

| Design Check List - Section I, 2015 Edition and B31.1-2012 | | | |
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| MAWP vs DP | design pressure (DP) \geq MAWP | | PG-21, PG-21.4, 101.2 |
| DT (design temperature) | | | PG-27.4.2, 101.3 |
| Loadings | all loadings shall be considered | | PG-22, 101.2 thru 101.7 |
| Materials | plate, forging, casting, pipes, tubes, stays etc. | | PG-6-9, PG-12-14; Chapter III |
| Standard pressure parts | | | PG-11; 102.2.1; Tab.126.1, A-360 |
| Minimum thicknesses | plates | 6 mm + corrosion | PG-16.3 |
| | pipes > 5" used as shell | min(6 mm; min.std.)+cor | PG-16.3 |
| | seamless threaded pipe | Sch.80 | 104.1.2(C) |
| | nonferrous pipe | <3/4" \rightarrow ASME B88 Type K; \geq 3/4" 1.25 mm min. | 104.1.2(C) |
| | stayed plates (not cyl.shell) | 8 mm + corrosion | PG-16.3 |
| Min. dished head thicken. | \geq req. thickness of seamless shell of the same diameter | | PG-29.6 |
| Threaded pipe thickness, threaded tube thickness | | | PG-27.4.3, PG-27.2.1.3, PWT-9.2 |
| Stress values | Section II Part D Tables 1A and 1B (Section I) Tables A-1 thru Tables A-10 (B31.1) | | PG-23 102.3.1 |
| Steel Casting | material, quality factor, allowable stress | | PG-8, PG-25; 102.4.6 |
| Pipe/Tube | required internal/external pressure calculation, nonferrous pipes/tubes maximum size 3"! | | PG-27.2; PG-28; 104.1; 104.3.1; 122.1.1(E) |
| Openings in shells | single and multiple | | PG-32; PG-33; PG-36; PG-38 |
| | ligaments | | PG-52; PG-53 |
| Dished Heads | required thickness | | PG-29.1; PG-29.13; PG-29.9 |
| minimum thickness F&D unstayed | \geq req. thickness of the seamless shell with same Dia. | | PG-29.6 |
| | larger radius \leq OD straight flange of the head | | PG-29.2; 104.4.1 |
| unstayed unstayed | knuckle radius \geq max(3*t; 0.06*ODhead) | | PG-29.13 |
| | elliptical 2:1 | | PG-29.7, PG-29.8 |
| | hemispherical | | PG-29.11, PG-29.12 |
| head attach. to shells min. straight flange length | openings in unstayed heads | | PG-29.3-5; PG-32.1.5 |
| | | | PW-9.3.3 |
| Flat heads and covers | unstayed | | PG-31; 104.4 |
| | openings in flat heads | | PG-35; 104.4.2 |
| Stays | material | | PG-13 |
| Stayed surfaces | min. req. thickness, max. P | all except Firetube | PG-46.1 |
| min. req. thickness, max. pressure, max. spacing | | Firetube boiler | PFT-22 thru PFT-30; App. A-8 |
| staytubes | | Firetube boiler | PFT-31 |
| diagonal stays | | Firetube boiler | PFT-32 |
| minimum thickness of stayed plate | | | PG-46.2 |
| staybolts, welded stays, holes for welded stays, holes for threaded stays | | | PG-47.2; PW-19; PG-82; PFT-28-30 |
| | location of staybolts | | PG-48; App. A-8 |
| | dimensional requirements | | PG-49 |
| staybolts box-type headers and waterlegs | | Watertube boiler | PWT-12 |
| staying of heads | | Watertube & Firetube boiler | PWT-13; PFT-25 |
| stayed dished heads | | | PG-30 |
| Nozzles | methods of attachments, weld sizes | | PG-39; PW-16; 127.4.8 |
| | minimum required nozzle thickness | | PG-43 |
| | reinforcement calculation | | PG-32 |
| | necks and tubes, one side attachment | | PW-16.6 |
| | weld strength calculation | | PW-15 |
| Combustion Chambers | | | PFT-13 thru PFT-20 |
| Cold forming | austenitic steels | | PG-19; 129.3; Table 129.3.4.1 |
| | CSEF steels | | PG-20 |
| Feedwater | DP \geq 30 bar shield, sleeves | | PG-59.2 |
| feedwater connection | HS > 47 m ² two means of feeding | | PG-61.1 |
| | HS > 9.3 m ² min. 0.75" (DN20) | | PG-61.3 |
| | HS \leq 9.3 m ² min. 0.5" (DN15) | | PG-61.3 |

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| feedwater DP | HS ≤ 1.9 m ² blow off used for feeding | PG-61.3 | | |
| | up to the check valve: DP=min(MAWP+15.50 bar; MAWP* 1.25)+H between check and regulating valve: DP=feed pressure → DP ≥ max(feed pressure, 7 bar) | 122.1.3 (A.1) | | |
| feedwater DT | Saturated Steam Temperature @ MAWP | 122.1.3 (B) | | |
| | Size up to the first valve ≥ boiler connection | 122.1.3 (C) | | |
| Surface blowoff | max. 2.5" | PG-59.3.2 | | |
| DP | lowest drum SV set pressure | 122.1.4 (B.1); PG-59.3.1 | | |
| DT | Saturated steam temperature@MAWP | 122.1.4 (B.2) | | |
| Constraints | Galvanized pipes and fittings shall not be used! If DP≤6.90 bar, nonferrous pipe is allowed, fittings from bronze, cast iron... If DP>6.9 bar, all pipes and fittings shall be of steel, all of at least Sch. 80 size | 122.1.4 (B.3) | | |
| Size | ≥ size of the connection on the boiler | 122.1.4(B.4) | | |
| Feedwater piping and Blowoff piping for HS>1.9 m ² shall not be used through the same connection! | | PG-59.2; PG-61.3 | | |
| Blowoff piping | Galvanized pipes and fittings shall not be used! If DP≤6.90 bar, nonferrous pipe is allowed, fittings from bronze, cast iron... If DP>6.9 bar, all pipes and fittings shall be of steel, all of at least Sch. 80 size | 122.1.4.(A.3) | | |
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| Blowoff DP | Blowoff piping has only one valve when content ≤ 380 l | PG-58.3.6 | | |
| | DP=min(MAWP+15.50 bar; MAWP*1.25)+H (min. 6.9 bar) | 122.1.4 (A.1) | | |
| Blowoff DT | DT= Saturated steam temperature @ MAWP | 122.1.4 (A.2) | | |
| Constraints | Galvanized pipes and fittings shall not be used! If DP≤6.90 bar, nonferrous pipe is allowed, fittings from bronze, cast iron... If DP>6.9 bar, all pipes and fittings shall be of steel, all of at least Sch.80 size | 122.1.4 (A.3) | | |
| Blowoff Size | ≥ size of the connection on the boiler | 122.1.4(A.4) | | |
| Steam piping | up to the first stop valve (integral SH): DP=max (lowest set pressure of any SH SV; 0.85*set pressure of any drum SV) (min. 7 bar) DT= expected steam T | 122.1.2; 122.1.2(A.1) thru (A.3) | | |
| DP / DT | up to the first stop valve (isolable SH): DP=lowest Drum SV set pressure (min. 7 bar) DT=saturated steam T @ DP between two valves: DP=max (maximum operating pressure; 0.85*set pressure of any drum SV) (min. 7 bar) DT= expected steam T | | | |
| Exemption | For boiler + prime mover: max (DP at the throttle valve inlet*1.05; 0.85*lowest drum SV set pressure; sustained op. pressure) → T=expected steam T at the SH outlet | 122.1.2(A.4) | | |
| Drains | all piping shall be provided with drains | PG-59.4.1 | | |
| | superheater drains | PG-59.4.1.1 | | |
| DP / DT | minimum DP= 6.9 bar and DT= 105°C | 122.1.5 (E) | | |
| | can be used as blowoff only when all blowoff requirements are met | 122.1.5 (B) PG-58.3.7 | | |
| | all parts in the line shall not be smaller than the drain conn. | 122.1.5 (A) | | |
| | if draining not under pressure → only one valve is acceptable with additional conditions | 122.1.5 (D) | | |

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| Water column | austenitic and Ni materials not allowed | PG-12.3; PG-8.2-3; PG-42; PG-60.2.4 |
| Column to boiler | min 1" (DN25) | PG-60.3.4 |
| Valved drain connection | min ¾" (DN20) | PG-60.2.3 |
| Water level indicators fixed water level-gage glass | shall be connected to the shell/drum directly | PG-60.3.1 |
| | at least one gage glass in service at all times | PG-60.1 |
| | connection directly to boiler/ column min ½" (DN15) | PG-60.3.4 |
| | the lowest visible water level in the gage glass shall be at least 50 mm above the lowest permissible water level | PG-60.1 PG-60.1.1.2 |
| | gage glass body and connector materials shall comply with a Manufacturer's standard | PG-12.1 |
| | gage glass body and connectors may be made of austenitic steels and Ni-based alloys→ Note 1 | PG-12.1 |
| | for MAWP ≤ 7 bar gage glass shall have a drain cock/ valve with a drain opening minimum 6 mm for cleaning For MAWP>7 bar the valved drain shall be piped to the ash pit or other safe place | PG-60.1.2 |
| | MAWP >30 bar: 1. two gage glasses or 2. one gage glass and 2 remote level indicators (continuously indicating water level) ATTENTION: this required gage glass may be shut off but shall be maintained in serviceable condition MAWP ≤30 bar: one gage glass (cannot be substituted by 2 remote level indicators!) | PG-60.1.1 |
| gage glasses with multiple sections (except ported and reflex) shall have minimum overlap of 25 mm of all adjoining sections | PG-60.1 | |
| fixed water level-remote level indicators with floating sensing devices (magnetic) | display shall have marked minimum water level reference 50 mm above the lowest permissible water level | PG-60.1.1.2 |
| | design shall include provisions for cleaning | PG-60.1.1.3 |
| | pressure chamber shall be calculated acc.to PG-27 | PG-12.2 |
| | for MAWP ≤ 60 bar allowed only | PG-12.2 |
| | remote level indicators connections: from boiler to valve (incl.): min ¾" (DN 20) from valve to the remote level indicator: min ½"(OD 13 mm) | PG-60.3.4 |
| pressure chamber and connectors material according to PG-9.1.2 and PG-12.3 and welding acc.to Part PW | PG-12.2; PG-12.3 | |
| gage glass/water-level-sensing device/water column | must have a min. 6 mm drain for cleaning if MAWP>7 bar → valved drain for safe discharge | PG-60.1.2 |
| | must have top and bottom shutoff valve with pressure rating min. MAWP+H@saturated steam T | PG-60.1.2 |
| | DP=MAWP+H | 122.1.6 |
| | p>30 bar shield, sleeves or other suitable means are required | PG-60.3.5 |
| no fixed water level (FFSG) | no gage glass needed | PG-60.1.1 |
| Inspection openings | elliptical (300x400), circular (ID 380), handhole (70 x 89), threaded (min. 25 mm) | PG-44 |
| Flanges and fittings | SA-181 allowed up to Class 300 | PG-42.3 |
| | general requirements | PG-42; 106.1; 108; Tab. 112 |
| | hub-type flanges made from plate prohibited | PG-42.3; 122.1.1(G); |
| | slip-on max. size 4"(boiler proper all Classes permitted; BEP max. Class 300 permitted) | PG-42.4.7; 104.5.1; 122.1.1 (F) |
| | couplings are restricted to max. size 3" | 104.3.1(B) |

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| | socket-welded: up to Class 600 ≤ 3" permitted; Cl. 900-Cl.1500 ≤ 2.5" permitted | PG-42.4.8; 122.1.1 |
| Studded connection | minimum thread engagement | PG-39.4 |
| | depth of the studded holes | PG-39.4 |
| Threaded connections | shall not be used T>495°C (496°C)/other constrains | PG-39.5.2; 114.2 |
| | threads according B1.20.1 | PG-39.5.1 |
| | size and pressure limitation of thread application: seamless pipe, tensile strength, Sch.80 min | PG-39.5.2; 114.3; 104.1.1.(C) |
| | minimum number of threads | Table PG-39 |
| | threaded right angle branch connection | 104.3.1(B.4) |
| | threaded plug closures limitations | Table PG-39 |
| Expanded connections | | PG-39.6 |
| Pressure gage | placed to be easily readable, shall continuously indicate pressure | PG-60.6.1 |
| | when T > 208°C do not use brass or copper pipe for pressure gage connection | PG-60.6.1 |
| | connection to the boiler min. ¼" (DN 8), for steel or wrought iron min. ID 13 mm (1/2") Syphon (when used) min. ID 6 mm (1/4") | PG-60.6.1 |
| | dial of gage graduated approx. 2 x set pressure of safety valve, min. 1.5 x set pressure | PG-60.6.1 |
| | valve conn. min. ¼ "(DN 8) for testing purpose only | PG-60.6.3 |
| Socket type and sleeve type joints | pipe max. 3" (DN 80) | PW-41.5.1 thru .6; 104.3.1 (B.4); 111.3; Fig.127.4.4(B),(C) |
| | tube max. 3,5" (89 mm) other requirements | |
| Tapered transitions | shell, drums | PW-9.3.1 |
| | pipe, tubes | PW-9.3.2 |
| Flat plate/corner joints examination | | PG-93 |
| Supports, attachments | in general, loadings | PG-55, PG-56; 120-121 |
| Bolting | | 108.5; 108.6; Table 112 |
| Volumetric Examination | | 136.4; PW-11; Table PW-11 |
| PWHT | welds with ferritic filler metal Cr>3% shall be HT | 132; Table 132; PW-39 |
| Test pressure | | 137; PG-99; PW-54 |

Stamping, inspection, valves and pressure relief requirements are not covered in this design check list.

Boiler Proper (Section I) and Boiler External Piping (B31.1) considered only.

Nomenclature:

BEP –boiler external piping

CSEF – creep strength enhanced ferritic steel

DP - design pressure

DT - design temperature

FFSG – forced flow steam generator

H - hydrostatic head

HS – heating surface

MAWP - maximum allowable working pressure

SH - supeheater

SV – safety valve

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