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Preface



This manual provides a review of experience and theory regarding design of steel pipe used for conveying water, with appropriate references cited. The manual provides general and technical information to be used as an aid in the design and installation of steel pipe. It is a discussion of recommended practice, not an AWWA standard calling for compliance with certain specifications. Application of the principles and procedures discussed in this manual must be based on responsible judgment.

This manual was first authorized in 1943. In 1949, Committee 8310D on Steel Pipe, appointed one of its members, Russell E. Barnard, to act as editor in chief in charge of collecting and compiling the available data on steel pipe. The first draft of the report was completed by January 1957; the draft was reviewed by the committee and other authorities on steel pipe. The first edition of this manual was issued in 1964 with the title *Steel Pipe—Design and Installation*.

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Major revisions to this fifth edition are (1) reorganization of the chapters to combine similar content in the same chapters; (2) elimination of some tables which were replaced with formulas and examples; (3) changes in aboveground design and examples to more clearly reflect conditions encountered on a water pipeline; (4) addition of a chapter on thrust design; (5) addition to the fittings chapter to include design of true wyes and crosses, design of crotch plates with higher strength steel, expanded elbow stress design in restrained areas, tangential outlet design was clarified, double outlet design was clarified, strength reduction factors for varying steel strengths of outlets was added, PDV values were clarified to 9000 for test and transient pressures, anchor ring design was added, design of ellipsoidal heads was added, and modified joint harness requirements; (6) added suggested bracing for shipping of pipe; (6) updated the flange bolt torque values and table; (7) buckling of buried pipe was clarified (8) weld details for outlets and crotch plates were added; (9) cement enhanced soil was defined and added; (10) design of welded lap joints was expanded; and (11) Appendixes were added for nomenclature, comparison of increase of E' versus increase of wall thickness, full example of harness ring design, design of harness rod placement for differential settlement, seismic considerations, and useful equations and conversions.