

§ 56.50–97 Instrument, control and sampling piping (modifies 122.3).

(a) Instrument, control and sampling piping must comply with paragraph 122.3 of ANSI-B31.1 except that:

(1) Soldered type fittings may not be used.

(2) The outside diameter of takeoff connections may not be less than 0.840 inches for service conditions up to 900 psi or 800 °F., and 1.050 inches for conditions that exceed either of these limits.

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§ 56.50–103 Fixed oxygen-acetylene distribution piping.

(a) This section applies to fixed piping installed for the distribution of oxygen and acetylene carried in cylinders as vessels stores.

(b) The distribution piping shall be of at least standard wall thickness and shall include a means, located as close to the supply cylinders as possible, of regulating the pressure from the supply cylinders to the suitable pressure at the outlet stations.

(c) Acetylene distribution piping and pipe fittings must be seamless steel. Copper alloys containing less than 65 percent copper may be used in connection with valves, regulators, gages, and other equipment used with acetylene.

(d) Oxygen distribution piping and pipe fittings must be seamless steel or copper.

(e) When more than two cylinders are connected to a manifold, the supply pipe between each cylinder and manifold shall be fitted with a non-return valve.

(f) Except for the cylinder manifolds, acetylene is not to be piped at a pressure in excess of 100 kPa (14.7 psi).

(g) Pipe joints on the low pressure side of the regulators shall be welded.

(h) Branch lines shall not run through unventilated spaces or accommodation spaces.

(i) Relief valves or rupture discs shall be installed as relief devices in the piping system if the maximum design pressure of the piping system can be exceeded. The relief device set pressure shall not exceed the maximum design pressure of the piping system. Relief devices shall discharge to a location in

the weather at least 3 m (10 ft) from sources of ignition or openings to spaces or tanks.

(j) Outlet stations are to be provided with suitable protective devices which will prevent the back flow of gas into the supply lines and prevent the passage of flame into the supply lines.

(k) Shutoff valves shall be fitted at each outlet.

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§ 56.50–105 Low-temperature piping.

(a) *Class I-L.* Piping systems designated to operate at temperatures below 0 °F. and pressures above 150 pounds per square inch gage shall be of Class I-L. Exceptions to this rule may be found in the individual requirements for specific commodities in subchapters D, I, and O of this chapter. The following requirements for Class I-L piping systems shall be satisfied:

(1) *Materials.* All materials used in low temperature piping systems shall be selected from among those specifications listed in Table 56.50–105 and shall satisfy all of the requirements of the specifications, except that:

(i) The minimum service temperature as defined in § 54.25–10(a)(2) of this subchapter shall not be colder than that shown in Table 56.50–105; and

(ii) The material shall be tested for low temperature toughness using the Charpy V-notch specimen of ASTM E 23 (incorporated by reference, see § 56.01–2), “Notched Bar Impact Testing of Metallic Materials”, Type A, Figure 4. The toughness testing requirements of subpart 54.05 of this subchapter shall be satisfied for each particular product form. Charpy V-notch tests shall be conducted at temperatures not warmer than 10 °F. below the minimum service temperature of the design, except that for service temperatures of –320 °F. and below, the impact test may be conducted at the service temperature. The minimum average energy shall not be less than that shown in Table 56.50–105. In the case of steels conforming to the specifications of Table 54.25–20(a) of this subchapter the minimum lateral expansion shall not be less than that required in § 54.25–20 of this subchapter. The minimum energy permitted for a single specimen and the minimum subsized energies shall be those obtained

by multiplying the average energy shown in Table 56.50-105 by the applicable fraction shown in Table 56.50-105(a).

TABLE 56.50-105(a)—CHARPY V-NOTCH ENERGY MULTIPLYING FACTORS

Charpy V-notch specimen size ¹	Factor for minimum energy, average of 3 specimens ¹	Factor for minimum energy single specimen ¹
10×10 mm	1	2/3
10×7.5 mm	5/6	5/9
10×5.0 mm	2/3	4/9
10×2.5 mm	1/2	1/3

¹Straight line interpolation for intermediate values is permitted.

(iii) Steels equivalent to those listed in Table 56.50-105 of this part, but not produced according to a particular ASTM specification, may be used only with the prior consent of the Marine Safety Center. Steels differing in chemical composition, mechanical properties or heat treatments from those specified may be specially approved by the Marine Safety Center. Similarly, aluminum alloys and other nonferrous materials not covered in Table 56.50-105 of this part may be specifically approved by the Marine Safety Center for service at any low temperature. There are restrictions on the use of certain materials in this part and in subchapter O of this chapter.

(2) *Piping weldments.* Piping weldments shall be fabricated to satisfy the requirements of §57.03-1(b) of this subchapter in addition to subpart 56.70. Toughness testing of production weldments for low temperature piping systems and assemblies is not required.

(3) *Postweld heat treatment.* All piping weldments shall be postweld heat treated for stress relief in accordance with the procedures of subpart 56.85. The only exceptions to this requirement are for materials which do not require postweld heat treatment as shown in Table 56.85-10. Relief from postweld heat treatment shall not be dependent upon pipe thickness or weld joint type.

(4) *Nonacceptable joints.* Single welded butt joints with backing ring left in place, socket welds, slip-on flanges, pipe joining sleeves, and threaded joints shall not be used, except in small diameter instrument lines.

(5) *Other requirements.* All other requirements of this part for Class I piping apply to Class I-L piping. Pressure testing must comply with subpart 56.97 of this part, and nondestructive testing of circumferentially welded joints must comply with §56.95-10. Seamless tubular products must be used except that, when the service pressure does not exceed 1724 KPa (250 psi), the Commanding Officer, Marine Safety Center, may give special consideration to appropriate grades of piping and tubing that are welded without the addition of filler metal in the root pass. Each production procedure and quality-control program for welded products must be acceptable to the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection.

(b) *Class II-L.* Piping systems designed to operate at temperatures below 0 °F. and pressures not higher than 150 pounds per square inch gage shall be of Class II-L. Exceptions to this rule may be found in the individual requirements for specific commodities in subchapter D (Tank Vessels) and I (Cargo and Miscellaneous Vessels) of this chapter. The following requirements for Class II-L piping systems shall be satisfied:

(1) Materials must be the same as those required by paragraph (a)(1) of this section except that pipe and tubing of appropriate grades welded without the addition of a filler metal may be used. The Commandant may give special consideration to tubular products welded with the addition of filler metal.

(2) Piping weldments shall be fabricated to satisfy the requirements of §57.03-1(b) of this subchapter in addition to subpart 56.70. Toughness testing of production weldments for low temperature piping systems and assemblies is not required.

(3) All piping weldments shall be postweld heat treated for stress relief in accordance with the procedures of subpart 56.85. The only exceptions to this requirement are for materials which do not require postweld heat treatment as shown in Table 56.85-10 and for socket weld joints and slip-on flange weld attachments where the weld thickness does not exceed that exempted by this table. Otherwise, relief from post-weld heat treatment shall

not be dependent upon pipe thickness or weld joint type.

(4) Socket welds in nominal sizes above 3 inches, slip-on flanges in nominal sizes above 4 inches, and threaded joints in sizes above 1 inch shall not be used.

(5) Pressure testing must comply with Subpart 56.97, and nondestructive testing of welded joints must comply with § 56.95-10.

(6) All other requirements contained in this part for Class II piping shall be applicable to Class II-L systems, except that § 56.70-15(b)(3)(iv) shall not apply.

TABLE 56.50-105—ACCEPTABLE MATERIALS AND TOUGHNESS TEST CRITERIA²

Product form	ASTM specification ³	Grade ⁴	Minimum service temperature	Minimum avg Charpy V notch energy
Pipe		1	-30 °F	20 ft. lb.
		3	-150 °F	25 ft. lb.
Tube (carbon and low alloy steels).	A-333 and A-334	4 (A-333 only)	-100 °F	25 ft. lb.
		6	-30 °F	20 ft. lb.
		7	-100 °F	25 ft. lb.
		8	-320 °F	Refer to § 54.25-20 of this subchapter.
Pipe (Austenitic stainless steel).	A-312	All Grades	No limit	Austenitic stainless steel piping need be impact tested only when toughness tests are specified in subpart 54.25 of this subchapter for plating of the same alloy designation. When such toughness tests are required, the minimum average energy is 25 ft. lb.
Wrought welding fittings (carbon and low alloy steels).	A-420	WPL1	-30 °F	20 ft. lb.
		WPL3	-150 °F	25 ft. lb.
		WPL4	-100 °F	25 ft. lb.
Forged or rolled flanges, forged fittings, valves and pressure parts (carbon and low alloy steels).	A-350 ¹	LF1	-30 °F	20 ft. lb.
		LF2	-30 °F	20 ft. lb.
		LF3	-150 °F	25 ft. lb.
		LF4	-100 °F	25 ft. lb.
Forged or rolled flanges, forged fittings, valves and pressure parts (high alloy steels).	A-182	Austenitic grades only (304, 304H, 304L, 310, 316, 316H, 316L, 321, 321H, 347, 347H, 348, 348H).	No limit	These products need be impact tested only when toughness tests are specified in subpart 54.25 of this subchapter for plating of the same alloy designation. When such toughness tests are required, the minimum average energy is 25 ft. lb.
Forged flanges, fittings, and valves (9% nickel).	A-522	9% Ni	-320 °F	Refer to § 54.25-20 of this subchapter.
Castings for valves and pressure parts (carbon and low alloy steels).	A-352 ¹	LCB	-30 °F	20 ft. lb.
		LC1	-50 °F	20 ft. lb.
		LC2	-100 °F	25 ft. lb.
		LC3	-150 °F	25 ft. lb.
Castings for valves and pressure parts (high alloy steel).	A-351	Austenitic grades CF3, CF3A, CF8, CF8A, CF3M, CF8M, CF8C, CK20 only.	No limit, except -325 °F for grades CF8C and CK20.	No toughness testing required except for service temperatures colder than -425 °F for grades CF3, CF3A, CF8, CF8A, CF3M, and CF8M. 25 ft. lb. average must be attained in these tests.

TABLE 56.50-105—ACCEPTABLE MATERIALS AND TOUGHNESS TEST CRITERIA²—Continued

Product form	ASTM specification ³	Grade ⁴	Minimum service temperature	Minimum avg Charpy V notch energy
Bolting	A-320	L7, L9, L10, L43	- 150 °F	20 ft. lb.
		B8D, B8T, B8F, B8M ...	- 325 °F	No test required.
		2B8, B8C	No limit	No test required, except for service temperatures colder than - 425 °F. In such case the minimum average energy is 25 ft. lb.
Nuts, bolting	A-194	4	- 150 °F	20 ft. lb.
		8T, 8F	- 325 °F	No test required.
		8, 8C	No limit	Same requirement as comparable grades (B8, B8C) of bolting listed above.

¹ Quench and temper heat treatment may be permitted when specifically authorized by the Commandant. In those cases the minimum average Charpy V-notch energy shall be specially designated by the Commandant.
² Other material specifications for product forms acceptable under part 54 for use at low temperatures may also be used for piping systems provided the applicable toughness requirements of this Table are also met.
³ Any repair method must be acceptable to the Commandant (G-MSE), and welding repairs as well as fabrication welding must be in accordance with part 57 of this chapter.
⁴ The acceptability of several alloys for low temperature service is not intended to suggest acceptable resistance to marine corrosion. The selection of alloys for any particular shipboard location must take corrosion resistance into account and be approved by the Marine Safety Center.

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§ 56.50-110 Diving support systems.

(a) In addition to the requirements of this part, piping for diving installations which is permanently installed on the vessel must meet the requirements of subpart B (Commercial Diving Operations) of part 197 of this chapter.

(b) Piping for diving installations which is not permanently installed on the vessel need not meet the requirements of this part, but must meet the requirements of subpart B of part 197 of this chapter.

(c) Piping internal to a pressure vessel for human occupancy (PVHO) need not meet the requirements of this part, but must meet the requirements of subpart B of part 197 of this chapter.

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Subpart 56.60—Materials

§ 56.60-1 Acceptable materials and specifications (replaces 123 and Table 126.1 in ANSI-B31.1).

(a)(1) The material requirements in this subpart shall be followed in lieu of those in 123 in ANSI-B31.1.

(2) Materials used in piping systems must be selected from the specifications which appear in Table 56.60-1(a) of this section or Table 56.60-2(a) of this part, or they may be selected from the material specifications of section I, III, or VIII of the ASME Code if not prohibited by a regulation of this subchapter dealing with the particular section of the ASME Code. Table 56.60-1(a) of this section contains only pipe, tubing, and fitting specifications. Determination of acceptability of plate, forgings, bolting, nuts, and castings may be made by reference to the ASME Code as previously described. Additionally, accepted materials for use as piping system components appear in Table 56.60-2(a) of this part. Materials conforming to specifications not described in this subparagraph must receive the specific approval of the Marine Safety Center before being used. Materials listed in Table 126.1 of ANSI B31.1 are not accepted unless specifically permitted by this paragraph.

(b) Components made in accordance with the commercial standards listed in Table 56.60-1(b) of this section and made of materials complying with paragraph (a) this section may be used