ADVISORY 6
Design and Development Exclusion under the API Monogram Program

This advisory notifies licensees/applicant organizations of API monogrammable products that do not have auditable design requirements.

Design and development exclusion (API Spec Q1, Section 5.4) is limited to the following API product specifications:

- API Spec 2B, all products;
- API Spec 2H, all products;
- API Spec 2MT1, all products;
- API Spec 2W, all products;
- API Spec 2Y, all products;
- API Spec 5B, all products; **Note: effective July 1, 2021, this specification will be removed from Advisory 6.**
- API Spec 5CRA, all products;
- API Spec 5CT, all products and activities;
- API Spec 5DP, all products and activities;
- API Spec 5L, all products and activities;
- API Spec 5LC, all products;
- API Spec 5LCP, all products;
- API Spec 5LD, all products;
- API Spec 5ST, all products;
- API Spec 6A:
  - Blind and Test Flanges;
  - Ring Gaskets;
  - Tees and Crosses;
  - Bullplugs;
  - Valve Removal Plugs; and
  - Top Connectors (standard)
- API Spec 7-1:
  - Kellys;
  - Drill Stem Subs;
  - Drill Collars;
  - Heavy Weight Drill Pipe;
  - Roller Bits; **Note: effective July 1, 2021, this product will be removed from Advisory 6.**
  - Blade Drag Bits; **Note: effective July 1, 2021, this product will be removed from Advisory 6.**
  - Diamond Bits; **Note: effective July 1, 2021, this product will be removed from Advisory 6.**
  - PDC Bits; **Note: effective July 1, 2021, this product will be removed from Advisory 6.**
  - Threading for Rotary Shouldered Connections; and
  - Stabilizers.
- API Spec 7-2, all products; **Note: effective July 1, 2021, this specification will be removed from Advisory 6.**
- API Spec 10A, all products;
- API Spec 11B:
  - Steel Sucker Rods and Steel Pony Rods;
• Sucker Rod Couplings;
• Sub-couplings;
• Polished Rod Couplings;
• Polished Rods;
• Sinker Bars;
• Threading; and
• Thread Gauges. **Note: effective July 1, 2021, this product will be removed from Advisory 6.**

• API Spec 13A, all products;
• API Spec 20A, all products
• API Spec 20B, all products
• API Spec 20C, all products
• API Spec 20E, all products
• API Spec 20F, all products

Please refer to API Spec Q1, Section 1 for more information on exclusions within a QMS. API, based on objective evidence provided during audits, has the final decision as to whether an organization is eligible for the requested exclusion.

For questions about design and development exclusions, please send all inquiries to www.api.org/ContactMonogram.