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FOREWORD

This Standard is one in a series that provides performance requirements for hoists; it was originally issued in 1982. It was developed by the ASME HST Standards Committee, Hoists — Overhead. It is intended to serve as a guide to manufacturers of the equipment and to the purchasers and users of the equipment.

Standards in this series are as follows:

Designator	Title
HST-1	Performance Standard for Electric Chain Hoists
HST-2	Performance Standard for Hand Chain Manually Operated Chain Hoists
HST-3	Performance Standard for Lever Hoists
HST-4	Performance Standard for Overhead Electric Wire Rope Hoists
HST-5	Performance Standard for Air Chain Hoists
HST-6	Performance Standard for Air Wire Rope Hoists

ASME HST-1-2012 incorporated an appendix that, in conjunction with ASME HST-1, was intended to replace MIL-H-15317, which was previously used by the Department of Defense (DoD) to purchase electric chain hoists. ASME HST-1-2012 was rewritten and reorganized to harmonize with ASME B30.16 to eliminate duplication and conflicts in content. The requirements for this Standard shall be applied together with the requirements of B30.16 for the products covered.

ASME HST-1-2012 was approved by ANSI as an American National Standard on October 4, 2012.

This edition of ASME HST-1 includes revised definitions and other changes, and addresses two-speed and variable speed operation.

Following the approval of the ASME HST Standards Committee and ASME, and after public review, ASME HST-1-2017 was approved by the American National Standards Institute on November 17, 2017.

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Edition: Cite the applicable edition of the Standard for which the interpretation is being requested.
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Chapter 1-0

Scope, Definitions, References, and Appendices

SECTION 1-0.1: SCOPE

(a) This Standard establishes performance requirements for electric chain hoists for vertical lifting service involving material handling of freely suspended (unguided) loads using load chain of the roller or welded link types with one of the following types of suspension:

- (1) lug
- (2) hook or clevis
- (3) trolley

(b) This Standard is applicable to hoists manufactured after the date on which this Standard is issued. It is not applicable to

- (1) damaged or malfunctioning hoists
- (2) hoists that have been misused or abused
- (3) hoists that have been altered without authorization of the manufacturer or a qualified person
- (4) hoists used for lifting or supporting people
- (5) hoists used for the purpose of drawing both the load and the hoist up or down the hoist's own load chain(s)
- (6) hoists used for marine and other applications as required by the Department of Defense (DoD)

The requirements of this Standard shall be applied together with the requirements of ASME B30.16. Please also refer to ASME B30.16 for requirements pertaining to marking, construction, and installation; inspection, testing, and maintenance; and operation.

SECTION 1-0.2: DEFINITIONS

abnormal operating conditions: environmental conditions that are unfavorable, harmful, or detrimental to the operation of a hoist, such as excessively high or low temperature, exposure to weather, corrosive fumes, dust laden or moisture laden atmospheres, and hazardous locations.

ambient temperature: the temperature of the atmosphere surrounding the hoist.

beam: a trolley head standard structural or specially fabricated shape, on which the trolley operates.

brake: a device, other than a motor, used for retarding or stopping motion by means of friction or power.

brake, holding: a friction brake for a hoist that is automatically applied and prevents motion when power is off.

brake, mechanical load: an automatic type of friction brake used for controlling loads in a lowering direction. This unidirectional device requires torque from the motor to lower a load but does not impose any additional load on the motor when lifting a load. This type of brake may also be used as a holding brake if designed as such by the manufacturer.

braking, control: a method of controlling speed by removing energy from the moving body or by imparting energy in the opposite direction.

braking, dynamic: a method of controlling speed by using the motor as a generator, with the energy being dissipated in resistors.

braking, mechanical: a method of controlling or reducing speed by friction.

braking, regenerative: a method of controlling speed in which the electrical energy generated by the motor is fed back into the power system.

chain, load: the load-bearing chain in a hoist.

chain, roller: a series of alternately assembled roller links and pin links in which pins articulate inside the bushings, and the rollers are free to turn on the bushings. Pins and bushings are press-fit in their respective link plates.

chain, welded link: a chain consisting of a series of interwoven links formed and welded.

NOTE: Load chain properties do not conform to those shown in ASME B29.1 or ASME B30.9.

contactor: an electromechanical device for opening and closing an electric power circuit.

control actuator: a manual means at the operating station by which hoist controls are energized.

control enclosure: the housing containing the electrical control components.

cushioned start: an electrical or mechanical method for reducing the rate of acceleration of trolley motion.

hazardous (classified) locations: locations where fire or explosion hazards may exist. Locations are classified depending on the properties of the flammable vapors, liquids or gases, or combustible dusts or fibers that may be present, and the likelihood that a flammable or combustible concentration or quantity is present. Refer to NFPA 70.