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# EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S Comment

The origin of the Hot Dip Galvanizers Association of Southern Africa can be traced back as far as 1965. It was then that the concept of a team be formed to promote – primarily through education and marketing channels such as print media and practical demonstration – the benefits of the hot dip galvanizing technology as a preferred corrosion control mechanism. This key objective has remained the focus of Association personnel over its nearly 60-year existence.

Education of corrosion control experts – inclusive of engineers, architects, fabricators, and general specifiers – remains a priority and is coupled with training of the galvanizers and their staff to ensure the correct application of standards and the attainment of the required standards. Under such circumstances, the hot dip galvanizing of steel will repeatedly deliver excellent corrosion control and service life to meet expectations.

This 85th edition of Galvanizing Today is aimed at profiling the hot dip galvanizers and our affiliate and associate members that provide the Association with operating resources as well as strategic guidance.

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# **EDITORIAL COMMENT:** Going forward

The impact of the loss of infrastructure is being felt everywhere. It is a time to make choices that best realize the goals we have in meeting the requirements of our sector and those whom we serve and support. The Association has been producing and distributing the "HOT DIP GALVANIZING Today" magazine since the early 2000's. This has been done in the form of a hard copy publication at least once a trimester.

The demise of the SAPO and the closure of more than 600 branches as well as the inevitable management chaos has seen the returns of the magazine skyrocket tenfold and in the latest editions even higher.

To provide a high degree of consistent communication with our recipients the Association has reviewed several models. The outcome after discussion with key supporters of the magazine is to provide a HYBRID solution.

The HYBRID solution will be that two of the three publications will be fully digital. That would be the September and March Issues, the May/June edition will be both digital and hardcopy and will combine all the editorials and articles of the other two issues as well as provide a hardcopy directory of members.

As our latest issue – Issue 85 – is the last hardcopy being posted in 2024 the Association will closely be monitoring the postal returns. It is important that with each magazine the coversheet lists details of the recipient and information such as contact numbers and e-mail addresses. We request that these be filled in and returned to us for recapture on a digital distribution list. The Association will continue to reach out to our recipients to gather pertinent details and feedback over the next several months.

We seek to continue to provide readers, editorial submissions and advertisers with pertinent mediums of communication supporting the industry and those it serves for years to come.

Please feel free to contact Anthony Botha at *anthony@hdgasa.org.za* in any magazine related matter and be assured of my best attention to the needs of all our stakeholders going forward.

# HOT DIP GALVANIZERS ASSOCIATION SOUTHERN AFRICA MEMBER CATEGORIES:

Affiliate Member (Company): Companies who sell products that are hot dip galvanized and who occasionally require the assistance of the Association.

Affiliate Member (Professional): Interested architects, consulting engineers or specifiers such as quantity surveyors, corrosion consultants, and designers from fabricating companies. This category is for individuals only.

Affiliate Member (Coating Inspector): Persons who have successfully completed and passed the Associations Level II Galvanizing Inspectors Course and wish to be registered as an approved HDGASA inspector. This category is for individuals only.

Associate Member (Galvanizer): Such galvanizers will be evaluated after a full years membership prior to attaining full Galvanizing Member status at the AGM.

Associate Member (Support): Companies that purchase from and sell to the industry.

Corporate Members: Corporations who have interests in the Association; be it product or mining related etc.

Galvanizing Member: Existing hot dip galvanizing companies who have been in operation for a year.

International Member: Any international member (beyond the borders of South Africa) interested in joining the Association.

International Galvanizing Member: Any hot dip galvanizer beyond the borders of South Africa.

# **THE ASSOCIATION**



The importance of an association is that it plays a crucial role in our society, serving as a platform for like-minded individuals to unite, share ideas, and work towards common goals with a united purpose and powerful voice.

Whether it's a professional organisation, sports club, community group, union, federation, industry body, foundation, chamber or council, associations offer numerous benefits that contribute to personal and collective growth.

One of the critical reasons why associations are essential is the sense of community and belonging they provide. Being part of an association allows individuals to connect with others with similar interests and passions. Bridging the objectives of an association and the human beings that add life to it is critical.

Bringing this sense of belonging allows an association to foster camaraderie and support, creating a network of relationships that can be invaluable in both personal and professional spheres. The services and systems developed by the association offer opportunities for members to acquire new skills, knowledge, and experiences through workshops, seminars, and networking events. Furthermore, an association advocates for their members, representing their collective interests and access to information and shared knowledge. Each point of access to a member provides a unified voice for issues affecting their members and works towards bringing about positive change in their respective industries. This collective advocacy can have a far-reaching impact, influencing policies, regulations, and public opinion.

In conclusion, an association is instrumental in fostering a sense of community, driving personal and professional development, advocating for collective interests, and positively impacting society. The importance of operational support and strategic cocreation cannot be overstated, for an association to flourish is insurmountable. Thoughtful appropriately directed collaboration offers a continued existence essential for the betterment of individuals and communities

The Hot Dip Galvanizers Association Southern Africa (HDGASA) is a not-forprofit trade association dedicated to serving the needs of end-users, specifiers, architects, engineers, contractors, fabricators and hot dip galvanizers throughout Southern Africa.

Founded in 1965, the Association's primary objective is to develop and expand the market for hot dip galvanizing and duplex systems as cost-effective corrosion control systems.

To further this aim, the Association provides training and information to end users, engineers, consultants, contractors, specifiers, designers and architects by way of courses, presentations, technical research papers, plant tours and advisory involvement at the design stage of projects.

The HDGASA publishes promotional literature such as our Steel Protection



Guide, Design Wall Chart and the "Hot Dip Galvanizing Today" magazine.

On behalf of our members, the Association liaises with regulatory and standards authorities governing corrosion control and associated industries.

Furthermore, the Association offers an independent inspection service, checking for compliance against the relevant standards.

Members of the Association shall at all times:

- Preserve the honour, integrity, dignity and good name of the Association.
- Promote and advance the objectives of the Association.
- Display professionalism, competence and ethics in terms of all actions and business dealings.
- Treat clients, associates and suppliers with fairness, respect and courtesy and foster good relations with them.
- Protect the interests of their clients and suppliers and not disclose any confidential or sensitive information regarding business affairs, trading secrets, technical methods or processes.
- Carry on business without causing harm other than by fair commercial competitive practices.
- Obey the laws of any country in which they are operating and observe accepted customs, codes and business practices.
- Timeously bring all cases of unethical conduct by other members to the

attention of the Association.

- Act in the interests of the public by actively contributing to public health and safety and to the protection of the environment.
- Make a concerted effort to participate in Association affairs and programmes and where possible, contribute towards the development of the hot dip galvanizing.

The Association is a technical information centre established for the benefit of specifiers, consultants, end-users and members. Contact the Association should you require a comprehensive presentation on various aspects of hot dip galvanized coatings. The contents of any presentation can be tailored to suit the requirements of the audience i.e. Individualised Presentations to Companies, Engineers, Consulting Engineers and Projects.

The Association provides technical support in the field with the Visual Evaluation Guide for referencing conditions applicable to galvanizing outcomes, the reasons, responsible parties and remedial actions recommended.

Case studies, codes of practice and a broad range of information sheets simplify the technology and its intricacies and are available online. This is supported by answers to Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) and other channels of information and feedback on the galvanizing industry and the technologies applicable thereto, these include technical papers, the Steel Protection Guide and the Design For Hot Dip Galvanizing Wall Chart.

# Benefits of joining the Association

The Association offers training in all aspects related to hot dip galvanizing. Training courses are available to members at a substantial discount.

Assists members for quality aspects during fabrication, hot dip galvanizing and site inspections. The Association will investigate and objectively report on coating quality issues without compromising its credibility or professional reputation.

Offers technical advice relating to specifications, steels suitable for hot dip galvanizing and the appropriate

corrosive control measures to suit various environments.

Actively develops increased awareness among current and future engineers, buying authorities and specifiers by way of presentations and plant tours and participation in relevant marketing events that promote the industry and its stakeholders.

We seek to identify capital projects and applications where hot dip galvanizing offers appropriate potential applications. Through direct involvement as early as possible in the conceptual, planning and design stages seek to successfully market the concept of corrosion control by hot dip galvanizing to relevant specifiers and key decision makers.

Provides free technical advice to galvanizing members relating to



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their galvanizing plant, equipment, processes, environmental compliance and specialized training of galvanizing personnel.

Becomes involved at the earliest design and development stages of all development projects, to positively promote the use of hot dip galvanizing in applications for which it is suited.

Will, where possible, attend international hot dip galvanizing conferences for networking with international bodies and if required, provide technical input at these functions to maintain the Association's established reputation. Furthermore, the Association will make the papers published at these conferences available to members.

Has an extensive technical library for the exclusive use of members.

Seeks to provide focused events including the HDGASA Awards event as well as the annual HDGASA Golf Day. The Association's in-house publication "Hot Dip Galvanizing Today" promotes all members through editorial and advertising with articles of interest to specifiers, end users and specialists in the corrosion control arena. Recipients of the publication number approximately 3000 individual recipients active within the corrosion protection industry and the various segments served. The list includes government representatives, NGOs, Environmental Bodies, end users, consultants, specifiers, fabricators and organisations that operate in the corrosion control industry.

The tertiary strategic marketing goals of the Association are to establish, where they do not exist, mutually beneficial relationships and networks with stakeholders and influential participants in the marketplace. These include local governments, NGOs, Environmental Bodies, The South African Bureau of Standards, SANRA, SAISC, International Zinc Association and EGGA. This core strategy is founded on researching, identifying and forging mutually strategic alliances.



# **TRAINING REVIEW 2023 / 2024**

The HDGASA has been a hive of activity regarding training throughout the country. Level I and Level II courses, lectures at universities, fellow institutes and internal training of galvanizing members supervisory and operations staff has maintained high levels of active involvement across the spectrum of stakeholders in the galvanizing industry.

Participation by key galvanizing members, their staff and customer base seek to ensure the ongoing professionalism, levels of awareness of the benefits, standards and application of hot dip galvanizing are foremost in this role provided by the Association.

International delegates in the SADC region, South America and East Asia all showed growth in this period.

Training is however not a ONE TIME WONDER event and the stakeholders are encouraged and appreciated in their ongoing understanding of the impact of the latest revisions of standards, new processes and management / QC systems and the movement into a future where the industry and others reduce the environmental impacts of the plants and grow the benefits of the circular economy. Training is a requirement for development, sustained business and improved business and economic value.

The HDGASA thanks all who support the ongoing training across the industry and the markets being served and look forward to serving you all with on point pragmatic and up-to-date training in all areas of the hot dip galvanizing sector.

# **TRAINING** Courses

# LEVEL I INTRODUCTION TO HOT DIP GALVANIZING

This one-day course has been designed to provide an initial understanding of the concepts relating to the use of hot dip galvanized coatings as applied for corrosion control of carbon steel components. The course is presented as an introduction to the more advanced and detailed three-day qualification course needed for registration as a recognized hot dip galvanizing inspector.

Bookings are limited and will be treated on a first-come-first-serve basis. Please note that for the course to be viable we require at least six (6) candidates to attend. Arrangements can also be made for the course to be held at your premises for more than six (>6) candidates. The course is designed to provide a solid foundation for non-technical and support personnel and candidates who have a limited technical background and/or function.

The course comprises six lessons, each of approximately 45 minutes duration. The course may be run as a Workshop or be concluded with a one-hour examination designed to test course effectiveness. A standard grade pass of 50% is required to receive a certificate of achievement. Workshop participants will receive a certificate of attendance

# Course Content

- Introduction to Corrosion
- Understanding Hot Dip Galvanizing & Zinc Coatings
- Inspection and Jigging before Hot Dip Galvanizing
- The Hot dip Galvanizing Process
- Inspection after Hot Dip Galvanizing
- Maintenance and Controls

# **Course Duration**

This is a one-day course comprising six lectures and may include a one-hour examination to test the effectiveness of the course or it may be run as a workshop only.

# Time

The course commences at 08h00 sharp and ends at 17h00. Lunch and refreshments will be provided.

# **Course Cost and Payment Terms**

A quotation and availability of seats may be obtained by calling 011 456 7960 or e-mailing hdgasa@icon.co.za

Terms are on a strict payment beforeattendance basis, unless by special prior arrangement. Upon receiving your Training Booking Form a reservation confirmation will be sent to the delegate as well as an invoice made out to the



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payee. Failure to attend the course without a two-week prior advice will levy a 50% charge to cover logistical expenses incurred. No refunds or credits will be entertained for any withdrawal. Only one postponement will be granted.

# **ADVANCED LEVEL II**

# (Prerequisite for certification as an HDGASA-endorsed galvanizing inspector)

The purpose of the Advanced Level Il course is to provide delegates with the necessary skills to assess the quality and conformance of hot dip galvanized coatings and Duplex Systems in compliance with the applicable specifications and prescribed test methods. The delegate will be introduced to a range of zinc coating specifications and their appropriate applications. Interpretation of the specifications will be examined. Candidates will be instructed in all aspects of testing in line with the prescribed procedure for determining acceptance of batch hot dip galvanized fabricated steel articles. A firsthand practical visual inspection and coating thickness/mass evaluation to ensure that the articles meet the requirements of appearance and minimum mean coating thickness/mass will be undertaken following a plant visit to an operating hot dip galvanizing facility.

Course delegates will undertake a threepart exam as well as the presentation and submission of an inspection report. Part one will be a multiple choice closed book exam. Parts two and three are open-book exams. Part three is vital in attaining HDGASA endorsement as a certified inspector.

Following full attendance of the course, completion of all three exam papers, and the inspection report, a certificate will be issued to delegates that exceed the pass mark of 50% on the STANDARD GRADE. A HIGHER-GRADE pass will be acknowledged for an overall achievement of 75% in the exams. Part three must be passed with a score of 80% or greater to ensure registration as an HDGASAendorsed GALVANIZING INSPECTOR and Membership of the HDGASA as an AFFILIATED MEMBER – GALVANIZING INSPECTOR.

Three (3) Continuous Professional Development (CPD) Points are available on request to delegates who attend this course. Delegates wishing to receive CPD credits must inform the Association at the time of booking to allow us to submit these points on behalf of candidates after the course.

Bookings are limited and will be treated on a first-come-first-serve basis. Please note that for the course to be viable it is required that six or more ( $\geq$ 6) candidates attend. Arrangements can also be made for the course to be held at a customer's venue for more than six ( $\geq$ 6) candidates – catering to be arranged by the customer.

# **Course Content**

Day One (08h00 to 16h00)

- Introduction to the Environment, Steel Types & Corrosion
- Understanding Zinc Coatings; ISO 9223 & ISO 12944
- Design, Fabrication and Inspection before Hot Dip Galvanizing SANS (ISO) 14713
- The General Hot Dip Galvanizing Processes
- SANS 121 (ISO 1461) Batch Type Galvanizing

### Day Two (08h00 to 16h00)

- Duplex Coatings and Hot Dip Galvanized Reinforcement in Concrete
- Inspection after Hot Dip Galvanizing including test procedures, application of specifications and reporting.
- Conducting an Acceptance Inspection i.r.o SANS 121:2024 / ISO 1461: 2022



 Hot Dip Galvanizing Plant Visit followed by syndicate inspection of finished materials awaiting final release. Quality Assurances in Coating Applications, Application of Specifications and Control Documentation of a QA System.

# Day Three (08h00 - 15h30)

- Practical Inspection Report Presentation by delegates and feedback from group.
- Three-part examination
  - 1-hour closed book multiple-choice Fundamental Theory Examination
- 2-hour open book written Advanced Theory Examination
- 2-hour open book written Inspector Examination

# **Course Duration**

This three-day course comprises lectures on the first and second day concluding with a plant tour and a practical hot dip galvanized lot acceptance inspection and report. The third day comprises a report back on the practical undertaken on the afternoon of day 2, and the three qualifying examinations. Lunch and refreshments will be provided. Comprehensive course notes may be collected from our offices two weeks before the course by the delegate or requested to be sent via courier at an additional fee.

### **Course Cost and Payment Terms**

A quotation and availability of seats may be obtained by calling **011 456 7960** or e-mailing **hdgasa@icon.co.za** 

Terms are on a strict payment-beforeattendance basis, unless by special prior arrangement. Upon receiving your Training Booking Form, a reservation confirmation will be sent to the delegate as well as an invoice made out to the payee. Failure to attend the course without a two-week prior advice will levy a 50% charge to cover logistical expenses incurred. No refunds or credits will be entertained for any withdrawal. Only one postponement will be granted.

# SANS 121:2024 / ISO1461:2022

STANDARDS ARE A "COMMUNICATION" TOOL THAT ALLOWS ALL USERS TO SPEAK THE SAME LANGUAGE ABOUT PRODUCTS OR PROCESSES. THEY PROVIDE FOR LEGAL, OR AT LEAST ENFORCEABLE, MEANS TO EVALUATE ACCEPTABILITY AND SALE-ABILITY OF PRODUCTS AND/OR SERVICES.



Ultimately standards are a means to protect a purchaser from questionable designs, products and practices. They provide the means by which engineers can best meet environmental, health, safety and societal responsibilities.

Roughly 80% of global merchandise trade is affected by standards and by regulations that embody standards. Standards and conformity assessment programs play a key role in the transfer of technology ultimately to ensure success in the marketplace.

They can be learnt and applied globally. Industry participation in the standards development process is essential.

Standards should be part of a life-long learning process. Check often for changes as they will affect your products and processes as an engineer, manager and end user. Find out what Standards are appropriate to your project or product

# and include these appropriate Standards a part of your specification.

Understanding which standards are applicable and how they are used is critical to the quality of the outcome and expectations of all stakeholders. The poor habit of 'cut-and-paste'-specifications, when it comes to standards will inevitably give rise to unscheduled delays and challenges which could have been easily avoided at the outset.

# Standards can:

- Maintain uniformity in product quality,
- Reduce unnecessary duplication,
- Lower costs,
- Improve productivity,
- Ensure safety,
- Simplify product development,
- Permit interchangeability, compatibility, and interoperability,
- Enhance the acceptance of products and much more.

Standards are typically designed for voluntary use and do not necessarily impose any regulations. However, laws and regulations may refer to certain standards and make compliance with them compulsory. Any standard is a collective work.

The South African Bureau of Standards (SABS) has been mandated to produce standards in South Africa. SABS is a statutory body that was established in terms of the Standards Act, 1945 (Act No. 24 of 1945) and continues to operate in terms of the latest edition of the Standards Act, 2008 (Act No. 8 of 2008) as the national standardisation institution in South Africa, mandated to:

- Develop, promote and maintain South African National Standards (SANS);
- Promote quality in connection with commodities, products and services;
- Render conformity assessment services and assist in matters connected therewith.

Committees of manufacturers, users, research organizations, government departments and consumers work together to draw up standards that evolve to meet the demands of society and technology. SABS Standards' staff act as secretaries to these committees and project manage the production of standards. Crucial to this process are 450 technical committees and subcommittees that are responsible for developing standards. At present, more than 6100 standards are maintained by SABS Standards Division and new standards are developed at a rate of approximately 500 a year.

The Standards watchdog, in the South African context, is SANAS (South African National Accreditation System). SANAS is responsible for carrying out accreditations in respect of conformity assessments mandated through the Accreditation for Conformity Assessment, Calibration and Good Laboratory Practice Act (Act 19 of 2006). They are directed and legally represented by a Board of Directors whose members are appointed by the Minister of Trade and Industry. This Board delegates to the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of SANAS the responsibility to implement the SANAS policies and objectives. The CEO delegates decisions concerning the granting,

extending, suspending or withdrawing of accreditation to the Approval Committee Chairperson. SANAS operates in accordance with the requirements, criteria, rules and regulations laid down in the following documents:

- The Accreditation for Conformity Assessment, Calibration and Good Laboratory Practice Act, 2006 (Act 19 of 2006).
- The requirements of the international standard ISO/IEC 17011: Conformity Assessment General Requirements for Accreditation Bodies Accrediting Conformity Assessment Bodies.
- The requirements as stipulated in the various Memorandums of Agreement with the international bodies and the national regulatory bodies.

SANAS grants accreditation, certification and the scope of accreditation for Conformity Assessment Bodies (CAB's). In the fields of hot dip galvanizing the following CABs include but may not be limited to:

- SABS COMMERCIAL SOC LTD FAN\*: C07a
- SANS 121
- SANS 32
- SANS 675
- SOUTH AFRICAN TECHNICAL AUDITING SERVICES (PTY) LTD FAN\*: C25
- SANS 121 addendum 8
- SANS 10244-2 addendum 21
- SANS 675 addendum 19
- \*FAN = Facility Accreditation Number

Without standards there can be no objective assessment of quality and no means to provide customers with reliable, repeatable, predicable and sustainable solutions.



# **DESIGN FOR** hot dip galvanizing

# Introduction

When designing a structure which is to be hot dip galvanized, it must be borne in mind that articles are immersed into and withdrawn from a bath of molten zinc heated to a temperature of 450°C. Design and fabrication is required to conform to acceptable standards which apply, regardless of whether a galvanized or a painted coating is to be applied. In the case of hot dip galvanizing, some additional requirements which aid access and drainage of molten zinc, will improve the quality of the coating and also reduce costs.

With certain fabrications, holes which are present for other purposes may fulfil the requirements of venting of air and draining of zinc; in other cases it may be necessary to provide extra holes for this purpose.

For complete protection, molten zinc must be able to flow freely to all parts of the surfaces of a fabrication. With hollow sections or where there are internal compartments, the galvanizing of the internal surfaces eliminates any danger of hidden corrosion occurring in service.

In addition to using the correct specifications in terms of coating requirements, the steel chemistry should be of a quality suitable for galvanizing (See Chapter 7 of the Steel Protection Guide (SPG)).



# Some general principles for guidance are:

- Holes both for venting and draining should be as large as possible. The absolute minimum hole sizes are given in *Table 1.*
- Holes for venting and draining should be diagonally opposite one another at the high point and low point of the fabrication as it is suspended for galvanizing (*Figure 1*).
- With hollow sections sealed at the ends, holes should be provided, again diagonally opposite one another, as near as possible to the ends of the hollow member (Figure 2 and Photos A & B). In some cases it may be more economical to provide "V" or "U" shaped notches (Figure 3) in the ends of the tubes, or to grind corners off rectangular hollow sections. These procedures will provide ideal means for venting and draining.
- Where holes are provided in end plates or capping pieces, they should be placed diagonally opposite to one another, off centre and as near as possible to the wall of the member to which the end plate is connected (*Figure* 4).
- Internal and external stiffeners, baffles, diaphragms, gussets etc., should have the corners cropped and angle bracings should if possible be stopped short of the main boom flange to aid the flow of molten zinc and to prevent air entrapment (*Figures 7, 8, 9 & 10*).
- Bolted joints are best made after hot dip galvanizing.



GUIDELINES FOR MINIMUM VENT FILL AND DRAINAGE HOLE SIZES – REQUIRED BY SECTION LENGTH											
Tube Dia	" 50	60 - 76	89	102 - 114	127 - 152	165	219	245	273	324	355
<b>RHS Sizes</b>	50 x 30	80 x 40	80 x 80	90 x 90	160 x 80	200 x 100	180 x 180	200 x 200	300 x 200	400 x 200	300 x 300
(mm)	60 x 40	70 x 70	120 x 60	120 x 80	120 x 120	150 x 150	250 x 150	220 x 220	250 x 250		450 x 250
	50 x 50	100 x 50		100 x 100	150 x 100				340 x 200		
	60 x 60	76 x 76			140 x 140						
Length (m)					н	ole size (mr	n)				
1	10 (12)	10 (12)	10 (12)	12 (2x10)	16 (2x12)	20 (2x16)	25 (2x20)	30 (2x25)	30 (2x25)	40 (2x30)	40 (2x30)
2	10 (12)	10 (12)	12 (2x10)	12 (2x10)	16 (2x12)	20 (2x16)	25 (2x20)	30 (2x25)	30 (2x25)	40 (2x30)	50 (2x40)
3	10 (12)	12 (2x10)	12 (2x10)	12 (2x10)	16 (2x12)	20 (2x16)	25 (2x20)	30 (2x25)	40 (2x30)	50 (2x40)	50 (2x40)
4	12 (2x10)	12 (2x10)	16 (2x12)	16 (2x12)	16 (2x12)	25 (2x20)	25 (2x20)	30 (2x25)	40 (2x30)	50 (2x40)	2x50 (3x40)
5	12 (2x10)	16 (2x12)	16 (2x12)	16 (2x12)	25 (2x20)	25 (2x20)	30 (2x25)	30 (2x25)	50 (2x40)	50 (2x40)	2x50 (3x40)
6	12 (2x10)	16 (2x12)	20 (2x16)	20 (2x16)	25 (2x20)	25 (2x20)	50 (2x30)	50 (2x40)	50 (2x40)	2x50 (3x40)	2x50 (3x40)
7	16 (2x12)	16 (2x12)	20 (2x16)	20 (2x16)	25 (2x20)	25 (2x20)	50 (2x30)	50 (2x40)	50 (2x40)	2x50 (3x40)	2x50 (3x40)
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9	16 (2x12)	16 (2x12)	25 (2x20)	25 (2x20)	2x25 (3x20)	2x25 (3x20)	50 (2x30)	2x50 (3x40)	2x50 (3x40)	2x50 (3x40)	2x50 (3x40)
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# Hot dip galvanizing oversize objects

Facilities exist to hot dip galvanize articles of virtually any size and shape. (See list of members with bath sizes – refer to www. hdgasa.org.za). When an article is too big for single immersion in the largest bath available it may be possible to galvanize it by double-end dipping (Figure 5 and Table 2), depending on the handling facilities and layout of the galvanizing plant (check with the galvanizer). Note: The cost of double end dipping can be higher than the standard cost of hot dip galvanizing. Large cylindrical objects can often be galvanized by progressive immersion (Figure 6).

These processes increase the potential for distortion as they introduce uneven heating into the object. The area immersed in the bath is raised to the full galvanizing temperature and therefore expands more than the portion remaining outside of the kettle. This is more pronounced during the first dip when the object is raised from room temperature. It is the differential heating and the resulting difference in expansion that may cause the product to distort. Dipping the second part of the fabrication will not remove any distortion that has already occurred.

This problem will be aggravated if vent and drain holes are undersized as this will require longer galvanizing times while the object fills with zinc and drains while removing. This increased time exaggerates the differential expansion along the steel and hence the possibility of distortion.

These problems can be overcome or reduced by:

 Large structures are also hot dip galvanized by designing in modules for later assembly by bolting or welding. Modular design techniques often produce economics in manufacture and assembly through simplified handling and transport.

- Ensuring that vent and drain holes are adequately sized to enable rapid immersion and withdrawal of the object (Table 1).
- Allowing for linear expansion in the design so that any distortion is plastic and not constrained by cross bracing.
- Utilise the longest bath available for the galvanizing.

These problems are rarely experienced in simple pipes, poles or thin spiral sections because of their symmetry and simple design.

# Steel grade

It is possible to hot dip galvanize all structural steels and the ultimate coating thickness achieved is determined by steel analysis, immersion time and to a lesser degree, zinc temperature. It is for this reason that hot dip galvanizing specifications provide for minimum coating thickness and no maximum limit is set (See NOTE 1 in Chapter 10 of the SPG). Reactive levels of silicon in steel and excessively high phosphorus even at relatively low silicon levels can result in thicker coatings. Thicker coatings provide extended corrosion protection but can occasionally be prone to brittleness. The resultant coating could be aesthetically less pleasing sometimes displaying dull grey to black surface patches. (See Chapter 7 of the SPG).

### Fabrication

# Bending

Steels that are susceptible to embrittlement and fatigue failure should be bent over a smooth mandrel with a minimum radius 2 to 3 times material thickness. Where possible hot work at red heat. Cold bending is unlikely to affect steels less than 3mm thick. Before bending, edges should be radiused over the full arc of the bend.

# Bending and forming after hot dip galvanizing

Components which have been hot dip galvanized should not be bent or formed by applying heat above the melting temperature of zinc as this can cause embrittlement due to intergranular liquid zinc penetration between steel crystal boundaries.

# Burrs

Unlike a paint coating, burrs will be overcoated by hot dip galvanizing but the removal of a burr after galvanizing may result in the presence of a small uncoated surface and for this reason, burrs must be removed prior to galvanizing.

## Edges

Because a hot dip galvanized coating is formed by metallurgical reaction between molten zinc and steel, the coating thickness on edges and corners is thicker than that on flat surfaces. Thus the rounding of sharp edges, as required for paint coatings, is not necessary. If subsequent painting is required, sharp edges should be rounded during fabrication to a radius of 3mm or 50% of steel thickness.

# Edge distances

In accordance with SANS 10162 Clause 22.3.2, which defines edge distance as "the minimum distance from the centre of a bolt to any edge shall be in accordance with Table 8".

# Punching

Full size punching of holes is permitted when (amongst other requirements such as distortion free, burr free, not subject to fatigue), according to Clause 4.3.6.3.c of SANS 2001-CS1, "the thickness of the material is not greater than the hole diameter plus 3mm; nor greater than 12mm".

Clause 4.3.6.4 Punching and reaming reads: "Punching is permitted without the conditions of 4.3.6.3 provided the holes are punched at least 2mm less in diameter than the required size and the hole is subsequently reamed to the full diameter."

Material of any thickness may be punched at least 3mm undersize and then reamed, or be drilled. Good shop practice in relation to ratios of punched hole diameter to plate thickness, and punch/ die diametral clearance to plate thickness should be observed.

For static loading, holes may be punched full size in material up to 4500 mm thick

where Fy is material yield stress up to 360MPa.

# Shearing and flame cutting

Edges of steel sections greater than 16mm thick subject to tensile loads should be machined or machine flame cut. Edges of sections up to 16mm thick may be cut by shearing.

Sheared edges to be bent during fabrication should have stress raising features such as burrs and flame gouges removed to a depth of at least 1.5mm.

Temperatures associated with flame cutting alter the surface properties of steel and if such surfaces are not thoroughly ground, a thinner galvanized coating will be formed (usually below the specified minimum).

# Welding and weld slag

Welds should be continuous and free from excessive pin-holing and porosity. Weld slag, normally associated with stick welding, is not readily removed by acid cleaning and such slag must be removed by abrasive blast cleaning, chipping, grinding, flame cleaning or a pneumatic needle gun, prior to hot dip galvanizing. Shielded arc welding is preferred since this method does not result in the presence of tightly adhering slag (Figure 11 and Chapter 14 of the SPG). In order that the weld seals and continues at the end of a double sided fillet weld, consider chamfering the long edges and do a full penetration weldment along both sides with runouts on each end to ensure full seal welds (Figure 19).

# Weld spatter

Weld spatter does not reduce the protective properties of a hot dip galvanized coating to the same extent as with a paint coating, but it is recommended practice to remove spatter prior to hot dip galvanizing.

# Venting, filling and drainage

External stiffeners, welded gussets and webs on columns and beams and gussets in channel sections should have cropped corners. The gaps created should be as large as possible without compromising structural strength. If welding is required around the edge created, a radiused corner is desirable to facilitate continuity of the weld around the cut end to the other side. Circular holes are less effective: if used, they should be as close to corners and edges as practical. Where more

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# Welded pipe sections

Closed sections must never be incorporated in a fabrication. Sections should be interconnected using open mitred joints as illustrated in *Figure 12*, or interconnecting holes should be drilled before fabrication as in *Figure 13*.

Alternatively external holes may be positioned as in *Figure 14*, a method which is often preferred by the galvanizer, since quick visual inspection shows that the work is safe to hot dip galvanize.

Pipe ends can be left open, or provided with removable plugs (see Unwanted vent holes).

#### Unwanted vent holes

These may be closed by hammering in lead or aluminium plugs after galvanizing and filing off flush with surrounding surfaces.

#### Small tubular fabrications

Small tubular fabrications must be vented, preferably with holes not less than 10mm diameter (*Table 1*).

# Tubular fabrications / hollow structurals

Drain/vent hole sizes should preferably be 25% of internal diameter or diagonal dimension for components with a maximum cross sectional area of 180cm<sup>2</sup>. This percentage can be influenced by the shape of the fabrication. Consultation with the galvanizer at the design stage is recommended.

# Tubular fabrication after hot dip galvanizing

The requirement for bending tubes after hot dip galvanizing, ie. for the fabrication of gates etc. must be carried out according to the method set out in the Bend Test (galvanized tube). See 11.6 Testing for Adhesion and Note 2, regarding coating thickness, Page 37 of the SPG.

# Tanks and closed vessels

When both internal and external surfaces are to be hot dip galvanized at least one filling and draining hole must be provided, with a vent hole diagonally opposite to allow the exit of air during immersion (*Figure 15*). For each 0.5 cubic metres of volume, provide at least one fill/drain hole of minimum size ø60mm and vent hole of minimum size ø40mm or both at ø60mm (*Figure 16*).

Internal baffles should be cropped as illustrated (*Figures 9 & 16*). Man-holes or pipes should finish flush inside to prevent trapping excess zinc (*Figure 17*).

Lifting lugs should be provided opposite the biggest and most accessible filling / draining holes and adjacent to the vent hole on the opposite end (*Figure 1*). The lugs must be designed to accommodate the excess mass of molten zinc within the cylinder / pipe on withdrawal.

Large vessels require an appropriate size manhole in the baffle.

When vessels and heat exchangers etc., are not to be galvanized internal, 'snorkels' or extended vent pipes must be fitted to allow air or steam to exit above the level of molten zinc in the galvanizing bath (*Figure 18*).

# Masking, welding, handling, clearance for moving parts and identification Masking

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Masking materials have been developed, which if applied prior to hot dip galvanizing, will prevent the formation of the galvanized coating on surfaces where it is not required.

### **Combinations of ferrous surfaces**

Fabrications containing a combination of castings and steels, or rusted and mill scaled surfaces must be abrasive blast cleaned before hot dip galvanizing.

#### Provision for handling

Work not suitable for handling with chains, baskets, hooks or jigs must be provided with suspension holes or lifting lugs (*Figure* 1). If in doubt, consult the galvanizer.

# Materials suitable for hot dip galvanizing

All ferrous materials are suitable, including sound stress-free castings.

Brazed assemblies may be hot dip galvanized but first consult the galvanizer. Assemblies soft soldered or aluminium rivetted cannot be hot dip galvanized.



#### **Overlapping surfaces**

A minimum gap of at least 2mm between overlapping surfaces and back-to-back angles and channels, must be provided (Figures 20, 21 & 22).

When small overlaps are unavoidable, seal edges by welding.

In circumstances where seal welding is not practical, a degree of temporary surface staining at crevices may be apparent after hot dip galvanizing and quenching. This is often incorrectly described as acid staining. Clean with a bristle brush and mild detergent if necessary. If necessary crevices of this nature can be sealed after hot dip galvanizing with an appropriate sealant.

#### Larger overlapping surfaces

If contacting surfaces cannot be avoided, one 10mm diameter hole should be provided in one of the members for every 100cm<sup>2</sup> of overlap surface. The perimeter of the contacting surface can be continuously welded. This requirement is of particular importance when using thin sections. Vent hole sizes for thicker steels >10mm thick and overlap areas >300cm<sup>2</sup> should be agreed upon by the galvanizer prior to fabrication (Figures 23 & 24). A vent hole in one member will ensure the safety of galvanizing personnel and prevent damage to the article. Alternatively provide at least a 2mm gap between members.

# Strengthening gussets and webs

Welded strengthening gussets and webs on columns and beams, and strengthening gussets in members fabricated from channel or I-beam sections should have corners cropped or holed (Figures 7 & 10 and Photos C & D):

• to prevent the entrapment of air in pockets and corners allowing complete



Shaft or spindle size	Minimum radial clearance
Up to 30mm diameter	2,0mm
Over 30mm diameter	2,0 - 2,5mm

Table 3.

access of pickle acids and molten zinc to the entire surface of the product, and

• to facilitate drainage during withdrawal from degreaser, acid solutions, rinsewater, flux and molten zinc.

# Clearance for moving parts

Drop handles, hinges, shackles, shafts and spindles require a radial clearance, to allow for the thickness of the hot dip galvanized coating (Figure 25 and Table 3).

### Identification markings

For permanent identification use heavily embossed, punched or welded lettering (Figure 26). For temporary identification use heavily embossed metal tags wired to the work, water soluble paint or an appropriate marking pen.

Do not use paints, adhesive labels or any other product that cannot be readily removed by degreasing or pickling (Figure 27). If present, these coatings require to be removed by paint stripper or abrasive blasting prior to pickling and hot dip galvanizing.

# Hot dip galvanized fasteners

Hot dip galvanized fasteners are recommended for use with hot dip galvanized or painted structures, but if SANS 121/ISO 1461 is not specified, there is every likelihood that thinner zinc electro plated coatings will be supplied. (See Chapter 13 of the SPG).

### **Preventing distortion**

#### Distortion

Distortion can be minimised by:

- Use of symmetrical designs (Figure 28).
- Use of sections of a similar thickness (Figure 29).
- Use of stiffened sections, particularly when steel is unsupported and of less than 3 - 4mm thick (Figure 30 and Photo E).
- Use of preformed members with the correct minimum bend radius to minimise stress.







- Use of balanced or sequence welding techniques to minimise stresses.
- Large open fabrications, thin walled trough sections and rectangular tanks may require temporary cross stays to prevent distortion during hot dip galvanizing (*Figure 33 and Photos F & G*).
- Maximise fill, drain and vent hole sizes and optimize their relative positions (*Table 1*).
- Complete and rapid immersion of the item in the galvanizing bath i.e. avoid double end dipping if possible.
- Air cooling after hot dip galvanizing in preference to water quenching.

Use of symmetrical sections minimises distortion during hot dip galvanizing.

# Products shaped by bending

Many items are formed by bending them to the correct shape at the fabricating stage. This process induces stress into the product, which may be relieved during the hot dip galvanizing operation. This





occurs as the molten zinc temperature of around 450°C is at the lower end of the stress relieving temperature for steel. Consequently the stresses used to shape the product may be released giving a resultant change in shape or dimension of the product.

Consider the case of a plate rolled to form part of a circle. During hot dip galvanizing, the release of stress will cause the radius of the circle to increase, and so the final fabricated circle pieces may not meet up (*Figure 31*).

These difficulties can be overcome by installing temporary braces across the section to ensure that the object retains its desired shape. The braces would be either welded or bolted in position, with a size proportional to the size and thickness of the plate they are retaining. If bolted, a flat washer may be used as a spacer between the brace and article to be hot dip galvanized (*Figure 32*). The smaller the spacer the smaller the final repair area.

The braces should be located at least at quarter points of the structure. Similar results can be obtained with bent troughs, angle frames or with channels (*Figure 33* and Photos F & G).

It will be necessary to repair the area where the braces have been removed using an approved repair material.

# Welding or fabrication induced stress

It has been said that the internal stresses due to welding play the greatest part in creating distortion. Because the steel is heated to 450°C during galvanizing, the stresses introduced by welding are released and this may occasionally give rise to distortion. Welding, however, plays an essential part in creating the fabrications which are to be hot dip galvanized. It is therefore important to understand how these forces are generated and to minimise them during the fabrication to obtain a satisfactory product after hot dip galvanizing.

Fortunately, by following a few simple rules it is possible to get much improved results. These basic rules are:

- Avoid overwelding, welds should be no larger than is essential for the structural integrity of the fabrication.
- Welding should be as symmetrical as



possible in order to ensure the stresses are balanced. This can be done by placing welds near the neutral axis or by balancing them around this axis.

- Use a well planned, balanced welding sequence. With large structures extra care should be taken that stresses are minimised by preparing and working to a welding plan.
- Weld seams which significantly reinforce the structural strength should as far as possible be welded last so that do not hinder the contraction of other welds.
- Use as few weld passes as possible and reduce the welding time to control the heat input.
- Make weld shrinkage forces work in the desired direction or balance shrinkage forces with opposing forces.
- Use backstep welding or staggered welding to minimise stresses.

If a steel fabrication distorts either after welding and before or after hot dip galvanizing due to these stresses, it is possible to restraighten the item. Best results are obtained by hot straightening either before or after hot dip galvanizing. Preference should be given to hot straightening before as the time required is less and the possibility of damage to the zinc coating is avoided. Tests confirm that hot straightened components which were within tolerance before hot dip galvanizing do not distort again during the galvanizing process as the stresses have already been relieved.

# Fabrications that lack symmetry

When fabrications are substantially symmetrical in both the horizontal and vertical planes, they have a much lower potential to distort at galvanizing



temperatures. Under these conditions, the expansion forces are balanced and the product does not suffer any distortion. This condition exists with tubes, I-beams, RHS and other similar sections. When these sections are combined in a fabrication, it is possible to remove this symmetry.

Consider the case where a piece of thin walled RHS is welded to the top of an Ibeam section. In this situation, the geometric shape is no longer symmetrical, even though the two individual components are.

The thinner walled tube will reach the galvanizing temperature sooner than the thicker flange at the bottom. As a result, the RHS will expand faster than the bottom flange, causing the section to experience an upwards bow (*Figure 34*).

Sections which are not symmetrical, such as channels and angles will experience similar problems because of their inbuilt asymmetry. In the case of channels, the section will bow with the toes pointing outwards.

There are three recommended ways to overcome this type of problem.

- Redesign the fabrication to make the design symmetrical. This will enable the forces to balance each other and prevent distortion.
- Fabricate and galvanize the individual components as separate pieces, then weld them together after hot dip galvanizing. The welds can be touched up with a suitable galvanizing repair material.
- When multiple pieces are available they can be hot dip galvanized back to back by using bolts with pipe spacers to separate the pieces. The assembly would be separated after cooling completely and the spacer contact area repaired with a suitable galvanizing repair material (*Figures 35 & 36*).

# Using thick and thin material in an assembly

When thin material is heated during galvanizing, it expands faster than any thick material heated at the same time. this is because the thinner material takes less time to be fully heated to the galvanizing temperature. The thinner material will therefore distort if its expansion is restrained by thicker material. Consider the common case where a thin steel sheet is welded to the frame of a trailer to form a tray. This sheet is generally securely attached by welds around its perimeter. If, for example, the sheet is only half as thick as the material used in the frame, it quickly reaches the galvanizing temperature of around 450°C and so has reached the point where maximum expansion will occur.

The frame being made of thicker material will not yet have reached the same temperature and so will not have expanded as much as the thinner sheet. Because of the restraints from the welds around the perimeter, the sheet cannot push its growth outwards at the edges, and so the increase in size causes buckles to occur in the sheet surface (*Figures 29 & 37 and Photo I*).

There are two recommended methods of overcoming this problem:

- Hot dip galvanize the sheet and frame separately and then join them after galvanizing. This may be done using mechanical fasteners such as screws or bolts. If welding is used then the welds will need to be touched up with galvanizing repair material.
- Use the same thickness of material for both the frame and the sheet.

In some cases this buckling of the surface may be acceptable (*Photo H*), as the material is fully protected against corrosion, however once this type of distortion occurs, it cannot be readily corrected after galvanizing.

### Long thin objects

Long thin objects include poles, tubes and larger RHS sections. Generally these objects will not distort due to their symmetrical nature, however if they are lifted at both ends, they may take on a characteristically bowed shape following the galvanizing process (Figure 38).

This bowing is caused when the steel is heated to the galvanizing temperature of 450°C. When withdrawing from the galvanizing kettle, the products own weight may exceed the yield strength of the steel at this temperature, causing the object to bow. This bowing becomes permanent as the steel cools.

If the product has not been designed with sufficiently large vent and drain holes, the problem can be aggravated by additional zinc being trapped inside the object when it is lifted. Further problems are created by this as the time taken for the zinc to drain allows the deformation of the steel to continue for a longer period and the bowing to become worse.

There are two recommended ways to reduce this problem:

- Lifting lugs or holes should be provided at the quarter points of these products so that they do not need to be lifted at the ends (*Figure 39*).
- Vent and drain holes should be placed and sized to maximise the rate of drainage and minimise the retention of zinc inside the section (*Figure 1 and Table 1*).

# Packaging and transporting of hot dip galvanized steel

Even though the hot dip galvanized coating is capable of withstanding fairly rough treatment it should be handled with care during storage and transportation. In the case of long sections, simple packaging and binding into bundles not only prevents handling damage but it often facilitates transportation itself. Packaging and binding should be done in such a way as to avoid the risk of wet storage stain. Spacers should be used to facilitate air circulation between components (See Photo J).



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- Transport and logistics

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# SERVICES OFFERED

- Any fabrication / general steelwork
- Hot dip galvanizing of steel

# BATH SIZES (I x w x d):

Bath 1: 9.0m x 1.2m x 3.0m



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# **ADVANCED GALVANISING**

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# ABOUT

ADVANCED GALVANISING was established in 1994 at the site of the "Old Dorbyl Building" in Sacks Circle, Bellville-South. Fanie Malherbe, Gavin Stigling and Johan de Beer invested in the enterprise, which was managed by Theo Brophy.

In 2007 the PRIMA GROUP acquired the business from the original owners, with Theo Brophy handing over the reins to Johan Louw as Managing Director. Johan Louw, Febbie Malherbe and Pieter Malherbe became the new owners and directors of the Prima Group.

Sim Swart, who initially joined the company in 1997 and left after a five-and-a-half-year tenure, returned in 2007 as a sales representative and was promoted to General Manager in 2014. Denzil Clifford, who started at **ADVANCED GALVANISING** in 2003, and Gys Vermeulen, worked their way up to the positions of Production Manager and Despatch & Transport Manager respectively. In 2016 Hendrik Gerber, the internationally renowned Springbok and Western Province rugby player, joined the team as Factory Manager.

ADVANCED GALVANISING is the current holder of the HOT DIP GALVANIZERS ASSOCIATION'S Walter Barnett Trophy, having won the Overall Winner Award at the 2016 HDGASA Awards. Johan Louw is a member of the HDGASA Executive and serves as the Cape Regional Representative.

In 2022 we took a significant step forward by launching a paperless production management system, aimed at enhancing both our efficiency and customer experience. This innovation paved the way for further advancements.

In 2024 we introduced a customized web-based interactive client portal, a groundbreaking feature in the galvanizing industry. This portal is designed to streamline our operations even more and significantly improve client interactions, setting a new standard for service in our field.

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- Hot dip galvanizing of bars, tubes and metal structures of different sizes and dimensions.
- Sales of galvanized tubes, bars and expanded metals (retail and wholesale)
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# **BATH SIZES:**

Bath 1: 7m long x 2m deep x 760mm wide



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