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Downhole Perforating Tools

1 Scope

This specification provides requirements and guidelines for the design and use of downhole perforating tools and related equipment, as defined herein for use in the petroleum and natural gas industry.

This specification provides the requirements for reporting and validating operational ratings of downhole perforating tools that are not addressed by any current standards or specifications. Thus:

- providing well-defined operational ratings for functionality of downhole perforating tools as provided by the supplier/manufacturer;
- defining levels of quality control (QC) for downhole perforating tools including validation requirements, acceptance testing, performance ratings, and service center requirements.

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API Specification 5C3, 7th Edition, Calculating Performance Properties of Pipe Used as Casing or Tubing

API Specification 5CT, 10th Edition, Specification for Casing and Tubing

API Recommended Practice 19B, 3rd Edition, Recommended Practices for Evaluation of Perforators

API Recommended Practice 67, Recommended Practice for Oilfield Explosives Safety

ASNT SNT-TC-1A, Personnel Qualification and Certification in Nondestructive Testing

ASTM A36/A36M, Standard Specification for Carbon Structural Steel

ASTM A370, Standard Test Methods and Definitions for Mechanical Testing of Steel Products

ASTM E8, Standard Test Methods for Tension Testing of Metallic Materials

ASTM E18, Standard Test Methods for Rockwell Hardness of Metallic Materials

ASTM E23, Standard Test Methods for Notched Bar Impact Testing of Metallic Materials

ASTM E45, Standard Test Methods for Determining the Inclusion Content of Steel

ASTM E94/E94M, Standard Guide for Radiographic Examination Using Industrial Radiographic Film

ASTM E112, Standard Test Methods for Determining Average Grain Size

ASTM E164, Standard Practice for Contact Ultrasonic Testing of Weldments

ASTM E213, Standard Practice for Ultrasonic Testing of Metal Pipe and Tubing

ASTM E273, Standard Practice for Ultrasonic Testing of the Weld Zone of Welded Pipe and Tubing