



National Institute of Standards & Technology

Certificate

Standard Reference Material[®] 2112

Dynamic Impact Force Verification Specimens

(Self-Verification, 8-mm Striker; 24 kN nominal)

Lot No.: HH-103

This Standard Reference Material (SRM) is intended primarily for the verification of the maximum force measured dynamically using a Charpy machine equipped with an instrumented 8-mm striker, in accordance with the current ASTM Standard E2298 [1] or the current ISO Standard 14556 [2]. A unit of SRM 2112 consists of a set of four specimens needed to perform a single verification. SRM 2112 can also be used to verify the absorbed energy scale of the impact machine at the high-energy level. When testing is performed at room temperature, the force and absorbed energy scales can be verified simultaneously. This SRM can also be used to verify the absorbed energy scale at a test temperature of -40°C , but no force information is available at this temperature.

Material Description: SRM 2112 is made from 4340 alloy steel. The bars are finished to length, stamped, heat-treated, and machined in SRM specimen lots of approximately 1200 to 2000 specimens. Each specimen has a lot number and an identification number (three or four digits).

SRM Certification Procedure: Specimens taken from each SRM lot were tested by the NIST Applied Chemicals and Materials Division on Charpy reference machines for absorbed energy, and via an interlaboratory comparison (round-robin) [3] for maximum force. These data were statistically evaluated to assure the homogeneity of the lot, establish certified values, and determine the number of SRM specimens required for a user to perform a valid verification. A NIST certified value is a value for which NIST has the highest confidence in its accuracy, in that all known or suspected sources of bias have been investigated or taken into account [4]. The measurands are absorbed energy as measured by the NIST Charpy reference machines, and maximum force as established from the interlaboratory comparison. Traceability is to the SI units joule (absorbed energy) and kilonewton (force). The certified values determined for the SRM 2112 specimens are given in Tables 1 and 2.

Expiration of Certification: The certified values and uncertainties furnished in this certificate are valid indefinitely. The indirect verification result for the absorbed energy scale is valid for one year from the date on which the SRM was tested. If a user's machine is moved or undergoes any major repairs or adjustments, the current verification will be invalidated, and the machine must be retested and reverified (see "Instructions for Handling, Storage, and Use"). Currently, there are no requirements for the verification of the force scale. However, it is recommended to verify the calibration of the instrumented striker of the small-scale Charpy machine every time the striker undergoes repairs or adjustment, or damage is suspected, and every time the impact machine is indirectly verified for absorbed energy.

Maintenance of SRM Certification: NIST will monitor this SRM over the period of its certification. If substantive technical changes occur that affect the certification before the expiration of this certificate, NIST will notify the purchaser. Registration (see attached sheet or register online) will facilitate notification.

Overall direction and coordination of the technical measurements leading to verification of test specimens and machines are under the direction of the NIST Materials Reliability Division, Boulder, CO.

Support aspects in the issuance of this SRM were coordinated through the NIST Office of Reference Materials.

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Table 1: Certified Absorbed Energy Values and Expanded Uncertainty for SRM 2112^(a)

Room temperature (21 °C ± 1 °C)		Room temperature (-40 °C ± 1 °C)	
Absorbed Energy (J)	Expanded Uncertainty (J)	Maximum Force (kN)	Expanded Uncertainty (kN)
105.3	0.6	97.5	0.6

^(a) The uncertainties in the certified values provided are expanded uncertainties about the means to cover the measurands. The expanded uncertainty is calculated as $U = ku_c$, where u_c represents the combined uncertainty consistent with the ISO/JCGM Guide [5]. For room temperature, the coverage factor $k = 1.9944$ is based on 70 effective degrees of freedom and corresponds to an approximate 95 % confidence interval. For -40 °C, the coverage factor $k = 1.9955$ is based on 68 effective degrees of freedom and corresponds to an approximate 95 % confidence interval.

Table 2: Certified Maximum Force Value and Expanded Uncertainty for SRM 2112^(a)

Room temperature (21 °C ± 1 °C)	
Maximum Force (kN)	Expanded Uncertainty (kN)
24.06	0.70

^(a) The uncertainty in the certified value provided is an expanded uncertainty about the mean to cover the measurand. The expanded uncertainty is calculated as $U = ku_c$, where u_c represents the combined uncertainty consistent with the ISO/JCGM Guide [5]. The coverage factor $k = 2.447$ is based on 6 effective degrees of freedom and corresponds to an approximate 95 % confidence interval.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR HANDLING, STORAGE, AND USE

Handling: The protective oil coating should be wiped from each specimen with a lint-free cloth just prior to testing.

Storage: The SRM is anticipated to have an indefinite shelf life under normal storage conditions (20 °C ± 20 °C, ≤ 50 % relative humidity).

Use: Prior to verifying a Charpy machine equipped with an 8-mm striker, the machine should be checked to ensure compliance with the appropriate sections of the applicable ASTM or ISO standard. SRM 2112 is typically tested at room temperature (21 °C ± 1 °C) using an instrumented 8-mm striker, so that both the absorbed energy scale and the force scale can be verified in accordance with the applicable standard (ASTM or ISO). However, SRM 2112 can also be tested at -40 °C ± 1 °C using an 8-mm striker when no force data is needed.

SRM 2112 can be used to meet the indirect verification requirements of ASTM E23 and ISO 148-2 [6,7]. When using SRM 2112, the user performs a self-service verification of the test machine. The data and specimens **are not** returned to NIST following the test. NIST provides **no** letter or certification sticker for the machine tested.

The energy level of the SRM appropriate for verifying the performance of a particular Charpy machine can be determined by considering the energy for the SRM, the maximum capacity of the machine, and the requirements of the applicable test method (ASTM or ISO).

For questions concerning the production or use of this SRM please contact the NIST Charpy Program Coordinator as follows: telephone (303) 497-3351; fax (303) 497-5939; or e-mail charpy@boulder.nist.gov.

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