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Foreword

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Fasteners — Hot dip galvanized coatings

1 Scope

This International Standard specifies material, process, dimensional and some performance requirements for hot dip spun galvanized coatings applied to coarse threaded steel fasteners from M8 up to and including M64 and for property classes up to and including 10.9 for bolts, screws and studs and 12 for nuts. It is not recommended to hot dip galvanize threaded fasteners in diameters smaller than M8 and/or with pitches below 1,25 mm.

NOTE Attention is drawn to the fact that the proof loads and stresses under proof load of oversize tapped nuts with threads M8 and M10 and the ultimate tensile loads and proof loads of undersize threaded bolts and screws with threads M8 and M10 are reduced as compared to the values specified in ISO 898-2 and ISO 898-1 respectively and are specified in Annex A.

It primarily concerns the spun hot dip galvanizing of threaded steel fasteners, but it may also be applied to other threaded steel parts.

The specifications given in this International Standard may also be applied to non-threaded steel parts such as washers.

2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 898-1, Mechanical properties of fasteners made of carbon steel and alloy steel — Part 1: Bolts, screws and studs

ISO 898-2, Mechanical properties of fasteners — Part 2: Nuts with specified proof load values — Coarse thread

ISO 965-1, ISO general purpose metric screw threads — Tolerances — Part 1: Principles and basic data

ISO 965-2, ISO general purpose metric screw threads — Tolerances — Part 2: Limits of sizes for general purpose external and internal screw threads — Medium quality

ISO 965-3, ISO general purpose metric screw threads — Tolerances — Part 3: Deviations for constructional screw threads

ISO 965-4, ISO general purpose metric screw threads — Tolerances — Part 4: Limits of sizes for hot-dip galvanized external screw threads to mate with internal screw threads tapped with tolerance position H or G after galvanizing

ISO 965-5, ISO general purpose metric screw threads — Tolerances — Part 5: Limits of sizes for internal screw threads to mate with hot-dip galvanized external screw threads with maximum size of tolerance position h before galvanizing

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ISO 1460, Metallic coatings — Hot dip galvanized coatings on ferrous materials — Gravimetric determination of the mass per unit area

ISO 1461, Hot dip galvanized coatings on fabricated iron and steel articles — Specifications and test methods

ISO 2064, Metallic and other inorganic coatings — Definitions and conventions concerning the measurement of thickness

ISO 2178, Non-magnetic coatings on magnetic substrates — Measurement of coating thickness — Magnetic method

ISO 8991, Designation system for fasteners

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 2064 (in particular, the definitions of significant surface, measuring area, local thickness, minimum local thickness and average thickness) and the following apply.

3.1

batch

quantity of identical parts cleaned, pickled, fluxed and galvanized together at one time in a galvanizing basket

3.2

production lot

batches of parts originating from the same manufacturing lot, processed continuously through cleaning, pickling, fluxing, dipping in molten zinc and spun in a centrifuge without any change in temperature and concentration of the constituents of the process

3.3

batch average thickness

calculated average thickness of a coating as if it was uniformly distributed over the surface of the parts of the batch

3.4

baking

process of heating parts for a definite time at a given temperature in order to minimize the risk of hydrogen embrittlement

3.5

stress relief

process of heating parts for a definite time at a given temperature in order to relieve stress induced by work hardening

3.6

hot dip galvanizing of fasteners

process whereby steel fasteners are zinc coated by immersion in a bath of molten zinc, resulting in the formation of a zinc-iron alloy coating or a zinc-iron alloy coating plus a zinc coating at the surface of the fastener

NOTE This process involves the removal of excess zinc by spinning the parts in a centrifuge or by an equivalent method.

4 Materials

4.1 Raw material of parts

4.1.1 Chemical composition

Materials as included in ISO 898-1 and ISO 898-2 are suitable for hot dip galvanizing except if the total content of phosphorus and silicon is between 0,03 % and 0,13 %, in which case high temperature galvanizing (530 °C to 560 °C) is recommended.

4.1.2 Surface condition

The surface of the fastener, before immersion in the molten zinc, shall be clean and free from all contaminants that would adversely effect the galvanizing.

4.2 Zinc

The zinc used for this process shall be in accordance with ISO 1461.

5 Hot dip galvanizing procedures and precautions

5.1 Stress relief

Fasteners subjected to severe work hardening may require stress relief before acid cleaning and hot dip galvanizing.

5.2 Cleaning and pickling

Parts shall be cleaned. During the cleaning process, hydrogen could be absorbed into the steel. The hydrogen may not effuse completely in the galvanizing bath and consequently, may lead to brittle failure. Unless otherwise agreed, parts heat treated or work hardened to a hardness of \geqslant 320 HV shall be cleaned using an inhibited acid, alkaline or mechanical process. Immersion time in the inhibited acid depends on the as-received surface condition and should be of minimum duration.

NOTE An inhibited acid is an acid to which a suitable inhibitor has been added to reduce corrosive attack on the steel and absorption of hydrogen.

5.3 Baking

If baking is carried out, it shall be carried out prior to surface activation.

5.4 Fluxing

Parts shall be surface activated, and dried if necessary.

5.5 Hot dip galvanizing

Normal temperature galvanizing is carried out at a bath temperature of 455 °C to 480 °C. High temperature galvanizing is used to produce a smoother and thinner coating and is carried out at a bath temperature of 530 °C to 560 °C. The finish obtained using the high temperature process is dull. In order to avoid microcracks, bolts, screws and studs of property class 10.9 in sizes M27 and above, shall not be high temperature galvanized.

Galvanizing shall not be carried out at bath temperatures between 480 °C and 530 °C.

5.6 Spinning and quenching

Parts shall be spun immediately following removal from the galvanizing bath and quenched in water or air cooled depending on size consideration.

5.7 Special requirements for nuts

Nut threads and other internal threads shall be tapped after hot dip galvanizing. Retapping shall not be permitted.

5.8 Post-treatment

Most galvanized parts do not require any post treatment. When required by the purchaser, treatments such as chromating or phosphating may be applied to reduce the possibility of wet storage staining (white corrosion) or to assist subsequent painting.

6 Requirements on thread tolerances and additional marking

6.1 General

Dimensional limits for ISO metric screw threads M10 to M64 before and after coating are specified in ISO 965-1 to ISO 965-5. All other dimensions and tolerances of fasteners apply before hot dip galvanizing. Dimensional limits for internal and external screw threads M8 with thread tolerances 6AX and 6AZ for internal threads and 6az for external threads are specified in Annex B.

NOTE It is not possible to check the thread tolerance of a hot dip galvanized part by stripping the coating and gauging the thread thereafter, since some steel is dissolved from the part during the galvanizing process.

6.2 Requirements and precautions in assembling hot dip galvanized threaded fasteners

6.2.1 General

This clause applies only to parts with thread tolerances in accordance with ISO 965-1 to ISO 965-5 and with marking according to the marking requirements for fasteners as given in ISO 898-1 and ISO 898-2. The marking specified in 6.2.2 and 6.2.3 shall be carried out in addition to the marking according to ISO 898-1 and ISO 898-2.

The application of zinc coating by the hot dip process results in the deposition of a heavy coating thickness of zinc (always in excess of 40 μ m). Hence, it is necessary to manufacture screw threads to special limits in order to accommodate such heavy coatings.

There are two different methods provided for, which give the necessary fundamental deviations (clearances) for the zinc layer applied to fasteners by hot dip galvanizing.

The first method (see 6.2.2) consists of using nuts tapped oversize to tolerance class 6AZ or 6AX after coating, to mate with bolts or screws manufactured with screw threads to tolerance position g or h before coating.

The second method (see 6.2.3) consists of using bolts or screws manufactured with threads undersized to tolerance class 6az before coating, to mate with nuts tapped to tolerance position H or G after coating.

Nuts tapped oversize (marked with Z or X) shall never be mated with bolts or screws with undersized threads (marked with U), because such combinations create a high probability of thread stripping.

Assembling hot dip galvanized nuts tapped to tolerance position H or G after coating with hot dip galvanized bolts or screws manufactured with threads to tolerance position g or h before coating results in thread interference.