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## FOREWORD

In the fall of 1990, The American Society of Mechanical Engineers was solicited by Blücher-Josam to develop a standard for stainless steel pipe, fittings, and drains. Additional modifications were made based upon solicited comments and the evaluation of test results.

The first edition of this Standard was approved by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) in 1993. Comments that were received in the public review process and not addressed in the original edition form the basis of this revision.

Suggestions for improvement of this Standard will be welcomed. They should be sent to The American Society of Mechanical Engineers, Attn: Secretary, A112 Standards Committee, Three Park Avenue, New York, NY 10016-5990.

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# STAINLESS STEEL DRAINAGE SYSTEMS FOR SANITARY DWV, STORM, AND VACUUM APPLICATIONS, ABOVE- AND BELOW-GROUND

## 1 GENERAL

### 1.1 Scope

This Standard establishes material, dimensions, mechanical, and physical (including marking) requirements for socket-type, seam-welded, stainless steel pipe, fittings, joints, and drains for use in plumbing sanitary and storm, drain, waste, and vent (DWV), and vacuum systems. It includes minimum requirements for workmanship, dimensions, weld strength, pressure testing, and marking that incorporates a push-fit joining method.

NOTE: Material suitability for specific chemical applications shall be determined by a qualified engineer or ascertained from the manufacturer.

### 1.2 Units of Measurement

Values are stated in the International System of units (SI) and in U.S. Customary (Inch) units. The SI units shall be considered as the standard.

### 1.3 Reference Standards

The following is a list of publications referenced in this Standard. The latest edition shall apply.

ASME B1.20.1, Pipe Threads, General Purpose (Inch)

ASME B16.5, Pipe Flanges and Flange Fittings

Publisher: The American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME), Three Park Avenue, New York, NY 10016-5990; ASME Order Department: 22 Law Drive, P.O. Box 2300, Fairfield, NJ 07007-2300

ASTM D 412, Test Methods for Vulcanized Rubber and Thermoplastic Rubbers and Thermoplastic Elastomers — Tension

ASTM D 471, Test Methods for Rubber Property — Effect of Liquids

ASTM D 573, Test Method for Rubber Deterioration in an Air Oven

ASTM D 624, Test Method for Tear Strength of Conventional Vulcanized Rubber and Thermoplastic Elastomers

ASTM D 1149, Test Method for Rubber Deterioration — Surface Ozone Cracking in a Chamber

ASTM D 2240, Test Method for Rubber Property — Durometer Hardness

ASTM E 8, Standard Test Methods for Tension Testing of Metallic Materials

ASTM E 10, Standard Test Method for Brinell Hardness of Metallic Materials

ASTM E 527, Standard Practice for Numbering Metals and Alloys (UNS)

Publisher: ASTM International (ASTM), 100 Barr Harbor Drive, P.O. Box C700, West Conshohocken, PA 19428-2959

(ISS) UNS S30400, Type 304 Stainless Steel

(ISS) UNS S31603, Type 316L Stainless Steel

Publisher: The Iron and Steel Society (ISS), 186 Thorn Hill Road, Warrendale, PA 15086-7528

### 1.4 Definitions

*adjustable floor drain*: a floor drain designed for use in finished floor area, including showers, with an adjustable strainer and a seepage flange on the body.

*anchor flange*: a horizontal flange extending from the side of the drain body, which anchors the drain to a surface or subsurface.

*area drain*: a manufactured receptacle designed to receive and convey runoff water or other liquid from the area immediately adjacent to the building structure to the drainage system.

*auxiliary inlet*: a connection inside of a drain body sump, which receives discharge from another fixture, appliance, or drain.

*backwater valve*: a device that is used to prevent backflow of waste or storm water from a building drainage piping system into the building.

*below-ground*: direct burial of the drainage system under soil or concrete.

*clamping device*: a device to secure a waterproof membrane. Where a metallic or composition flashing is attached, the clamping device shall be secured with a ring or collar to the drain.

*DWV*: drain, waste, and vent.

*EPDM*: ethylene propylene diene monomer.

*extension*: a device used to raise a grate to floor level where necessary.