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FOREWORD

American National Standards Committee B18 for the standardization of bolts, screws, nuts, rivets, and similar fasteners was organized in March 1922 as Sectional Committee B18 under the aegis of the American Engineering Standards Committee (later the American Standards Association, then the United States of America Standards Institute and, as of October 6, 1969, the American National Standards Institute, Inc.) with the Society of Automotive Engineers and the American Society of Mechanical Engineers as joint sponsors.

In 1995 the SAE Ship Systems and Equipment Committee that was preparing fastener part standards for the shipbuilding industry asked ASME Committee B18 if there was an interest in developing dimensional standards for studs. At the December 1995 B18 meeting in Atlanta, it was reported that a survey by ASME showed considerable interest in establishing a subcommittee to develop stud standards and 11 representatives indicated their willingness to serve on the subcommittee. Subcommittee (SC) 31 was established and drafts of SAE customary and metric stud standards were distributed for review.

The first meeting of SC 31 on studs was held in April 1996 in conjunction with the ASME B18 meetings in Chicago. Existing stud standards (IFI 136 Studs and Bolts and IFI 528 Metric Studs and Bolts) were compared with the draft of SAE standards [J2271 Part Standard for Studs—Continuous and Double End (Inch Series) and J2271M Part Standard for Studs—Continuous and Double End (Metric)]. The Subcommittee then identified the configurations to be developed along with thread sizes and diameters to be covered. It was determined to develop both customary and metric standards covering both continuously threaded and double-ended studs. A decision to develop the metric standard first was unanimously passed.

An ASME B18, SC 31 Working Group on Metric Studs met at the Defense Industrial Supply Center in Philadelphia in November 1996. Some of the more important recommendations of the Working Group were

(a) continuous and double-end studs (based on newly published SAE J2271M) would be covered and interference-fit studs would not be covered.

(b) diameters 5 mm through 100 mm would be covered with coarse-pitch threads used for diameters of 56 mm and smaller and six-pitch threads for larger diameters.

(c) it was agreed that the length should be the overall length as per IFI 528 and SAE J2271 and not the ambiguous first-to-last thread requirement as identified in ASTM A 193/A 193M.

(d) cover both finished and unfinished ends and permit sheared ends provided they were suitable for marking.

(e) for double-end studs, a thread length of $1\frac{1}{2}$ diameters on one end and a longer thread length on the other end as per SAE J2271M.

The recommendations of the Working Group were accepted at the SC 31 meeting in New Orleans in December 1996 with only minor modifications.

A draft of B18.31.1M was forwarded to members prior to the April 1997 SC 31 meeting in Cleveland and some changes were identified at the meeting. Drafts and changes were reviewed at subsequent meetings.

A draft of B18.31.1M was circulated for ballot prior to the December 1998 SC 31 meeting in Phoenix and discussed at the meeting. A number of changes were identified including placing the figures over the applicable tables. A motion was approved to submit the revised draft to SC 31 and B18 for a simultaneous ballot.

A revised draft was reviewed at the SC 31 meeting in Altamonte Springs, Florida in April 1999 that incorporated changes from the previous meeting and utilized ISO 225 dimensions. The draft was generally accepted and the sponsor was asked to review ISO 4759 tolerances and incorporate as appropriate.

At the December 1999 San Antonio meeting of SC 31, the latest draft of B18.31.1M was reviewed. The addition of a double-end (bolt-stud) configuration with threads of equal length was proposed and generally accepted. It was proposed to review Deutsches Institut für Normung e.V. (DIN)

stud standards and survey stud manufacturers. After reviewing DIN stud standards, a survey was developed. The survey was circulated to SC 31 members prior to the May 2000 meeting in Orlando to determine if the survey was suitable for wider circulation. The results of the survey were discussed at the meeting and it was decided that a wider circulation was not required and that a revised draft of the Standard based on the recommendations contained in the survey should be balloted.

At the December 2000 SC 31 meeting in New Orleans, a new draft of B18.31.1M was reviewed. As a result, the following significant changes were proposed:

(a) Reference ASTM F 1941M for plating requirements and add smaller diameters down to 1.6 mm.

(b) Circulation of a new draft for SC ballot was approved; this new draft was balloted in April 2001.

(c) Subsequently, to resolve a ballot disapproval, it was proposed that a thread length of $2D$ plus six threads be added to the tables for double-end studs. A revised draft with this and other changes was balloted in November 2001.

Changes included adding the 14 mm diameter for double-end studs and 14 mm, 22 mm, and 27 mm diameters added for continuously threaded studs.

The Standard was again balloted in March and November 2002. At the December 2002 meeting, it was recommended that straightness requirements be added. Subsequently, the ISO tolerances for straightness were deleted in favor of tolerances used in other ASME B18 standards. Minor changes were incorporated as a result of 2003 ballot and a reconsideration ballot in March 2004 closed without responses. A previous disapproval was discussed at the April 2004 meeting and some changes accepted.

At the December 2004 meeting, it was agreed to delete ASTM F 2281 as it applied only to inch-dimensioned fasteners. It was also agreed upon to revise the format of several tables to improve consistency of the various tables. The revised document was submitted for another reconsideration ballot in March 2005. This Standard was approved by the American National Standards Institute on November 9, 2005.

At the SC 31 meeting in April 2006, it was noted that the Table 3 figures for tap-end studs appeared to show different thread configurations on each end although the text indicated that metric coarse threads were required for both ends unless otherwise specified by the purchaser. Although a minimum and maximum full thread length was specified for nut-end threads, the transition length from full thread to no thread was not defined. Accordingly, it was agreed to develop proposed changes to correct these minor deficiencies.

The maximum thread length dimension for nut ends was to be replaced by a total thread length of five thread diameters greater than the minimum thread length. This change was discussed at the November 2006 and April 2007 SC meetings without obtaining a total consensus.

A draft revision circulated for ballot prior to the November 2007 B18 meeting incorporated the following changes:

(a) Delete the maximum nut-end full thread length in favor of a maximum total thread length.

(b) Change nut-end thread length for M3 and smaller diameter studs from $2D + 6$ mm to $3D$ to permit coverage of shorter length studs.

(c) Correct the range of lengths for tap-end studs due to the fact that the range of lengths were copied from the clamping studs based on two nut ends whereas the tap-end studs have one nut end and a shorter tap end.

(d) Correct the maximum thread length B_M for the M16 diameter tap-end stud in Table 3.

At the November 2007 meeting, the benefit of changing the thread length for M3 and smaller diameters was discussed. Manufacturers do not normally stock these products and it was decided to delete coverage of double-end studs and tap-end studs of M5 and smaller diameters.

A revised draft was simultaneously balloted to B18 and SC 31 prior to the April 2008 B18 meeting that deleted double-end and tap-end studs of M5 and smaller diameters. No disapprovals were received on the ballot. Several editorial comments were approved at the April 2008 B18 SC 31 meeting.

This Standard was approved by the American National Standards Institute on September 3, 2008.

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METRIC CONTINUOUS AND DOUBLE-END STUDS

1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Scope

1.1.1 This Standard covers the complete dimensional and general data for continuous-thread and double-end metric series studs recognized as an American National Standard. The following configurations are covered:

continuous-thread stud: studs that are threaded over their complete length.

double-end stud (clamping-type): studs with screw threads of the same length and configuration on each end. This type of stud serves the function of clamping two bodies together with a nut on each end.

double-end stud (tap-end type): a stud designed to be installed in a tapped hole and usually with different threaded lengths on each end. The tap-end studs covered by this Standard have the same thread form on each end with the length of the tap-end threads equal to approximately $1\frac{1}{2}$ times the nominal thread diameter.

NOTE: Both types of double-end studs in this Standard may be installed with a nut on each end. Similarly, one end of each type may be set in a tapped hole, usually with a locking compound.

Double-end studs of the following body diameters are covered:

(a) reduced-diameter body. See para. 6.1 for dimensions.

(b) full body. See para. 6.2 for dimensions.

1.1.2 The inclusion of dimensional data in this Standard is not intended to imply that all products described are stock production items. Consumers should consult with suppliers concerning availability of products.

2 COMPARISON WITH ISO DOCUMENTS

Metric stud standards have not been issued by ISO.

3 REFERENCED STANDARDS

The following is a list of publications referenced in this Standard. Unless otherwise specified, the reference shall be to the most recent issue at the time of order placement.

ASME B1.3, Screw Thread Gaging Systems for Dimensional Acceptability — Inch and Metric Screw Threads (UN, UNR, UNJ, M, and MJ)

ASME B1.13, Metric Screw Threads — M Profile

ASME B18.2.8, Clearance Holes for Bolts, Screws, and Studs

ASME B18.12, Glossary of Terms for Mechanical Fasteners

ASME B18.18.2, Inspection and Quality Assurance for High Volume Machine Assembly Fasteners

ASME B18.24, Part Identifying Number (PIN) Code System Standard for B18 Fastener Products

ASME Y14.5M, Dimensioning and Tolerancing

Publisher: The American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME), Three Park Avenue, New York, NY 10016-5990; Order Department: 22 Law Drive, Box 2300, Fairfield, NJ 07007-2300.

ASTM A 380, Standard Practice for Cleaning, Descaling, and Passivation of Stainless Steel Parts, Equipment, and Systems

ASTM F 468M, Nonferrous Bolts, Hex Capscrews, and Studs for General Use

ASTM F 568M, Carbon and Alloy Steel Externally Threaded Metric Fasteners

ASTM F 738M, Stainless Steel Metric Bolts, Screws and Studs

ASTM F 788/F 788M, Surface Discontinuities of Bolts, Screws, and Studs — Inch and Metric Series

ASTM F 1941M, Electrodeposited Coatings on Threaded Fasteners (Metric)

Publisher: American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM International), 100 Barr Harbor Drive, West Conshohocken, PA 19428-2959.

4 TERMINOLOGY

For definitions of terms relating to fasteners or features thereof used in this Standard, refer to ASME B18.12.

5 DIMENSIONS

(a) All dimensions in this Standard are given in millimeters (mm), and apply before coating, unless stated otherwise. Table 1 contains the dimensions for continuous-thread studs. Table 2 contains the dimensions for double-end (clamping-type) studs. Table 3 contains the dimensions for double-end (tap-end type) studs. See section 6 for body diameters on double-end studs.

(b) Symbols specifying geometric characteristics are in accord with ASME Y14.5M.

6 BODY DIAMETER

The diameter of the body on studs that are not threaded the full length shall be within the limits for D_S or D_R as specified for the applicable configuration. Unless otherwise specified by the purchaser, the reduced-diameter body or full body may be supplied at the option of the supplier.

6.1 Reduced-Diameter Body

The body diameter is approximately equal to the pitch diameter of the thread. Reduced-diameter body dimensions shall be as specified in Table 4.

6.2 Full Body

The maximum body diameter is the basic nominal diameter of the thread. The minimum body diameter is the nominal diameter of the thread minus a tolerance based on the stud length with minimum dimensions as specified in Table 4.

7 LENGTH

7.1 Overall Length

The overall length, L_T , of the stud is the distance, parallel to the axis of the stud from one end to the other end, measured to the extreme condition on each end. Tolerances for overall stud lengths are given in Table 5. Overall lengths for continuous-thread and clamping-type studs (illustrations in Tables 1 and 2) shall be in increments as indicated in applicable tables. For tap-end studs (illustration in Table 3), the overall length is not specified but is the sum of the nominal length, L , and the tap-end length, B_M .

7.2 Nominal Length

For continuous and clamping-type studs, the nominal length is the same as the overall length without tolerances. For tap-end studs (illustration in Table 3), the nominal length, L , is the protrusion length when the stud is installed. Nominal lengths shall be in increments as indicated in applicable tables.

7.3 Length Tolerance

Length tolerances for studs shall be in accordance with Table 5.

8 POINTS

Unless otherwise specified, studs with either pointed or unpointed ends may be provided. The ends shall be suitable for marking.

8.1 Pointed Ends

Pointed ends shall be chamfered from a diameter equal to or slightly less than the thread root diameter. The length of the point to the first fully formed thread

at major diameter, as determined by the distance the point enters into a cylindrical NOT GO major diameter ring gage, shall not exceed $U_{\max}$. $U_{\max}$ is equal to two thread pitches. The ends of the stud shall be reasonably squared with the axis of the stud, but the slight rim or cup resulting from manufacturing shall be permissible.

8.2 Unpointed Ends

Unpointed ends may be plain-sheared or cut ends and the slight rim or cup resulting from manufacturing shall be permissible.

9 THREAD LENGTH

(a) For continuously threaded studs, the entire length of the stud shall be threaded except for the ends as denoted by dimension U in the illustration in Table 1.

(b) For double-end studs, full threads are required for the lengths B_M and B except for the ends as denoted by dimension U in the illustrations in Tables 2 and 3.

(c) The transition from full thread to incomplete thread shall be smooth and uniform. The major diameter for incomplete threads shall not exceed the actual diameter of the complete (fully formed) threads.

(d) For the nut ends of studs, the transition from full length to no thread shall be within five thread pitches from the minimum full thread length, $B_{\min}$.

10 SCREW THREADS

10.1 Thread Series and Tolerance Class

Threads shall be metric coarse thread series tolerance class 6g conforming to the dimensions for general purpose external threads in ASME B1.13M unless otherwise specified by the purchaser. Thread size limits prior to plating or coating shall be class 6g (GO and NOT GO). After plating or coating, class 6g threads shall be accepted using the size limits of 6h GO (high limit) and 6g NOT GO (low limit).

10.2 Thread Gaging

Unless otherwise specified, dimensional acceptability of screw threads shall be based on System 21 of ASME B1.3M.

11 MATERIALS AND MECHANICAL PROPERTIES

11.1 Steel

Unless otherwise specified, steel studs shall conform to the requirements of ASTM F 568M.

11.2 Corrosion-Resistant Steels

Unless otherwise specified, studs of corrosion resistant steels shall conform to the requirements of ASTM F 738M including passivation in accordance with ASTM A 380.

11.3 Nonferrous Metals

Unless otherwise specified, nonferrous studs shall conform to the requirements of ASTM F 468M.

12 IDENTIFICATION SYMBOLS

Markings shall be located on either the ends or the bodies of the studs unless otherwise specified.

12.1 Property Class Symbol

Each stud shall be marked in accordance with the requirements of the applicable specification (see section 11) for its chemical and mechanical requirements. For tap-end studs, the material property class symbol shall be marked on the nut end or the body.

12.2 Source Symbols

Each stud of a size requiring marking shall be marked to identify its source (manufacturer or private label distributor).

13 FINISH

Unless otherwise specified, studs shall be supplied with a natural (as-processed) finish, unplated or uncoated, in a clean condition, and lightly oiled.

14 WORKMANSHIP

Unless otherwise specified, studs shall be free from surface imperfections such as burrs, seams, laps, loose scales, or other irregularities that could affect serviceability. When control of surface discontinuities is required, the purchaser shall specify conformance to ASTM F 788/F 788M.

15 STRAIGHTNESS

At maximum material limit, studs must be straight within the limit established by the straightness or camber tolerance value, T , based on the overall length, L_T , of the stud as identified below and expressed as a two-place decimal. The referee gage and gaging procedures for checking straightness are provided in Mandatory Appendix I.

(a) $T = 0.006 L_T$ where $L_T \leq 600$ mm

(b) $T = 0.008 L_T$ where $L_T > 600$ mm

16 INSPECTION AND QUALITY ASSURANCE

Studs shall be inspected to determine conformance with this Standard. Inspection procedures may be specified by the purchaser on the inquiry, purchase order, engineering drawings, or shall be as agreed upon between the purchaser and supplier prior to acceptance of the order. In the absence of a defined agreement, the requirements of ASME B18.18.2 shall apply.

17 DIMENSIONAL CONFORMANCE

17.1 Designated Characteristics

(a) Unless otherwise specified, the following designated dimensional characteristics shall be inspected to the inspection levels shown according to ASME B18.18.2, and shall be within their specified limits:

Characteristic	Inspection Level
Thread acceptability	C
Stud overall length, L_T (not applicable to tap-end studs)	C
Stud nominal length, L (tap-end studs only)	C
Thread length	C
Straightness	B

(b) If a documented, statistically based in-process inspection system ensures quality equivalent to ASME B18.18.2 or better using sample sizes in the inspection system, inspections may be conducted at any point after which the characteristic will not be altered.

17.2 Nondesignated Characteristics

For nondesignated characteristics, in the event of a dispute as to conformance, the inspection levels and sample sizes in ASME B18.18.2 shall be used.

17.3 Reporting of Inspection Results

The reporting of inspection results shall be agreed upon between the purchaser and supplier in the inquiry, purchase order, or contract.

18 CLEARANCE HOLES

The recommended sizes of clearance holes in material to be assembled using metric studs are those listed in ASME B18.2.8 for metric fasteners.

19 DESIGNATION

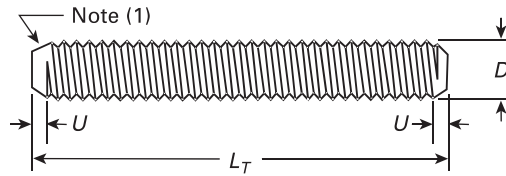
(a) Studs shall be designated by the following data, preferably in the sequence shown:

- (1) product name
- (2) product standard (ASME B18.31.1M)
- (3) nominal diameter and thread pitch
- (4) nominal length
- (5) steel property class or material identification
- (6) protective coating, if required

EXAMPLES:

- (1) Continuous-thread stud, ASME B18.31.1M, M20 $\times$ 2.5 $\times$ 50, ASTM F 568M Class 8.8, zinc-plated per ASTM F 1941M Classification Code Fe/Zn 5A.
- (2) Clamping-type stud, reduced-diameter body, ASME B18.31.1M, M10 $\times$ 1.5 $\times$ 60, ASTM F 468M nickel-copper alloy 400.
- (3) Tap-end stud, full body, ASME B18.31.1M, M16 $\times$ 2 $\times$ 100, ASTM F 738M, Class A4-70.

(b) Optionally, studs may be designated by a Part Identifying Number when defined in ASME B18.24.

Table 1 Dimensions for Continuous-Thread Studs

Nominal Size		$U_{\max} = 2P$	Nominal Length, L_T [Note (2)]	
Diameter, D	Pitch, P		Range	Increments
M5	0.8	1.6	12–20	4
			25–50	5
			60–160	10
			≥ 180	20
M6	1	2.0	16–20	4
			25–50	5
			60–160	10
			≥ 180	20
M8	1.25	2.5	25–50	5
			60–160	10
			≥ 180	20
			≥ 180	20
M10	1.5	3.0	30–50	5
			60–160	10
			≥ 180	20
			≥ 180	20
M12	1.75	3.5	40–50	5
			60–160	10
			≥ 180	20
			≥ 180	20
M14 [Note (3)]	2	4.0	60–160	10
			≥ 180	20
			≥ 180	20
			≥ 180	20
M16	2	4.0	60–160	10
			≥ 180	20
			≥ 180	20
			≥ 180	20
M20	2.5	5.0	60–160	10
			≥ 180	20
			≥ 180	20
			≥ 180	20
M22	2.5	5.0	60–160	10
			≥ 180	20
			≥ 180	20
			≥ 180	20
M24	3	6.0	70–160	10
			≥ 180	20
			≥ 180	20
			≥ 180	20
M27	3	6.0	80–160	10
			≥ 180	20
			≥ 180	20
			≥ 180	20
M30	3.5	7.0	90–160	10
			≥ 180	20
			≥ 180	20
			≥ 180	20
M36	4	8.0	110–160	10
			≥ 180	20
			≥ 180	20
			≥ 180	20
M42	4.5	9.0	120–160	10
			≥ 180	20
			≥ 180	20
			≥ 180	20
M48	5	10.0	150–160	10
			≥ 180	20
			≥ 180	20
			≥ 180	20
M56	5.5	11.0	≥ 180	20
M64	6	12.0	≥ 180	20
M72, M80, M90, and M100	6	12.0	≥ 200	20

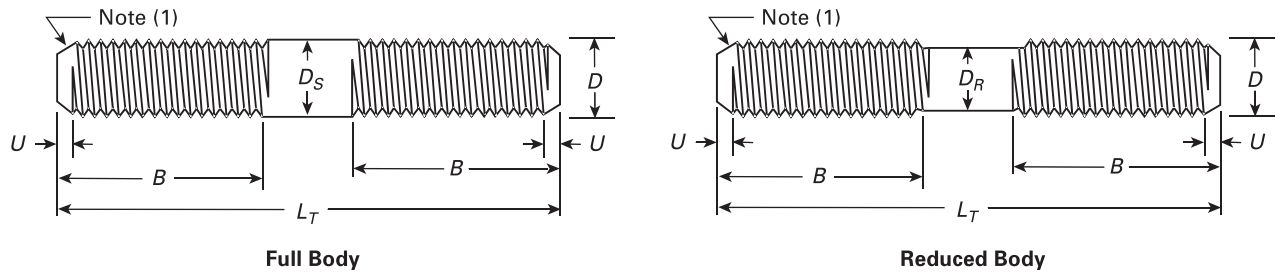
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NOTES:

(1) See section 8 for end requirements.

(2) See Table 5 for tolerances on stud lengths.

(3) A nonpreferred size; not recommended for new design due to limited availability.

Table 2 Dimensions for Clamping-Type Studs

Nominal Size		Minimum Thread Length, $B_{\min}$				Nominal Length, L_T	
Diameter, D	Pitch, P	[Note (2)]			$U_{\max} = 2P$	[Note (3)]	
[Note (4)]		$L_T \leq 250$	$250 < L_T \leq 400$	$L_T > 400$		Range	Increments
M6	1	18	24	...	2	50–90 100–160	5 10
M8	1.25	18	24	...	2.5	50–90 100–160 ≥180	5 10 20
M10	1.5	26	32	45	3	60–160 ≥180	10 20
M12	1.75	30	36	49	3.5	60–160 ≥180	10 20
M14 [Note (5)]	2	34	40	53	4	80–160 ≥180	10 20
M16	2	38	44	57	4	90–160 ≥180	10 20
M20	2.5	46	52	65	5	100–160 ≥180	10 20
M24	3	54	60	73	6	130–160 ≥180	10 20
M30	3.5	66	72	85	7	150–160 ≥180	10 20
M36	4	78	84	97	8	≥200	20
M42	4.5	90	96	109	9	≥240	20
M48	5	...	108	121	10	≥280	20
M56	5.5	...	124	137	11	≥300	20
M64	6	...	140	153	12	≥340	20
M72	6	...	156	169	12	≥380	20
M80	6	...	172	185	12	≥400	20
M90	6	...	...	205	12	≥440	20
M100	6	...	...	225	12	≥480	20

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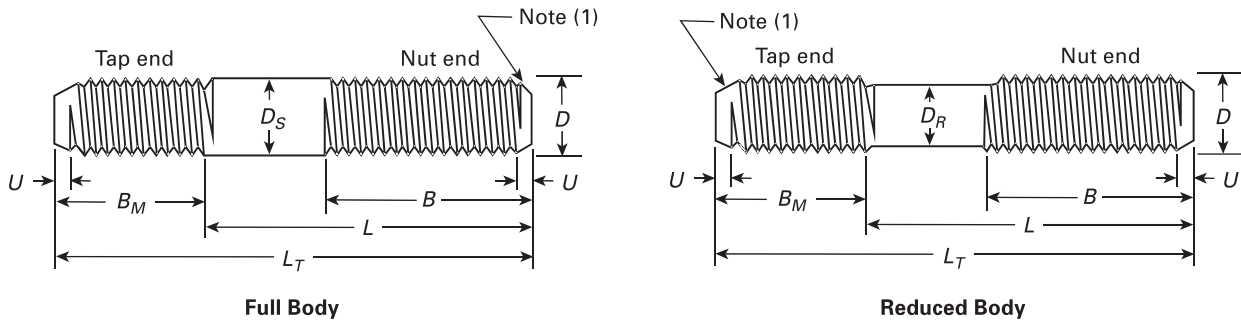
(1) See section 8 for end requirements.

(2) The nominal full thread length is equal to $B_{\min}$. The maximum total thread length is the minimum full thread length (nominal length) plus a value equal to five thread pitches. See section 9, para. (d).

(3) See Table 5 for tolerances on stud lengths.

(4) See Table 4 for body diameters for full-body or reduced-body studs.

(5) A nonpreferred size; not recommended for new design due to limited availability.

Table 3 Dimensions for Tap-End Studs (1.5D Engagement)

Nominal Size		Tap-End Full Thread Length, B_M	Nut-End Thread Length, $B_{\min}$ [Note (2)]			$U_{\max} = 2P$	Nominal Length, L [Note (3)]	
Diameter, D [Note (4)]	Pitch, P		$L \leq 125$	$125 < L \leq 200$	$L > 200$		Range	Increments
			Min.	Min.	Min.			
M6	1	8.55–9.45	18	24	...	2	25–90 100–160	5 10
M8	1.25	11.45–12.55	18	24	...	2.5	25–90 100–160 ≥180	5 10 20
M10	1.5	14.45–15.55	26	32	45	3	35–160 ≥180	10 20
M12	1.75	17.45–18.55	30	36	49	3.5	40–160 ≥180	10 20
M14 [Note (5)]	2	20.35–21.65	34	40	53	4	50–160 ≥180	10 20
M16	2	23.35–24.65	38	44	57	4	60–160 ≥180	10 20
M20	2.5	29.35–30.65	46	52	65	5	70–160 ≥180	10 20
M24	3	35.2–36.8	54	60	73	6	80–160 ≥180	10 20
M30	3.5	43.75–46.25	66	72	85	7	90–160 ≥180	10 20
M36	4	52.5–55.5	78	84	97	8	≥100	20
M42	4.5	61.5–64.5	90	96	109	9	≥120	20
M48	5	70.5–73.5	...	108	121	10	≥140	20
M56	5.5	82.25–85.75	...	124	137	11	≥160	20
M64	6	94.5–97.5	...	140	153	12	≥180	20
M72	6	106.5–109.5	...	156	169	12	≥200	20
M80	6	118.5–121.5	...	...	185	12	≥240	20
M90	6	133–137	...	...	205	12	≥260	20
M100	6	148–152	...	...	225	12	≥280	20

GENERAL NOTE: All dimensions are in millimeters unless otherwise indicated.

NOTES:

- (1) See section 8 for end requirements.
- (2) The nominal full thread length is equal to B_{min} . The maximum total thread length is the minimum full thread length (nominal length) plus a value equal to five thread pitches. See section 9, para. (d).
- (3) See Table 5 for tolerances on stud lengths.
- (4) See Table 4 for body diameters for full-body or reduced-body studs.
- (5) A nonpreferred size; not recommended for new design due to limited availability.

Table 4 Body Dimensions for Double-End Studs

Nominal Size		Body Diameter, D_R , for Reduced-Body Studs			Body Diameter, D_S , for Full-Body Studs		
		Maximum Overall Length, L_T		Minimum	Maximum	Minimum Overall Length, L_T	
		≤ 150	> 150			≤ 150	> 150
Diameter, D	Pitch, P						
M6	1	5.39	5.51	5.21	6.00	5.82	5.70
M8	1.25	7.26	7.40	7.04	8.00	7.78	7.64
M10	1.5	9.08	9.22	8.86	10.00	9.78	9.64
M12	1.75	10.95	11.11	10.68	12.00	11.73	11.57
M14 [Note (1)]	2	12.77	12.93	12.50	14.00	13.73	13.57
M16	2	14.77	14.93	14.50	16.00	15.73	15.57
M20	2.5	18.49	18.68	18.16	20.00	19.67	19.48
M24	3	22.13	22.32	21.80	24.00	23.67	23.48
M30	3.5	...	27.98	27.46	30.00	...	29.48
M36	4	...	33.74	33.12	36.00	...	35.38
M42	4.5	...	39.40	38.78	42.00	...	41.38
M48	5	...	45.05	44.43	48.00	...	47.38
M56	5.5	...	52.83	52.09	56.00	...	55.26
M64	6	...	60.48	59.74	64.00	...	63.26
M72	6	...	68.48	67.74	72.00	...	71.26
M80	6	...	76.48	75.74	80.00	...	79.26
M90	6	...	86.61	85.74	90.00	...	89.13
M100	6	...	96.59	95.72	100.00	...	99.13

GENERAL NOTE: All dimensions are in millimeters unless otherwise indicated.

NOTE:

(1) A nonpreferred size; not recommended for new design due to limited availability.

**Table 5 Length Tolerances:
 L_T for Continuous-Thread and Clamping-Type Studs, and L for Tap-End Studs**

Nominal Length [Note (1)]		Length Tolerance	
Over	Through	Clamping-Type and Tap-End Studs	Continuous-Thread Studs
6	10	± 0.29	± 0.45
10	18	± 0.35	± 0.55
18	30	± 0.42	± 0.65
30	50	± 0.50	± 0.80
50	80	± 0.95	± 1.50
80	120	± 1.10	± 1.75
120	180	± 1.25	± 2.00
180	250	± 1.45	± 2.30
250	315	± 1.60	± 2.60
315	400	± 1.80	± 2.85
400	500	± 2.00	± 3.15
> 500	...	± 5.00	± 10.00

GENERAL NOTE: All dimensions are in millimeters unless otherwise indicated.

NOTE:

(1) Nominal length is L_T for continuous-thread and clamping-type studs, and L for tap-end studs.

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MANDATORY APPENDIX I

STUD STRAIGHTNESS, REFEREE GAGE, AND GAGING PROCEDURES

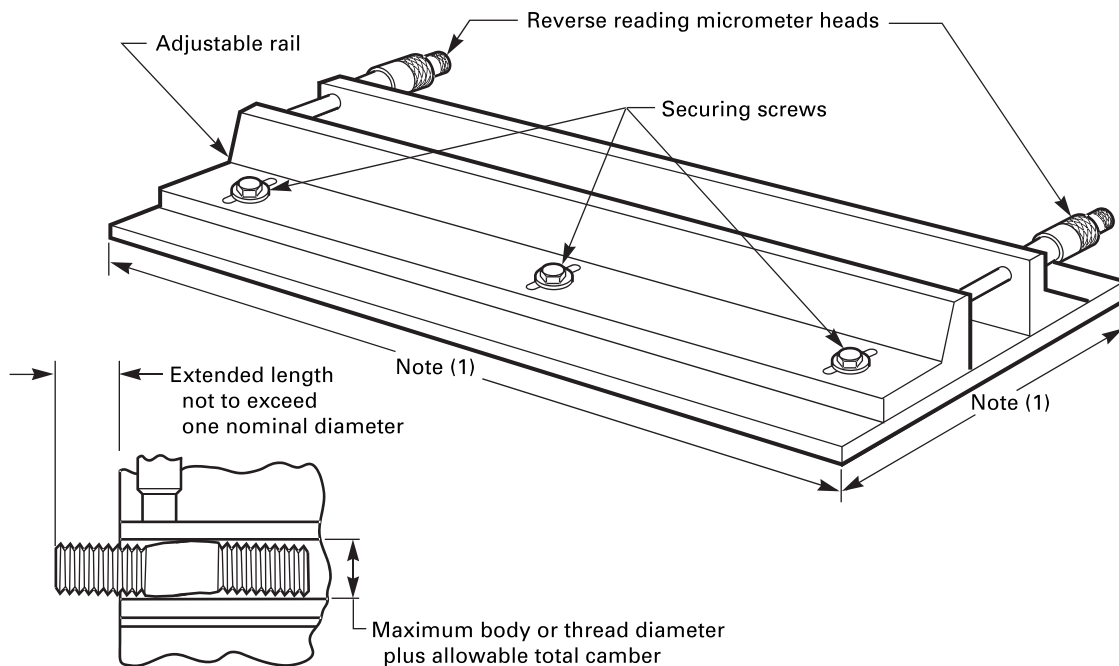
The conformance of stud straightness or camber limitations set forth in the product standards shall be checked using the gage illustrated in Fig. I-1, in accordance with the following procedure:

Allowable total camber on the stud to be inspected shall be calculated in accordance with the product standard by multiplying the specified permissible camber by the overall length of the stud and expressing the result as a two-place decimal. The total camber thus calculated shall be added to the specified maximum body or major thread diameters, whichever is larger, and the adjustable rail of gage shall be adjusted to provide a

parallel space between the rails equal to this distance by obtaining common readings on both micrometer heads. The adjustable rail shall then be locked in place by tightening securing screws.

The stud shall then be placed between the rails so that a length not to exceed one nominal diameter extends out of the gage. The stud shall be considered acceptable for straightness if it can be rotated a full 360 deg by hand. Any interference occurring between the stud and gage that is sufficient to prevent rotation shall indicate excessive camber.

Fig. I-1 Typical Straightness Gage



NOTE:

(1) Gage must be of sufficient width and length to accommodate the diameter and entire length of the stud being gaged.

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