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Standard Specification for Continuous Galvanizing Grade (CGG) Zinc Alloys for Hot-Dip Galvanizing of Sheet Steel¹

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1. Scope

1.1 This specification covers grades of zinc alloys, commonly known as Continuous Galvanizing Grade (CGG) alloys that contain aluminum, or aluminum and lead, that are used in continuous hot-dip galvanizing of steel sheet. The compositions for CGG grades made from primary zinc are shown in [Table 1](#). Exceptions for grades made from secondary zinc are found in footnote C.

1.2 CGG alloys specified in Specification B852 are used in continuous hot-dip galvanizing of steel sheet to produce product, as specified in Specification [A653/A653M](#).

1.3 Other alloy compositions not included in Specification B852, and as may be agreed upon between the producer and the user, may be used for continuous galvanizing.

1.4 The values stated in inch-pound units are to be regarded as standard. The values given in parentheses are mathematical conversions to SI units that are provided for information only and are not considered standard.

1.5 *This standard does not purport to address all of the safety concerns, if any, associated with its use. It is the responsibility of the user of this standard to become familiar with all hazards including those identified in the appropriate Safety Data Sheet (SDS) for this product/material as provided by the manufacturer, to establish appropriate safety, health, and environmental practices, and determine the applicability of regulatory limitations prior to use.*

1.6 *This international standard was developed in accordance with internationally recognized principles on standardization established in the Decision on Principles for the Development of International Standards, Guides and Recommendations issued by the World Trade Organization Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT) Committee.*

¹ This specification is under the jurisdiction of ASTM Committee [B02](#) on Nonferrous Metals and Alloys and is the direct responsibility of Subcommittee [B02.04](#) on Zinc and Cadmium.

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2. Referenced Documents

2.1 ASTM Standards:²

[A653/A653M](#) Specification for Steel Sheet, Zinc-Coated (Galvanized) or Zinc-Iron Alloy-Coated (Galvannealed) by the Hot-Dip Process

[B897](#) Specification for Configuration of Zinc and Zinc Alloy Jumbo, Block, Half Block, and Slab Ingot

[B899](#) Terminology Relating to Non-ferrous Metals and Alloys

[B949](#) Specification for General Requirements for Zinc and Zinc Alloy Products

[E29](#) Practice for Using Significant Digits in Test Data to Determine Conformance with Specifications

[E88](#) Practice for Sampling Nonferrous Metals and Alloys in Cast Form for Determination of Chemical Composition

[E527](#) Practice for Numbering Metals and Alloys in the Unified Numbering System (UNS)

[E536](#) Test Methods for Chemical Analysis of Zinc and Zinc Alloys

[E634](#) Practice for Sampling of Zinc and Zinc Alloys for Analysis by Spark Atomic Emission Spectrometry

2.2 ISO Standards:³

[ISO 3815-1](#) Zinc and zinc alloys — Part 1: Analysis of solid samples by optical emission spectrometry

[ISO 3815-2](#) Zinc and zinc alloys — Part 2: Analysis by inductively coupled plasma optical emission spectrometry

3. Terminology

3.1 Terms shall be defined in accordance with Terminology [B899](#).

4. Ordering Information

4.1 Orders for zinc alloy ingot under this specification shall include information as specified in Specification [B949](#).

² For referenced ASTM standards, visit the ASTM website, www.astm.org, or contact ASTM Customer Service at service@astm.org. For *Annual Book of ASTM Standards* volume information, refer to the standard's Document Summary page on the ASTM website.

³ Available from American National Standards Institute (ANSI), 25 W. 43rd St., 4th Floor, New York, NY 10036, <http://www.ansi.org>.