

# Class 150LW Corrosion Resistant Flanges and Cast Flanged Fittings

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This Standard Practice has been substantially revised from the previous 2012 edition. It is suggested that if the user is interested in knowing what changes have been made, that direct page by page comparison should be made of this document and that of the previous 2012 edition.

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## FOREWORD

The subject matter of this Standard Practice was formerly a part of MSS SP-42, *Corrosion Resistant Cast Flanged Valves, Flanges and Flanged Fittings*. MSS SP-42 now covers valves only.

The 1978 edition of this Standard Practice was delayed beyond the normal review interval in consideration of extensive revisions being developed for MSS SP-42. Following publication of the re-written SP-42-1978, in which the flange thickness for most sizes were made the same as those in ANSI B16.5 for Class 150 flanges, it was determined that a commercial need remained for flanges and flanged fittings of reduced weight, and that this Standard Practice should continue to serve that need. The committee decided; however, that pressure-temperature ratings should be reduced to limit pressure stresses to levels consistent with those applied in ANSI B16.5, Class 150 flanges. While pressure stresses are generally less significant than bolting and piping stresses in these flanges, the new ratings, in combination with the gasket selection recommended herein, serve to limit the assembly bolting loads required. It is intended that the reduction in ratings should substantially reduce the likelihood of misapplication of these flanges and fittings.

The 1982 and 1986 editions were required to update the referenced standards list in Section 2 and included metric conversions.

The 1991 edition was required to update the referenced standards list and delete the metric equivalents.

The 1995 reaffirmed edition of this Standard Practice was required to update the referenced standards list and reaffirm the document.

The 2000 edition incorporated standard metric dimensions, include forged and plate materials for flanges, and update referenced standards.

The 2003 edition of this Standard Practice was made to incorporate larger sizes of flanges and fittings (NPS 14, 16, 18, 20, and 24) to accommodate the needs of the user community.

The 2007 edition corrected some dimensions and to updated the referenced standards.

The 2012 edition of this Standard Practice updated the referenced standards (e.g., Section 7 and Annex A), clarified markings in Section 8.1(e), and provided various editorial and conforming changes.

This 2021 edition of SP-51, in addition to various editorial and formatting updates, includes: (1) updated dimensions in Table 2 to correspond to ASME B16.5, (2) deletion of references to “DN” sizing from text and tables (excepting certain circumstances) to align with ASME B16.5, (3) clarified and updated Section 2, and (4) updated referenced standards in Annex A.

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