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FOREWORD

The major perils in operating automatically fired boilers are loss of water (low water), furnace explosion, overpressure and overtemperature. Principal causes of accidents to automatically fired boilers are lack of proper controls and safety devices, lack of adequate maintenance, improperly trained operators, failure to test controls and safety devices, and complacency on the part of the operator due to long periods of trouble-free operation. It is believed that improved instrumentation, controls and safety devices, proper operating procedures, and a clearer understanding of installation requirements by the manufacturers, installers, and operators can greatly reduce the chances of personal injury, damage to property, and loss of equipment from accidents.

It should be pointed out that any governmental jurisdiction has authority over any particular installation. Inquiries dealing with problems of a local character should be directed to the proper authorities of such jurisdictions.

Safety codes and standards are intended to enhance public health and safety. Revisions result from the committee's consideration of factors such as technological advances, new data, and changing environmental and industry needs. Revisions do not imply that previous editions were inadequate.

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3	CG-440	Revised in its entirety
3	CG-510	Revised in its entirety
3	CG-700	(1) Definitions of <i>bleed line; boiler, hot water; burner; control, safety; gas pressure relief line; labeled; pilot, continuous; primary safety control system; proven prepurge; and upper set point limit</i> revised (2) Term <i>high-temperature water boiler</i> changed to <i>boiler, high-temperature water</i> and definition revised (3) Definitions of <i>atomizing air compressor; automatic stack damper; combustion control system; control, protective; direct coupled fan/blower; directed fan or blower speed signal; fuel-air-ratio control system; independent feedback signal; open-closed automatic damper; ratio-regulator control; safety device; and variable frequency drive (VFD)</i> added
8	Figure CG-700-1	Former Figure CG-1 redesignated
10	CM-110	Subparagraph (a) editorially revised
10	CM-120	Last sentence editorially revised
11	CE-110	(1) Subparagraph (b)(3) added (2) Subparagraph (h) revised (3) Subparagraph (i) editorially revised
13	CW-110	Subparagraph (a) revised
13	CW-120	In subpara. (c), last sentence added
14	CW-140	(1) In subpara. (a), last sentence deleted (2) Subparagraph (b) added and subsequent subparagraphs redesignated (3) In subpara. (c), last sentence added
15	CW-210	Subparagraphs (a) and (b) revised
15	CW-310	Subparagraph (a) revised
16	CW-410	(1) Subparagraph (a) revised (2) Subparagraph (e) editorially revised

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17	CW-610	Subparagraph (b) editorially revised
17	CW-710	(1) Subparagraph (a) revised (2) In subparas. (b) and (d)(2), metric unit revised
19	CF-110	(1) In subpara. (a), new subpara. (a)(1) added and subsequent subparagraphs redesignated
19	CF-120	Subparagraph (b) revised
20	Table CF-110-1	Former Table CF-1 redesignated
21	Table CF-110-2	Former Table CF-2 redesignated
22	CF-160	Subparagraph (c) editorially revised
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23	Table CF-162-1	(1) Former Table CF-3 redesignated (2) For entry titled "Action on flame failure" in first column, third-column entry revised
25	Table CF-162-2	Former Table CF-4 redesignated
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28	CF-195	Added
28	CF-210	In subpara. (a), last paragraph revised
29	CF-310	Subparagraph (c) revised
29	CF-330	Subparagraphs (a) and (b) revised
30	CF-410	Subparagraph (c) editorially revised
31	CF-470	Subparagraphs (a), (b), and (d) revised
32	Table CF-460-1	Former Table CF-5 redesignated
31	CF-510	Subparagraph (c) revised
31	CF-540	Added
33	CF-610	Revised
33	CF-710	First sentence revised
33	CF-810	Subparagraph (a) revised
33	CF-1000	Added
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46	Figure B-10	General Note revised
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52	Table D-1-1	Former Table D-1 redesignated
55	Nonmandatory Appendix E	References updated

Part CG General

(21) CG-100 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

CG-110 Scope

The rules of this Standard cover requirements for the assembly, installation, maintenance, and operation of controls and safety devices on automatically operated boilers directly fired with gas, oil, gas-oil, or electricity, subject to the service limitations, exclusions, and acceptance of other listings in [CG-120](#), [CG-130](#), and [CG-140](#), respectively. Burners or burner assemblies installed on boilers or as replacement burners shall comply with the requirements of [CF-110](#) and [CF-410](#) for gas and oil firing, respectively. The use of a gaseous or oil fuel not listed in the definitions has not been evaluated, and special considerations may be required.

CG-120 Service Limitations

The rules of this Standard are applicable to the following service:

(a) all automatically fired boilers and burner assemblies, regardless of fuel input ratings, subject to the exclusions and acceptance of other listings in [CG-130](#) and [CG-140](#), respectively

(b) burners field-installed in automatically fired boilers

CG-130 Exclusions

The following are excluded from the requirements of this Standard:

(a) boilers with fuel input ratings greater than or equal to 12,500,000 Btu/hr (3 663 kW), falling within the scope of NFPA 85

(b) water heaters (see [CG-700](#))

(c) direct gas-fired swimming pool heaters that are labeled and listed by a nationally recognized testing agency or other organization that is acceptable to the authority having jurisdiction as complying with ANSI Z21.56/CSA 4.7

CG-140 Acceptance of Other Listings

The following other listings are acceptable:

(a) automatically operated boilers fired with gas having inputs of 400,000 Btu/hr (117 kW) or less that

(1) comply with [Part CW](#), [CE-110\(a\)](#), [CE-110\(b\)](#), and [CE-110\(j\)](#)

(2) are labeled and listed by a nationally recognized testing agency or other organization that is acceptable to the authority having jurisdiction as complying with ANSI Z21.13/CSA 4.9

(3) meet the remaining requirements of this Standard (see [Nonmandatory Appendix A](#))

(b) automatically operated boilers fired with oil having inputs of 3 gph (11.4 L/h) or less that

(1) comply with [Part CW](#), [CE-110\(a\)](#), [CE-110\(b\)](#), and [CE-110\(j\)](#)

(2) are labeled and listed by a nationally recognized testing agency or other organization that is acceptable to the authority having jurisdiction as complying with UL 726

(3) meet the remaining requirements of this Standard

(c) automatically operated, electrically heated boilers having inputs of 115 kW or less that

(1) comply with [Part CW](#), [CE-110\(a\)](#), and [CE-110\(b\)](#)

(2) are labeled and listed by a nationally recognized testing agency or other organization that is acceptable to the authority having jurisdiction as complying with UL 834

(3) meet the remaining requirements of this Standard

CG-150 Jurisdictional Adoption of ASME CSD-1

Adoption of this Standard by a jurisdiction shall not preclude the jurisdiction adopting and accepting boilers listed or certified to other safety standards or codes acceptable to the jurisdiction beyond the limitations contained in [CG-140](#). Where other such safety codes and/or standards are adopted/accepted and overlap with the scope of this Standard shall be the responsibility of the jurisdiction to define the application of this Standard and those other codes and/or standards.

CG-160 Metric (SI) Units

This Standard uses U.S. Customary units. The acceptable equivalent SI units are shown in parentheses for information only and have been converted from the U.S. Customary units according to [Nonmandatory Appendix F](#).