers because such dampers have superior flow-control capabilities. Parallel-blade or single-blade dampers should not be applied where the flow-directing feature inherent in their design can impair fan performance or provide an unbalanced flow distribution in the preheater. Actuation linkage for dampers used for control or tight shutoff should have a minimum number of parallel or series arms. The potential for asymmetrical blade movement and leakage increases with linkage complexity.

Natural-draught air doors shall be designed as fail-open devices in the event of loss of mechanical draught provided by combustion-air fan. Natural-draught air doors should be sized and located in the ductwork such that combustion-air flow to the burners during natural-draught operations is symmetrical and unrestricted. The expected leakage or the leakage to be tolerated shall be stated in specifying damper requirements. With the exception of isolation-damper designs, the amount of leakage varies with type and operating conditions.

**Table F.3 — Recommended damper types**

Equipment	Function	Recommended damper type
Forced-draught		
Inlet	Control	Radial-vane damper, blade louvre or inlet box damper
Outlet	Isolation for personnel safety	Zero-leakage slide gate or guillotine blind
Outlet	Control	Multi-blade louvre
Induced-draught		
Inlet	Control	Radial-vane damper, multi-blade louvre or inlet box damper
Inlet	Isolation for personnel safety	Zero-leakage slide gate or guillotine blind
Outlet	Isolation for personnel safety	Zero-leakage slide gate or guillotine blind
Stack	Quick response, isolation and control	Multi-blade louvre or butterfly damper
Combustion-air bypass	Quick response, isolation and control	Multi-blade louvre or butterfly damper
Emergency natural draught/air inlet	Quick response and isolation	Low-leakage damper or door
Fired heater	Burner control	Multi-blade or butterfly damper
	Isolation	Zero-leakage slide gate or guillotine blind

#### F.9.4.2 Design and Construction

Damper frames should be structural shapes using either rolled structural steel or formed plate. The frame design should be based on the maximum loading of any individual or appropriate combination of the following loads:

- a) wind, seismic and snow loads;
- b) shipping or erection loads;
- c) actuator loading;
- d) system failure or thermal or dead-weight load;
- e) corroded-condition load.

Dampers should be considered structural members and as such should meet all structural-design criteria of fired-heater structural members outlined in Clause 12. Damper-blade deflections should be less than 1/360 of the blade span. Stress of each blade-assembly component, based on maximum system static pressure, temperature, seismic loading and the moment of inertia through the cross-section of the blade assembly, should not exceed those levels specified in Reference [1]. The torsional and bending stresses should be considered if the gas-stream temperature is equal to or greater than 400 °C (750 °F). Allowable bending stress should be limited to 60 % of the yield stress at the specified operating temperature. If the metal temperature is in the creep range, the allowable stress shall be based upon 1 % of the rupture stress at the 100 000-h life span.

Each damper should be equipped with an actuator mounted and linked by the damper manufacturer and tested in his shop before shipment. The actuator and linkage shall be installed outside of the flowing gas stream. The strength of the actuator mount on the damper frame shall be based on seismic loading and required actuator torque. Its strength shall not exceed 10 % of the yield strength of the damper in any mode of stress. Actuators and all drive system components shall be sized with a 3,0 safety factor.

#### F.9.4.3 Isolation/guillotine damper

The slide gate damper shall be a complete, self-sufficient structure not requiring additional integral support or bracing. The actuator for slide-gate dampers shall be electric, manual, pneumatic or hydraulic and shall be operated by sprockets, chains, jack screws or a direct-drive piston. The required cycle time (e.g. from full open to full closed) shall be specified by the user.

If chains are used, a minimum of two chains should be used and arranged to drive evenly on each side of the blade to prevent binding. In the event of chain failure, the remaining chain or chains shall be able to support the entire blade load. Operator- and drive-system sizing shall incorporate a 300 % dead-load plus a 200 % live-load (push-pull, open/close) safety factor as a minimum. For installations that are required to be safe for personnel to enter, double block-and-bleed or double block-and-purge designs shall be applied. The space between dual-closed damper blades or the space between two rows of edge seals is normally purged with clean air of sufficiently greater pressure than duct stream or outside air pressure to ensure a clean air barrier to gas leaks into the duct system past the guillotine damper.

#### F.9.4.4 Louvre dampers

Louvre dampers consist of a series of parallel damper blades. The blade construction may be a solid blade with a central axial round shaft. If the blade of the damper is of airfoil composite design, the central shaft may consist of a structural member as a central axial support of the airfoil blade. At each end, round stub shafts are splined into the axial structural member with suitable clearances to prevent buckling of the shaft as it thermally expands as a result of heat. The stub shafts pass through the bearings mounted on the damper frame. The edges of the blades are fitted with metal seals to minimize leakage past the damper edges when the damper blade is closed. These seals are often of proprietary design.

Airfoil blade designs should have blade skins provided with elongated bolt holes to compensate for thermal growth of the shaft and blade skin. Heating holes in one side of airfoil blade designs should be considered if excessive temperatures are encountered across closed dampers. The holes reduce thermal stresses and warping of the blades. Blades and shafts should be of thermally compatible material of similar thermal-growth rates. If possible, provide for thermal growth of the damper blade away from the actuator or drive side of the damper.

Louvre-style multiple damper blades shall be linked together exterior to the damper frame. Linkage shall consist of a structural bar hinged with shoulder bolts, complete with lock nuts set in self-lubricating bearings of a type specified by the user. Other designs consisting of an adjustable linkage to compensate for the differential expansion between the damper frame and the linkage to ensure tight shutoff at the operating temperature should be considered. Completed linkages shall be tested and fixed in position at the damper manufacturer's facility.

The link bars of each individual blade shall be welded to set collars fastened to the damper shaft with shear pins. Linkage shall be tight and vibration-free and shall prevent independent action of the blade. The position of the damper on its shaft shall be scribed on the end of the shaft visible from outside the duct.

Other designs incorporating stainless-steel stub shafts and linkage pins and hardware consisting of cast-steel clevis arms attached to the stub shaft can eliminate corrosion and can facilitate rapid removal. These designs should also be considered in situations where dampers might not be used open and tend to freeze.

Bearings shall be mounted in pillow-block assemblies furnished by the bearing manufacturer and shall be bolted to bearing mounts welded to the damper frame. Each bearing and bearing mount, including welds holding the mount, shall have a duty factor capable of withstanding 200 % of the stress transmitted as a result of the system load acting on the blade plus the operator output torque. If removable bearings are specified, linkage cranks shall be removable also. Do not weld linkage cranks to shafts.

A packing gland, if specified, shall be welded to the damper frame at each shaft clearance hole and shall be filled with packing adequate for the service. Design of the packing gland shall allow removal and replacement without removal of bearings or linkage. Packing glands are recommended for negative-pressure corrosive-flue-gas applications.

#### **F.9.4.5 Miscellaneous construction details**

The following features are recommended.

- a) Dampers constructed integral to ducts should be of a bolted design to allow replacement of parts.
- b) Damper bearings shall not be covered by insulation.
- c) Damper shafts shall be of austenitic stainless steel or a more corrosion-resistant material suitable for the operating conditions.
- d) Actuator design should be based on weathered, or in-service, bearing-friction loads (not new and clean values).

### **F.9.5 Ducting refractory and insulation systems**

#### **F.9.5.1 General**

The design and installation of all APH refractories and insulations should be in accordance with Clause 11. In F.9.5.2 to F.9.5.6 are provided supplemental recommendations not provided in Clause 11.

#### **F.9.5.2 Internal refractory and external insulation systems**

Externally insulated ducting can be desirable in relatively cool flue-gas applications, as external insulation is capable of maintaining casing-metal temperatures above the dew-point corrosion. Even though externally

insulated ducting experiences greater thermal expansion than internally refractory-lined ducting, for medium-to-low-temperature applications this expansion is not a design problem.

External insulation is typically applied after the ductwork has been set in place; it is not subject to the shipping damage that can occur with shop-installed refractory systems. Externally insulated duct sections should be covered with weatherproofing and/or metal covers. All insulating materials should be rated for a service temperature of at least 170 °C (300 °F) above its calculated operating temperature.

Internal refractory should be considered for hot flue-gas and hot combustion-air ducts to reduce the metal temperature of the duct envelope, thereby reducing the duct thermal expansion. In the event of a fire in the duct system, refractory linings are desirable. Refractory, however, can break loose from the duct wall and result in clogged ductwork, plugged air preheaters and possible damage to fans. Loss of internal linings also exposes ductwork to corrosive attack and temperatures higher than design.

### **F.9.5.3 Castable refractory**

The minimum castable refractory thickness should be 50 mm (2,0 in).

In oil-fired applications, castable refractories should be used for all burner plenum and adjoining hot-air ducting. Castable refractories do not absorb fuel oil (unlike ceramic fibre products, which do absorb liquids), thus greatly reducing the fire hazard beneath the heater.

### **F.9.5.4 Ceramic-fibre-blanket refractory**

Ceramic-fibre-blanket refractory systems with protective metal liners should be in accordance with API RP 534. Application of unlined ceramic-fibre-blanket refractory for hot flue-gas or combustion-air ducts should be limited to applications with fluid velocities less than 12 m/s (40 ft/s) and the design should be in accordance with Clause 11.

Flue-gas ducting using relatively porous ceramic-fibre blanket and/or block refractory should have either a protective internal coating (applied to the ducting's internal casing surfaces prior to application of refractory materials) or a stainless-steel-foil vapour barrier (sandwiched within the refractory layers, if possible) for applications with fuels containing more than 1,0 % (mass fraction) of sulfur in a liquid fuel or 1,5 % (volume fraction) of hydrogen sulfide in a fuel gas.

### **F.9.5.5 Block and board refractory**

Block and board refractories are defined as rigid and semi-rigid, respectively. Refractory should be specified as ASTM C 612, Class 3. If such refractory is not to be shielded by other materials, single layers may be used below 260 °C (500 °F). It may be used as a backup layer with other refractories with fuels containing more than 1,0 % (mass fraction) of sulfur in a liquid fuel or 100 ml/m<sup>3</sup> (100 ppm volume fraction) of hydrogen sulfide in a fuel gas.

The velocity of the flowing gas stream shall not exceed 6 m/s (20 ft/s) unless the surface is protected with wire mesh, expanded metal or solid metal. Two layers of insulation are preferred.

### **F.9.5.6 Mineral-wool blanket insulation**

Blanket insulation is a flexible material, e.g. as specified in ASTM C 553. Unprotected insulation shall not be located adjacent to water- or steam-cleaning devices. Surface protection consisting of wire mesh, expanded metal mesh or chemical rigidizers shall be provided for areas where flue-gas or air velocities exceed 12 m/s (40 ft/s). Two layers are preferred. Materials shall be overlapped in the hot-face on the first layer to ensure that no exposure of casing or duct envelope to lower-temperature insulating materials occurs.

## F.9.6 Fans and drivers

### F.9.6.1 General

Fans and drivers should be in accordance with Annex E.

### F.9.6.2 Wheel types

Maximum aerodynamic efficiency for fans can be achieved with backwardly inclined (non-overloading) blades. The blade construction may be of single thickness or airfoil design. On applications where the fan provides induced-draught service, avoid airfoil designs that have hollow-cross-section blades consisting of metal skin on ribs if they are not furnished with wheel-cleaning facilities. Induced-draught fans handling elevated-temperature flue gas containing significant particulates should be considered and specified as radial or modified-radial blades on the fan wheel.

### F.9.6.3 Construction

Fans in flue-gas service should have continuously welded seams.

### F.9.6.4 Shafts

Fan wheel shafts should be capable of handling 110 % of rated driver torque from rest to design speed.

### F.9.6.5 Elimination of induced-draught fan

A stack of greater height than normally required can replace an induced-draught fan on some systems, thereby improving the mechanical reliability of a system.

## F.9.7 APH exchangers (preheaters)

### F.9.7.1 Direct exchangers

In a fixed-bundle air preheater, consider making the bundle removable if it is subject to corrosion. Pressure parts of coils or tube bundles handling a combustible fluid should be of all-welded construction. Circumferential welds shall not be located in the air stream.

In rotating exchangers with metallic elements, the heating surface should be provided in two or more layers. The cold-end layer of elements shall be in baskets for radial removal through a housing. Other layers may be in baskets for removal through hot-end ductwork. Regenerative systems using revolving elements can be mechanically damaged if rotation stops while flue-gas and air flow continue. An auxiliary drive on the preheater is recommended to protect against loss of rotation resulting from a power failure or other cause. An alternative action is to revert to natural draught, bypassing the preheater, until rotation can be reestablished.

### F.9.7.2 Indirect exchangers

The design and manufacture of the hot exchanger coils (inside the convection module) should meet the requirements of this International Standard and ISO 13704. The design and manufacture of the cold exchanger coils (inside the combustion-air ducting) typically meet the requirements of this International Standard and ISO 13704.

Each pass of multiple-pass coils shall be symmetrical and equal in length to all other passes. Recirculating reheat coils shall not be oriented to view direct radiation from the firebox or from high-temperature refractory surfaces.

The performance of indirect exchangers is directly related to, and a function of, the system's working-fluid properties. Some characteristics of the working fluid can deteriorate over time and/or under extreme service conditions. Systems with closed circulating loops should incorporate provisions to drain the working fluid from

the hot exchanger in the event of low fluid flow or high flue-gas temperature. Failure to drain the heating coil under these conditions can lead to premature thermal degradation of the working fluid. Hot exchanger coils should be drainable and include appropriate high-point vent(s) and low-point drain(s) unless specifically deleted by the purchaser. All flanges should be located outside the duct periphery.

The design pressure of the coils in heated liquid service shall be based upon a pressure greater than the vapour pressure of the heating fluid at the operating temperature. This ensures that the coil design pressure is great enough to allow selection of pumping pressures sufficient to prevent possible two-phase (liquid/vapour) flowing regimes in the coils and to contain and hold the fluid if the blower fails with no reduction in heat input.

Fluid-pressure-retaining circumferential field welds on the air-heating element of systems employing a pumped, circulating, combustible heat medium shall be outside the air duct. Electric-resistance-welded tubing, however, is permitted for coil designs where the coil is inside the duct.

### **F.9.7.3 Two-phase operation**

To ensure against "vapour lock" of the heat-transfer fluid in the coils, elevate the system pressure to a level above the vapour pressure of the liquid, which ensures that the coil contains all liquid, and then reduce the pressure directly in a vapour "flash" drum downstream of the coil.

### **F.9.7.4 Pump design for circulating systems**

Pumps should be designed in accordance with ISO 13709. Head-capacity curves shall rise continuously to shut off. Rated pump capacity shall fall to the left or on the peak-efficiency line. Pumps handling flammable or toxic liquids shall have flanged suction and discharge nozzles. Spare pumps should be provided unless used in a system that can be completely bypassed without detriment to the normal heater service.

NOTE For the purpose of this provision, API Std 610 is equivalent to ISO 13709.

### **F.9.7.5 Interconnecting piping**

Piping used to interconnect various components in an APH system should be designed and fabricated in accordance with ISO 15649.

NOTE For the purposes of this provision, ASME B 31.3 is equivalent to ISO 15649.

## **F.10 Environmental impact**

### **F.10.1 General**

There are five basic ways in which the use of an APH system can have an environmental impact (see F.10.2 through F.10.6). In general, the environmental impact of a properly designed APH system is positive.

### **F.10.2 Energy conservation**

APH systems are one of the best available fuel-conservation technologies. APH systems frequently provide adequate savings through reduced fuel cost to allow other pollution-control systems to become economically feasible.

### **F.10.3 Stack emissions**

#### **F.10.3.1 General**

The use of an APH system results in a lower flue-gas exit temperature, which increases the possibility of an exhaust stack plume. The normal way to eliminate any adverse effect is to increase the stack exit height above grade and/or increase the effluent velocity so that natural diffusion and wind currents minimize acid fallout.

Both balanced-draught and induced-draught systems incorporate an ID fan, which can be sized to provide the flow energy to achieve high stack effluent velocities. Alternatively, a longer stack can provide additional draught and stack velocity while simultaneously providing a higher emissions point.

The four primary flue-gas pollutants of interest are discussed in F.10.3.2 through F.10.3.5.

### **F.10.3.2 Sulfur oxides**

The sulfur oxide fraction of the flue gas depends solely on the composition of the gas or oil burned and is not affected to any extent by the APH system. However, since fuel consumption is reduced when an APH system is used, the mass of sulfur dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>) emitted is reduced for any given process duty. This results in a net reduction in SO<sub>x</sub> emissions (i.e. an environmental benefit).

### **F.10.3.3 Nitrogen oxides**

The oxides of nitrogen produced depend on the time, temperature and the oxygen concentration of any specific fuel's combustion process. The reactions involved are many and complex. The following can be stated in general.

- a) NO<sub>x</sub> produced increases with increasing firebox or combustion temperatures.
- b) NO<sub>x</sub> produced decreases with decreasing excess air.

The above indicates that preheating combustion air increases NO<sub>x</sub> production. This has been shown to be true when expressed as a concentration in the flue gas. However, as is the case with SO<sub>x</sub>, the total mass flow of NO<sub>x</sub> is usually reduced because of the lower flue-gas mass flow resulting from the higher heater efficiency. Thus, in applications where APH systems yield substantial efficiency increases, the APH system actually reduces NO<sub>x</sub> emissions (i.e. an environmental benefit).

Excess air appears to be the most significant factor in the control of NO<sub>x</sub> formation. Since APH systems most often utilize forced-draught burners, it is not only possible to operate at extremely low excess-air levels, but also to more accurately control the fuel/air ratio. On natural-draught burners, the minimum excess-air levels previously considered necessary to provide for operational variations have been 20 % on gas fuels and 25 % on oil fuels. Most burner manufacturers represent that using their forced-draught designs and preheated air requires minimum excess-air levels of only 5 % on gas and 10 % on oil fuels, and controls can be furnished to ensure that these levels are maintained. This low excess-air operation reduces the NO<sub>x</sub> level.

### **F.10.3.4 Particulates**

The formation of particulates during combustion is normally a function of burner application and the specific fuel burned. The use of air preheat and forced-draught systems involved have enabled burner manufacturers to reduce the formation of carbon when burning normal fuels. This can reduce the particulates formed to essentially the ash content of the fuel. Therefore, the use of an APH system reduces the total solids emission from many heater applications since the amount of fuel burned, and hence of ash emitted, is reduced.

### **F.10.3.5 Combustibles**

The presence of combustibles, such as unburned hydrocarbons and carbon monoxide, in the flue gases from fired heaters is related to the incomplete combustion of the fuel. This, in turn, can result from insufficient excess air. The application of an APH system enhances the ability to burn fuels completely at the lowest possible excess air level. As a result, unburned hydrocarbons and carbon monoxide pollution should be minimized with the application of an APH system.

## **F.10.4 Noise**

The main sources of noise from a fired heater are the burners and fan(s). The application of an APH system requires that the burners be housed in an insulated enclosure. In addition, high-efficiency heater systems employ thermally more effective insulation and linings. Both of these measures reduce the noise emitted from



the burners. Consequently, an APH system normally attenuates the noise from the burners below the permitted level.

However, the use of fans associated with an APH system introduces a new noise source that shall be considered in the initial design. Since adequate silencing techniques are commercially available, it is necessary only for the designer to establish the noise level limit required so that the fan manufacturer can offer the appropriate selection.

In summary, although noise needs to be considered in the design of an APH system, it should not have an adverse impact on the overall environment of a typical heater installation.

### **F.10.5 Thermal pollution**

Application of an APH system results in a lower flue-gas exit temperature thereby reducing thermal pollution.

### **F.10.6 Effluent**

The air preheater can collect small quantities of solids combined with sulfur. During washdown cycles, if required, the liquid effluent can contain particulates in a weak acid that should be handled in an appropriate disposal system. Normally, the additional quantities produced as a consequence of the APH system are negligible.

## **F.11 Preparing an enquiry**

### **F.11.1 Introduction**

The purpose of Clause F.11 is to provide guidance and a checklist for obtaining sufficient information and data for selecting the most economical APH system and for preparing the required enquiry. Before preparing an enquiry, it is recommended that an economic study be conducted to justify the installation of an APH system.

### **F.11.2 Enquiry**

Final selection of the APH system often requires cost and technical information on more than one system. This information is usually obtained from suppliers responding to the enquiry. An enquiry for an APH system should include the following:

- a) data sheets for the fired heater(s), existing or proposed;
- b) air-preheater data sheets;
- c) APH-system specifications and process and instrumentation diagrams;
- d) plot plan, plot area or specification of the APH-system plot-area restrictions.

The data for a) are often available from manufacturers' data books. The fired-heater operating data shall represent the intended heater operation, which, in the case of a retrofit, can differ from the original design data; if so, both the original and the intended operating data shall be supplied.

### **F.11.3 APH system checklist**

The following is a checklist of information and data to be included in the APH-system enquiry:

- a) fired-heater data sheets (with appropriate information);
- b) environmental restrictions; NO<sub>x</sub>, SO<sub>x</sub>, UHC, CO, and noise;
- c) space and/or site constraints;

- d) number of fired heaters to be serviced by the APH system;
- e) required reliability and service factor of the fired heater(s) in APH operation;
- f) required heater performance in the event of equipment failure;
- g) project specifications (heater, refractory, coatings, structural, fans and fan drivers);
- h) applicable standards;
- i) applicable building regulations.

## **F.12 Flue-gas dew point**

### **F.12.1 General**

The furnace designer should be aware of the various design and operational factors that affect flue-gas dew point and corrosion rates, even though the designer has control over only a few of these variables. This summary of some of the more significant published test work describing the potential impact of these factors is intended to

- a) broaden the designer's understanding of this complex phenomenon,
- b) serve as a starting point for further individual study.

Wherever possible, results from commercial-size equipment are reported. The results from laboratory-size equipment might not be directly applicable to commercial equipment design.

Flue-gas dew point and corrosion are primarily related to the amount of sulfur trioxide present, not to the predominant amount of sulfur that is present as sulfur dioxide. The factors that encourage or inhibit the oxidation of sulfur dioxide to sulfur trioxide are the significant factors. Many of these factors can be recognized as similar to the significant factors in the production of oxides of nitrogen. The significant factors are as follows:

- fuel sulfur content;
- fuel and flue-gas additives;
- flue-gas oxygen content;
- flue-gas moisture content;
- combustion temperature (firing rate);
- furnace cleanliness;
- burner design.

### **F.12.2 Fuel sulfur content**

Various investigators have differed on the impact of sulfur content of the fuel on the flue-gas dew point. Corbett<sup>[28]</sup> in his tests of a commercial-size oil-fired boiler with fuel sulfur content varying from 0,75 % to 3,5 % (mass fraction) found no direct relationship between flue-gas dew point and the sulfur content of the fuel. Corbett's test results, along with those of other investigators, are plotted in Figures F.12 through F.14. Corbett's test results, along with those of other investigators using commercial-size boilers are tabulated in Table F.4.

In tests with laboratory-size combustors and fuel sulfur contents (mass fraction) in the range of 1 % to 5 %, Rendle and Wilson<sup>[29]</sup> report an increase in the flue-gas dew point of approximately 4 °C (7 °F) for each 1 % increase in fuel sulfur. Taylor and Lewis<sup>[30]</sup> report an increase in the flue-gas dew point of approximately 9 °C (16 °F) for each 1 % increase in fuel sulfur.

### F.12.3 Fuel and flue-gas additives

In their laboratory-size combustor, Rendle and Wilson<sup>[29]</sup> reported that by injecting ammonia vapour into the partially cooled flue gas at a rate of 0,13 kg (0,06 lb) of ammonia per kilogram (pound) of fuel containing 3,2 % (mass fraction) sulfur, they were able to reduce the dew point by 90 °C (160 °F) to very close to the water dew point.

In tests of commercial-size boilers, Clark and Childs<sup>[31]</sup> report a 14 °C (25 °F) drop in dew point with magnesium hydroxide fuel additives.

### F.12.4 Flue-gas oxygen content

If the flue-gas oxygen content can be controlled to less than 0,5 %, the flue-gas dew point can be dramatically lowered. In tests of two operating industrial boilers, Bunz, Niepenberg and Rendle<sup>[32]</sup> demonstrated reductions in dew point of 150 °C (300 °F) in one boiler and 38 °C (100 °F) in another boiler as the flue-gas oxygen was reduced from 1,4 % to 0,2 %.

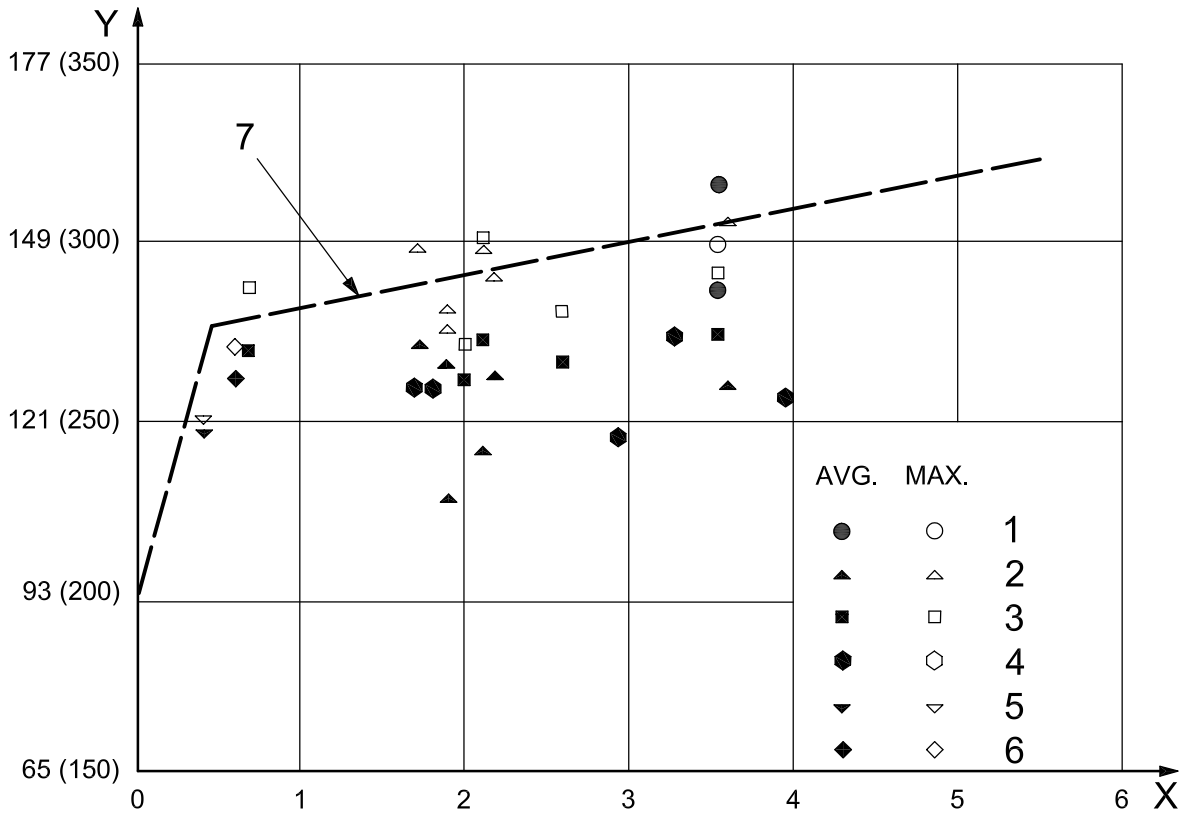
By reducing the excess air from 15 % (approximately 3 % oxygen) to 5 % (approximately 1 % oxygen), Clark and Childs<sup>[31]</sup> report a dew point reduction of 17 °C (30 °F) in a commercial boiler. With flue-gas oxygen content reductions from 8 % to 3 % at constant boiler load, Corbett's data<sup>[28]</sup> indicate little change in dew point.

### F.12.5 Flue-gas moisture content

Flue-gas moisture is produced by the fuel hydrogen content, ambient humidity and atomizing steam. In analytical laboratory tests, Martin<sup>[36]</sup> reports an increase in dew point of up to 8 °C (15 °F) as the flue-gas moisture content increased from 10 % (typical fuel oil) to 18 % (typical fuel gas).

### F.12.6 Combustion temperature (firing rate)

The commercial-boiler data of Draaijer and Pel<sup>[34]</sup> indicate an 11 °C (20 °F) increase in flue-gas dew point with a 50 % increase in firing rate. The boiler data of Bunz, Niepenberg and Rendle<sup>[32]</sup> indicate a 25 °C (45 °F) increase in dew point with a 100 % increase in firing rate.

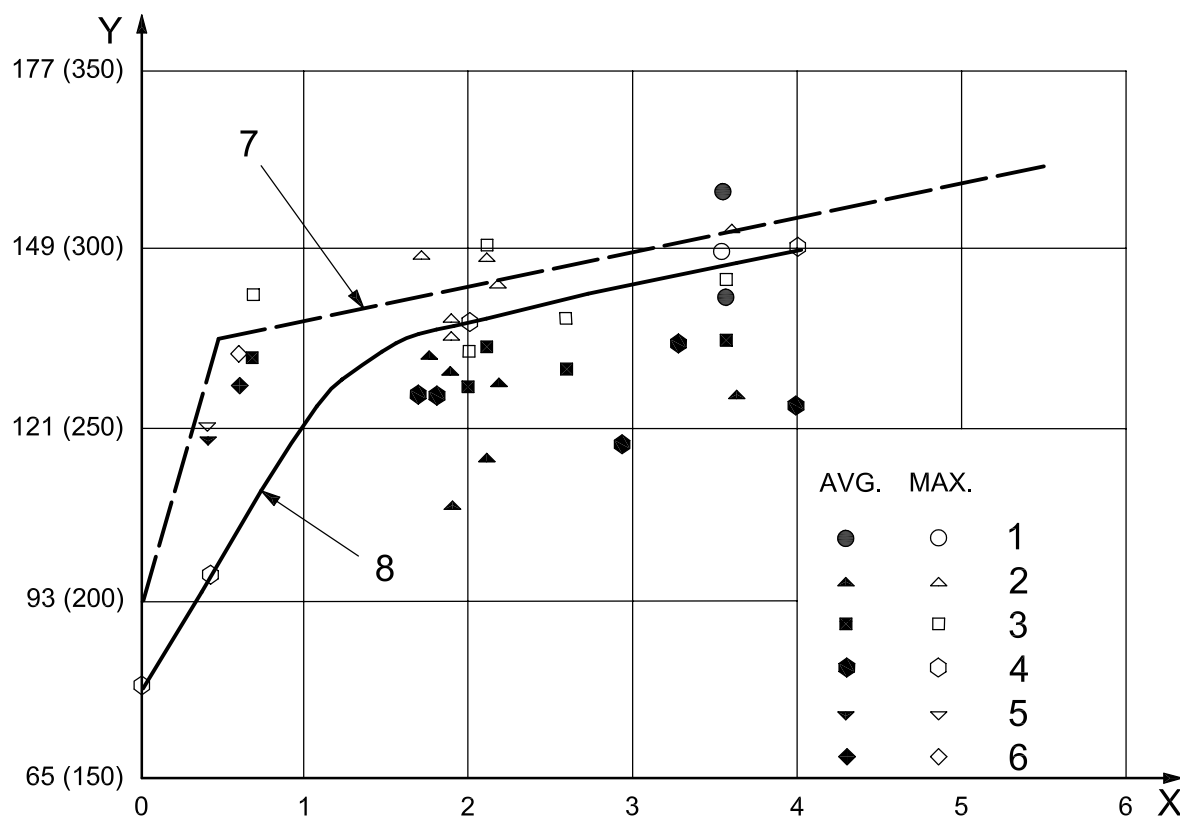


**Key**

X mass fraction of sulfur in fuel oil, expressed in percent  
 Y dew point, expressed in degrees Celsius (degrees Fahrenheit)

- 1 Draaijer and Pei<sup>[34]</sup>
- 2 Bunz, Niepenberg and Rendle<sup>[32]</sup>
- 3 Corbett<sup>[28]</sup>
- 4 Clark and Childs<sup>[31]</sup>
- 5 Martin (oil)<sup>[36]</sup>
- 6 Martin (gas)<sup>[36]</sup>
- 7 recommended minimum metal temperature for convection coils, fans and duct steel exposed to flue gas

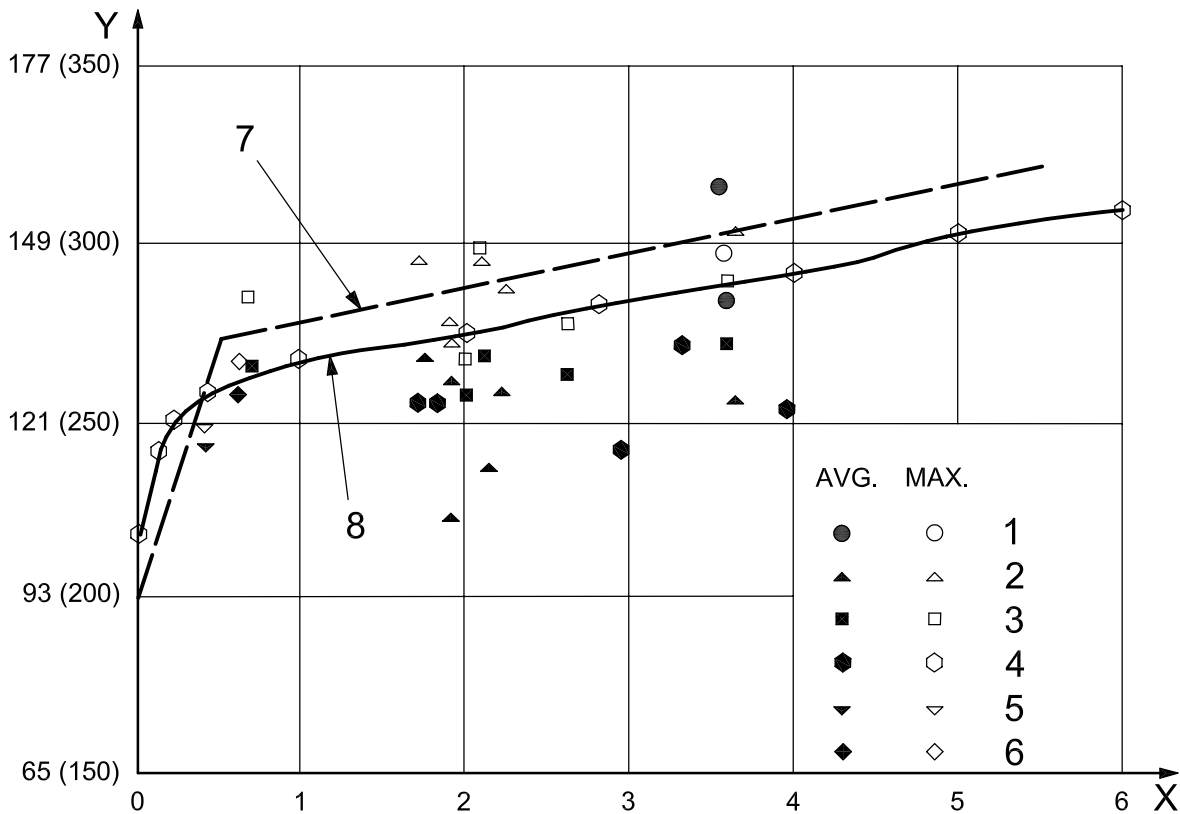
**Figure F.12 — Dew points of flue gas versus sulfur in fuel oil**  
 (test data from industrial boilers)

**Key**

X mass fraction of sulfur in fuel oil, expressed in percent  
 Y dew point, expressed in degrees Celsius (degrees Fahrenheit)

- 1 Draaijer and Pei<sup>[34]</sup>
- 2 Bunz, Niepenberg and Rendle<sup>[32]</sup>
- 3 Corbett<sup>[28]</sup>
- 4 Clark and Childs<sup>[31]</sup>
- 5 Martin (oil)<sup>[36]</sup>
- 6 Martin (gas)<sup>[36]</sup>
- 7 recommended minimum metal temperature for convection coils, fans and duct steel exposed to flue gas
- 8 Attig and Sedor<sup>[35]</sup> 0,18 mm/y to 0,23 mm/y (7 mils/y to 9 mils/y) corrosion rate, 10 % excess air

**Figure F.13 — Dew points of flue gas versus sulfur in fuel oil**  
 (test data from industrial boilers and Reference [35])



**Key**

X mass fraction of sulfur in fuel oil, expressed in percent  
 Y dew point, expressed in degrees Celsius (degrees Fahrenheit)

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- 3 Corbett<sup>[28]</sup>
- 4 Clark and Childs<sup>[31]</sup>
- 5 Martin (oil)<sup>[36]</sup>
- 6 Martin (gas)<sup>[36]</sup>
- 7 recommended minimum metal temperature for convection coils, fans and duct steel exposed to flue gas
- 8 Energy Technology, Inc., standards, 0,7 % to 3,5 % sulfur

**Figure F.14 — Dew points of flue gas versus sulfur in fuel oil**  
 (test data from industrial boilers and data of Energy Technology, Inc.)

**F.12.7 Furnace cleanliness**

In a commercial-size boiler fired with heavy fuel oil, Clark and Childs<sup>[31]</sup> report that the flue-gas dew point is reduced by 17 °C (30 °F) after each annual furnace cleaning.

**F.12.8 Burner design**

In a laboratory combustor, Attig and Sedor<sup>[35]</sup> demonstrated that recirculation of 25 % of the flue gases to the burners reduced flue-gas sulfur trioxide concentration by one half [equivalent to a dew-point reduction of at least 6 °C (10 °F)] and reduced corrosion rates by more than one third. The very low excess-air operations reported by Bunz, Niepenberg and Rendle<sup>[32]</sup> were achieved with a special low-excess-air-design burner.

Table F.4 — Flue-gas dew-point data from oil-fired industrial boilers

Investigator	Boiler No.	Sulfur content in fuel % mass fraction	Dew point			No. test points	Steam load kg/h × 1 000	Excess O <sub>2</sub> %
			Average °C (°F)	Minimum °C (°F)	Maximum °C (°F)			
Draaijer and Peijl <sup>[34]</sup>	1	3,55	158 (317)	157 (315)	159 (318)	4	40	—
	2	3,55	142 (287)	134 (273)	149 (300)	15	9 to 14	—
Bunz, Niepenberg and Rendle <sup>[32]</sup>	3	1,78	132 (270)	121 (250)	147 (297)	8	24 and 32	0,1 to 0,5
	3	1,90	129 (264)	118 (244)	138 (280)	6	24 and 32	0,1 to 1,5
	4	2,10	116 (240)	74 (165)	147 (297)	10	24 and 32	0,1 to 1,5
	4	2,18	127 (261)	86 (187)	143 (289)	10	24 and 32	0,1 to 1,5
	4	1,90	108 (226)	75 (167)	135 (275)	8	24 and 32	0,1 to 1,4
	4	3,61	127 (260)	70 (158)	152 (306)	16	16, 24 and 32	0,1 to 1,4
Corbett <sup>[28]</sup>	5	2,60	130 (266)	118 (245)	138 (280)	49	9 to 23	3,4 to 13,2
	5	2,00	127 (260)	118 (245)	132 (270)	25	9 to 23	4,3 to 9,8
	5	2,10	133 (271)	118 (243)	149 (300)	27	9 to 22	3,1 to 10,6
	5	3,55	134 (274)	125 (257)	144 (292)	39	9 to 22	2,7 to 6,3
	5	0,75	131 (267)	121 (250)	141 (285)	22	13 to 18	3,6 to 8,2
Clark & Childs <sup>[31]</sup>	6	3,97	125 (257)	—	—	—	—	—
	7	1,70	126 (258)	—	—	—	—	—
	8	1,82	126 (258)	—	—	—	—	—
	9	2,94	118 (245)	—	—	—	—	—
	10	3,29	134 (274)	—	—	—	—	—
Martin <sup>[36]</sup>	11 (oil)	0,4	116 (240) <sup>a</sup>	142 (287) <sup>a</sup>	120 (248) <sup>a</sup>	8	100	2,7 to 3,6
	11 (gas)	0,6	127 (260) <sup>a</sup>	122 (252) <sup>a</sup>	131 (268) <sup>a</sup>	15	100	2,5 to 3,3
<sup>a</sup> Indirect measurements from SO <sub>3</sub> concentration. Electrical conductivity probe method would probably give lower values.								

## Annex G (informative)

### Measurement of efficiency of fired-process heaters

#### G.1 General

##### G.1.1 Introduction

This annex is intended to establish a standard approach for measuring the thermal and fuel efficiency of fired-process heaters. It comprises a comprehensive procedure for conducting the necessary tests and reporting the results.

This procedure is intended to be used for fired heaters burning liquid or gaseous fuels. It is not recommended for determining the thermal or fuel efficiency if a solid fuel is being burned.

The test procedure considers only stack heat loss, radiation heat loss and total heat input. Process data are obtained for the purposes of reference and comparison only. Any modifications of the procedure and any assumptions required for testing should be established before testing.

##### G.1.2 Terms, definitions and symbols

###### G.1.2.1 Terms and definitions

The following terms and definitions used in this annex are given for information.

###### G.1.2.1.1

###### **thermal efficiency**

total heat absorbed divided by total heat input

NOTE This definition differs from the traditional definition of fired heater efficiency, which generally refers to the fuel efficiency.

###### G.1.2.1.2

###### **fuel efficiency**

total heat absorbed divided by the heat input derived from the combustion of the fuel only ( $h_L$ )

###### G.1.2.1.3

###### **total heat absorbed**

total heat input minus total heat loss

###### G.1.2.1.4

###### **total heat input**

sum of net heat of combustion of the fuel ( $h_L$ ) and sensible heat of the air, fuel and atomizing medium

###### G.1.2.1.5

###### **total heat loss**

sum of radiation heat loss and stack heat loss

###### G.1.2.1.6

###### **radiation heat loss**

defined percentage of net heat of combustion of the fuel



**G.1.2.1.7****stack heat loss**

total sensible heat of the flue-gas components at the temperature of flue gas when it leaves the last heat-exchange surface

**G.1.2.1.8****sensible heat correction**

sensible heat differential at test temperatures when compared with a datum temperature of 15 °C (60 °F) for air, fuel and the atomizing medium

NOTE With steam as an atomizing medium, the datum enthalpy is 2 530 kJ/kg (1 087,7 Btu/lb).

**G.1.2.2 Symbols**

The following symbols are used in this annex:

$e$	net thermal efficiency, expressed as a percentage
$e_f$	fuel efficiency, expressed as a percentage
$e_g$	gross thermal efficiency, expressed as a percentage
$h_L$	lower massic heat value of the fuel burned, in J/kg (Btu/lb)
$h_H$	higher massic heat value of the fuel burned, in J/kg (Btu/lb)
$c_{p a}$	specific heat capacity of the air, in J/kg·K (Btu/lb·°F)
$c_{p f}$	specific heat capacity of the fuel, in J/kg·K (Btu/lb·°F)
$c_{p m}$	specific heat capacity of the atomizing medium, in J/kg·K (Btu/lb·°F)
$\Delta E$	enthalpy difference
$\Delta h_a$	air sensible massic heat correction, in J/kg (Btu/lb)
$\Delta h_f$	fuel sensible massic heat correction, in J/kg (Btu/lb)
$\Delta h_m$	atomizing medium sensible massic heat correction, in J/kg (Btu/lb)
$h_r$	radiation massic heat loss, in J/kg (Btu/lb)
$h_s$	stack massic heat loss, in J/kg (Btu/lb)
$m_a$	mass of air, expressed in kilograms (pounds mass);
$m_f$	mass of the fuel, expressed in kilograms (pounds mass);
$m_m$	mass of the medium, expressed in kilograms (pounds mass);
$m_{st}$	mass of the steam, expressed in kilograms (pounds mass);
$T_a$	air temperature, in °C (°F)
$T_{a,a}$	ambient air temperature, in °C (°F)
$T_d$	design datum temperature, in °C (°F)
$T_e$	exit flue-gas temperature, in °C (°F)
$T_f$	fuel temperature, in °C (°F)
$T_{in}$	inlet coil temperature, in °C (°F)
$T_m$	atomizing-medium temperature, in °C (°F)

### **G.1.3 Instrumentation**

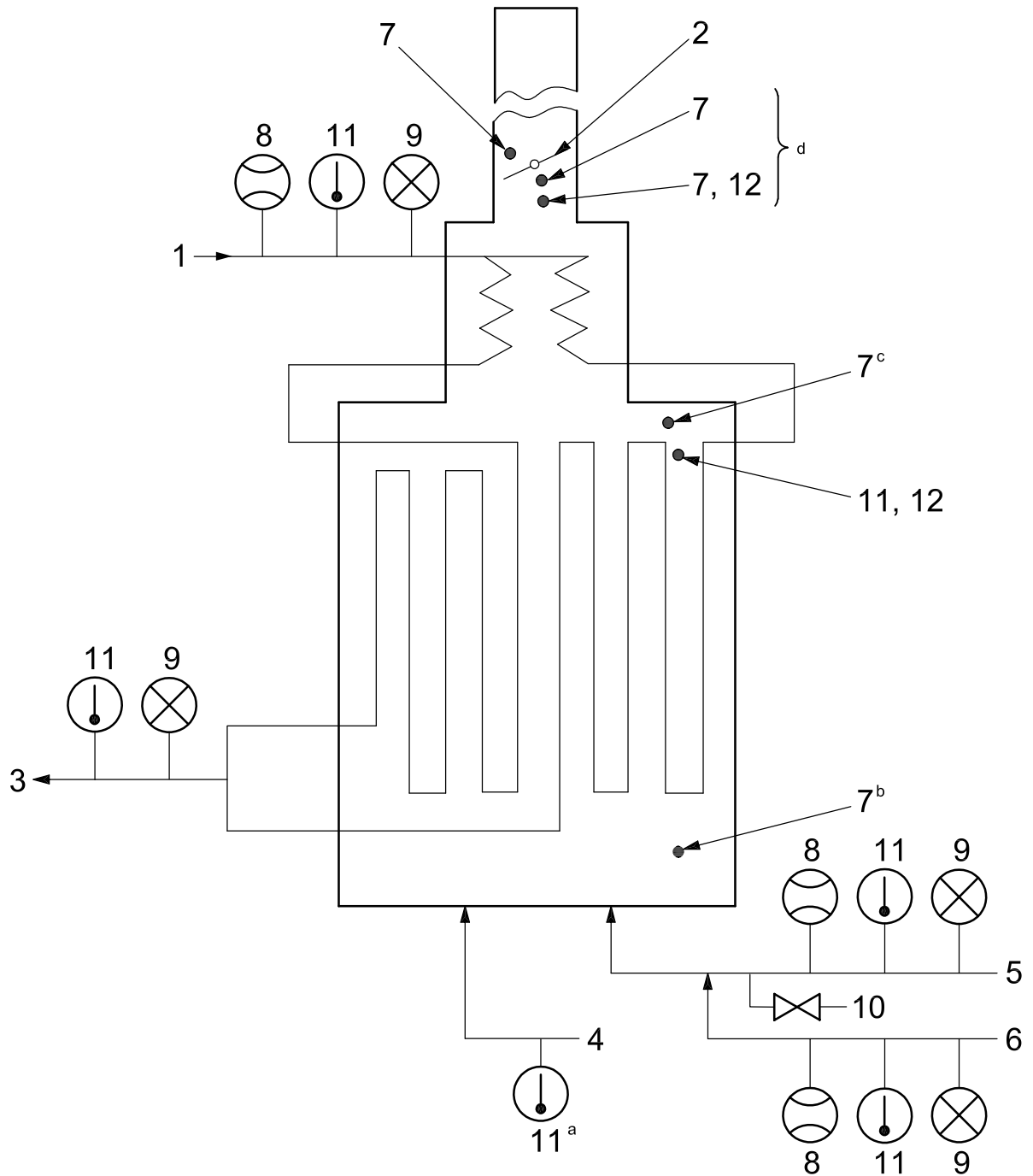
#### **G.1.3.1 General**

The instrumentation specified in G.1.3.2 and G.1.3.3 is required for the collection of data and the subsequent calculations necessary to determine the thermal efficiency of a heater (see Figure G.1).

#### **G.1.3.2 Temperature-measuring devices**

A multi-shielded aspirating (high-velocity) thermocouple (see Figure G.2) shall be used to measure all temperatures of the flue gas and temperatures of the preheated combustion-air above 260 °C (500 °F). Thermocouples with thermowells may be used to measure temperatures at or below 260 °C (500 °F).

Conventional measuring devices may be used to measure the temperatures of the ambient air, the fuel and the atomizing medium. For a discussion of conventional temperature measurements, refer to API RP 554.



**Key**

- |   |          |   |                  |    |                       |
|---|----------|---|------------------|----|-----------------------|
| 1 | feed in  | 5 | fuel in          | 9  | pressure indicator    |
| 2 | damper   | 6 | atomizing medium | 10 | sampling connection   |
| 3 | feed out | 7 | draught gauge    | 11 | temperature indicator |
| 4 | air in   | 8 | flow indicator   | 12 | oxygen sampling       |

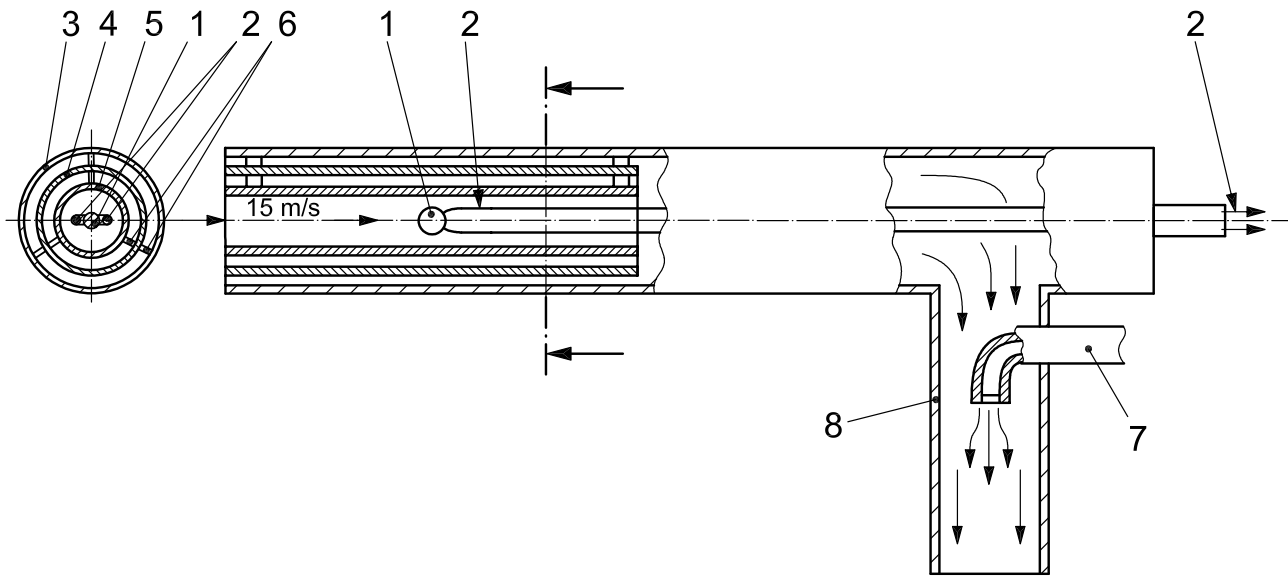
a Before preheater for internal heat source or after preheater for external heat source.

b Near burners.

c Arch.

d After preheater for internal-heat-source system.

**Figure G.1 — Instrument and measurement locations**



**Key**

- 1 thermocouple junction
- 2 thermocouple wires to temperature-indicating instrument
- 3 outer thin-wall 310 stainless steel tube
- 4 middle thin-wall 310 stainless steel tube
- 5 centre thin-wall 310 stainless steel tube
- 6 centring tripods
- 7 air or steam at 600 kPa [6 bar (ga)] or more, in increments of 600 kPa (6 bar) until stable
- 8 hot gas eductor

**Figure G.2 — Typical aspirating (high-velocity) thermocouple**

**G.1.3.3 Flue-gas analytical devices**

A portable or permanently installed analyser shall be used to analyse for oxygen and combustible gases in the flue gas. The analysis of the flue gas may be made on either a wet or a dry basis, but the calculations shall be consistent with the basis used. For a discussion of sampling systems and flue-gas analysers, refer to API RP 555.

**G.1.4 Measurement**

The following measurements shall be taken for reference purposes and for identification of heater operating conditions. If more than one process service or auxiliary stream is present, the data should be taken for all services.

- a) fuel flow rate;
- b) process flow rate;
- c) process-fluid inlet temperature;
- d) process-fluid outlet temperature;
- e) process-fluid inlet pressure;
- f) process-fluid outlet pressure;
- g) fuel pressure at the burner;
- h) atomizing-medium pressure at the burner;
- i) flue-gas draught profile.

## G.2 Testing

### G.2.1 Preparation for testing

**G.2.1.1** The following ground rules shall be established in preparation for the test, prior to the date of the actual test run:

- a) operating conditions that will prevail during the test;
- b) any re-rating that will be necessary to account for differences between the test conditions and the design conditions;
- c) acceptability of the fuel or fuels to be fired;
- d) selection of instrumentation types, methods of measurement and specific measurement locations.

**G.2.1.2** All instrumentation that will be used during the test shall be calibrated before the test.

**G.2.1.3** Immediately before the actual test, the following items shall be verified:

- a) that the fired process heater is operating at steady-state conditions;
- b) that the fuel to be fired is acceptable;
- c) that the heater is operating properly with respect to the size and shape of the flame, excess air, flue-gas draught profile, cleanliness of the heating surfaces and balanced burner firing.

### G.2.2 Testing

**G.2.2.1** The heater shall be operated at a uniform rate throughout the test.

**G.2.2.2** The test shall last for a minimum of 4 h. Data shall be taken at the start of the test and every 2 h thereafter.

**G.2.2.3** The duration of the test shall be extended until three consecutive sets of collected data fall within the prescribed limits listed in Table G.1.

**Table G.1 — Allowed variability of data measurements**

Datum	Limit
Heating value of fuel	± 5 %
Fuel rate	± 5 %
Flue-gas combustibles content	< 0,1 %
Flue-gas temperature	± 5 °C (9 °F)
Flue-gas oxygen content	± 1 %
Process flow rate	± 5 %
Process temperature in	± 5 °C (9 °F)
Process temperature out	± 5 °C (9 °F)
Process pressure out	± 5 %

**G.2.2.4** The data shall be collected as follows.

- All of the data in each set shall be collected as quickly as possible, preferably within 30 min.
- The quantity of fuel gas shall be measured and recorded for each set of data and a sample shall be taken simultaneously for analysis.
- For gaseous fuels, the net heating value shall be obtained by composition analysis and calculation.
- The quantity of liquid fuel shall be measured and recorded for each set of data. It is necessary to take only one sample for analysis during the test run.
- For liquid fuels, the net heating value shall be obtained by calorimeter test. Liquid fuels shall also be analysed to determine the hydrogen/carbon ratio, sulfur content, water content and the content of other components.
- Flue-gas samples shall be analysed to determine the content of oxygen and combustibles. Samples shall be taken downstream of the last heat-exchange (heat-absorbing) surface. If an air heater is used, samples shall be taken after the air heater. The cross-sectional area shall be traversed to obtain representative samples. A minimum of four samples shall be taken not more than 1 m (3 ft) apart.
- The flue-gas temperature shall be measured at the same location used to extract samples of flue gas for analysis. Systems designed to operate on natural draught upon loss of preheated air shall also measure the flue-gas temperature above the stack damper. If the measured temperature reveals leakage (that is, if the stack temperature is higher than the temperature at the exit from the air heater), then flue-gas samples shall also be taken at this location to determine the correct overall thermal efficiency. The cross-sectional area shall be traversed to obtain the representative temperature. A minimum of four measurements shall be taken not more than 1 m (3 ft) apart.

**G.2.2.5** The thermal efficiency shall be calculated from each set of valid data. The accepted final results are then the arithmetic average of the calculated efficiencies.

**G.2.2.6** All of the data shall be recorded on the standard forms presented in Clause G.4.

### G.3 Determination of thermal and fuel efficiencies

#### G.3.1 Calculation of thermal and fuel efficiencies

##### G.3.1.1 Net thermal efficiency

Figures G.3, G.4 and G.5 illustrate heat inputs and heat losses for typical arrangements of fired-process heater systems.

For the arrangements in Figures G.3, G.4 and G.5, the net thermal efficiency,  $e$ , (based on the lower heating value of the fuel) is equal to the total heat absorbed times 100, divided by the total heat input. The total heat absorbed is equal to the total heat input minus the total heat losses, so the net thermal efficiency,  $e$ , is given by Equation (G.1):

$$e = \frac{(h_L + \Delta h_a + \Delta h_f + \Delta h_m) - (h_r + h_s)}{(h_L + \Delta h_a + \Delta h_f + \Delta h_m)} \times 100 \quad (\text{G.1})$$

where

$e$  is the net thermal efficiency, expressed as a percentage;

$h_L$  is the lower massic heat value of the fuel burned, expressed in kJ/kg (Btu/lb);

$\Delta h_a$  is the air sensible massic heat correction, expressed in kJ/kg (Btu/lb)

$= c_{pa} \cdot (T_a - T_d) \cdot m_a/m_f$ , or the enthalpy difference,  $\Delta E$ , multiplied by the mass of air per unit mass of fuel;

$m_a$  is the mass of air, expressed in kilograms (pounds mass);

$m_f$  is the mass of the fuel, expressed in kilograms (pounds mass);

$\Delta h_f$  is the fuel sensible massic heat correction, expressed in kJ/kg (Btu/lb)

$= c_{pf} \cdot (T_f - T_d)$ ;

$\Delta h_m$  is the atomizing medium sensible massic heat correction, expressed in kJ/kg ( Btu/lb)

$= c_{pm} \cdot (T_m - T_d) \cdot m_m/m_f$ , or the enthalpy difference,  $\Delta E$ , multiplied by the mass of medium per unit mass of fuel;

$m_m$  is the mass of the medium, expressed in kilograms (pounds mass);

$h_r$  is the assumed radiation massic heat loss, expressed in kJ/kg (Btu/lb) of fuel;

$h_s$  is the calculated stack massic heat loss (see stack loss work sheet, Clause G.5), in kJ/kg (Btu/lb) of fuel.

### G.3.1.2 Gross thermal efficiency

The gross thermal efficiency of a fired-process heater system,  $e_g$ , expressed as a percentage, is determined by substituting into Equation (G.1), the higher heating value,  $h_H$ , in place of  $h_L$  and adding to  $h_s$  a value equal to 2 464,9 kJ/kg (1 059,7 Btu/lb) of H<sub>2</sub>O multiplied by the mass,  $m$ , expressed in kilograms (pounds), of H<sub>2</sub>O formed in the combustion of the fuel, as given in Equation (G.2):

$$e_g = \frac{(h_H + \Delta h_a + \Delta h_f + \Delta h_m) - [h_r + h_s + (m_{H_2O} \times 2\,464,9)]}{(h_H + \Delta h_a + \Delta h_f + \Delta h_m)} \times 100 \quad (G.2)$$

However,  $h_H$ , the higher massic heat value of the fuel burned, expressed in kJ/kg (Btu/lb) of fuel, can be expressed as given in Equation (G.3):

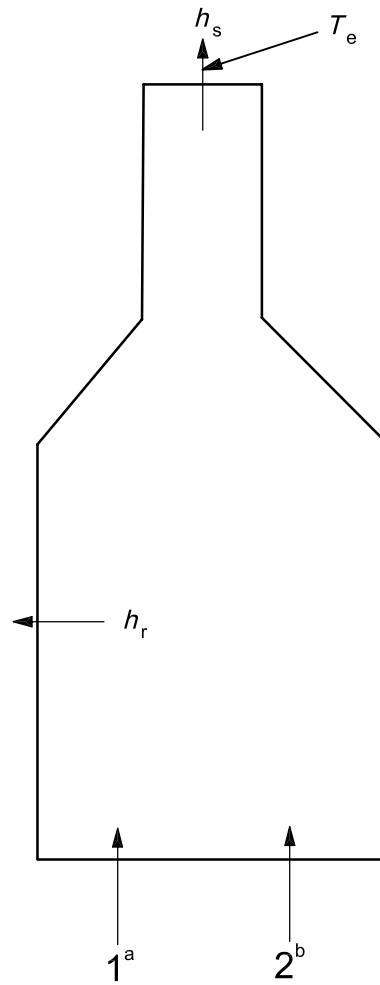
$$h_H = h_L + (m_{H_2O} \times 2\,464,9) \quad (G.3)$$

Making this substitution, Equation (G.2) reduces to Equation (G.4):

$$e_g = \frac{(h_L + \Delta h_a + \Delta h_f + \Delta h_m) - (h_r + h_s)}{(h_H + \Delta h_a + \Delta h_f + \Delta h_m) + (m_{H_2O} \times 2\,464,9)} \times 100 \quad (G.4)$$

Equation (G.4) can be reduced further to Equation (G.5):

$$e_g = \frac{(h_L + \Delta h_a + \Delta h_f + \Delta h_m) - (h_r + h_s)}{(h_H + \Delta h_a + \Delta h_f + \Delta h_m)} \times 100 \quad (G.5)$$



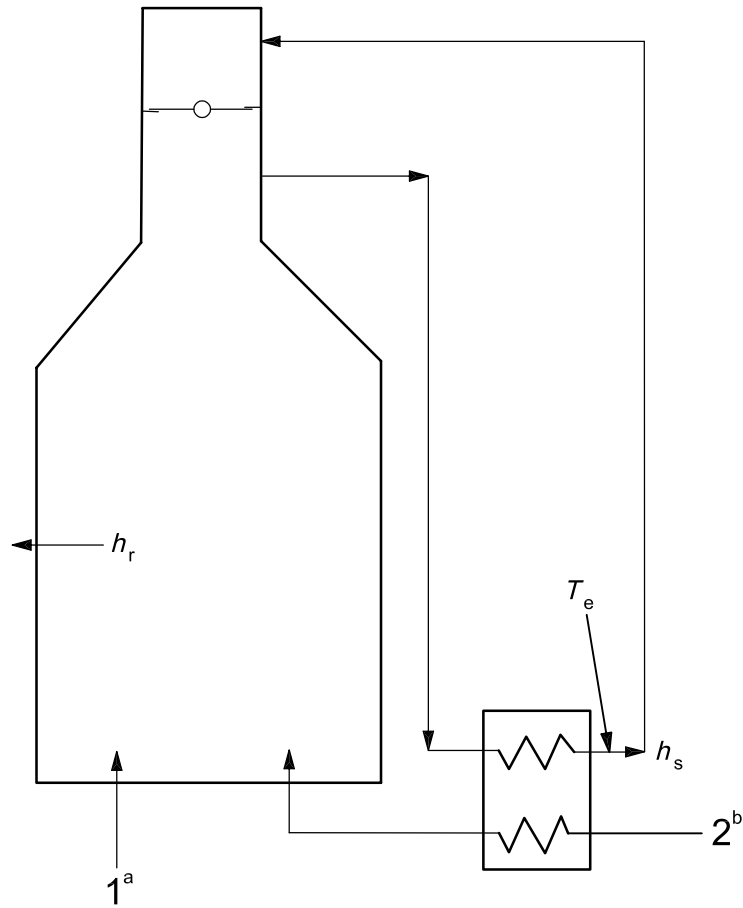
**Key**

- 1 fuel
- 2 ambient air

- a  $h_L = \Delta h_f + \Delta h_m$
- b  $\Delta h_a$  at  $T_a = T_{a,a}$

**Figure G.3 — Typical heater arrangement with non-preheated air**



**Key**

- 1 fuel  
2 ambient air

<sup>a</sup>  $h_L = \Delta h_f + \Delta h_m$

<sup>b</sup>  $\Delta h_a$  at  $T_a = T_{a,a}$

**Figure G.4 — Typical heater arrangement with preheated air from an internal heat source**

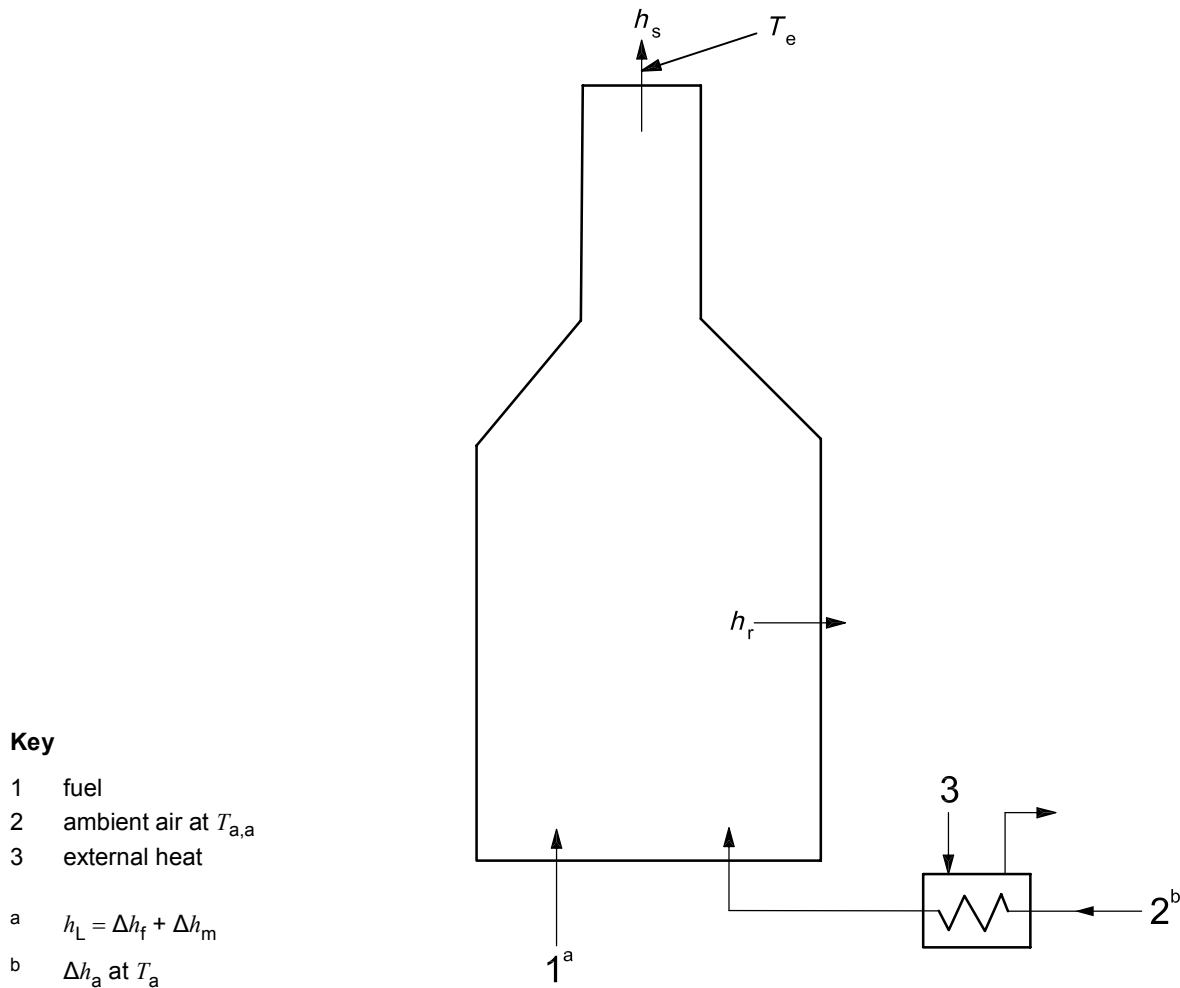


Figure G.5 — Typical heater arrangement with preheated air from an external heat source

### G.3.1.3 Fuel efficiency

The fuel efficiency of a fired heater,  $e_f$ , expressed as a percentage, is found by dividing the total heat absorbed by the heat input due only to the combustion of the fuel. The fuel efficiency can be determined by eliminating the sensible heat correction factors for air, fuel and steam from the denominator of Equation (G.1), resulting in Equation (G.6):

$$e_f = \frac{(h_L + \Delta h_a + \Delta h_f + \Delta h_m) - (h_f + h_s)}{h_L} \times 100 \quad (G.6)$$

## G.3.2 Sample calculations

### G.3.2.1 General

The examples in G.3.2.2 through G.3.2.4 illustrate the use of the preceding equations to calculate the thermal efficiency of three typical heater arrangements.

### G.3.2.2 Oil-fired heater with natural draught

#### G.3.2.2.1 Example conditions

In this example (see Figure G.3), the ambient air temperature ( $T_{a,a}$ ) is 26,7 °C (80 °F), the air temperature ( $T_a$ ) is 26,7 °C (80 °F), the flue-gas temperature to the stack ( $T_e$ ) is 232 °C (450 °F), the fuel oil temperature ( $T_f$ ) is

176 °C (350 °F), and the relative humidity is 50 %. The flue-gas analysis indicates that the oxygen content (on a wet basis) is 5 % (volume fraction) and that the combustibles content is nil. The radiation heat loss is 1,5 % of the lower massic heat value of the fuel. The analysis of the fuel indicates that its gravity is 10 °API, its carbon-hydrogen ratio is 8,06, its higher massic heat value (by calorimeter) is 42 566 kJ/kg (18 300 Btu/lb), its sulfur content is 1,8 % (mass fraction) and its inerts content is 0,95 % (mass fraction). The temperature of the atomizing steam ( $T_m$ ) is 185 °C (366 °F) at a pressure of 1,03 MPa (150 psi) gauge; the mass of atomizing steam per unit mass of fuel is 0,5 kg/kg (0,5 lb/lb). Clause G.6 contains the work sheets from Clause G.5 filled out for this example.

The fuel's carbon content and the content of the other components are entered as mass fractions in column 3 of the Combustion work sheet (see Clause G.6) to determine the flue-gas components. By entering the fuel's higher massic heat value ( $h_H$ ) and its components on the lower massic heat value (liquid fuels) work sheet (see Clause G.6), the fuel's lower massic heat value ( $h_L$ ) and carbon content (as a percentage) can be determined. Using this method,  $h_L = 40\,186$  kJ/kg (17 277 Btu/lb) of fuel.

### G.3.2.2.2 Massic heat losses

The radiation massic heat loss,  $h_r$ , is determined by multiplying  $h_L$  by the radiation loss expressed as a percentage. Therefore,  $h_r = 0,015 \times 40\,186 = 602,8$  kJ/kg ( $= 0,015 \times 17\,277 = 259,2$  Btu/lb) of fuel.

The stack massic heat loss,  $h_s$ , is determined from a summation of the heat content of the flue-gas components at the exit flue-gas temperature,  $T_e$  (see stack loss work sheet, Clause G.6). Therefore,  $h_s = 4\,788,4$  kJ/kg (2 058,5 Btu/lb) of fuel at 232 °C (450 °F).

The sensible massic heat corrections ( $\Delta h_a$  for combustion air,  $\Delta h_f$  for fuel and  $\Delta h_m$  for atomizing steam) are determined as given in Equation (G.7):

$$\Delta h_a = c_{pa} \cdot (T_a - T_d) \cdot m_a/m_f \quad (\text{G.7})$$

where

$m_a$  is the mass of air, expressed in kilograms (pounds mass);

$m_f$  is the mass of the fuel, expressed in kilograms (pounds mass);

$m_a/m_f$  the sum of the values, expressed as kilograms (pounds mass) of air per kilogram (pound mass) of fuel, from lines (b) and (e) on the excess air and relative humidity work sheet (see Clause G.6).

The calculation in SI units:

$$\Delta h_a = 1,005(26,7 - 15,6) \times (13,86 + 4,896)$$

$$\Delta h_a = 209,3 \text{ kJ/kg of fuel}$$

$$\Delta h_f = c_{pfuel} \cdot (T_f - T_d)$$

$$\Delta h_f = 2,099 (176,7 - 15,6)$$

$$\Delta h_f = 323,8 \text{ kJ/kg of fuel}$$

The calculation in USC units:

$$\Delta h_a = 0,24 (80 - 60) \times (13,86 + 4,896)$$

$$\Delta h_a = 90,0 \text{ Btu/lb of fuel}$$

$$\Delta h_f = c_{p\text{fuel}} \cdot (T_f - T_d)$$

$$\Delta h_f = 0,48 (350 - 60)$$

$$\Delta h_f = 139,2 \text{ Btu/lb of fuel}$$

$$\Delta h_m = \Delta E \times m_{\text{st}}/m_f$$

where

$\Delta E$  is the enthalpy difference;

$m_{\text{st}}$  mass of the steam, expressed in kilograms (pounds mass).

In SI units:

$$\Delta h_m = (2\,780,7 - 2\,530,0) \times 0,5$$

$$\Delta h_m = 125,4 \text{ kJ/kg of fuel}$$

In USC units:

$$\Delta h_m = (1\,195,5 - 1\,087,7) \times 0,5$$

$$\Delta h_m = 53,9 \text{ Btu/lb of fuel}$$

### G.3.2.2.3 Thermal efficiency

The net thermal efficiency can then be calculated as follows [see Equation (G.1)].

In SI units:

$$e = \frac{(40\,186 + 209,3 + 323,8 + 125,4) - (602,9 + 4\,788,1)}{(40\,186 + 209,3 + 323,8 + 125,4)} \times 100$$

$$e = 86,8 \%$$

In USC units:

$$e = \frac{(17\,277 + 90,0 + 139,2 + 53,9) - (259,2 + 2\,058,5)}{(17\,277 + 90,0 + 139,2 + 53,9)} \times 100$$

$$e = 86,8 \%$$

The gross thermal efficiency is determined as follows [see Equation (G.5)].

In SI units:

$$e_g = \frac{(40\,186 + 209,3 + 323,8 + 125,4) - (602,9 + 4\,788,1)}{(42\,566 + 209,3 + 323,8 + 125,4)} \times 100$$

$$e_g = 82,0 \%$$

In USC units:

$$e_g = \frac{(17\,277 + 90,0 + 139,2 + 53,9) - (259,2 + 2\,058,5)}{(18\,300 + 90,0 + 139,2 + 53,9)} \times 100$$

$$e_g = 82,0 \%$$

The fuel efficiency is determined as follows [see Equation (G.6)].

In SI units:

$$e_f = \frac{(40\,186 + 209,3 + 323,8 + 125,4) - (602,9 + 4\,788,1)}{(40\,186)} \times 100$$

$$e_f = 88,2 \%$$

In USC units:

$$e_f = \frac{(17\,277 + 90,0 + 139,2 + 53,9) - (259,2 + 2\,058,5)}{(17\,277)} \times 100$$

$$e_f = 88,2 \%$$

### G.3.2.3 Gas-fired heater with preheated combustion air from an internal heat source

#### G.3.2.3.1 Example conditions

In this example (see Figure G.4), the ambient air temperature ( $T_{a,a}$ ) is  $-2,2\text{ °C}$  ( $28\text{ °F}$ ), the air temperature ( $T_a$ ) is also  $-2,2\text{ °C}$  ( $28\text{ °F}$ ), the flue-gas temperature at the exit from the air heater is  $148,9\text{ °C}$  ( $300\text{ °F}$ ), the fuel gas temperature is  $37,8\text{ °C}$  ( $100\text{ °F}$ ) and the relative humidity is 50 %. The flue-gas analysis indicates that the oxygen content (on a wet basis) is 3,5 % (volume fraction) and that the combustibles content is nil. The radiation heat loss is 2,5 % of the lower heating value of the fuel. The analysis of the fuel indicates that the fuel's methane content is 75,4 % (volume fraction), its ethane content is 2,33 % (volume fraction), its ethylene content is 5,08 % (volume fraction), its propane content is 1,54 % (volume fraction), its propylene content is 1,86 % (volume fraction), its nitrogen content is 9,96 % (volume fraction) and its hydrogen content is 3,82 % (volume fraction). Clause G.7 contains the combustion work sheet, excess air and relative humidity work sheet and stack loss work sheet from Clause G.5 filled out for this example.

#### G.3.2.3.2 Massic heat losses

The fuel's  $h_L$  is determined by entering the fuel analysis in column 1 of the combustion work sheet (see Clause G.7) and dividing the total heats of combustion (column 5) by the total fuel mass (column 3).

Therefore,  $h_L = 780\,556/18,523 = 42\,140\text{ kJ/kg}$  of fuel ( $h_L = 335\,623/18,523 = 18\,120\text{ Btu/lb}$  of fuel).

The radiation massic heat loss,  $h_r$ , is determined by multiplying  $h_L$  by the radiation loss expressed as a percentage. Therefore,  $h_r = 0,025 \times 42\,147 = 1\,053,7\text{ kJ/kg}$  of fuel ( $= 0,025 \times 18\,120 = 453,0\text{ Btu/lb}$  of fuel).

The stack massic heat loss,  $h_s$ , is determined from a summation of the heat content of the flue-gas components at the exit flue-gas temperature,  $T_e$  (see stack loss work sheet, Clause G.7). Therefore,  $h_s = 2\,747,5\text{ kJ/kg}$  of fuel at  $148,9\text{ °C}$  ( $1\,181,2\text{ Btu/lb}$  of fuel at  $300\text{ °F}$ ).

The sensible massic heat corrections,  $\Delta h_a$  for combustion air and  $\Delta h_f$  for fuel, are determined as given in Equation (G.8):

$$\Delta h_a = c_{pa} \times (T_a - T_d) \times m_a/m_f \quad (\text{G.8})$$

where

$m_a$  is the mass of air, expressed in kilograms (pounds mass);

$m_f$  is the mass of the fuel, expressed in kilograms (pounds mass).

In SI units:

$$\Delta h_a = 1,005 (-2,2 - 15,6) \times (14,344 \times 1,2 + 0,201)$$

$$\Delta h_a = -313,3 \text{ kJ/kg of fuel}$$

In USC units:

$$\Delta h_a = 0,24 (28 - 60) \times (14,344 \times 1,2 + 0,201)$$

$$\Delta h_a = -134,7 \text{ Btu/lb of fuel}$$

$$\Delta h_f = c_{pf} \times (T_f - T_d)$$

In SI units:

$$\Delta h_f = 2,197 (37,8 - 15,6)$$

$$\Delta h_f = 48,8 \text{ kJ/kg of fuel}$$

In USC units:

$$\Delta h_f = 0,525 (100 - 60)$$

$$\Delta h_f = 21,0 \text{ Btu/lb of fuel}$$

### G.3.2.3.3 Thermal efficiency

The net thermal efficiency can then be calculated as follows [see Equation (G.1)].

In SI units:

$$e = \frac{(42\,147 - 313,3 + 48,8) - (1\,053,7 + 2\,747,5)}{(42\,147 - 313,3 + 48,8)} \times 100$$

$$e = 90,9 \%$$

In USC units:

$$e = \frac{(18\,120 - 134,7 + 21) - (453,0 + 1\,181,2)}{(18\,120 - 134,7 + 21)} \times 100$$

$$e = 90,9 \%$$

To determine the gross thermal efficiency, follow the procedure in G.3.1.2 (see also G.3.2.1).

To determine the fuel efficiency, follow the procedure in G.3.1.3 (see also G.3.2.1).

### G.3.2.4 Gas-fired heater with preheated combustion air from an external heat source

#### G.3.2.4.1 Example conditions

This example (see Figure G.5) uses the same data that are used in G.3.2.2 except for the following changes: the air temperature ( $T_a$ ) is 148,9 °C (300 °F), the flue-gas temperature to the stack ( $T_e$ ) is 260 °C (500 °F), and the flue-gas analysis indicates that the oxygen content (on a dry basis) is 3,5 % (volume fraction). Clause G.8 contains the excess air and relative humidity work sheet and stack loss work sheet from Clause G.5 filled out for this example.

#### G.3.2.4.2 Massic heat losses

$h_L$  and  $\Delta h_f$  are determined exactly as they were in G.3.2.2. Therefore,  $h_L = 42\,147$  kJ/kg (18 120 Btu/lb) of fuel, and  $\Delta h_f = 1053,7$  kJ/kg (453,0 Btu/lb) of fuel.

In this example, the oxygen reading was taken on a dry basis, so it is necessary that the values for kilograms (pounds mass) of water per kilogram (pound mass) of fuel be entered as zero when correcting for excess air (see the excess air and relative humidity work sheet, Clause G.8). The calculation for total kilograms (pounds mass) of H<sub>2</sub>O per kilogram (pound mass) of fuel (corrected for excess air) is again performed using values for water and moisture (see excess air and relative humidity work sheet).

The stack loss,  $h_s$ , is determined from a summation of the heat content of the flue-gas components at the stack temperature,  $T_e$  (see stack loss work sheet, Clause G.8). Therefore,  $h_s = 4\,884,4$  kJ/kg of fuel at 260 °C (2 099,9 Btu/lb of fuel at 500 °F).

The sensible massic heat corrections,  $\Delta h_a$  and  $\Delta h_f$ , are determined as they were in G.3.2.2, but  $\Delta h_a$ , which changes because of the different temperatures and quantities, is given by Equation (G.9):

$$\Delta h_a = c_{p_a} \times (T_a - T_d) \times m_a/m_f \quad (\text{G.9})$$

where

$m_a$  is the mass of air, expressed in kilograms (pounds mass);

$m_f$  is the mass of the fuel, expressed in kilograms (pounds mass).

In SI units:

$$\Delta h_a = 1,005 (148,9 - 15,6) (14,344 + 2,619)$$

$$\Delta h_a = 2\,272,7 \text{ kJ/kg of fuel}$$

$$\Delta h_f = 48,8 \text{ kJ/kg of fuel}$$

In USC units:

$$\Delta h_a = 0,24 (300 - 60) (14,344 + 2,619)$$

$$\Delta h_a = 977,1 \text{ Btu/lb of fuel}$$

$$\Delta h_f = (21,0 \text{ Btu/lb of fuel})$$

**G.3.2.4.3 Thermal efficiency**

The net thermal efficiency can then be calculated as follows [see Equation (G.1)].

In SI units:

$$e = \frac{(42\,147 + 2\,272,2 + 48,8) - (1\,053,7 + 4\,884,4)}{(42\,147 - 2\,272,7 + 48,8)} \times 100$$

$$e = 86,6 \%$$

In USC units:

$$e = \frac{(18\,120 + 977,1 + 21) - (453,0 + 2\,099,9)}{(18\,120 - 977,1 + 21)} \times 100$$

$$e = 86,6 \%$$

To determine the gross thermal efficiency and the fuel efficiency, follow the procedure given in G.3.1.2 and G.3.1.3, respectively; see also G.3.2.1.



### G.4 Model format for laboratory and raw-test-data sheets

#### LABORATORY DATA SHEET

Job No.: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date of report: \_\_\_\_\_  
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#### I. GENERAL INFORMATION

Owner: \_\_\_\_\_ Plant location: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Unit: \_\_\_\_\_ Site elevation: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Heater No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Service: \_\_\_\_\_

Test run date:						
Test run time:						
Run No.:						

#### II. FUEL GAS SAMPLE

Sample taken by:						
Sample No.:						
Sampling location:						
Date taken:						
Time taken:						

#### Fuel-gas analysis, volume fraction (%)

Hydrogen:						
Methane:						
Ethane:						
Other C <sub>2</sub> :						
Propane:						
Other C <sub>3</sub> :						
Butane:						
Other C <sub>4</sub> :						
Pentane plus:						
Carbon monoxide:						
Hydrogen sulfide:						
Carbon dioxide:						
Nitrogen:						
Oxygen:						
Other inerts:						
Total:						

Remarks: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

#### III. FUEL OIL SAMPLE

Sample taken by:						
Sample No.:						
Sampling location:						
Date taken:						
Time taken:						
Sample temperature, °C (°F):						

#### Analysis, mass fraction (%)

Carbon:						
Hydrogen:						



**RAW-TEST-DATA SHEET**

Job No.: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date of report: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**I. GENERAL INFORMATION**

Owner: \_\_\_\_\_ Plant location: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Unit: \_\_\_\_\_ Site elevation: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Heater No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Service: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Manufacturer: \_\_\_\_\_

Test run date:						
Test run time:						
Run No.:						
Recorded by:						

**II. GENERAL CONDITIONS**

Ambient air temperature, °C (°F):						
Wind direction:						
Wind velocity, km/h (mph):						
Plant barometric pressure, Pa (in Hg):						
Radiation loss, %:						
Relative humidity, %:						

**III. COMBUSTION DATA**

Fuel gas

Flow meter reading:						
Flow meter factor and data base:						
Pressure at flow meter, kPa (psig):						
Temperature at flow meter, °C (°F):						
Pressure at burners, kPa (psig):						

Fuel oil (supply)

Flow meter reading:						
Flow meter factor and data base:						
Pressure at flow meter, kPa (psig):						
Temperature at flow meter, °C (°F):						
Pressure at burners, kPa (psig):						

Fuel oil (return)

Flow meter reading:						
Flow meter factor and data base:						
Pressure at flow meter, kPa (psig):						
Temperature at flow meter, °C (°F):						

**RAW-TEST-DATA SHEET**

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Atomizing medium

Flow meter reading:  
 Flow meter factor and data  
 base:  
 Pressure at flow meter,  
 kPa (psig):  
 Temperature at flow meter,  
 °C (°F):  
 Pressure at burners, kPa  
 (psig):


**IV. PROCESS-STREAM DATA<sup>a</sup>**

Flow

Flow meter reading:  
 Flow meter factor:  
 Flow pressure in, kPa  
 (psig):  
 Flow temperature in,  
 °C (°F):  
 Flow pressure out, kPa  
 (psig):  
 Combined temperature out,  
 °C (°F):


Steam injection

Location:  
 Total consumption, kg/h  
 (lb/h):


**V. AIR AND FLUE-GAS DATA**

Pressure, Pa (in H<sub>2</sub>O)

Draught at burners:  
 Draught at firebox roof:


<sup>a</sup> Similar data should be recorded for secondary streams such as boiler feed water, steam generation and steam superheat.

**RAW-TEST-DATA SHEET**

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	Run No.			Run No.			Run No.		
	Traverse readings	Average		Traverse readings	Average		Traverse readings	Average	
Temperature, °C (°F)									
Air into preheater:									
Air out of preheater:									
Flue gas out of preheater <sup>a</sup> :									
Flue gas in stack <sup>a</sup> :									

Flue-gas analysis, volume fraction (%)

Oxygen content <sup>a</sup> :									
Combustibles and carbon monoxide:									

**VI. ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT**

Air heater

Nameplate size:						
Type:						
Bypass (open/closed):						
External preheat (on/off):						

Burners

No. in operation:					
Type of fuel:					
Burner type <sup>b</sup> :					

Remarks:

\_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

<sup>a</sup> Readings shall be taken after the last heat-absorbing surface.  
<sup>b</sup> The burner type should be designated as ND (natural-draught), FD (forced-draught) or FD/PA (forced-draught preheated-air).

### G.5 Model format for work sheets

#### LOWER MASSIC HEAT VALUE (LIQUID FUELS) WORK SHEET

Job No.: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of report: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Higher massic heat value ( $h_H$ ), from calorimeter test, in kJ/kg (Btu/lb) of fuel: \_\_\_\_\_  
Carbon-hydrogen ratio ( $CHR$ ), from analysis: \_\_\_\_\_  
Impurities, from analysis, mass fraction (%)  
  Water vapour: \_\_\_\_\_  
  Ash: \_\_\_\_\_  
  Sulfur: \_\_\_\_\_  
  Sodium: \_\_\_\_\_  
  Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
  Total ( $Z$ ): \_\_\_\_\_

$$\% \text{ hydrogen} = (100 - Z)/(CHR + 1,0)$$

In SI units:

$$h_L = h_H - (9 \times 2\,464,9 \times \% \text{ hydrogen}/100), \text{ in kJ/kg of fuel}$$

In USC units:

$$h_L = h_H - (9 \times 1\,059,7 \times \% \text{ hydrogen}/100), \text{ in Btu/lb of fuel}$$

$$\% \text{ carbon} = 100 - (\% \text{ hydrogen} + Z):$$

#### INSTRUCTIONS

Calculate the values for % hydrogen, lower massic heat value ( $h_L$ ) and % carbon. Enter these values in the appropriate columns of the combustion work sheet.

**COMBUSTION WORK SHEET**  
**SI units**

 Job No.: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Fuel component	Column 1	Column 2	Column 3 (1 × 2)	Column 4	Column 5 (3 × 4)
	Volume fraction %	Relative molecular mass	Total mass kg	Net heating value kJ/kg	Heating value kJ
Carbon, C		12,0		—	
Hydrogen, H <sub>2</sub>		2,016		120 000	
Oxygen, O <sub>2</sub>		32,0		—	
Nitrogen, N <sub>2</sub>		28,0		—	
Carbon monoxide, CO		28,0		10 100	
Carbon dioxide, CO <sub>2</sub>		44,0		—	
Methane, CH <sub>4</sub>		16,0		50 000	
Ethane, C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>6</sub>		30,1		47 490	
Ethylene, C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub>		28,1		47 190	
Acetylene, C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>2</sub>		26,0		48 240	
Propane, C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>8</sub>		44,1		46 360	
Propylene, C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>6</sub>		42,1		45 800	
Butane, C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>10</sub>		58,1		45 750	
Butylene, C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>8</sub>		56,1		45 170	
Pentane, C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>12</sub>		72,1		45 360	
Hexane, C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>14</sub>		86,2		45 100	
Benzene, C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>6</sub>		78,1		40 170	
Methanol, CH <sub>3</sub> OH		32,0		19 960	
Ammonia, NH <sub>3</sub>		17,0		18 600	
Sulfur, S		32,1		—	
Hydrogen sulfide, H <sub>2</sub> S		34,1		15 240	
Water, H <sub>2</sub> O		18,0		—	
<b>Total</b>					
Total per kg of fuel					

**INSTRUCTIONS**

If composition is expressed as volume fraction (%), insert in column 1; if composition is expressed as mass fraction (%), insert in column 3. Add all of the columns on the "Total" line and divide all of the column totals by the column 3 total to obtain the values for the "Total per kg of fuel" line. The excess air and relative humidity work sheet and the stack loss work sheet use the totals per kg of fuel to calculate stack loss; for example, if one of the work sheets asks for "kg of CO<sub>2</sub>", the value is taken from the "Total per kg of fuel" line in Column 9.

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Column 6	Column 7 (3 × 6)	Column 8 <sup>a</sup>	Column 9 (3 × 8)	Column 10	Column 11 (3 × 10)	Column 12	Column 13 (3 × 12)
Air required kg of air per kg	Air required kg	CO <sub>2</sub> formed kg of CO <sub>2</sub> per kg	CO <sub>2</sub> formed kg	H <sub>2</sub> O formed kg of H <sub>2</sub> O per kg	H <sub>2</sub> O formed kg	N <sub>2</sub> formed kg of N <sub>2</sub> per kg	N <sub>2</sub> formed kg
11,51		3,66		—		8,85	
34,29		—		8,94		26,36	
-4,32		—		—		-3,32	
—		—		—		1,00	
2,47		1,57		—		1,90	
—		1,00		—		—	
17,24		2,74		2,25		13,25	
16,09		2,93		1,80		12,37	
14,79		3,14		1,28		11,36	
13,29		3,38		0,69		10,21	
15,68		2,99		1,63		12,05	
14,79		3,14		1,28		11,36	
15,46		3,03		1,55		11,88	
14,79		3,14		1,28		11,36	
15,33		3,05		1,50		11,78	
15,24		3,06		1,46		11,71	
13,27		3,38		0,69		10,20	
6,48		1,38		1,13		4,98	
6,10		—		1,59		5,51	
4,31		2,00		—		3,31	
6,08		1,88		0,53		4,68	
—		—		1,00		—	

<sup>a</sup> SO<sub>2</sub> shall be included in the CO<sub>2</sub> column. Although this is inaccurate, the usually small quantities will not affect any of the final results.



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Fuel component	Column 1	Column 2	Column 3 (1 × 2)	Column 4	Column 5 (3 × 4)
	Volume fraction %	Relative molecular mass	Total mass pounds	Net heating value British thermal units per pound	Heating value British thermal units
Carbon, C		12,0		–	
Hydrogen, H <sub>2</sub>		2,016		51 600	
Oxygen, O <sub>2</sub>		32,0		–	
Nitrogen, N <sub>2</sub>		28,0		–	
Carbon monoxide, CO		28,0		4 345	
Carbon dioxide, CO <sub>2</sub>		44,0		–	
Methane, CH <sub>4</sub>		16,0		21 500	
Ethane, C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>6</sub>		30,1		20 420	
Ethylene, C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub>		28,1		20 290	
Acetylene, C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>2</sub>		26,0		20 470	
Propane, C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>8</sub>		44,1		19 930	
Propylene, C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>6</sub>		42,1		19 690	
Butane, C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>10</sub>		58,1		19 670	
Butylene, C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>8</sub>		56,1		19 420	
Pentane, C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>12</sub>		72,1		19 500	
Hexane, C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>14</sub>		86,2		19 390	
Benzene, C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>6</sub>		78,1		17 270	
Methanol, CH <sub>3</sub> OH		32,0		8 580	
Ammonia, NH <sub>3</sub>		17,0		8 000	
Sulfur, S		32,1		–	
Hydrogen sulfide, H <sub>2</sub> S		34,1		6 550	
Water, H <sub>2</sub> O		18,0		–	
<b>Total</b>					
Total per pound of fuel					

## INSTRUCTIONS

If composition is expressed as volume %, insert in column 1; if composition is expressed as mass %, insert in column 3. Total all of the columns on the "Total" line and divide all of the column totals by the column 3 total to obtain the values for the "Total per pound of fuel" line. The excess air and relative humidity work sheet and the stack loss work sheet use the totals per pound of fuel to calculate stack loss; for example, if one of the work sheets asked for "pounds of CO<sub>2</sub>", the value would be taken from the "Total per pound of fuel" line in column 9.

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Column 6	Column 7 (3 × 6)	Column 8 <sup>a</sup>	Column 9 (3 × 8)	Column 10	Column 11 (3 × 10)	Column 12	Column 13 (3 × 12)
Air required pounds of air per pound	Air required pounds	CO <sub>2</sub> formed pounds of CO <sub>2</sub> per pound	CO <sub>2</sub> formed pounds	H <sub>2</sub> O formed pounds of H <sub>2</sub> O per pound	H <sub>2</sub> O formed pounds	N <sub>2</sub> formed pounds of N <sub>2</sub> per pound	N <sub>2</sub> formed pounds
11,51		3,66		—		8,85	
34,29		—		8,94		26,36	
-4,32		—		—		-3,32	
—		—		—		1,00	
2,47		1,57		—		1,90	
—		1,00		—		—	
17,24		2,74		2,25		13,25	
16,09		2,93		1,80		12,37	
14,79		3,14		1,28		11,36	
13,29		3,38		0,69		10,21	
15,68		2,99		1,63		12,05	
14,79		3,14		1,28		11,36	
15,46		3,03		1,55		11,88	
14,79		3,14		1,28		11,36	
15,33		3,05		1,50		11,78	
15,24		3,06		1,46		11,71	
13,27		3,38		0,69		10,20	
6,48		1,38		1,13		4,98	
6,10		—		1,59		5,51	
4,31		2,00		—		3,31	
6,08		1,88		0,53		4,68	
—		—		1,00		—	

<sup>a</sup> SO<sub>2</sub> shall be included in the CO<sub>2</sub> column. Although this is inaccurate, the usually small quantities will not affect any of the final results.

**EXCESS AIR AND RELATIVE HUMIDITY WORK SHEET<sup>a</sup>**  
**SI units**

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Atomizing steam: \_\_\_\_\_ kg per kg of fuel (assumed or measured)

**CORRECTION FOR RELATIVE HUMIDITY (RH)**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Moisture in air} &= \frac{P_{\text{vapour}}}{P_{\text{air}}} \times \frac{RH}{100} \times \frac{18}{28,85} \\ &= \frac{\dots\dots\dots}{1013,3} \times \frac{\dots\dots\dots}{100} \times \frac{18}{28,85} \\ &= \text{_____} \text{ kg of moisture per kg of air} \end{aligned} \tag{a}$$

where:

$P_{\text{vapour}}$  = vapour pressure of water at the ambient temperature, in mbar absolute (from steam tables);  
 $P_{\text{air}}$  = 1 013,3 mbar.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{kg of wet air per kg of fuel required} &= \frac{\text{air required}}{1 - \text{moisture in air}} \\ &= \frac{\text{_____ (7)}}{1 - \text{_____ (a)}} \\ &= \text{_____} \end{aligned} \tag{b}$$

kg of moisture per kg of fuel = kg of wet air per kg of fuel required – air required

$$\begin{aligned} &= \text{_____ (b)} - \text{_____ (7)} \\ &= \text{_____} \end{aligned} \tag{c}$$

kg of H<sub>2</sub>O per kg of fuel = H<sub>2</sub>O formed + kg of moisture per kg of fuel + atomizing steam

$$\begin{aligned} &= \text{_____ (11)} + \text{_____ (c)} + \text{_____} \\ &= \text{_____} \end{aligned} \tag{d}$$

**CORRECTION FOR EXCESS AIR<sup>b</sup>**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{kg of excess air per kg of fuel} &= \frac{(28,85 \times \% \text{O}_2) \left( \frac{\text{N}_2 \text{ formed}}{28} + \frac{\text{CO}_2 \text{ formed}}{44} + \frac{\text{H}_2\text{O formed}}{18} \right)}{20,95 - \% \text{O}_2 \left[ \left( 1,6028 \times \frac{\text{kg of H}_2\text{O}}{\text{kg of air required}} \right) + 1 \right]} \\ &= \text{_____} \end{aligned} \tag{e}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Percent excess air} &= \frac{\text{kg of excess air per kg of fuel}}{\text{air required}} \times 100 \\ &= \frac{\text{_____ (e)}}{\text{_____ (7)}} \times 100 \\ &= \text{_____} \end{aligned} \tag{f}$$

**EXCESS AIR AND RELATIVE  
HUMIDITY WORK SHEET <sup>a</sup>**  
SI units

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Total kg of H<sub>2</sub>O per kg of fuel (corrected for excess air)

$$= \left( \frac{\text{percent excess air}}{100} \times \text{kg of moisture per kg fuel} \right) + \text{kg of H}_2\text{O per kg fuel}$$

$$= \left[ \frac{\text{_____}(f)}{100} \times \text{_____}(c) \right] + \text{_____}(d)$$

$$= \text{_____}$$

(g)

<sup>a</sup> All values used in the calculations above shall be on a "per kg of fuel" basis. Numbers in parentheses indicate values to be taken from the "Total per kg fuel" line of the combustion work sheet, and letters in parentheses indicate values to be taken from the corresponding lines of this work sheet.

<sup>b</sup> If oxygen samples are extracted on a dry basis, a value of zero shall be inserted for line (e) where a value is required from lines (c) and (d). If oxygen samples are extracted on a wet basis, the appropriate calculated value shall be inserted.

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**USC units**

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Atomizing steam: \_\_\_\_\_ pounds per pound of fuel (assumed or measured)

**CORRECTION FOR RELATIVE HUMIDITY (RH)**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Moisture in air} &= \frac{P_{\text{vapour}}}{P_{\text{air}}} \times \frac{RH}{100} \times \frac{18}{28,85} \\ &= \frac{\quad}{14,696} \times \frac{\quad}{100} \times \frac{18}{28,85} \\ &= \quad \text{pounds of moisture per pound of air} \end{aligned} \tag{a}$$

where:

$P_{\text{vapour}}$  = vapour pressure of water at the ambient temperature, in pounds per square inch absolute (from steam tables);

$P_{\text{air}}$  = 14,696 psi.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Pounds of wet air per pound of fuel required} &= \frac{\text{air required}}{1 - \text{moisture in air}} \\ &= \frac{\quad (7)}{1 - \quad (a)} \\ &= \quad \end{aligned} \tag{b}$$

Pounds of moisture per pound of fuel = pounds of wet air per pound of fuel required – air required

$$\begin{aligned} &= \quad (b) - \quad (7) \\ &= \quad \end{aligned} \tag{c}$$

Pounds of H<sub>2</sub>O per pound of fuel = H<sub>2</sub>O formed + pounds of moisture per pound of fuel + atomizing steam

$$\begin{aligned} &= \quad (11) + \quad (c) + \quad \\ &= \quad \end{aligned} \tag{d}$$

**CORRECTION FOR EXCESS AIR <sup>b</sup>**

Pounds of excess air per pound of fuel

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{(28,85 \times \% \text{ O}_2) \left( \frac{\text{N}_2 \text{ formed}}{28} + \frac{\text{CO}_2 \text{ formed}}{44} + \frac{\text{H}_2\text{O formed}}{18} \right)}{20,95 - \% \text{ O}_2 \left[ \left( 1,6028 \times \frac{\text{pounds of H}_2\text{O}}{\text{pounds of air required}} \right) + 1 \right]} \\ &= \frac{(28,85 \times \quad) \left( \frac{\quad (13)}{28} + \frac{\quad (9)}{44} + \frac{\quad (d)}{18} \right)}{20,95 - \quad \left[ \left( 1,6028 \times \frac{\quad (c)}{\quad (7)} \right) + 1 \right]} \\ &= \quad \end{aligned} \tag{e}$$

Pounds excess air =  $\frac{\text{pounds of excess air per pound of fuel}}{\text{air required}} \times 100$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{\quad (e)}{\quad (7)} \times 100 \\ &= \quad \end{aligned} \tag{f}$$

**EXCESS AIR AND RELATIVE  
HUMIDITY WORK SHEET <sup>a</sup>  
USC units**

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Total pounds of H<sub>2</sub>O per pound of fuel (corrected for excess air)

$$= \left( \frac{\text{percent excess air}}{100} \times \text{pounds of moisture per pound fuel} \right) + \text{pounds of H}_2\text{O per pound fuel}$$

$$= \left[ \frac{\text{_____ (f)}}{100} \times \text{_____ (c)} \right] + \text{_____ (d)}$$

= \_\_\_\_\_

(g)

<sup>a</sup> All values used in the calculations above shall be on a "per pound fuel" basis. Numbers in parentheses indicate values to be taken from the "Total per pound fuel" line of the combustion work sheet, and letters in parentheses indicate values to be taken from the corresponding lines of this work sheet.

<sup>b</sup> If oxygen samples are extracted on a dry basis, a value of zero shall be inserted for line (e) where a value is required from lines (c) and (d). If oxygen samples are extracted on a wet basis, the appropriate calculated value shall be inserted.

## STACK LOSS WORK SHEET

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Exit flue-gas temperature,  $T_e$ : \_\_\_\_\_ °C (°F)

Component	Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
	Component formed kg (lb) per kg (lb) of fuel	Enthalpy at $T$ kJ/kg formed (Btu/lb formed)	Massic heat content kJ/kg of fuel (Btu/lb of fuel)
Carbon dioxide			
Water vapour			
Nitrogen			
Air			
Total			

## INSTRUCTIONS

In column 1 above, insert the values from the "Total per kg of fuel" line of the combustion work sheet for carbon dioxide (column 9) and nitrogen (column 13). Insert the value from line (e) of the excess air and relative humidity work sheet for air, and insert the value from line (g) of the excess air and relative humidity work sheet for water vapour.

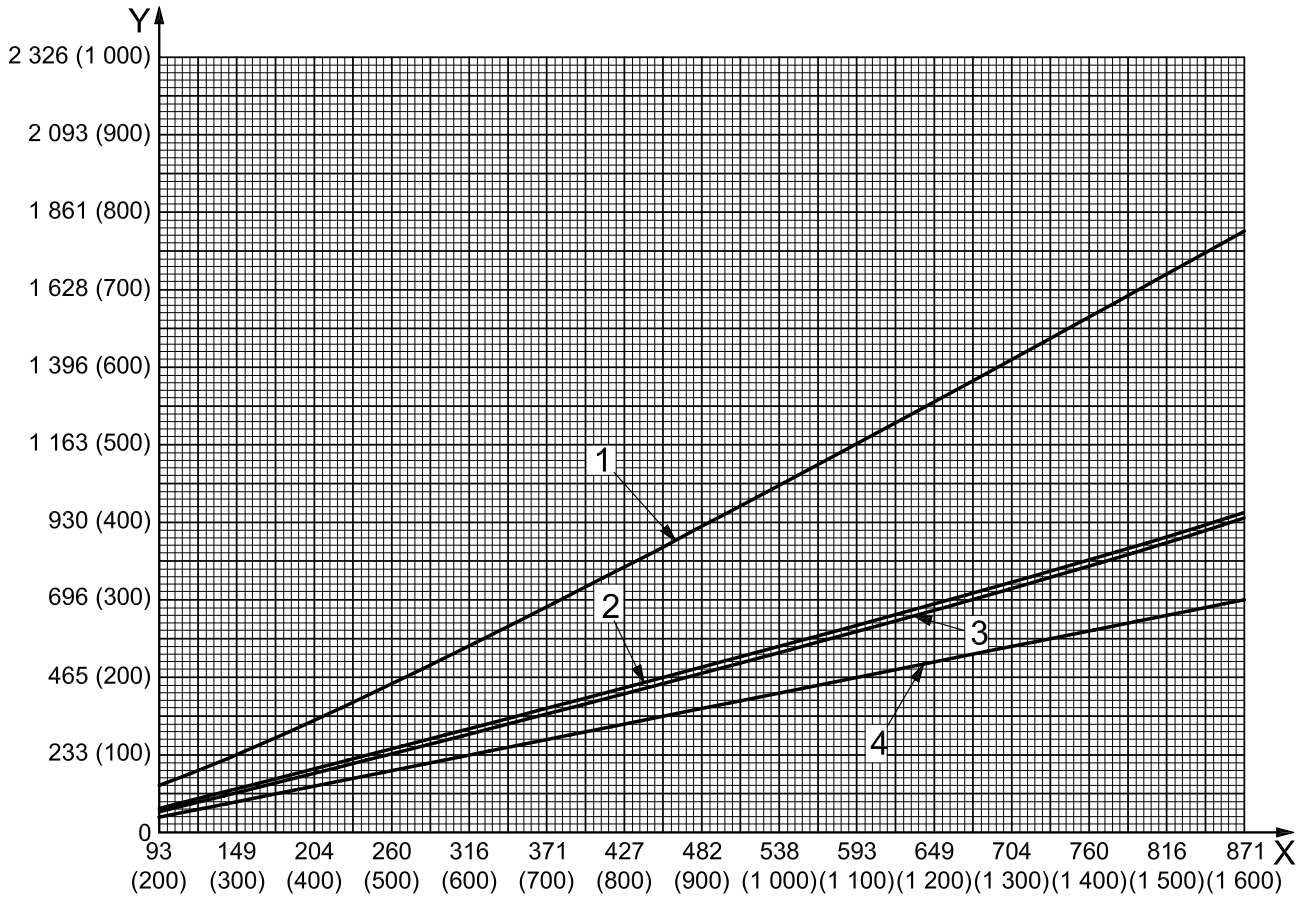
In column 2 above, insert the enthalpy values from Figures G.6 and G.7 for each flue-gas component.

In column 3 above, for each component insert the product of the value from column 1 and the value from column 2. This is the massic heat content at the exit gas temperature.

Total the values in column 3 to obtain the massic heat loss to the stack,  $h_s$ .

Therefore,

$$h_s = \sum \text{massic heat content at } T_e = \text{_____ kJ/kg (Btu/lb) of fuel}$$



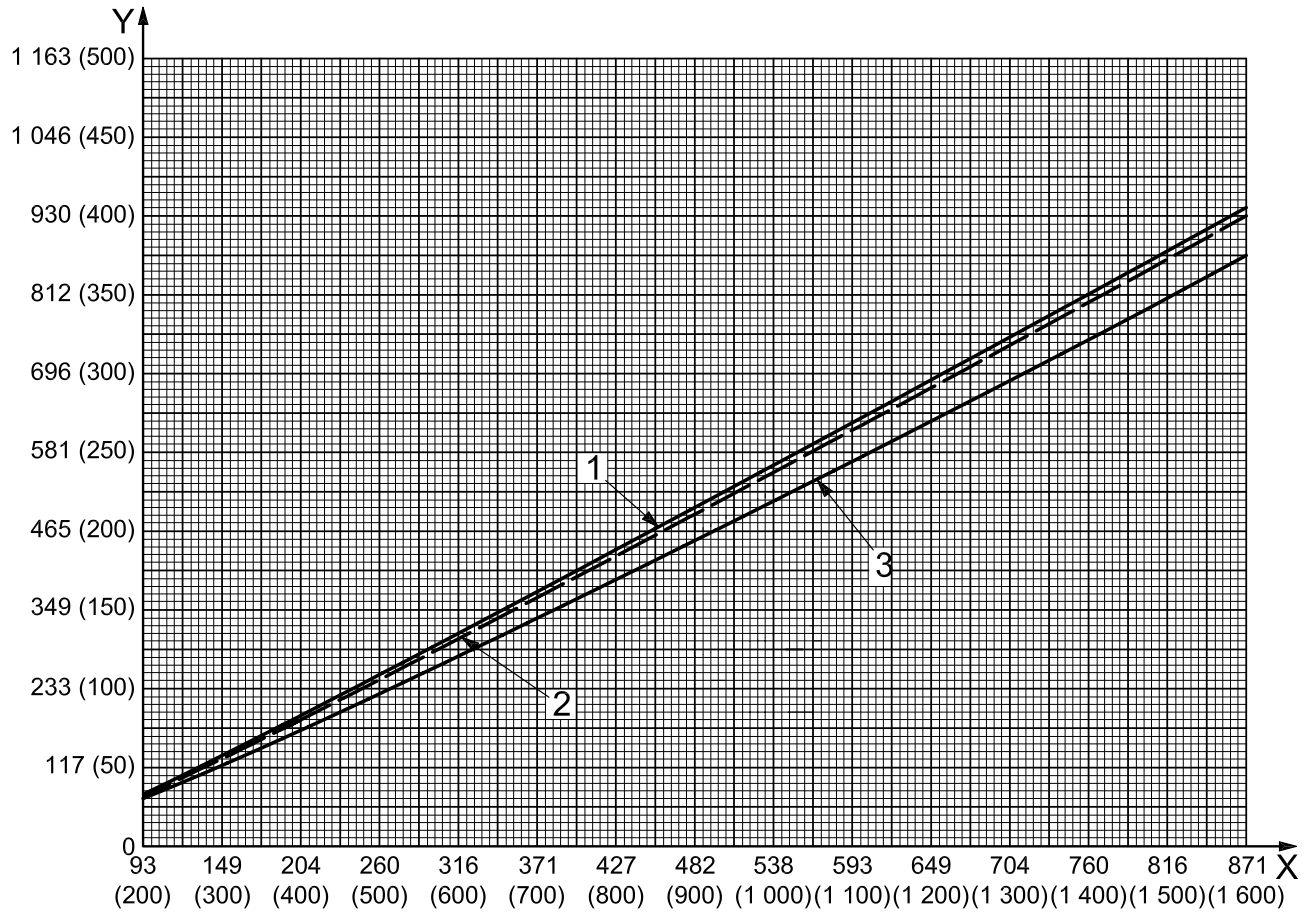
**Key**

- X temperature, expressed in degrees Celsius (degrees Fahrenheit)
- Y enthalpy above 15 °C, kJ/kg (60 °F)
- 1 water vapour
- 2 carbon monoxide
- 3 carbon dioxide
- 4 sulfur dioxide

NOTE Figure G.6 is taken from Reference [37], pp. 14-23.

**Figure G.6 — Enthalpy of H<sub>2</sub>O, CO, CO<sub>2</sub> and SO<sub>2</sub>**





**Key**

X temperature, expressed in degrees Celsius (degrees Fahrenheit)

Y enthalpy above 15 °C, kJ/kg (60 °F)

1 nitrogen

2 air

3 oxygen

NOTE Figure G.7 is taken from Reference [37], pp. 14-23.

**Figure G.7 — Enthalpy of air, O<sub>2</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>**

## G.6 Sample work sheets for an oil-fired heater with natural draught

NOTE See G.3.2.2.

**LOWER MASSIC HEAT VALUE  
(LIQUID FUELS) WORK SHEET**  
SI units

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Higher massic heat value ( $h_H$ ), from calorimeter test, in kJ/kg of fuel:	<u>42 566</u>
Carbon-hydrogen ratio ( $CHR$ ), from analysis:	<u>8,065</u>
Impurities, from analysis, mass fraction (%)	
Water vapour:	_____
Ash:	_____
Sulfur:	<u>1,80</u>
Sodium:	_____
Other:	<u>0,95</u>
Total ( $Z$ ):	<u>2,75</u>
% hydrogen = $(100 - Z) / (CHR + 1,0)$	<u>10,73</u>
$h_L = h_H - (9 \times 2\,464,9 \times \% \text{ hydrogen}/100)$ , in kJ/kg of fuel:	<u>40 186</u>
% carbon = $100 - (\% \text{ hydrogen} + Z)$ :	<u>86,52</u>

### INSTRUCTIONS

Calculate the values for % hydrogen, lower massic heat value ( $h_L$ ) and % carbon. Enter these values in the appropriate columns of the combustion work sheet.

**COMBUSTION WORK SHEET**  
**SI units**

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Fuel component	Column 1	Column 2	Column 3 (1 × 2)	Column 4	Column 5 (3 × 4)
	Volume fraction %	Relative molecular mass	Total mass kg	Net heating value kJ/kg	Heating value kJ
Carbon, C		12,0	0,865 2	—	
Hydrogen, H <sub>2</sub>		2,016	0,107 2	120 000	
Oxygen, O <sub>2</sub>		32,0		—	
Nitrogen, N <sub>2</sub>		28,0		—	
Carbon monoxide, CO		28,0		10 100	
Carbon dioxide, CO <sub>2</sub>		44,0		—	
Methane, CH <sub>4</sub>		16,0		50 000	
Ethane, C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>6</sub>		30,1		47 490	
Ethylene, C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub>		28,1		47 190	
Acetylene, C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>2</sub>		26,0		48 240	
Propane, C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>8</sub>		44,1		46 360	
Propylene, C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>6</sub>		42,1		45 800	
Butane, C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>10</sub>		58,1		45 750	
Butylene, C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>8</sub>		56,1		45 170	
Pentane, C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>12</sub>		72,1		45 360	
Hexane, C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>14</sub>		86,2		45 100	
Benzene, C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>6</sub>		78,1		40 170	
Methanol, CH <sub>3</sub> OH		32,0		19 960	
Ammonia, NH <sub>3</sub>		17,0		18 600	
Sulfur, S		32,1	0,018 0	—	
Hydrogen sulfide, H <sub>2</sub> S		34,1		15 240	
Water, H <sub>2</sub> O		18,0		—	
Inerts			0,009 5		
<b>Total</b>			1,000 0		
Total per kg of fuel			1,000 0		

**INSTRUCTIONS**

If composition is expressed as volume fraction (%), insert in column 1; if composition is expressed as mass fraction (%), insert in column 3. Add all of the columns on the "Total" line and divide all of the column totals by the column 3 total to obtain the values for the "Total per kg of fuel" line. The excess air and relative humidity work sheet and the stack loss work sheet use the totals per kg of fuel to calculate stack loss; for example, if one of the work sheets asked for "kg of CO<sub>2</sub>," the value would be taken from the "Total per kg of fuel" line in column 9.

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Column 6	Column 7 (3 × 6)	Column 8 <sup>a</sup>	Column 9 (3 × 8)	Column 10	Column 11 (3 × 10)	Column 12	Column 13 (3 × 12)
<b>Air required</b> kg of air per kg	<b>Air required</b> kg	<b>CO<sub>2</sub> formed</b> kg of CO <sub>2</sub> per kg	<b>CO<sub>2</sub> formed</b> kg	<b>H<sub>2</sub>O formed</b> kg of H <sub>2</sub> O per kg	<b>H<sub>2</sub>O formed</b> kg	<b>N<sub>2</sub> formed</b> kg of N <sub>2</sub> per kg	<b>N<sub>2</sub> formed</b> kg
11,51	9,958	3,66	3,167	—		8,85	7,657
34,29	3,679	—	—	8,94	0,959	26,36	2,828
- 4,32		—		—		-3,32	
—		—		—		1,00	
2,47		1,57		—		1,90	
—		1,00		—		—	
17,24		2,74		2,25		13,25	
16,09		2,93		1,80		12,37	
14,79		3,14		1,28		11,36	
13,29		3,38		0,69		10,21	
15,68		2,99		1,63		12,05	
14,79		3,14		1,28		11,36	
15,46		3,03		1,55		11,88	
14,79		3,14		1,28		11,36	
15,33		3,05		1,50		11,78	
15,24		3,06		1,46		11,71	
13,27		3,38		0,69		10,20	
6,48		1,38		1,13		4,98	
6,10		—		1,59		5,51	
4,31	0,078	2,00	0,036	—		3,31	0,060
6,08		1,88		0,53		4,68	
—		—		1,00		—	
	13,715		3,203		0,959		10,545
	13,715		3,203		0,959		10,545

<sup>a</sup> SO<sub>2</sub> shall be included in the CO<sub>2</sub> column. Although this is inaccurate, the usually small quantities do not affect any of the final results.

**EXCESS AIR AND RELATIVE HUMIDITY**  
**WORK SHEET <sup>a</sup>**  
**SI units**

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Atomizing steam: 0,50 kg per kg of fuel (assumed or measured)

**CORRECTION FOR RELATIVE HUMIDITY (RH)**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Moisture in air} &= \frac{P_{\text{vapour}}}{1013,3} \times \frac{RH}{100} \times \frac{18}{28,85} \\ &= \frac{34,9}{1013,3} \times \frac{50}{100} \times \frac{18}{28,85} \\ &= \underline{\underline{0,0107}} \text{ kg of moisture per kg of air} \end{aligned} \quad (\text{a})$$

where

$P_{\text{vapour}}$  = vapour pressure of water at the ambient temperature, in mbar absolute (from steam tables).

$$\begin{aligned} \text{kg of wet air per kg of fuel required} &= \frac{\text{air required}}{1 - \text{moisture in air}} \\ &= \frac{13,715 (7)}{1 - 0,0107} \\ &= \underline{\underline{13,86}} \end{aligned} \quad (\text{b})$$

kg of moisture per kg of fuel = kg of wet air per kg of fuel required – air required

$$\begin{aligned} &= \underline{\underline{13,86}} (b) - \underline{\underline{13,715}} (7) \\ &= \underline{\underline{0,145}} \end{aligned} \quad (\text{c})$$

kg of H<sub>2</sub>O per kg of fuel = H<sub>2</sub>O formed + kg of moisture per kg of fuel + atomizing steam.

$$\begin{aligned} &= \underline{\underline{0,959}} (11) + \underline{\underline{0,145}} (c) + \underline{\underline{0,50}} \\ &= \underline{\underline{1,604}} \end{aligned} \quad (\text{d})$$

**CORRECTION FOR EXCESS AIR <sup>b</sup>**

kg of excess air per kg of fuel

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{(28,85 \times \% \text{O}_2) \left( \frac{\text{N}_2 \text{ formed}}{28} + \frac{\text{CO}_2 \text{ formed}}{44} + \frac{\text{H}_2\text{O formed}}{18} \right)}{20,95 - \% \text{O}_2 \left[ \left( 1,6028 \times \frac{\text{kg of H}_2\text{O}}{\text{kg of air required}} \right) + 1 \right]} \\ &= \frac{(28,85 \times \underline{\underline{5,0}}) \left( \frac{10,545}{28} + \frac{3,203 (9)}{44} + \frac{1,604 (d)}{18} \right)}{20,95 - \underline{\underline{5,0}} \left[ \left( 1,6028 \times \frac{0,145 (c)}{13,715 (7)} \right) + 1 \right]} \\ &= \underline{\underline{4,896}} \end{aligned} \quad (\text{e})$$

Percent excess air =  $\frac{\text{kg of excess air per kg of fuel}}{\text{air required}} \times 100$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{4,896 (e)}{13,715 (7)} \times 100 \\ &= \underline{\underline{35,7}} \end{aligned} \quad (\text{f})$$

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Total kg of H<sub>2</sub>O per kg of fuel (corrected for excess air)

$$= \left( \frac{\text{percent excess air}}{100} \times \text{kg of moisture per kg fuel} \right) + \text{kg of H}_2\text{O per kg fuel}$$

$$= \left[ \frac{35,7 \text{ (f)}}{100} \times 0,145 \text{ (c)} \right] + 1,604 \text{ (d)}$$

$$= \underline{1,656} \quad (g)$$

<sup>a</sup> All values used in the calculations above shall be on a "per kg of fuel" basis. Numbers in parentheses indicate values to be taken from the "Total per kg fuel" line of the combustion work sheet, and letters in parentheses indicate values to be taken from the corresponding lines of this work sheet.

<sup>b</sup> If oxygen samples are extracted on a dry basis, a value of zero shall be inserted for line (e) where a value is required from lines (c) and (d). If oxygen samples are extracted on a wet basis, the appropriate calculated value shall be inserted.

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Exit flue-gas temperature,  $T_e$ : 232 °C

Component	Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
	Component formed kg per kg of fuel	Enthalpy at $T$ kJ/kg formed	Massic heat content kJ/kg of fuel
Carbon dioxide	3,203	200	641
Water vapour	1,656	407	674
Nitrogen	10,545	227	2 391
Excess air	4,896	221	1 081
Total	20,300	—	4 788

## INSTRUCTIONS

In column 1 above, insert the values from the “Total per kg of fuel” line of the combustion work sheet for carbon dioxide (column 9) and nitrogen (column 13). Insert the value from line (e) of the excess air and relative humidity work sheet for air, and insert the value from line (g) of the excess air and relative humidity work sheet for water vapour.

In column 2 above, insert the enthalpy values from Figures G.6 and G.7 for each flue-gas component.

In column 3 above, for each component insert the product of the value from column 1 and the value from column 2. This is the heat content at the exit gas temperature.

Total the values in column 3 to obtain the massic heat loss to the stack,  $h_s$ .

Therefore,

$$h_s = \sum \text{heat content at } T_e = 4\,788 \text{ kJ/kg of fuel}$$

**LOWER MASSIC HEAT VALUE  
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Higher massic heat value ( $h_H$ ), from calorimeter test, in Btu/lb of fuel:	<u>18 300</u>
Carbon-hydrogen ratio ( $CHR$ ), from analysis:	<u>8,065</u>
Impurities, from analysis, mass fraction (%)	
Water vapour:	_____
Ash:	_____
Sulfur:	<u>1,80</u>
Sodium:	_____
Other:	<u>0,95</u>
Total ( $Z$ ):	<u>2,75</u>
% hydrogen = $(100 - Z)/(CHR + 1,0)$	<u>10,73</u>
$h_L = h_H - (9 \times 1\,059,7 \times \% \text{ hydrogen}/100)$ , in Btu/lb of fuel:	<u>17 277</u>
% carbon = $100 - (\% \text{ hydrogen} + Z)$ :	<u>86,52</u>

**INSTRUCTIONS**

Calculate the values for % hydrogen, lower massic heat value ( $h_L$ ) and % carbon. Enter these values in the appropriate columns of the combustion work sheet.



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Fuel component	Column 1	Column 2	Column 3 (1 × 2)	Column 4	Column 5 (3 × 4)
	Volume fraction %	Relative molecular mass	Total mass pounds	Net heating value British thermal units per pound	Heating value British thermal units
Carbon, C		12,0	0,8652	—	
Hydrogen, H <sub>2</sub>		2,016	0,1073	51 600	
Oxygen, O <sub>2</sub>		32,0		—	
Nitrogen, N <sub>2</sub>		28,0		—	
Carbon monoxide, CO		28,0		4 345	
Carbon dioxide, CO <sub>2</sub>		44,0		—	
Methane, CH <sub>4</sub>		16,0		21 500	
Ethane, C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>6</sub>		30,1		20 420	
Ethylene, C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub>		28,1		20 290	
Acetylene, C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>2</sub>		26,0		20 740	
Propane, C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>8</sub>		44,1		19 930	
Propylene, C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>6</sub>		42,1		19 690	
Butane, C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>10</sub>		58,1		19 670	
Butylene, C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>8</sub>		56,1		19 420	
Pentane, C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>12</sub>		72,1		19 500	
Hexane, C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>14</sub>		86,2		19 390	
Benzene, C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>6</sub>		78,1		17 270	
Methanol, CH <sub>3</sub> OH		32,0		8 580	
Ammonia, NH <sub>3</sub>		17,0		8 000	
Sulfur, S		32,1	0,018 0	—	
Hydrogen sulfide, H <sub>2</sub> S		34,1		6 550	
Water, H <sub>2</sub> O		18,0		—	
Inerts			0,009 5		
<b>Total</b>			1,000 0		
Total per pound of fuel			1,000 0		

## INSTRUCTIONS

If composition is expressed as volume %, insert in column 1; if composition is expressed as mass %, insert in column 3. Add all of the columns on the "Total" line and divide all of the column totals by the column 3 total to obtain the values for the "Total per pound of fuel" line. The excess air and relative humidity work sheet and the stack loss work sheet use the totals per pound of fuel to calculate stack loss; for example, if one of the work sheets asked for "pounds of CO<sub>2</sub>," the value would be taken from the "Total per pound of fuel" line in column 9.

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Column 6	Column 7 (3 × 6)	Column 8 <sup>a</sup>	Column 9 (3 × 8)	Column 10	Column 11 (3 × 10)	Column 12	Column 13 (3 × 12)
Air required pounds of air per pound	Air required pounds	CO <sub>2</sub> formed pounds of CO <sub>2</sub> per pound	CO <sub>2</sub> formed pounds	H <sub>2</sub> O formed pounds of H <sub>2</sub> O per pound	H <sub>2</sub> O formed pounds	N <sub>2</sub> formed pounds of N <sub>2</sub> per pound	N <sub>2</sub> formed pounds
11,51	9,958	3,66	3,167	—		8,85	7,657
34,29	3,679	—	—	8,94	0,959	26,36	2,828
-4,32		—		—		-3,32	
—		—		—		1,00	
2,47		1,57		—		1,90	
—		1,00		—		—	
17,24		2,74		2,25		13,25	
16,09		2,93		1,80		12,37	
14,79		3,14		1,28		11,36	
13,29		3,38		0,69		10,21	
15,68		2,99		1,63		12,05	
14,79		3,14		1,28		11,36	
15,46		3,03		1,55		11,88	
14,79		3,14		1,28		11,36	
15,33		3,05		1,50		11,78	
15,24		3,06		1,46		11,71	
13,27		3,38		0,69		10,20	
6,48		1,38		1,13		4,98	
6,10		—		1,59		5,51	
4,31	0,078	2,00	0,036	—		3,31	0,060
6,08		1,88		0,53		4,68	
—		—		1,00		—	
	13,715		3,203		0,959		10,545
	13,715		3,203		0,959		10,545

<sup>a</sup> SO<sub>2</sub> shall be included in the CO<sub>2</sub> column. Although this is inaccurate, the usually small quantities do not affect any of the final results.

**EXCESS AIR AND RELATIVE HUMIDITY  
WORK SHEET <sup>a</sup>  
USC units**

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Atomizing steam: 0,50 pounds per pound of fuel (assumed or measured)

**CORRECTION FOR RELATIVE HUMIDITY (RH)**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Moisture in air} &= \frac{P_{\text{vapour}}}{14,696} \times \frac{RH}{100} \times \frac{18}{28,85} \\ &= \frac{0,5068}{14,696} \times \frac{50}{100} \times \frac{18}{28,85} \\ &= \underline{0,0107} \text{ pounds of moisture per pound of air} \end{aligned} \quad (\text{a})$$

where:

$P_{\text{vapour}}$  = vapour pressure of water at the ambient temperature, in pounds per square inch absolute (from steam tables).

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Pounds of wet air per pound of fuel required} &= \frac{\text{air required}}{1 - \text{moisture in air}} \\ &= \frac{13,715 \text{ (c)}}{1 - 0,0107 \text{ (a)}} \\ &= \underline{13,86} \end{aligned} \quad (\text{b})$$

Pounds of moisture per pound of fuel = pounds of wet air per pound of fuel required – air required

$$\begin{aligned} &= 13,86 \text{ (b)} - 13,715 \text{ (7)} \\ &= \underline{0,145} \end{aligned} \quad (\text{c})$$

Pounds of H<sub>2</sub>O per pound of fuel = H<sub>2</sub>O formed + pounds of moisture per pound of fuel + atomizing steam.

$$\begin{aligned} &= 0,959 \text{ (11)} + 0,145 \text{ (c)} + 0,50 \\ &= \underline{1,604} \end{aligned} \quad (\text{d})$$

**CORRECTION FOR EXCESS AIR <sup>b</sup>**

Pounds of excess air per pound of fuel

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{(28,85 \times \text{percent O}_2) \left( \frac{\text{N}_2 \text{ formed}}{28} + \frac{\text{CO}_2 \text{ formed}}{44} + \frac{\text{H}_2\text{O formed}}{18} \right)}{20,95 - \text{percent O}_2 \left[ \left( 1,6028 \times \frac{\text{pounds of H}_2\text{O}}{\text{pounds of air required}} \right) + 1 \right]} \\ &= \frac{(25,85 \times 5,0) \left( \frac{10,545(13)}{28} + \frac{3,203(9)}{44} + \frac{1,604(d)}{18} \right)}{20,95 - 5,0 \left[ \left( 1,6028 \times \frac{0,145(c)}{13,715(7)} \right) + 1 \right]} \\ &= \underline{4,896} \end{aligned} \quad (\text{e})$$

Percent excess air =  $\frac{\text{pounds of excess air per pound of fuel}}{\text{air required}} \times 100$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{4,896 \text{ (e)}}{13,175 \text{ (7)}} \times 100 \\ &= \underline{35,7} \end{aligned} \quad (\text{f})$$

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WORK SHEET  
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Total pounds of H<sub>2</sub>O per pound of fuel (corrected for excess air)

$$= \left( \frac{\text{percent excess air}}{100} \times \text{pounds of moisture per pound of fuel} \right) + \text{pounds of H}_2\text{O per pound of fuel}$$

$$= \left[ \frac{35,7 (f)}{100} \times 0,145 (c) \right] + 1,604 (d)$$

$$= \underline{1,656} \quad (g)$$

<sup>a</sup> All values used in the calculations above shall be on a "per pound fuel" basis. Numbers in parentheses indicate values to be taken from the "Total per pound fuel" line of the combustion work sheet, and letters in parentheses indicate values to be taken from the corresponding lines of this work sheet.

<sup>b</sup> If oxygen samples are extracted on a dry basis, a value of zero shall be inserted for line (e) where a value is required from lines (c) and (d). If oxygen samples are extracted on a wet basis, the appropriate calculated value shall be inserted.

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**USC units**

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Exit flue-gas temperature,  $T_e$ : 450 °F

Component	Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
	Component formed pounds per pound of fuel	Enthalpy at $T$ British thermal units per pound formed	Heat content British thermal units per pound of fuel
Carbon dioxide	3,203	86	275,46
Water vapour	1,656	175	289,80
Nitrogen	10,545	97,5	1 028,14
Air	4,896	95	465,12
Total	20,300	—	2 058,52

## INSTRUCTIONS

In column 1 above, insert the values from the "Total per lb of fuel" line of the combustion work sheet for carbon dioxide (column 9) and nitrogen (column 13). Insert the value from line (e) of the excess air and relative humidity work sheet for air, and insert the value from line (g) of the excess air and relative humidity work sheet for water vapour.

In column 2 above, insert the enthalpy values from Figures G.6 and G.7 for each flue-gas component.

In column 3 above, for each component insert the product of the value from column 1 and the value from column 2. This is the heat content at the exit gas temperature.

Total the values in column 3 to obtain the massic heat loss to the stack,  $h_s$ .

Therefore,

$$h_s = \sum \text{heat content at } T_e = 2\,058,5 \text{ Btu/lb of fuel}$$

**G.7 Sample work sheets for a gas-fired heater with preheated combustion air from an internal heat source**

NOTE See G.3.2.3.

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**SI units**

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Fuel component	Column 1	Column 2	Column 3 (1 × 2)	Column 4	Column 5 (3 × 4)
	Volume fraction %	Relative molecular mass	Total mass kg	Net heating value kJ/kg	Heating value kJ
Carbon, C		12,0		—	
Hydrogen, H <sub>2</sub>	0,038 2	2,016	0,077	120 000	9 240
Oxygen, O <sub>2</sub>		32,0		—	
Nitrogen, N <sub>2</sub>	0,099 6	28,0	2,789	—	—
Carbon monoxide, CO		28,0		10 100	
Carbon dioxide, CO <sub>2</sub>		44,0		—	
Methane, CH <sub>4</sub>	0,754 1	16,0	12,066	50 000	603 300
Ethane, C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>6</sub>	0,023 3	30,1	0,701	47 490	33 290
Ethylene, C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	0,050 8	28,1	1,428	47 190	67 387
Acetylene, C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>2</sub>		26,0		48 240	
Propane, C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>8</sub>	0,015 4	44,1	0,679	46 360	31 478
Propylene, C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>6</sub>	0,018 6	42,1	0,783	45 800	35 861
Butane, C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>10</sub>		58,1		45 750	
Butylene, C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>8</sub>		56,1		45 170	
Pentane, C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>12</sub>		72,1		45 360	
Hexane, C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>14</sub>		86,2		45 100	
Benzene, C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>6</sub>		78,1		40 170	
Methanol, CH <sub>3</sub> OH		32,0		19 960	
Ammonia, NH <sub>3</sub>		17,0		18 600	
Sulfur, S		32,1		—	
Hydrogen sulfide, H <sub>2</sub> S		34,1		15 240	
Water, H <sub>2</sub> O		18,0		—	
<b>Total</b>	1,000 0		18,523		780 556
Total per kg of fuel	1,000 0		1,000		42 140

**INSTRUCTIONS**

If composition is expressed as volume fraction (%), insert in column 1; if composition is expressed as mass fraction (%), insert in column 3. Total all of the columns on the "Total" line and divide all of the column totals by the column 3 total to obtain the values for the "Total per kg of fuel" line. The excess air and relative humidity work sheet and the stack loss work sheet use the totals per kg fuel to calculate stack loss; for example, if one of the work sheets asked for "kg of CO<sub>2</sub>," the value would be taken from the "Total per kg of fuel" line in column 9.

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Column 6	Column 7 (3 × 6)	Column 8 <sup>a</sup>	Column 9 (3 × 8)	Column 10	Column 11 (3 × 10)	Column 12	Column 13 (3 × 12)
Air required kg of air per kg	Air required kg	CO <sub>2</sub> formed kg of CO <sub>2</sub> per kg	CO <sub>2</sub> formed kg	H <sub>2</sub> O formed kg of H <sub>2</sub> O per kg	H <sub>2</sub> O formed kg	N <sub>2</sub> formed kg of N <sub>2</sub> per kg	N <sub>2</sub> formed kg
11,51		3,66		—		8,85	
34,29	2,640	—		8,94	0,688	26,36	2,030
-4,32		—		—		-3,32	
—	—	—		—		1,00	2,789
2,47		1,57		—		1,90	
—		1,00		—		—	
17,24	208,018	2,74	33,061	2,25	27,149	13,25	159,875
16,09	11,279	2,93	2,054	1,80	1,262	12,37	8,671
14,79	21,120	3,14	4,484	1,28	1,828	11,36	10,222
13,29		3,38		0,69		10,21	
15,68	10,647	2,99	2,030	1,63	1,107	12,05	8,182
14,79	11,581	3,14	2,459	1,28	1,002	11,36	8,895
15,46		3,03		1,55		11,88	
14,79		3,14		1,28		11,36	
15,33		3,05		1,50		11,78	
15,24		3,06		1,46		11,71	
13,27		3,38		0,69		10,20	
6,48		1,38		1,13		4,98	
6,10		—		1,59		5,51	
4,31		2,00		—		3,31	
6,08		1,88		0,53		4,68	
—		—		1,00		—	
	265,285		44,088		33,036		206,664
	14,322		2,380		1,784		11,157

<sup>a</sup> SO<sub>2</sub> shall be included in the CO<sub>2</sub> column. Although this is inaccurate, the usually small quantities do not affect any of the final results.

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WORK SHEET <sup>a</sup>  
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Atomizing steam: 0 kg per kg of fuel (assumed or measured)

**CORRECTION FOR RELATIVE HUMIDITY (RH)**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Moisture in air} &= \frac{P_{\text{vapour}}}{1013,3} + \frac{RH}{100} + \frac{18}{28,85} \\ &= \frac{4,87}{1013,3} + \frac{50}{100} + \frac{18}{28,85} \\ &= \underline{0,0015} \text{ kg of moisture per kg of air} \end{aligned} \tag{a}$$

where:

$P_{\text{vapour}}$  = vapour pressure of water at the ambient temperature, in mbar absolute (from steam tables).

$$\begin{aligned} \text{kg of wet air per kg of fuel required} &= \frac{\text{air required}}{1 - \text{moisture in air}} \\ &= \frac{14,322 (7)}{1 - 0,0015(a)} \\ &= \underline{14,344} \end{aligned} \tag{b}$$

kg of moisture per kg of fuel = kg of wet air per kg of fuel required – air required

$$= \underline{14,344} (b) - \underline{14,322} (7) = \underline{0,022} \tag{c}$$

kg of H<sub>2</sub>O per kg of fuel = H<sub>2</sub>O formed + kg of moisture per kg of fuel + atomizing steam

$$\begin{aligned} &= \underline{1,784} (11) + \underline{0,022} (c) + \underline{0} \\ &= \underline{1,806} \end{aligned} \tag{d}$$

**CORRECTION FOR EXCESS AIR <sup>b</sup>**

kg of excess air per kg of fuel

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{(28,85 \times \% O_2) \left( \frac{N_2 \text{ formed}}{28} + \frac{CO_2 \text{ formed}}{44} + \frac{H_2O \text{ formed}}{18} \right)}{20,95 - \% O_2 \left[ \left( 1,6028 \times \frac{\text{kg of H}_2\text{O}}{\text{kg of air required}} \right) + 1 \right]} \\ &= \frac{(25,85 \times 3,5) \left( \frac{11,157(13)}{28} + \frac{2,380(9)}{44} + \frac{1,806(d)}{18} \right)}{20,95 - 3,5 \left[ \left( 1,6028 \times \frac{0,022(c)}{14,322(7)} \right) + 1 \right]} \\ &= \underline{3,201} \end{aligned} \tag{e}$$

Percent excess air =  $\frac{\text{kg of excess air per kg of fuel}}{\text{air required}} \times 100$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{3,201(e)}{14,322 (7)} \times 100 \\ &= \underline{22,35} \end{aligned} \tag{f}$$



**EXCESS AIR AND RELATIVE HUMIDITY  
WORK SHEET**  
**SI units**

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Total kg of H<sub>2</sub>O per kg of fuel (corrected for excess air)

$$= \left( \frac{\text{percent excess air}}{100} \times \text{kg of moisture per kg fuel} \right) + \text{kg of H}_2\text{O per kg of fuel}$$

$$= \left[ \frac{22,35 \text{ (f)}}{100} \times 0,022 \text{ (c)} \right] + 1,806 \text{ (d)}$$

$$= \underline{1,811} \quad \text{(g)}$$

<sup>a</sup> All values used in the calculations above shall be on a "per kg of fuel" basis. Numbers in parentheses indicate values to be taken from the "Total per kg fuel" line of the combustion work sheet, and letters in parentheses indicate values to be taken from the corresponding lines of this work sheet.

<sup>b</sup> If oxygen samples are extracted on a dry basis, a value of zero shall be inserted for line (e) where a value is required from lines (c) and (d). If oxygen samples are extracted on a wet basis, the appropriate calculated value shall be inserted.

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Exit flue-gas temperature,  $T_e$ : 148,9 °C

Component	Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
	Component formed kg per kg of fuel	Enthalpy at $T$ kJ/kg formed	Massic heat content KJ/kg of fuel
Carbon dioxide	2,380	116,3	276,8
Water vapour	1,811	244,2	442,3
Nitrogen	11,157	139,6	1 557,1
Excess air	3,201	133,7	471,3
Total	18,549	—	2 747,4

**INSTRUCTIONS**

In column 1 above, insert the values from the “Total per kg of fuel” line of the combustion work sheet for carbon dioxide (column 9) and nitrogen (column 13). Insert the value from line (e) of the excess air and relative humidity work sheet for air, and insert the value from line (g) of the excess air and relative humidity work sheet for water vapour.

In column 2 above, insert the enthalpy values from Figures G.6 and G.7 for each flue-gas component.

In column 3 above, for each component insert the product of the value from column 1 and the value from column 2. This is the heat content at the exit gas temperature.

Total the values in column 3 to obtain the massic heat loss to the stack,  $h_s$ .

Therefore,

$$h_s = \sum \text{heat content at } T_e = 2\,747,4 \text{ kJ/kg of fuel}$$

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Fuel component	Column 1	Column 2	Column 3 (1 × 2)	Column 4	Column 5 (3 × 4)
	Volume fraction %	Relative molecular mass	Total mass pounds	Net heating value British thermal units per pound	Heating value British thermal units
Carbon, C		12,0		—	
Hydrogen, H <sub>2</sub>	0,038 2	2,016	0,0770	51 600	3 973
Oxygen, O <sub>2</sub>		32,0		—	
Nitrogen, N <sub>2</sub>	0,099 6	28,0	2,789	—	—
Carbon monoxide, CO		28,0		4 345	
Carbon dioxide, CO <sub>2</sub>		44,0		—	
Methane, CH <sub>4</sub>	0,754 1	16,0	12,066	21 500	259 410
Ethane, C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>6</sub>	0,023 3	30,1	0,701	20 420	14 321
Ethylene, C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	0,050 8	28,1	1,428	20 290	28 964
Acetylene, C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>2</sub>		26,0		20 740	
Propane, C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>8</sub>	0,015 4	44,1	0,679	19 930	13 535
Propylene, C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>6</sub>	0,018 6	42,1	0,783	19 690	15 418
Butane, C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>10</sub>		58,1		19 670	
Butylene, C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>8</sub>		56,1		19 420	
Pentane, C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>12</sub>		72,1		19 500	
Hexane, C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>14</sub>		86,2		19 390	
Benzene, C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>6</sub>		78,1		17 270	
Methanol, CH <sub>3</sub> OH		32,0		8 580	
Ammonia, NH <sub>3</sub>		17,0		8 000	
Sulfur, S		32,1		—	
Hydrogen sulfide, H <sub>2</sub> S		34,1		6 550	
Water, H <sub>2</sub> O		18,0		—	
<b>Total</b>	1,000 0		18,523		335 623
Total per pound of fuel	1,000 0		1,000		18 120

**INSTRUCTIONS**

If composition is expressed as volume %, insert in column 1; if composition is expressed as mass %, insert in column 3. Total all of the columns on the "Total" line and divide all of the column totals by the column 3 total to obtain the values for the "Total per pound of fuel" line. The excess air and relative humidity work sheet and the stack loss work sheet use the totals per pound fuel to calculate stack loss; for example, if one of the work sheets asked for "pounds of CO<sub>2</sub>," the value would be taken from the "Total per pound of fuel" line in column 9.

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Column 6	Column 7 (3 × 6)	Column 8 <sup>a</sup>	Column 9 (3 × 8)	Column 10	Column 11 (3 × 10)	Column 12	Column 13 (3 × 12)
Air required pounds of air per pound	Air required pounds	CO <sub>2</sub> formed pounds of CO <sub>2</sub> per pound	CO <sub>2</sub> formed pounds	H <sub>2</sub> O formed pounds of H <sub>2</sub> O per pound	H <sub>2</sub> O formed pounds	N <sub>2</sub> formed pounds of N <sub>2</sub> per pound	N <sub>2</sub> formed pounds
11,51		3,66		—		8,85	
34,29	2,640	—		8,94	0,688	26,36	2,030
-4,32		—		—		-3,32	
—	—	—		—		1,00	2,789
2,47		1,57		—		1,90	
—		1,00		—		—	
17,24	208,018	2,74	33,061	2,25	27,149	13,25	159,875
16,09	11,279	2,93	2,054	1,80	1,262	12,37	8,671
14,79	21,120	3,14	4,484	1,28	1,828	11,36	16,222
15,68		2,99		1,63		10,21	
14,79	10,044	3,14	2,132	1,28	0,869	12,05	8,182
13,29	10,407	3,38	2,647	0,69	0,540	11,36	8,895
15,46		3,03		1,55		11,88	
14,79		3,14		1,28		11,36	
15,33		3,05		1,50		11,78	
15,24		3,06		1,46		11,71	
13,27		3,38		0,69		10,20	
6,48		1,38		1,13		4,98	
6,10		—		1,59		5,51	
4,31		2,00		—		3,31	
6,08		1,88		0,53		4,68	
—		—		1,00		—	
	263,500		44,377		32,336		206,664 3
	14,226		2,396		1,746		11,157

<sup>a</sup> SO<sub>2</sub> shall be included in the CO<sub>2</sub> column. Although this is inaccurate, the usually small quantities do not affect any of the final results.

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Atomizing steam: 0 pounds per pound of fuel (assumed or measured)

## CORRECTION FOR RELATIVE HUMIDITY (RH)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Moisture in air} &= \frac{P_{\text{vapour}}}{14,696} \times \frac{RH}{100} \times \frac{18}{28,85} \\ &= \frac{0,0707}{14,696} \times \frac{50}{100} \times \frac{18}{28,85} \\ &= \underline{0,0015} \text{ pounds of moisture per pound of air} \end{aligned} \quad (\text{a})$$

where:

$P_{\text{vapour}}$  = vapour pressure of water at the ambient temperature, in pounds per square inch absolute (from steam tables).

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Pounds of wet air per pound of fuel required} &= \frac{\text{air required}}{1 - \text{moisture in air}} \\ &= \frac{14,322 (7)}{1 - 0,0015(\text{a})} \\ &= \underline{14,344} \end{aligned} \quad (\text{b})$$

Pounds of moisture per pound of fuel = pounds of wet air per pound of fuel required – air required

$$\begin{aligned} &= \underline{14,344} (\text{b}) - \underline{14,322} (7) \\ &= \underline{0,022} \end{aligned} \quad (\text{c})$$

Pounds of H<sub>2</sub>O per pound of fuel = H<sub>2</sub>O formed + pounds of moisture per pound of fuel + atomizing steam

$$\begin{aligned} &= \underline{1,784} (11) + \underline{0,022} (\text{c}) + \underline{0} \\ &= \underline{1,806} \end{aligned} \quad (\text{d})$$

CORRECTION FOR EXCESS AIR<sup>b</sup>

Pounds of excess air per pounds of fuel

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{(28,85 \times \text{percent O}_2) \left( \frac{\text{N}_2 \text{ formed}}{28} + \frac{\text{CO}_2 \text{ formed}}{44} + \frac{\text{H}_2\text{O formed}}{18} \right)}{20,95 - \text{percent O}_2 \left[ \left( 1,6028 \times \frac{\text{pounds of H}_2\text{O}}{\text{pounds of air required}} \right) + 1 \right]} \\ &= \frac{(28,85 \times 3,5) \left( \frac{11,157 (13)}{28} + \frac{2,380 (9)}{44} + \frac{1,806 (d)}{18} \right)}{20,95 - 3,5 \left[ \left( 1,6028 \times \frac{0,022 (c)}{14,322 (7)} \right) + 1 \right]} \\ &= \underline{3,201} \end{aligned} \quad (\text{e})$$

Percent excess air =  $\frac{\text{pounds of excess air per pound of fuel}}{\text{air required}} \times 100$ 

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{3,201 (\text{e})}{14,322 (7)} \times 100 \\ &= \underline{22,35} \end{aligned} \quad (\text{f})$$

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Total pounds of H<sub>2</sub>O per pound of fuel (corrected for excess air)

$$= \left( \frac{\text{percent excess air}}{100} \times \text{pounds of moisture per pound of fuel} \right) + \text{pounds of H}_2\text{O per pound of fuel}$$

$$= \left[ \frac{22,35 (f)}{100} \times 0,022 (c) \right] + 1,806 (d)$$

$$= 1,811$$

(g)

<sup>a</sup> All values used in the calculations above shall be on a "per pound fuel" basis. Numbers in parentheses indicate values to be taken from the "Total per pound fuel" line of the combustion work sheet, and letters in parentheses indicate values to be taken from the corresponding lines of this work sheet.

<sup>b</sup> If oxygen samples are extracted on a dry basis, a value of zero shall be inserted for line (e) where a value is required from lines (c) and (d). If oxygen samples are extracted on a wet basis, the appropriate calculated value shall be inserted.

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Exit flue-gas temperature,  $T_e$ : 300 °F

Component	Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
	Component formed pounds per pound of fuel	Enthalpy at $T$ British thermal units per pound formed	Heat content British thermal units per pound of fuel
Carbon dioxide	2,380	50	119,00
Water vapour	1,811	105	190,16
Nitrogen	11,157	60	669,42
Air	3,201	57,5	202,61
Total	18,549	—	1 181,19

## INSTRUCTIONS

In column 1 above, insert the values from the "Total per lb of fuel" line of the combustion work sheet for carbon dioxide (column 9) and nitrogen (column 13). Insert the value from line (e) of the excess air and relative humidity work sheet for air, and insert the value from line (g) of the excess air and relative humidity work sheet for water vapour.

In column 2 above, insert the enthalpy values from Figures G.6 and G.7 for each flue-gas component.

In column 3 above, for each component insert the product of the value from column 1 and the value from column 2. This is the heat content at the exit gas temperature.

Total the values in column 3 to obtain the massic heat loss to the stack,  $h_s$ .

Therefore,

$$h_s = \sum \text{heat content at } T_e = 1181,2 \text{ Btu/lb of fuel}$$

## **G.8 Sample work sheets for a gas-fired heater with preheated combustion air from an external heat source**

NOTE See G.3.2.4.

### **COMBUSTION WORK SHEET**

The Combustion work sheet for this example is identical to the Combustion work sheet in Clause G.7 and has not been duplicated here.



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Atomizing steam: 0 kg per kg of fuel (assumed or measured)

## CORRECTION FOR RELATIVE HUMIDITY (RH)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Moisture in air} &= \frac{P_{\text{vapour}}}{1013,3} + \frac{RH}{100} + \frac{18}{28,85} \\ &= \frac{4,87}{1013,3} + \frac{50}{100} + \frac{18}{28,85} \\ &= \underline{0,0015} \text{ kg of moisture per kg of air} \end{aligned} \quad (\text{a})$$

where:

 $P_{\text{vapour}}$  = vapour pressure of water at the ambient temperature, in mbar absolute (from steam tables).

$$\begin{aligned} \text{kg of wet air per kg of fuel required} &= \frac{\text{air required}}{1 - \text{moisture in air}} \\ &= \frac{14,322 (7)}{1 - 0,0015} \\ &= \underline{14,344} \end{aligned} \quad (\text{b})$$

kg of moisture per kg of fuel = kg of wet air per kg of fuel required – air required

$$\begin{aligned} &= \underline{14,344} (b) - \underline{14,322} (7) \\ &= \underline{0,022} \quad (\text{c}) \end{aligned}$$

kg of H<sub>2</sub>O per kg of fuel = H<sub>2</sub>O formed + kg of moisture per kg of fuel + atomizing steam

$$\begin{aligned} &= \underline{1,784} (11) + \underline{0,022} (c) + \underline{0} \\ &= \underline{1,806} \end{aligned} \quad (\text{d})$$

CORRECTION FOR EXCESS AIR<sup>b</sup>

kg of excess air per kg of fuel

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{(28,85 \times \% \text{O}_2) \left( \frac{\text{N}_2 \text{ formed}}{28} + \frac{\text{CO}_2 \text{ formed}}{44} + \frac{\text{H}_2\text{O formed}}{18} \right)}{20,95 - \% \text{O}_2 \left[ \left( 1,6028 \times \frac{\text{kg of H}_2\text{O}}{\text{kg of air required}} \right) + 1 \right]} \\ &= \frac{(28,85 \times 3,5) \left( \frac{11,157 (13)}{28} + \frac{2,380 (9)}{44} + \frac{0 (d)}{18} \right)}{20,95 - 3,5 \left[ \left( 1,6028 \times \frac{0 (c)}{14,322 (7)} \right) + 1 \right]} \\ &= \underline{2,619} \end{aligned} \quad (\text{e})$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \text{Percent excess air} &= \frac{\text{kg of excess air per kg of fuel}}{\text{air required}} \times 100 \\ &= \frac{2,619 \text{ (e)}}{14,322 \text{ (7)}} \times 100 \\ &= \underline{18,3} \end{aligned}$$

(f)

Total kg of H<sub>2</sub>O per kg of fuel (corrected for excess air)

$$\begin{aligned} &= \left( \frac{\text{percent excess air}}{100} \times \text{kg of moisture per kg fuel} \right) + \text{kg of H}_2\text{O per kg of fuel} \\ &= \left[ \frac{18,3 \text{ (f)}}{100} \times 0,022 \text{ (c)} \right] + 1,768 \text{ (d)} \\ &= \underline{1,772} \end{aligned}$$

(g)

<sup>a</sup> All values used in the calculations above shall be on a "per kg of fuel" basis. Numbers in parentheses indicate values to be taken from the "Total per kg of fuel" line of the combustion work sheet, and letters in parentheses indicate values to be taken from the corresponding lines of this work sheet.

<sup>b</sup> If oxygen samples are extracted on a dry basis, a value of zero shall be inserted for line (e) where a value is required from lines (c) and (d). If oxygen samples are extracted on a wet basis, the appropriate calculated value shall be inserted.

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Exit flue-gas temperature,  $T_e$ : 260 °C

Component	Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
	Component formed kg per kg of fuel	Enthalpy at $T$ kJ/kg formed	Massic heat content kJ/kg of fuel
Carbon dioxide	2,380	232,6	553,6
Water vapour	1,772	465,2	824,3
Nitrogen	11,157	255,9	2 854,7
Excess air	2,619	248,9	651,7
Total	17,928	—	4 884,4

## INSTRUCTIONS

In column 1 above, insert the values from the "Total per kg fuel" line of the combustion work sheet for carbon dioxide (column 9) and nitrogen (column 13). Insert the value from line (e) of the excess air and relative humidity work sheet for air, and insert the value from line (g) of the excess air and relative humidity work sheet for water vapour.

In column 2 above, insert the enthalpy values from Figures G.6 and G.7 for each flue-gas component.

In column 3 above, for each component insert the product of the value from column 1 and the value from column 2. This is the massic heat content at the exit gas temperature.

Total the values in column 3 to obtain the massic heat loss to the stack,  $h_s$ .

Therefore,

$$h_s = \sum \text{heat content at } T_e = 4\,884,9 \text{ kJ/kg of fuel}$$

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Atomizing steam: 0 pounds per pound of fuel (assumed or measured)

**CORRECTION FOR RELATIVE HUMIDITY (RH)**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Moisture in air} &= \frac{P_{\text{vapour}}}{14,696} \times \frac{RH}{100} \times \frac{18}{28,85} \\ &= \frac{0,0707}{14,696} \times \frac{50}{100} \times \frac{18}{28,85} \\ &= 0,0015 \text{ pounds of moisture per pound of air} \end{aligned} \tag{a}$$

where:

$P_{\text{vapour}}$  = vapour pressure of water at the ambient temperature, in pounds per square inch absolute (from steam tables).

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Pounds of wet air per pound of fuel required} &= \frac{\text{air required}}{1 - \text{moisture in air}} \\ &= \frac{14,322 (7)}{1 - 0,0015 (a)} \\ &= 14,344 \end{aligned} \tag{b}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Pounds of moisture per pound of fuel} &= \text{Pounds of wet air per pound of fuel required} - \text{air required} \\ &= \underline{14,344} (b) - \underline{14,322} (7) = \underline{0,022} \end{aligned} \tag{c}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Pounds of H}_2\text{O per pound of fuel} &= \text{H}_2\text{O formed} + \text{pounds of moisture per pound of fuel} + \text{atomizing steam.} \\ &= \underline{1,784} (11) + \underline{0,022} (c) + \underline{0} \\ &= \underline{1,806} \end{aligned} \tag{d}$$

**CORRECTION FOR EXCESS AIR<sup>b</sup>**

Pounds of excess air per pound of fuel

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{(28,85 \times \text{Percent O}_2) \left( \frac{\text{N}_2 \text{ formed}}{28} + \frac{\text{CO}_2 \text{ formed}}{44} + \frac{\text{H}_2\text{O formed}}{18} \right)}{20,95 - \text{Percent O}_2 \left[ \left( 1,6028 \times \frac{\text{pounds of H}_2\text{O}}{\text{pounds of air required}} \right) + 1 \right]} \\ &= \frac{(28,85 \times \underline{3,5}) \left( \frac{11,157 (13)}{28} + \frac{2,380 (9)}{44} + \frac{0 (d)}{18} \right)}{20,95 - \underline{3,5} \left[ \left( 1,6028 \times \frac{0 (c)}{14,322 (7)} \right) + 1 \right]} \\ &= \underline{2,619} \end{aligned} \tag{e}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Percent excess air} &= \frac{\text{pounds of excess air per pound of fuel}}{\text{air required}} \times 100 \\ &= \frac{2,619 (e)}{14,322 (7)} \times 100 \\ &= \underline{18,3} \end{aligned} \tag{f}$$

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Total pounds of H<sub>2</sub>O per pound of fuel (corrected for excess air)

$$= \left( \frac{\text{percent excess air}}{100} \times \text{pounds of moisture per pound of fuel} \right) + \text{pounds of H}_2\text{O per pound of fuel}$$

$$= \left[ \frac{18,3 (f)}{100} \times 0,022 (c) \right] + 1,768 (d)$$

$$= \underline{1,772}$$

(g)

<sup>a</sup> All values used in the calculations above shall be on a "per pound fuel" basis. Numbers in parentheses indicate values to be taken from the "Total per pound fuel" line of the combustion work sheet, and letters in parentheses indicate values to be taken from the corresponding lines of this work sheet.

<sup>b</sup> If oxygen samples are extracted on a dry basis, a value of zero shall be inserted for line (e) where a value is required from lines (c) and (d). If oxygen samples are extracted on a wet basis, the appropriate calculated value shall be inserted.

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Exit flue-gas temperature,  $T_e$ : 500 °F

Component	Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
	Component formed Pounds per pound of fuel	Enthalpy at $T$ British thermal units per pound formed	Heat content British thermal units per pound of fuel
Carbon dioxide	2,380	100	238,0
Water vapour	1,772	200	354,4
Nitrogen	11,157	110	1 227,3
Air	2,619	107	280,2
Total	17,928	—	2 099,9

**INSTRUCTIONS**

In column 1 above, insert the values from the “Total per lb fuel” line of the combustion work sheet for carbon dioxide (column 9) and nitrogen (column 13). Insert the value from line (e) of the excess air and relative humidity work sheet for air, and insert the value from line (g) of the excess air and relative humidity work sheet for water vapour.

In column 2 above, insert the enthalpy values from Figures G.6 and G.7 for each flue-gas component.

In column 3 above, for each component insert the product of the value from column 1 and the value from column 2. This is the massic heat content at the exit gas temperature.

Total the values in column 3 to obtain the massic heat loss to the stack,  $h_s$ .

Therefore,

$$h_s = \sum \text{heat content at } T_e = 2\,099,9 \text{ Btu/lb of fuel}$$

## G.9 Estimating thermal efficiency for off-design operating conditions

### G.9.1 General

In Clause G.9, a method is provided for estimating the thermal efficiency of fired-process heaters at operating conditions other than the design or known operating conditions. This method is intended to be used as a short-cut procedure if it is impractical or unjustified to make detailed calculations.

This method uses a series of empirical relationships to estimate the exit flue-gas temperature at the off-design conditions. This temperature, in turn, can be used to estimate the corresponding thermal efficiency. This method is intended for use with single-service heaters without air preheaters.

These correlations have inherent inaccuracies associated with all simplified correlations used to describe complex relationships. The method should be limited to estimating efficiencies for heater operations between 60 % to 140 % of design or known duty and with an inlet-fluid temperature in the range of approximately 110 °C (200 °F) of the design or known inlet temperature.

### G.9.2 Estimation of exit flue-gas temperature

Equation (G.10) can be used to estimate the exit flue-gas temperature,  $T_{e2}$ , from the convection section of a fired-process heater at alternative operating conditions, based on the heater's design or known operating conditions:

$$T_{e2} = T_{in,2} + \phi_1 \phi_2 \phi_3 \phi_4 (T_{e1} - T_{in,1}) \quad (G.10)$$

where

$\phi_1$  is the heat-duty factor

$$\phi_1 = \left[ \frac{Q_{a2}}{Q_{a1}} \right]^\beta \quad (G.11)$$

$$\beta = \frac{1}{0,5 + 0,002\ 25(T_{e1} - T_{in,1})} \quad (\text{in SI units})$$

$$\beta = \frac{1}{0,5 + 0,001\ 25(T_{e1} - T_{in,1})} \quad (\text{in USC units})$$

$\phi_2$  is the coil-inlet-temperature factor

$$\phi_2 = \left[ \frac{T_{in,2} + 273}{T_{in,1} + 273} \right]^{-0,4} \quad (\text{in SI units})$$

$$\phi_2 = \left[ \frac{T_{in,2} + 460}{T_{in,1} + 460} \right]^{-0,4} \quad (\text{in USC units}) \quad (G.12)$$

$\phi_3$  is the coil-temperature-rise factor

$$\phi_3 = 0,8 + 0,2 \left[ \frac{T_{o2} - T_{in,2}}{T_{o1} - T_{in,1}} \right] \quad (G.13)$$

$\phi_4$  is the excess-air factor

$$n = \left[ \frac{q_{AIR2}}{q_{AIR1}} \right]^n \tag{G.14}$$

$$n = \left[ \frac{100}{T_{e1} - T_{in,1}} \right]^{0,35} \text{ (in SI units)}$$

$$n = \left[ \frac{180}{T_{e1} - T_{in,1}} \right]^{0,35} \text{ (in USC units)}$$

where

$q_{AIR}$  is the total air flow relative to stoichiometric air required (e.g. 30 % excess air = 1,30);

$Q_a$  is the rate of heat absorption, in MW (Btu/h  $\times 10^6$ );

$T_e$  is the exit flue-gas temperature, in °C (°F);

$T_{in}$  is the coil inlet temperature, in °C (°F);

$T_o$  is the coil outlet temperature, in °C (°F);

Subscript 1 is the design or known condition (except for the factor  $\phi_1$  to  $\phi_4$ );

Subscript 2 is the off-design or unknown condition (except for the factor  $\phi_1$  to  $\phi_4$ ).

### G.9.3 Sample calculation

- a) Use of the equations in G.9.2 can be shown with a sample calculation. For a heater with fuel and air conditions equal to those of sample calculations as shown in G.3.2.2 (oil-fired heater) and the design conditions given in Table G.2, estimate the exit flue-gas temperature and efficiency at a 60 % alternative operation.

**Table G.2 — Sample calculation**

Parameter	Design conditions	60 % Operation
$Q_a$ , MW (Btu/h $\times 10^6$ )	5,86 (20,0)	3,52 (12,0)
Mass flow rate, kg/h (lb/h)	42 545 (93 600)	30 955 (68 100)
$T_{in}$ , °C (°F)	149 (300)	165,5 (330)
$T_o$ , °C (°F)	371,1 (700)	360 (680)
Excess air, %	20	30
Radiation massic heat loss, %	1,5	2,0 <sup>a</sup>
$T_e$ , exit flue-gas temperature, °C (°F)	232,2 (450)	(to be determined)
Net thermal efficiency, %	86,8	(to be determined)
<sup>a</sup> Estimated heat loss at reduced load.		



b) Using Equation (G.11) to calculate  $\phi_1$ , the heat-duty factor:

1) in SI units:

$$\phi_1 = \left[ \frac{3,52}{5,86} \right]^\beta$$

$$\beta = \frac{1}{0,5 + 0,002\,25 (232,2 - 148,9)} = 1,455$$

$$\phi_1 = (0,6)^{1,455}$$

$$\phi_1 = 0,476$$

2) in USC units:

$$\phi_1 = \left[ \frac{12,0}{20,0} \right]^\beta$$

$$\beta = \frac{1}{0,5 + 0,001\,25 (450 - 300)} = 1,455$$

$$\phi_1 = (0,6)^{1,455}$$

$$\phi_1 = 0,476$$

c) Using Equation (G.12) to calculate  $\phi_2$ , the coil-inlet-temperature factor:

1) in SI units:

$$\phi_2 = \left[ \frac{165,5}{149,9} + \frac{273}{273} \right]^{-0,4}$$

$$\phi_2 = 0,985$$

2) in USC units:

$$\phi_2 = \left[ \frac{330}{300} + \frac{460}{460} \right]^{-0,4}$$

$$\phi_2 = 0,985$$

d) Using Equation (G.13) to calculate  $\phi_3$ , the coil-temperature-rise factor:

1) in SI units:

$$\phi_3 = 0,8 + 0,2 \left[ \frac{360 - 165,5}{371,1 - 149,9} \right]$$

$$\phi_3 = 0,975$$

2) in USC units:

$$\phi_3 = 0,8 + 0,2 \left[ \frac{680 - 330}{700 - 300} \right]$$

$$\phi_3 = 0,975$$

e) Using Equation (G.14) to calculate  $\phi_4$ , the excess air factor:

$$\phi_4 = \left[ \frac{1,30}{1,20} \right]^n$$

1) in SI units:

$$n = \left[ \frac{100}{232,2 - 148,9} \right]^{0,35} = 1,066$$

$$\phi_4 = (1,083)^{1,066}$$

$$\phi_4 = 1,089$$

2) in USC units:

$$n = \left[ \frac{180}{450 - 300} \right]^{0,35} = 1,066$$

$$\phi_4 = (1,083)^{1,066}$$

$$\phi_4 = 1,089$$

f) Using Equation (G.10) to find the estimated flue-gas exit temperature,  $T_{e2}$ :

1) in SI units:

$$T_{e2} = 165,5 + (232,2 - 148,9)(0,476)(0,985)(0,975)(1,089)$$

$$T_{e2} = 165,5 + (83,3)(0,498)$$

$$T_{e2} = 207 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}$$

2) in USC units:

$$T_{e2} = 330 + (450 - 300)(0,476)(0,985)(0,975)(1,089)$$

$$T_{e2} = 330 + (150)(0,498)$$

$$T_{e2} = 405 \text{ } ^\circ\text{F}$$

g) Using the stack loss work sheet from Clause G.6, at 207 °C (405 °F) flue-gas temperature and 30 % excess air to calculate the heat loss to the stack,  $h_s$ :

$$h_s = 4069,8 \text{ kJ/kg of fuel (1749,7 Btu/lb of fuel)}$$

h) Using the sample calculations as given in G.3.2.2 to calculate the net efficiency,  $e$ :

1) in SI units:

$$e = \frac{(40186 + 209,3 + 323,8 + 125,4) - (824,6 + 4070)}{(40186 + 209,3 + 323,8 + 125,4)} \times 100$$

$$e = 88,0 \%$$

2) in USC units:

$$e = \frac{(17277 + 90,0 + 139,2 + 53,9) - (354,5 + 1749,7)}{(17277 + 90,0 + 139,2 + 53,9)} \times 100$$

$$e = 88,0 \%$$

## Annex H (informative)

### Stack design

#### H.1 General

For the detailed design of stacks, two methods are proposed. The first is the API method, which is based on an allowable-stress approach for stability and vulnerability to wind-induced vibration and is determined by limiting the stack's critical wind velocity within a specified range.

The second method is the ISO method, which is based on the limit-state principles from EN 1991 (Eurocode 1) and EN 1993 (Eurocode 3) and the CICIND model code for steel chimneys. It is also analogous to the method given in ASME STS-1. Stability is based on the critical buckling strength and susceptibility to wind-induced vibration. It is determined using the value of the mass damping factor, known as the Scruton number,  $S_c$ .

The vendor shall decide which method to use for the detailed design and shall inform the purchaser before commencing detailed design.

#### H.2 Stability of steel shell (API allowable-stress method)

The maximum longitudinal (meridional) stress in the stack shall not exceed the smaller of the results of Equations (H.1) and (H.2):

$$0,5 F_y \quad (H.1)$$

$$\frac{0,56 \times E \cdot t}{D \left[ 1 + (0,004 \times E / F_y) \right]} \quad (H.2)$$

where

$E$  is the modulus of elasticity at design temperature, in newtons per square metre (pounds per square inch);

$t$  is the corroded shell plate thickness, in millimetres (inches);

$D$  is the outside diameter of the stack shell, in millimetres (inches);

$F_y$  is the material minimum yield strength at design temperature, in newtons per square metre (pounds per square inch).

#### H.3 Stability of the steel shell (ISO limit-state method)

The proof of stability of the shell is provided by satisfying Equation (H.3):

$$\sigma_0 + \sigma_h \leq \sigma_u / \gamma_m \quad (H.3)$$

where

$\sigma_0$  is the uniform compressive stress due to design axial load, in newtons per square metre (pounds per square inch);

$\sigma_h$  is the maximum compressive stress due to design bending moment, in newtons per square metre (pounds per square inch);

$\gamma_m$  is a partial safety factor, equal to 1,1;

$\sigma_u$  is the design buckling stress, in newtons per square metre (pounds per square inch), given by Equations (H.4) and (H.5):

$$\sigma_u = 3\alpha \cdot \sigma_{cr} / 4 \text{ for } \alpha \cdot \sigma_{cr} < F_y / 2 \quad (\text{H.4})$$

$$\sigma_u = F_y [1 - 0,412 3 (F_y / \alpha \cdot \sigma_{cr})^{0,6}] \text{ for } \alpha \cdot \sigma_{cr} \geq F_y / 2 \quad (\text{H.5})$$

where

$F_y$  is the yield stress at design temperature, in newtons per square metre;

$$\alpha \text{ is a reduction factor } [\alpha = (\alpha_0 \sigma_0 + \alpha_h \sigma_h) / (\sigma_0 + \sigma_h)] \quad (\text{H.6})$$

where

$$\alpha_0 = \frac{0,83}{\sqrt{1 + (0,01 \times R/t)}} \text{ for } R/t \leq 212 \quad (\text{H.7})$$

$$\alpha_0 = \frac{0,70}{\sqrt{1 + (0,01 \times R/t)}} \text{ for } R/t > 212 \quad (\text{H.8})$$

$$\alpha_h = 0,1887 + (0,8113 \times \alpha_0) \quad (\text{H.9})$$

$R$  is the radius of the shell, in the millimetres (inches);

$t$  is the corroded thickness of the shell.

The critical compressive stress,  $\alpha_{cr}$ , in newtons per square metre (pounds per square inch), for an axially loaded, perfectly elastic cylinder in which a pure state of uniform membrane stresses exists before buckling and whose edges are immovable in both the radial and circumferential directions during buckling, is given by Equation (H.10):

$$\alpha_{cr} = 0,605 \times E \cdot t_r / R \quad (\text{H.10})$$

where

$E$  is the material modulus of elasticity at design temperature, in newtons per square metre (pounds per square inch);

$R$  is the radius of the shell, in millimetres (inches);

$t_r$  is the corroded shell plate thickness, in millimetres (inches).

## H.4 Wind-induced vibration design (API allowable-stress method)

**H.4.1** Internal refractory lining shall be included in the mass calculation of the vibration design.

**H.4.2** The critical wind velocity,  $v_c$ , for the modes of vibration of the stack shall be calculated for the new and corroded conditions according to Equation (H.11). For the first and second modes, respectively,  $v_c$  equals  $v_{c1}$ , expressed in metres per second (feet per second), and  $v_{c2}$ , which is equal to  $v_{c1} \times 6,0$ , expressed in metres per second (feet per second):

$$v_c = f \cdot D_{AV} / S_r \quad (\text{H.11})$$

where

- $f$  is the frequency of transverse vibration of the stack, in hertz;
- $D_{AV}$  is the average stack shell diameter for its top 33 % of height, in metres (feet);
- $S_r$  is the Strouhal number, equal to 0,2 (dimensionless).

The determination of  $f$  requires a rigorous analysis of the stack and supporting structure. Equation (H.12) is used to calculate the frequency of transverse vibration,  $f$ , for a stack of uniform mass distribution and constant cross-section with a rigid (fixed) base:

$$f = 0,5587 \sqrt{\frac{E \cdot I \cdot g}{W \cdot H^4}} \tag{H.12}$$

where

- $E$  is the modulus of elasticity at design temperature, in newtons per square metre (pounds per square inch);
- $I$  is the moment of inertia of stack cross-section, in metres to the fourth power (inches to the fourth power);
- $W$  is the mass per unit height of stack, in kilograms per metre (pounds per inch);
- $H$  is the overall height of stack, in metres (inches);
- $g$  is the acceleration due to gravity [equal to 9,806 m/s<sup>2</sup> (386 in/s<sup>2</sup>)].

Solutions for stacks not covered by this equation shall be subject to the approval of the purchaser.

**H.4.3** The stack design shall be such that its critical wind velocities (first and second modes) fall within an acceptable range as follows.

- a)  $0 \leq v_c < 25$  km/h (15 mph): Acceptable. If critical wind velocities occur in this range, consideration should be given to fatigue failure.
- b)  $25$  km/h (15 mph)  $\leq v_c < 50$  km/h (30 mph): Acceptable if provided with strakes or vibration dampening.
- c)  $50$  km/h (30 mph)  $\leq v_c < 100$  km/h (60 mph): Not acceptable unless the manufacturer can demonstrate to the satisfaction of the purchaser the validity of the stack design in this range.
- d)  $100$  km/h (60 mph)  $\leq v_c$ : Acceptable.

It should be noted that, for isolated stacks, the effectiveness of aerodynamic devices is nullified if vibration is due to interference effects from other stacks or structures.

**H.4.4** Stiffening rings shall be used to prevent ovaling if the natural frequency,  $f_r$ , expressed in hertz, of the free ring at the level under consideration as given in Equations (H.13) and (H.15) is less than twice the vortex-shedding frequency,  $f_v$ , expressed in hertz, at the level under consideration as given by Equations (H.14) and (H.16), respectively.

In SI units:

$$f_r = \frac{5,55 \times 10^{-3} \times t_r \sqrt{E}}{D_r^2} \quad (\text{H.13})$$

$$f_v = 4,023 \text{ } 4/D_r \quad (\text{H.14})$$

In USC units:

$$f_r = \frac{0,126 \times t_r \sqrt{E}}{D_r^2} \quad (\text{H.15})$$

$$f_v = 13,2/D_r \quad (\text{H.16})$$

where

$t_r$  is the corroded plate thickness at level under consideration, in millimetres (inches);

$E$  is the modulus of elasticity of stack plate material at design temperature, in newtons per square metre (pounds per square inch);

$D_r$  is the internal stack diameter at the level under consideration, in metres (feet).

Both of these frequencies should be calculated at each level using the corresponding thickness,  $t_r$ , and diameter,  $D_r$ . The section modulus,  $Z_r$ , of required stiffeners shall not be less than the values given by Equation (H.17) in SI units with  $Z_r$  in cubic centimetres and Equation (H.18) in USC units with  $Z_r$  in cubic inches:

$$Z_r = [(0,108 \text{ } 2 \times 10^{-3}) \cdot v_{co}^2 \cdot D_r^2 \cdot H_s] / \sigma_a \quad (\text{H.17})$$

$$Z_r = [(2,52 \times 10^{-3}) \cdot v_{co}^2 \cdot D_r^2 \cdot H_s] / \sigma_a \quad (\text{H.18})$$

where

$v_{co}$  is the critical wind velocity for ovaling at the level under consideration, in metres per second (feet per second), equal to  $D_r \cdot f_r / 2S_r$ ;

$H_s$  is the stiffening-ring spacing, in metres (feet);

$\sigma_a$  is the allowable tensile stress for the stiffener at design temperature, in newtons per square metre (pounds per square inch);

$S_r$  is the Strouhal number, equal to 0,2, dimensionless.

NOTE Source is Reference [38].

H.4.5 The minimum shape factor and effective diameter for wind loads shall be as listed in Table H.1:

**Table H.1 — Minimum shape factors and effective diameters for wind loads**

Segments		Shape factor	Effective diameter
Stack	Smooth cylinder	0,6	$D$
	Ladders, platforms and appurtenances	1,0	Width of total projected area
	Strakes	1,0	Diameter circumscribing strakes
Ducts and breeching	Cylindrical	0,6	$D$
	Flat-sided	1,0	Width

NOTE  $D$  is the outside shell diameter for the section considered.

### H.5 Wind-induced vibration design (ISO limit-state method)

H.5.1 Internal refractory lining shall be included in the mass calculation of the vibration design.

H.5.2 The critical wind velocity,  $v_c$ , for the modes of vibration of the stack shall be calculated for the new and corroded conditions according to Equation (H.19). For the first and second modes, respectively,  $v_c$  equals  $v_{c1}$ , expressed in metres per second (feet per second), and  $v_{c2}$ , which is equal to  $v_{c1} \times 6,0$ , expressed in metres per second (feet per second):

$$v_c = f \cdot D_{AV} / S_r \tag{H.19}$$

where

$f$  is the frequency of transverse vibration for the stack, in cycles per second;

$D_{AV}$  is the average stack shell diameter for its top 33 % of height, in metres (feet);

$S_r$  is the Strouhal number, equal to 0,2, dimensionless.

H.5.3 The determination of  $f$  requires a rigorous analysis of the stack and supporting structure. Equation (H.20) allows the calculation of the frequency,  $f_i$ , of transverse vibration for a stack of uniform mass distribution and constant cross-section with a rigid (fixed) support:

$$f_i = (k_i \cdot H^2) \cdot \sqrt{\frac{E \cdot I}{W}} \tag{H.20}$$

where

$i$  is an integer from 1 to  $n$  for the natural frequencies (first, second, third, etc.);

$k_i$  are constants:  $k_1 = 0,559\ 5$ ,  $k_2 = 3,506\ 7$ ,  $k_3 = 9,832\ 5$  for the first, second and third natural frequency, respectively;

$H$  is the height of the stack, in metres (inches);

$E$  is Young's modulus, in newtons per square metre (pounds per square inch);

$I$  is the moment of inertia of cross-section, in metres to the fourth power (inches to the fourth power);

$W$  is the mass per unit height of stack, in kilograms per metre (pounds per inch).



**H.5.4** The equation of the first natural frequency,  $f_1$ , expressed in hertz, for a tapered stack is as given in Equation (H.21):

$$f_1 = \frac{r_0}{C \cdot H^2 \sqrt{E \cdot I \cdot \gamma}} \quad (\text{H.21})$$

where

$r_0$  is the radius of gyration at the base of stack, in metres (inches);

$$r_0 = \sqrt{\frac{I_0}{A_0}}$$

where

$I_0$  is the moment of inertia at the base of the stack, in metres to the fourth power (inches to the fourth power);

$A_0$  is the cross-sectional area of the shell at the base of the stack, in square metres (square inches);

$$C = 0,719 + 1,069r + [0,14 - 2,24(0,5 - \alpha)^4]^{0,9}; \quad (\text{H.22})$$

$$\alpha = D_1 / (D_0 - D_1); \quad (\text{H.23})$$

$D_0$  is the diameter at the base of the stack, in metres (inches);

$D_1$  is the diameter at the top of the stack, in metres (inches);

$H$  is the height of the stack, in metres (inches);

$E$  is Young's modulus, in newtons per square metre (pounds per square inch);

$\gamma$  is the density of stack material, in kilograms per cubic metre (pounds per cubic inch).

The use of equations for stacks not covered by these equations shall be subject to the approval of the purchaser.

**H.5.5** The stress induced on the structure by the wind dynamic interactions is greatly dependent on the ratio between the structural and aerodynamic damping characteristics expressed by the Scruton number,  $S_c$ , as given in Equation (H.24):

$$S_c = \frac{2 \times m \cdot \delta}{\rho_{\text{air}} \cdot D^2} \quad (\text{H.24})$$

where

$m$  is the average mass per unit length of the structure, in kilograms per metre (pounds per foot);

$\delta$  is the fundamental structural logarithmic damping decrement as described in H.5.6, dimensionless;

$\rho_{\text{air}}$  is the air density, in kilograms per cubic metre (pounds per cubic foot);

$D$  is the outer diameter of the structure, in metres (feet).

Three different levels of vulnerability are identified as a function of the Scruton number as follows.

- a)  $S_c > 15$ : Cross-wind oscillations are negligible and no further action is required.
- b)  $5 \leq S_c \leq 15$ : The designer may choose between providing stabilizers or damping devices, as described in 13.5.3, or calculating the structure response and resulting stresses, ensuring these stresses remain within the limits of fatigue.
- c)  $S_c < 5$ : Cross-wind oscillations can be violent. A redesign or the use of a tuned damping device is required in this case.

NOTE For isolated stacks, the effectiveness of aerodynamic devices is much reduced for Scruton numbers less than 8, and is nullified if vibration is due to interference effects from other nearby stacks or structures.

**H.5.6** The fundamental structural logarithmic damping decrement,  $\delta$ , can be estimated by the equation  $\delta = \delta_s + \delta_d$ , where  $\delta_s$  is the fundamental structural damping and  $\delta_d$  is the fundamental damping due to special devices (tuned mass dampers, sloshing tanks, etc.).

The values of the fundamental structural damping,  $\delta_s$ , for different types of stack structures are given in Table H.2.

**Table H.2 — Fundamental structural damping values**

Structure type	$\delta_s$
a) Stack supported at grade	
1) Minimum value - unlined welded steel stacks, with a shallow foundation on rock or firm soil	0,025
2) Additional damping added to minimum value due to	
i) foundation (piled or shallow) on soft soil	0,005
ii) stack lining, at least 50 mm (2 in) thick	0,010
iii) stack with bolted, unwelded flanges	0,010
3) Maximum value, including above additions	0,050
b) Stack on elevated supports	
1) Minimum value - unlined welded steel stacks on bare steel support structure	0,015
2) Additional damping added to minimum value due to	
i) support structure with bolted joints	0,010
ii) refractory lining added to steel support	0,010
iii) stack lining, at least 50 mm (2 in) thick	0,010
iv) stack with bolted, unwelded flanges	0,010
3) Maximum value including above additions	0,050

**H.5.7** If a stack is positioned adjacent to another stack or tall cylindrical vessel, the wind load shall be multiplied by the load factor,  $L_f$ , as follows:

- a) if  $l_{cc}/D_{max} \geq 15$  then  $L_f = 1$ ;
- b) if  $4 \leq l_{cc}/D_{max} < 15$  then  $L_f = 2 - [l_{cc}/(15 \times D)]$ ;

where

$l_{cc}$  is the centre-to-centre distance, in metres (feet);

$D_{max}$  is the largest diameter of the adjacent structure, in metres (feet).

**H.5.8** Stiffening rings shall be used to prevent ovaling if the critical wind velocity producing ovaling ( $v_{co}$ ) is less than the mean hourly design wind speed.  $v_{co}$  is a function of the natural frequency,  $f_r$ , of the free ring at the level under consideration, which can be calculated, in hertz, as given by Equation (H.25) in SI units and Equation (H.26) in USC units:

$$f_r = \frac{5,55 \times 10^{-3} \times t_r \sqrt{E}}{D_r^2} \quad (\text{H.25})$$

$$f_r = \frac{0,126 \times t_r \sqrt{E}}{D_r^2} \quad (\text{H.26})$$

where

$t_r$  is the corroded plate thickness at the level under consideration, in metres (inches);

$E$  is the modulus of elasticity of stack plate material at design temperature, in newtons per square metre (pounds per square inch);

$D_r$  is the stack diameter at the level under consideration, in metres (feet).

The critical wind velocity,  $v_{co}$ , producing ovaling of cylindrical shells is given by Equation (H.27):

$$v_{co} = D_r f_r / 2S_r \quad (\text{H.27})$$

where  $S_r$  is the Strouhal number, generally taken as 0,2.

The section modulus of required stiffeners ( $Z_r$ ) shall not be less than given in Equation (H.28), in SI units with  $Z_r$  expressed in cubic centimetres, and Equation (H.29), in USC units with  $Z_r$  expressed in cubic inches:

$$Z_r = (0,108 2 \times 10^{-3} \cdot v_{co}^2 \cdot D_r^2 \cdot H_s) / \sigma_a \quad (\text{H.28})$$

$$Z_r = (2,53 \times 10^{-3} \cdot v_{co}^2 \cdot D_r^2 \cdot H_s) / \sigma_a \quad (\text{H.29})$$

where

$H_s$  is the stiffening ring spacing, in metres (feet);

$\sigma_a$  is the allowable tensile stress for the stiffener, in newtons per square metre (pounds per square inch).

H.5.9 Wind loads shall be determined adopting the structural shape factors,  $C_s$ , given in Table H.3.

**Table H.3 — Structural shape factors**

Shape	Shape factor, $C_s$		
	$H/D \leq 2$	$H/D = 7$	$H/D > 25$
Cylindrical: $Re > 7 \times 10^5$	0,5	0,6	0,7
Cylindrical: $3 \times 10^5 \leq Re \leq 7 \times 10^5$	$0,7 K_s$	$0,8 K_s$	$1,2 K_s$
Cylindrical: $Re < 3 \times 10^5$	0,7	0,8	1,2
NOTE Linear interpolation may be used for $H/D$ values other than shown.			

where

$Re$  is the Reynolds number, equal to  $\frac{v \cdot D}{\nu}$ , (dimensionless); (H.30)

$v$  is the average mean hourly design wind speed, in metres per second (feet per second);

$D$  is the stack diameter, in metres (feet);

$H$  is the stack height, in metres (feet);

$\nu$  is the kinematic viscosity, equal to  $1,5 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$  ( $1,393 \times 10^{-6} \text{ ft}^2/\text{s}$ );

$K_s = 1,2 - 1,36 (\log_{10} Re - 5,48)$ .

H.5.10 For a cylindrical stack with aerodynamic devices, such as helical strakes, the structural shape factor  $C_s = 1,4$  shall be adopted. This value shall be applied to the outside diameter of the stack over the total length of the aerodynamic device.

## H.6 Chemical effects and corrosion allowance

H.6.1 Limited exposure to acid corrosion conditions can be permitted in stacks that, for most of the time, are safe from chemical attack. Providing the flue gas does not contain halogens (chlorine, chlorides, fluorides, etc.), the degree of chemical load is defined as given in Table H.4.

**Table H.4 — Chemical loading criteria**

Degree of chemical load	Operating period when temperature of surface in contact with flue gases is below dew point (+ 20 °C)
	h per year
Low	< 25
Medium	25 to 100
High	> 100

H.6.2 The operating hours defined in H.6.1 are valid for an  $\text{SO}_3$  content of  $15 \text{ ml}/\text{m}^3$  (15 ppm). For different values of  $\text{SO}_3$  content, the hours given vary inversely with the concentration.

H.6.3 If no information about the foreseen chemical load is given by the purchaser, the unlined steel stacks shall be classed as being under “medium” chemical load.

H.6.4 Presence of chlorides or fluorides in the flue-gas condensate can radically increase corrosion rates. In such cases, the degree of chemical load should be regarded as “high” if the operating time below dew point exceeds 25 h per year.

**H.6.5** Providing the lining surface in contact with the flue gas is above the dew point, the presence of a lining provides corrosion protection to the steel stacks. Therefore, application of a lining can convert a steel stack, classed as being under “high” or “medium” chemical load when unprotected, to a “low” chemical load classification.

**H.6.6** If the metal temperature is below 65 °C (150 °F), steel stacks shall be classed as being under “high” chemical load.

**H.6.7** If the metal temperature is above 345 °C (650 °F), steel stacks are classed as being under “low” chemical load.

**H.6.8** External and internal corrosion allowance should be in accordance with Tables H.5 and H.6, respectively. For “high” chemical load, special acid-resistant coatings or special alloy steel should be used. For special alloy steels, internal corrosion allowance should be selected based upon approved test data, depending on specific corrosive action, and be agreed with the steel supplier.

**Table H.5 — External corrosion allowance**

Material	External corrosion allowance	
	For first 10 years	For each additional 10-year period
Painted carbon steel	—	1,0 mm (0,04 in)
Carbon steel protected by insulation/cladding	0,5 mm (0,02 in)	1,0 mm (0,04 in)
Unprotected carbon steel	1,5 mm (0,06 in)	1,0 mm (0,04 in)
Unprotected “Corten” or similar steel	1,0 mm (0,04 in)	1,0 mm (0,04 in)
Unprotected stainless steel	—	—

**Table H.6 — Internal corrosion allowance for unprotected carbon steel stacks**

Chemical load 65 °C < T < 345 °C (150 °F < T < 650 °F)	Internal corrosion allowance	
	For first 10 years	For each additional 10-year period
Low	1,0 mm (0,04 in)	1,0 mm (0,04 in)
Medium	2,5 mm (0,1 in)	1,5 mm (0,06 in)
High	not recommended	not recommended

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