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 and development requirements. Please be advised that if the only products under the scope of a license(s) are listed in this advisory, the exclusion of Design and Development shall be mandatory.

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, Thread Gauges;
- 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 (except Type 6B)
  - Ring Gaskets;
  - Threaded Connectors;
  - Tees and Crosses;
  - Bullplugs;
  - Valve Removal Plugs; and
  - Top Connectors (standard)
• API Spec 7-1, all products except kelly valves;
• API Spec 7-2;
• 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.
• 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 Certification@api.org