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# FOREWORD

The major perils in operating automatically fired boilers are loss of water (low water), furnace explosion, overpressure, and overtemperature. Principal causes of accidents to automatically fired boilers are lack of proper controls and safety devices, lack of adequate maintenance, improperly trained operators, failure to test controls and safety devices, and complacency on the part of the operator due to long periods of trouble-free operation. It is believed that improved instrumentation, controls and safety devices, proper operating procedures, and a clearer understanding of installation requirements by the manufacturers, installers, and operators can greatly reduce the chances of personal injury, damage to property, and loss of equipment from accidents.

It should be pointed out that any governmental jurisdiction has authority over any particular installation. Inquiries dealing with problems of a local character should be directed to the proper authorities of such jurisdictions.

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# ASME CSD-1-2018 SUMMARY OF CHANGES

Following approval by the ASME CSDAFB Committee and ASME, and after public review, ASME CSD-1-2018 was approved by the American National Standards Institute on August 23, 2018.

ASME CSD-1-2018 includes the following changes identified by a margin note, **(18)**.

<i>Page</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Change</i>
2	CG-230	Revised
3	CG-700	(1) Term <i>gas-pressure regulator, main</i> deleted (2) Definitions for <i>branch burner; may; multiple-burner boiler unit; pressure regulator, gas, main; pressure regulator, zero governor; shall; and should</i> added
11	CE-170	Added
12	CW-110	Subparagraphs (c) and (d) revised
12	CW-120	Title and subparagraph (a) revised
14	CW-210	Revised
15	CW-410	Subparagraphs (a), (b), and (c) revised
19	Table CF-2	Title revised
20	CF-162	Revised in its entirety
21	Table CF-3	Tenth entry in third column revised
24	CF-180	Revised in its entirety
28	CF-330	Subparagraphs (a), (b), and (c) revised
30	CF-470	Revised
29	Table CF-5	First entry of second column and Note (1) revised
30	CF-480	Revised
31	CF-530	Revised
33	Nonmandatory Appendix B	Revised in its entirety
47	Nonmandatory Appendix D	Revised

## Part CG

### General

#### CG-100 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

##### CG-110 Scope

The rules of this Standard cover requirements for the assembly, installation, maintenance, and operation of controls and safety devices on automatically operated boilers directly fired with gas, oil, gas-oil, or electricity, subject to the service limitations, exclusions, and acceptance of other listings in [CG-120](#), [CG-130](#), and [CG-140](#), respectively. Burner or burner assemblies installed on boilers or as a replacement burner shall comply with the requirements of [CF-110](#) and [CF-410](#) for gas and oil firing, respectively. The use of a gaseous or oil fuel not listed in the definitions has not been evaluated, and special considerations may be required.

##### CG-120 Service Limitations

The rules of this Standard are applicable to the following service:

(a) all automatically fired boilers and burner assemblies, regardless of fuel input ratings subject to the exclusions and acceptance to other listings of [CG-130](#) and [CG-140](#), respectively

(b) burners field-installed in automatically fired boilers

##### CG-130 Exclusions

The following are excluded from the requirements of this Standard:

(a) boilers with fuel input ratings greater than or equal to 12,500,000 Btu/hr (3 663 kW), falling within the scope of NFPA 85, Boiler and Combustion Systems Hazard Code

(b) water heaters (see [CG-700](#))

(c) direct gas-fired swimming pool heaters that are labeled and listed by a nationally recognized testing agency or other organization that is acceptable to the authority having jurisdiction as complying with ANSI Z21.56/CSA 4.7, Standard for Gas-Fired Pool Heaters

##### CG-140 Acceptance of Other Listings

The following other listings are acceptable:

(a) automatically operated boilers fired with gas having inputs of 400,000 Btu/hr (117 kW) or less that

(1) comply with [Part CW](#), [CE-110\(a\)](#), [CE-110\(b\)](#), and [CE-110\(j\)](#)

(2) are labeled and listed by a nationally recognized testing agency or other organization that is acceptable to the authority having jurisdiction as complying with ANSI Z21.13/CSA 4.9, Standard for Gas-Fired Low Pressure Steam and Hot Water Boilers; meet the remaining requirements of this Standard (see [Nonmandatory Appendix A](#))

(b) automatically operated boilers fired with oil having inputs of 3 gph (11.4 L/h) or less that

(1) comply with [Part CW](#), [CE-110\(a\)](#), [CE-110\(b\)](#), and [CE-110\(j\)](#)

(2) are labeled and listed by a nationally recognized testing agency or other organization that is acceptable to the authority having jurisdiction as complying with UL 726, Standard for Oil-Fired Boiler Assemblies; meet the remaining requirements of this Standard

(c) automatically operated, electrically heated boilers having inputs of 115 kW or less that

(1) comply with [Part CW](#), [CE-110\(a\)](#), and [CE-110\(b\)](#)

(2) are labeled and listed by a nationally recognized testing agency or other organization that is acceptable to the authority having jurisdiction as complying with UL 834, Standard for Heating, Water Supply, and Power Boilers — Electric; meet the remaining requirements of this Standard

##### CG-150 Jurisdictional Adoption of ASME CSD-1

Adoption of ASME CSD-1 by a jurisdiction shall not preclude the jurisdiction adopting and accepting boilers listed or certified to other safety standards or codes acceptable to the jurisdiction beyond the limitations contained in [CG-140](#). Where other such safety codes and/or standards are adopted/accepted and overlap with the scope of ASME CSD-1, it shall be the responsibility of the jurisdiction to define the application of this Standard and those other codes and/or standards.

##### CG-160 Metric (SI) Units

This edition of the Standard uses U.S. Customary units. The acceptable equivalent SI units are shown in parentheses for information only and have been directly (soft) converted from the U.S. Customary units.