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Passivation of Corrosion-Resistant
Stainless-Steel Fasteners

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NATIONAL FOREWORD

This Indian Standard which is identical to ISO 16048 : 2003 'Passivation of corrosion-resistant stainless-steel fasteners' issued by the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) was adopted by the Bureau of Indian Standards on the recommendation of the General Engineering and Fasteners Standards Sectional Committee and approval of the Production and General Engineering Division Council.

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<i>International Standard</i>	<i>Corresponding Indian Standard</i>	<i>Degree of Equivalence</i>
ISO 3506-1 : 1997 Mechanical properties of corrosion-resistant stainless-steel fasteners — Part 1: Bolts, screws and studs	IS 1367 (Part 14/Sec 1) : 2023/ ISO 3506-1 : 2020 Technical supply conditions for threaded steel fasteners: Part 14 Mechanical properties of corrosion-resistant stainless steel fasteners, Section 1 Bolts screws and studs with specified grades and property classes (<i>fifth revision</i>)	Identical
ISO 3506-2 : 1997 Mechanical properties of corrosion-resistant stainless-steel fasteners — Part 2: Nuts	IS 1367 (Part 14/Sec 2) : 2023/ ISO 3506-2 : 2020 Technical supply conditions for threaded steel fasteners: Part 14 Mechanical properties of corrosion-resistant stainless steel fasteners, Section 2 Nuts with specified grades and property classes (<i>fifth revision</i>)	Identical
ISO 3506-3 : 1997 Mechanical properties of corrosion-resistant stainless-steel fasteners — Part 3: Set screws and similar fasteners not under tensile stress	IS 1367 (Part 14/Sec 3) : 2018/ ISO 3506-3 : 2009 Technical supply conditions for threaded steel fasteners: Part 14 Mechanical properties of corrosion-resistant stainless steel fasteners, Section 3 Set screws and similar fasteners not under tensile stress (<i>fourth revision</i>)	Identical

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Introduction

In the preparation of this International Standard special attention has been given to the fundamental fact that a surface film of chromium oxide is immediately formed when producing stainless steel or products made of stainless steel. It is this very thin oxide film which can be thickened by passivation. The thickness of the layer is about 0,002 μm .

Indian Standard

PASSIVATION OF CORROSION-RESISTANT STAINLESS-STEEL FASTENERS

1 Scope

This International Standard specifies the methods most often used for passivation of corrosion-resistant stainless steel fasteners.

Typical anodic dissolution behaviour of an active-passive-transpassive metal is given in Annex A.

2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 3506-1:1997, *Mechanical properties of corrosion-resistant stainless-steel fasteners — Part 1: Bolts, screws and studs*

ISO 3506-2:1997, *Mechanical properties of corrosion-resistant stainless-steel fasteners — Part 2: Nuts*

ISO 3506-3:1997, *Mechanical properties of corrosion-resistant stainless-steel fasteners — Part 3: Set screws and similar fasteners not under tensile stress*

ISO 3506-4:—¹⁾, *Mechanical properties of corrosion-resistant stainless-steel fasteners — Part 4: Tapping screws*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

3.1

passivation

chemical treatment that increases the thickness of the naturally occurring chromium rich oxide film present on all types of stainless-steel surfaces

3.2

passivity

chemically inactive surface condition of stainless steels

1) To be published.

4 Passivation

4.1 Pickling prior to passivation

Before passivation, a pickling treatment in a bath selected from those listed in Table 1 is recommended.

Before pickling, the fasteners shall be degreased and rinsed.

Table 1 — Pickling baths

Steel grade ^a	Chemicals	Concentration ^c volume %	Temperature ^c °C	Exposure time for fresh bath ^c min
A2 A3 A4 A5 C3 ^b F1	HNO ₃	20 to 30	20 to 60	10 to 30
	H ₂ SO ₄	8 to 11	60 to 80	5 to 30
A1 C1 ^b C4 ^b	HNO ₃	10 to 15	20 to 60	10 to 30
	H ₂ SO ₄	8 to 11	60 to 80	5 to 30

^a Steel grades in accordance with ISO 3506-1, ISO 3506-2, ISO 3506-3 and ISO 3506-4.

^b Prior to pickling, hot forged C1, C3 and C4 fasteners shall be soft annealed to the softest condition and shot-peened in order to reduce the risk of hydrogen embrittlement. For fasteners manufactured from soft annealed and ground C1, C3 and C4 raw material only a shot peening may be necessary.

^c If necessary, values outside the specified ranges are permitted in adjusting the acid concentration, temperature and exposure time.

4.2 Passivation process

After pickling, the fastener shall be passivated in a bath selected from those listed in Table 2.

Table 2 — Passivation baths

Steel grade ^a	Chemicals	Concentration volume %	Temperature °C	Typical exposure time min
A2, A3, A4, A5 C1 F1	HNO ₃	20 to 50	20 to 40	10 to 30
A1 C4	HNO ₃ ^b	25 to 35	15 to 40	
A1	HNO ₃ + Na ₂ Cr ₂ O ₇ ·2H ₂ O ^c	15 to 25		
C4	HNO ₃ + Na ₂ Cr ₂ O ₇ ·2H ₂ O ^c	2 to 6		
^a Steel grades in accordance with ISO 3506-1, ISO 3506-2, ISO 3506-3 and ISO 3506-4. ^b Use preferably this bath. ^c The addition of Na ₂ Cr ₂ O ₇ ·2H ₂ O may be used to minimize the discoloration or etching of high carbon and free-cutting stainless steels.				

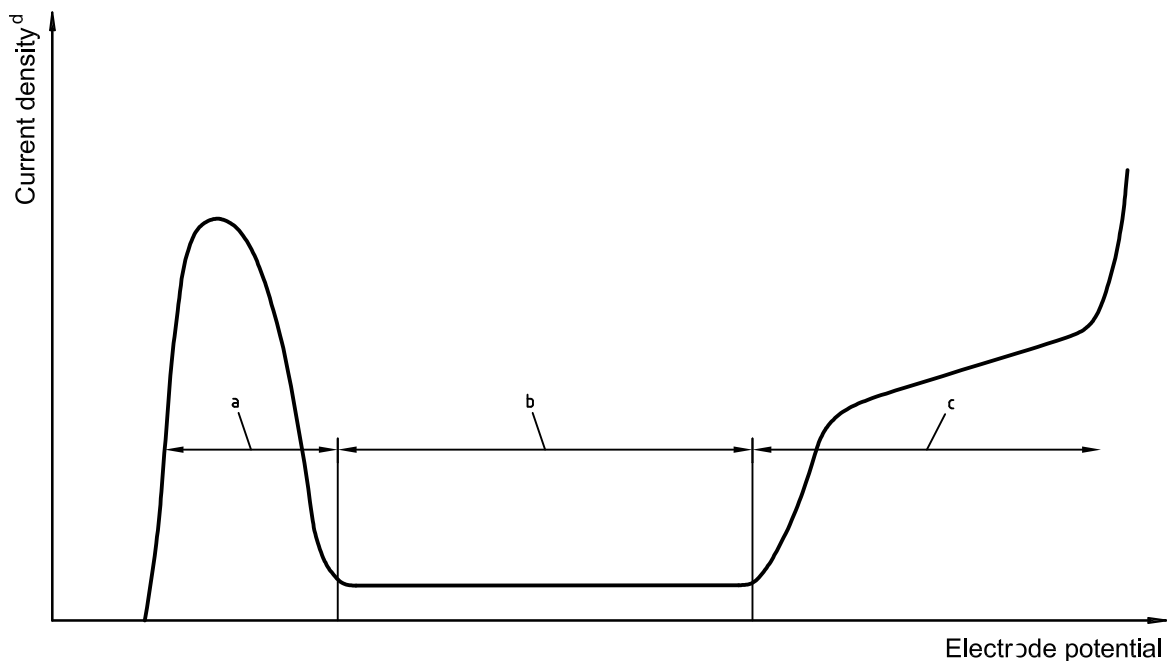
5 Verification of passivation

Passivation shall be verified by the manufacturer's quality assurance system. There is no known referee test method for passivation.

Annex A (informative)

Passivity

Figure A.1 schematically illustrates the typical behaviour of an active-passive-transpassive metal. The metal initially demonstrates behaviour similar to non-passivating metals, i.e., as the electrode potential is made more positive, the metal follows typical Tafel behaviour, and dissolution rate increases exponentially. This is the active region. At more noble potentials, dissolution rate decreases to a very small value and remains essentially independent of potential over a considerable potential region. This is termed the passive region. Finally, at very noble potentials, dissolution rate again increases with increasing potential in the transpassive region.



- a Active
- b Passive
- c Transpassive
- d Logarithmic scale

Figure A.1 — Typical anodic dissolution behaviour of an active-passive-transpassive metal

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<i>International Standard</i>	<i>Corresponding Indian Standard</i>	<i>Degree of Equivalence</i>
ISO 3506-4 Mechanical properties of corrosion-resistant stainless-steel fasteners — Part 4: Tapping screws	IS 1367 (Part 14/Sec 4) : 2023/ ISO 3506-4 : 2009 Technical supply conditions for threaded steel fasteners: Part 14 Mechanical properties of corrosion resistant stainless steel fasteners, Section 4 Tapping screws	Identical

In reporting the result of a test or analysis made in accordance with this standard, if the final value, observed or calculated, is to be rounded off, it shall be done in accordance with IS 2 : 2022 'Rules for rounding off numerical values (*second revision*).'

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