



Surface Finish

TABLE SF-5 ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA FOR INTERIOR SURFACE FINISHES OF VALVE BODIES

Anomaly or Indication	Acceptance Criteria
Cluster of pits	No more than 4 pits per each 1/2 in. X 1/2 in. inspection window. The cumulative total of all relevant pits shall not exceed 0.040 in.
Demarcation	If < 5% of the total area when visually inspected and Ra max. is met.
Dents	None accepted.
Grit lines	If Ra max. is met.
Nicks	If depth < 0.010 in.
Pits	If diameter < 0.020 in. and bottom is shiny. Pits < 0.003 in. diameter are irrelevant and acceptable.
Porosity	If diameter < 0.010 in. and bottom is shiny.
Scratches	If length < 0.25 in., depth < 0.003 in., and Ra max. is met.
Surface cracks	None accepted.
Surface inclusions	If Ra max. is met and there is no liquid penetrant indication.
Surface residuals	None accepted, visual inspection.
Surface roughness(Ra)	See Table SF-6.
Weld slag	None accepted.

TABLE SF-6 Ra READINGS FOR VALVES

Surface Designation	Mechanically Polished [note(1)]	
	Ra, max.	
	μ -in.	μ m
SFV1	20	0.5
SFV2	25	0.625
SFV3	30	0.75
	Mechanically Polished and Electropolished	
	Ra, max.	
	μ -in.	μ m
SFV4	15	0.375
SFV5	20	0.5
SFV6	25	0.625

GENERAL NOTES:

- (a) All Ra readings are taken across the lay, wherever possible.
- (b) No single Ra reading shall exceed the Ra Ra max. value in this table.
- (c) Other Ra readings are available if agreed upon between owner/user and manufacturer, not to exceed values in this table.

NOTES:

- (1) Or any other finishing method that meets the Ra max.

Conversion Chart				
Standard Grit	Ra		RMS	
	μ -in.	μ m	μ -in.	μ m
150g	27-32	.68-.80	30-35	.76-.89
180g	18-23	.46-.58	20-25	.51-.64
240g	14-18	.34-.46	15-20	.38-.51
320g	8-10	.21-.25	9-11	.23-.28

Grit : Measures the number of scratches per linear inch of abrasive pad. Higher numbers indicate a smoother finish.

RMS : Defined as Root Mean Square roughness, this method measures a sample for peaks and valleys. Lower numbers indicate a smoother finish.

Ra : Known as the Arithmetic Mean, this measurement represents the average value of all peaks and valleys. Lower numbers indicate a smooth finish.

