

Metal Plug Valves—Flanged, Threaded, and Welding Ends

API STANDARD 599
SEVENTH EDITION, JANUARY 2013



AMERICAN PETROLEUM INSTITUTE

Currently in preview, click buy full version

Metal Plug Valves—Flanged, Threaded, and Welding Ends

Downstream Segment

API STANDARD 599
SEVENTH EDITION, JANUARY 2013



AMERICAN PETROLEUM INSTITUTE

Special Notes

API publications necessarily address problems of a general nature. With respect to particular circumstances, local, state, and federal laws and regulations should be reviewed.

Neither API nor any of API's employees, subcontractors, consultants, committees, or other assignees make any warranty or representation, either express or implied, with respect to the accuracy, completeness, or usefulness of the information contained herein, or assume any liability or responsibility for any use, or the results of such use, of any information or process disclosed in this publication. Neither API nor any of API's employees, subcontractors, consultants, or other assignees represent that use of this publication would not infringe upon privately owned rights.

API publications may be used by anyone desiring to do so. Every effort has been made by the Institute to assure the accuracy and reliability of the data contained in them; however, the Institute makes no representation, warranty, or guarantee in connection with this publication and hereby expressly disclaims any liability or responsibility for loss or damage resulting from its use or for the violation of any authorities having jurisdiction with which this publication may conflict.

API publications are published to facilitate the broad availability of proven, sound engineering and operating practices. These publications are not intended to obviate the need for applying sound engineering judgment regarding when and where these publications should be utilized. The formulation and publication of API publications is not intended in any way to inhibit anyone from using any other practices.

Any manufacturer marking equipment or materials in conformance with the marking requirements of an API standard is solely responsible for complying with all the applicable requirements of that standard. API does not represent, warrant, or guarantee that such products do in fact conform to the applicable API standard.

Users of this Standard should not rely exclusively on the information contained in this document. Sound business, scientific, engineering, and safety judgment should be used in employing the information contained herein.

Copyright reserved. No part of this work may be reproduced, translated, stored in a retrieval system, or transmitted by any means, electronic, mechanical, photocopying, recording, or otherwise, without prior written permission from the publisher. Contact the Publisher, API Publishing Services, 1220 L Street, NW, Washington, DC 20005.

Foreword

This standard is a purchase specification that covers requirements for metal plug valves, including flanged, threaded, socket-weld, and butt-weld valves in steel and alloy materials, and flanged valves in ductile iron.

API standards are published as an aid to procurement of standardized equipment and materials. These standards are not intended to inhibit purchasers or producers from purchasing or producing products made to specifications other than those of API.

Shall: As used in a standard, “shall” denotes a minimum requirement in order to conform to the specification.

Should: As used in a standard, “should” denotes a recommendation or that which is advised but not required in order to conform to the specification.

Nothing contained in any API publication is to be construed as granting any right, by implication or otherwise, for the manufacture, sale, or use of any method, apparatus, or product covered by letters patent. Neither should anything contained in the publication be construed as insuring anyone against liability for infringement of letters patent.

This document was produced under API standardization procedures that ensure appropriate notification and participation in the developmental process and is designated as an API standard. Questions concerning the interpretation of the content of this publication or comments and questions concerning the procedures under which this publication was developed should be directed in writing to the Director of Standards, American Petroleum Institute, 1220 L Street, NW, Washington, DC 20005. Requests for permission to reproduce or translate all or any part of the material published herein should also be addressed to the Director.

Generally, API standards are reviewed and revised, reaffirmed, or withdrawn at least every five years. A one-time extension of up to two years may be added to this review cycle. Status of the publication can be ascertained from the API Standards Department, telephone (202) 682-8000. A catalog of API publications and materials is published annually by API, 1220 L Street, NW, Washington, DC 20005.

Suggested revisions are invited and should be submitted to the Standards Department, API, 1220 L Street, NW, Washington, DC 20005, standards@api.org.

Currently in preview, click buy full version

Contents

	Page
1 Scope	1
2 Normative References	2
3 Terms and Definitions	3
4 Pressure-Temperature Ratings	3
5 Design	3
5.1 General	3
5.2 Body	3
5.3 Cover	6
5.4 Stem and Plug	6
5.5 Glands	6
5.6 Bolting	6
5.7 Operation	7
5.8 Electrical Continuity	7
6 Materials	8
6.1 General	8
6.2 Shell	8
6.3 Body-to-Cover Seals, Diaphragms, or Gaskets	8
6.4 Stem and Plug	8
6.5 Operating Mechanisms	8
6.6 Glands	8
6.7 Stem Seal or Packing	8
6.8 Bolting	9
6.9 Identification Plate	9
6.10 Repair of Defects	9
7 Sealing System	9
7.1 Lubricated Plug Valves	9
7.2 Nonlubricated Plug Valves	9
8 Inspection, Examination, and Testing	10
8.1 Inspection and Examination	10
8.2 Testing	10
9 Marking	10
10 Shipment	10
10.1 Coatings	10
10.2 Openings	11
10.3 Plug Position	11
10.4 Packing	11
10.5 Packaging	11
11 Recommended Spare Parts	11

Contents

	Page
Annex A (informative) Information to Be Specified by the Purchaser	12
Annex B (informative) Standard Nomenclature for Valve Parts	4
Bibliography	17
Figures	
B.1 Parts Identification for Lubricated Plug Valve	14
B.2 Parts Identification for Fully-lined Plug Valve	15
B.3 Parts Identification for Sleeve-lined Plug Valve	16
B.4 Parts Identification for Nonlubricated Plug Valve	16
Tables	
1 Minimum Body Thickness (Millimeters): Materials Except Ductile Iron and Heavy-wall (API 600 Wall) Stainless Steel	4
2 Minimum Body Thickness (Inches): Materials Except Ductile Iron and Heavy-wall (API 600 Wall) Stainless Steel	5

Metal Plug Valves—Flanged, Threaded, and Welding Ends

1 Scope

This standard covers design, materials, face-to-face dimensions, pressure-temperature ratings, and examination, inspection, and test requirements for metallic plug valves as follows.

- Steel, nickel base, and other alloy plug valves with flanged or butt-welding ends and ductile iron plug valves with flanged ends in sizes $15 \leq DN \leq 600$ ($1/2 \leq NPS \leq 24$).
- Threaded or socket-welding ends for sizes $15 \leq DN \leq 50$ ($1/2 \leq NPS \leq 2$). Valve bodies conforming to ASME B16.34 may have one flange and one butt-welding end, or one threaded and one socket-welding end.
- Lubricated and nonlubricated valves that have two-way coaxial ports. Three-way and four-way plug valves do not fall under the scope of this standard.
- Tandem plug valves which have two independent operating plugs in a single body.

This standard includes requirements for valves fitted with internal body, plug, and neck linings or applied hard facings on the body, body ports, plug, and plug port. The extent of linings and the facing materials of which they are made are not covered in this standard.

This standard also provides additional requirements for plug valves that are in full conformance to the requirements of ASME B16.34 for Standard Class 150 through 2500. Ductile iron valves, Class 150 and 300, shall follow the additional requirements of ASME B16.42 for pressure-temperature ratings, wall thickness, flange dimensions, and material grade.

Plug valves covered in this standard belong to one of four general design groups that in many cases have different face-to-face and end-to-end dimensions. Some types of plug valves are not made to all patterns. The four groups of valve design are described below.

- Short pattern design found only in Class 150 and 300 where flanged plug valves match the face-to-face dimensions of steel-flanged gate valves in sizes $40 \leq DN \leq 300$ ($1\ 1/2 \leq NPS \leq 12$).
- Regular pattern design with a plug port area that is greater than the venturi pattern.
- Venturi pattern design for minimum pressure loss consistent with the reduced port area used in this type of valve. Venturi valves have a configuration of body and plug ports that approximate a venturi throat.
- Round-port full-bore pattern design with a circular port through both the plug and the body that is not smaller than that specified in Appendix A of ASME B16.34 for the applicable valve size and pressure class.

It covers valves of the nominal pipe sizes NPS:

- 1/2, 3/4, 1, 1 1/4, 1 1/2, 2, 2 1/2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 24.

Corresponding to nominal pipe sizes DN;

- 15, 20, 25, 32, 40, 50, 65, 80, 100, 150, 200, 250, 300, 350, 400, 450, 500, 600.

Information to be specified by the purchaser is shown in Annex A.