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Foreword

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Introduction

This International Standard deals with the classification of grey cast irons, subdivided into two groups, specified by their tensile strength and hardness, respectively.

The properties of grey cast irons depend on the form and distribution of the graphite and the structure of the matrix.

However, for many applications, tensile strength or hardness are not the only interesting or determining properties. Other mechanical or physical properties can be decisive for the use of grey cast iron, for example:

- the thermal capacity and the thermal diffusivity for disc brakes as well as radiators;
- the damping capacity for engine blocks or machine beds;
- the thermocycle fatigue for exhaust manifolds or ingot moulds.

Therefore, Annex A provides additional information of interest to casting designers.

In addition:

- Annex B contains "Additional information on the relationship between hardness and tensile strength";
- Annex C contains "Additional information on the relationship between tensile strength, hardness and wall thickness of grey iron castings".

NOTE This International Standard does not cover technical delivery conditions for grey iron castings.