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Accessing ASTM Compass

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Accessing ASTM Compass

Create an account or use your existing ASTM login information

Use My Tools to:
> Attach notes, links, images and other data to standards.
> Create work groups for greater collaboration.
> Bookmark relevant standards for faster access.
> Set up alerts for new and revised standards.

Highlighted content indicates what is available through your organization's subscription.

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Using the ASTM Digital Library

The ASTM Digital Library provides access to all Journals, Special Technical Publications, Manuals and Data Series.

Search the ASTM Digital Library by Topic, Title, Author or Category.

Download and print content.

Refine your Digital Library search by result type and category.
Using the ASTM Digital Library

Journals may be downloaded and printed.

STPs may be downloaded and printed.

Browse content related to your STP.
Searching for Content

Search ASTM Compass

Search all ASTM Standards and Digital Library by Standard Designation (i.e. A53) or by keyword(s). Results will be ranked by relevance and may include a mix of both Standards and Engineering Publications.
Searching for Content
ASTM Book of Standards

Direct links to the ASTM sections your organization subscribes to.

A complete list of standards that fall inside your section. Select a volume to further refine your search.
Searching for Content

Alphanumeric Standards Listing

**Alphanumeric Listings** are quick links to the standards in your subscription (i.e. A123; B117; C2345; etc.).
Finding Historical or Withdrawn Standards

ASTM Compass features the most recent, active version of a standard as well as access to historical or withdrawn versions.

Historical versions are also listed under each full-titled active standard.
Downloading a Standard

Download a PDF from the search results page...

...or directly from the standard.
Comparing Changes between Active and Prior Standards

From the active version of a standard, click on Version Comparison.

Click on Print Standard to print the color-coded changes.
Creating an Annotation

You must be logged in to create an annotation. After clicking on Add/Edit Annotation, a window will appear providing you with text and attachment options. When finished, click on Save Annotation.

Annotations are noted and date and time stamped immediately in the standard's table of contents.

My Annotations in the Tool Center provides a master list of all your annotations.
Creating a Group and Sharing Standards

You must be logged in to create a group.

You may also create and manage groups on the My Groups page.

On the My Groups page, select Create Group.
Creating a Group and Sharing Standards

Name, describe, and add registered ASTM Compass customers to your group.

Scroll down for more options and to create your group. Selected members will receive an email confirming their inclusion.

Edit or delete your group or contact your group members with My Groups.
Creating a Group and Sharing Standards

Share a standard with your group.
Setting Up Alerts

Stay informed of new and revised standards and standards development activities with custom Product Alerts.

> Create or modify alerts.
> Track new and revised standards/new work items.
> Track content by technical field or customize your list of standards.