§ 54.25–15 Low temperature operation—high alloy steels (modifies UHA–23(b) and UHA–51).

(a) Toughness tests for the materials listed in UHA–51(a) in section VIII of the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code (incorporated by reference; see 46 CFR 54.01–1) for service temperatures below −425 °F., UHA–51(b)(1) through (5) for service temperatures below 0 °F., and UHA–51(c) for all service temperatures, shall be performed in accordance with the requirements of subpart 54.05. These requirements are also applicable to nonpressure vessel type, low temperature tanks and associated secondary barriers, as defined in §38.05–4 of subchapter D (Tank Vessels) of this chapter. Such tests are required regardless of the vessel’s design stress. Service temperature is defined in §54.25–10(a)(2).

(b) Materials for pressure vessels with service temperatures below −320 °F. shall be of the stabilized or low carbon (less than 0.10 percent) austenitic stainless steel type, produced according to the applicable specifications of table UHA–23 of section VIII of the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code. These materials and their weldments shall be tested for toughness according to appendix P of section VIII of the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code.

(c) Design. Pressure vessels must meet the requirements for Class I-L and II-L construction. (See table 54.01–5(b) for applicable requirements). Except as permitted by §54.05–30, the allowable stress values used in the design of low temperature pressure vessels may not exceed those given in table UCS–23 of section VIII of the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code for temperatures of 0 °F. to 650 °F. For materials not listed in this table allowable stress values are determined in accordance with appendix P of section VIII of the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code.

(d) Weldments and all materials used in pressure vessel type cargo tanks operating at ambient temperatures and constructed of materials listed in table UCS–23 must pass Charpy impact tests in accordance with UG–84 at a temperature of −20 °F or colder, except as provided by paragraphs (d)(1), (d)(2), and (d)(3) of this section.

(1) Charpy impact tests are not required for any of the following ASTM materials if the thickness for each is 1¼ inch or less:

   (i) A–203.
   (ii) A–508, Class 1.
   (iii) A–516, normalized.
   (iv) A–524.
   (v) A–537.
   (vi) A–612, normalized.
   (vii) A–662, normalized.
   (viii) A–724, normalized.

(3) Charpy impact tests are not required for any of the following bolt materials:

   (i) A–193, Grades B5, B7, B7M, and B16.
   (ii) A–307, Grade B.
   (iii) A–325, Type 1.
   (iv) A–449.

§ 54.25–20 Low temperature operation—ferritic steels with properties enhanced by heat treatment (modifies UHT–5(c), UHT–6, UHT–23, and UHT–82).

(a) For service temperatures below 0 °F. but not below the designated minimum service temperature, steel conforming to the specifications of table 54.25–20(a) may be used in the fabrication of pressure vessels and nonpressure vessel tanks and associated secondary barriers, as defined in §38.05–4 of subchapter D (Tank Vessels) of this chapter. The ultimate and yield strengths shall be as shown in the applicable specification and shall be suitable for the design stress levels adopted. The service temperature shall not be colder than −320 °F. Service temperature is defined in §54.25–10(a) (2).

(b) The materials permitted under paragraph (a) of this section shall be tested for toughness in accordance with the requirements of UHT–6 of section VIII of the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code (incorporated by reference; see 46 CFR 54.01–1) except that tests shall be conducted at the temperature specified in §54.05–6 in lieu of that in UHT–5(c) of section VIII of the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code.

TABLE 54.25–20(a)

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<th>Steel</th>
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<td>A–333, 9 percent Ni, grade 8</td>
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<td>A–353, 9 percent Ni, double normalized and tempered</td>
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<td>A–522, 9 percent Ni, NNT, Q and T, forging</td>
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<td>A–553, 9 percent Ni, quenched and tempered</td>
<td>−320</td>
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