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1. SCOPE AND OBJECTIVES

This specification outlines the requirements for welding, backcladding, overlay, tube to tubesheet welding, preheat and post-weld heat treatment of vessels, heat exchangers, piping and piping components, heater tubing and other equipment, including tanks.

Except as supplemented in this specification, welding and inherent works shall conform to the requirements of the latest edition and revision including all addenda, officially issued as of the data of purchase order award of:

Pressure Equipment Directive 2014/68/EU

ELOT EN 13445

ELOT EN 1594

ELOT EN 13480

ELOT EN 12732

All other Standards and Codes referred to therein or in Material Requisition or Purchaser's drawings.

Any conflict between this specification and other Owner drawings, specifications, standards, codes, etc., shall be brought to the attention of Owner in writing for clarification.

The more stringent requirements shall govern until written resolution is provided by Owner.

2. REFERENCES

2.1 REFERENCE DOCUMENTS

- DSF-SPC-QAC-004 [Positive Material Identification]

2.2 REFERENCE CODES AND STANDARDS

- Pressure Equipment Directive (PED) (2014/68/EU)
- EN ISO 9606-1 [Qualification test of welders - Fusion welding - Part 1: Steels]
- EN ISO 14732 [Welding personnel — Qualification testing of welding operators and weld setters for mechanized and automatic welding of metallic materials]
- EN ISO 9712 [Non-destructive testing – Qualification and certification of NDT personnel – General principles]
- EN 1011-5 [Welding - Recommendations for welding of metallic materials - Part 5: Welding of clad steel]



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- EN 1594 [Gas supply systems - Pipelines for maximum operating pressure over 16 bar - Functional requirements]
- EN 10088 [Stainless steels]
- EN 12732 [Gas supply systems – Welding steel pipework - Functional requirements]
- EN 13445-4 [Unfired pressure vessels – Part 4 Fabrication]
- EN 13480-4 [Metallic industrial piping – Part 4 Fabrication and Installation]
- EN ISO 9692-4 [Welding and allied processes - Recommendations for joint preparation - Part 4: Clad steels]
- EN ISO 6947 [Welding and allied processes — Welding positions]
- EN ISO 14172 [Welding consumables - Covered electrodes for manual metal arc welding of nickel and nickel alloys – Classification]
- EN ISO 15614-1 [Specification and qualification of welding procedures for metallic materials - Welding procedure test - Part 1: Arc and gas welding of steels and arc welding of nickel and nickel alloys]
- EN ISO 15614-7 [Specification and qualification of welding procedures for metallic materials - Welding procedure test -- Part 7: Overlay welding]
- EN ISO 18274 [Welding consumables - Wire and strip electrodes, wires and rods for fusion welding of nickel and nickel alloys – Classification]
- EN ISO 17655 [Destructive tests on welds in metallic materials - Method for taking samples for delta ferrite measurement]
- EN ISO 17635 [Non-destructive testing of welds]
- EN ISO 17636-1 [Non-destructive testing of welds. Radiographic testing. X- and gamma-ray techniques with film]
- EN ISO 2560 [Welding consumables - Covered electrodes for manual metal arc welding of non-alloy and fine grain steels – Classification]
- EN 14700 [welding consumables – Welding consumables for hardfacing]
- ASME B31.12 [Hydrogen Piping and Pipelines]

3. ACRONYMS

WPS: Welding Procedure Specification

WPQR: Welding Procedure Qualification Record

PWHT: Post Weld Heat Treatment

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HAZ: Heat Affected Zone

TOFD: Time Of Flight Diffraction

VPN: Vickers Pyramid Number

4. GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

4.1 RIGHT OF ACCESS

The Owner, its Representatives and the Accredited Inspection Body shall have access to the Vendor's facilities and equipment for the purpose of inspection and audit of work and materials.

The Owner and its Representatives shall have free entry, at all times while work on this Contract is being performed, and to all parts of the Contractor's works that concern the fabrication, assembly and/or installation.

The Contractor shall provide the Inspector with all necessary facilities so that the Inspection activities can be performed without any problems and adherence to Contract requirements verified. All inspections shall be conducted so as not to interfere unnecessarily with the operation of the works.

4.2 SUBCONTRACTING

Use of Subcontractors by the Contractor for any operations required for the execution of this contract is prohibited without prior permission and approval by Owner.

All the requirements of this document, including all the herein referenced documents, codes, standards, specifications, procedures, etc, are applicable to the Subcontract and are to be included in Contractor's purchase orders to Subcontractor.


5. WELDING PROCEDURES

Contractor shall prepare and qualify welding procedures to cover all welding situations.

Contractor shall qualify all welders and/or welding operators.

The complete set of Welding Procedure Specifications (WPS) and Welding Procedure Qualification Records (WPQR) shall be submitted together with the preliminary outline drawings as requested by subsequent paragraphs of this specification.

All welding procedures shall be identified by number and all welds shall be referenced to WPS identifying number on fabrication drawings. Contractor shall submit an index of all weld procedures required for the job, including referenced Procedure Qualification Records.

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No welding shall be performed until written acceptance has been received by the Owner for the reviewed Welding Procedures.

Any comment/acceptance does not relieve Vendor from his responsibility. Owner can issue further comments if deviation from Codes, Standards, specifications and engineering practice, etc. are formed.

Welding procedures shall be prepared as required by EN 12732 and the EN ISO 15614-1. The applicable information shall be recorded as recommended in Forms that contain all the welding parameters and information included in Annex A of EN ISO 15614-1.

Contractor's welding procedures must contain all specific information and/or restrictions in order to comply with EN 12732 and other applicable technical standards as well as Information / restrictions listed in TABLES 1 and 2 of this standard.

Minimum preheat and maximum interpass temperatures shall be specified for each material group to be welded.

The range of holding temperature, holding time, and maximum heating and cooling rates for post weld heat treatment shall be defined.

The qualification of welding procedures and of welders/welding operators shall be in accordance with EN 12732, EN ISO 15614-1, EN ISO 9606 -1 and EN ISO 14732 respectively.

Welder and Welding Operator Qualification Test Records shall be available for evaluation by the Owner Inspector at all times.

All welding procedures used in the Project shall be submitted to the Owner for review.

6. PREHEAT


6.1 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

6.1.1 The preheat temperature recorded on each WPS shall be strictly followed even during tack welding. When, before welding, the base metal temperature is below 0°C, the base metal shall be preheated to at least 20°C, and this minimum temperature shall be maintained during welding unless a greater temperature is specified in the following paragraphs.

6.1.2 When ambient temperature is below 0° C, welding may be done in accordance with the requirements of the applicable standards, taking all the necessary precautions. Welding activities in no case shall be performed at temperatures lower than -10° C.

6.1.3 Welding shall not be performed when condensation occur on the metal surfaces, appropriate heating shall be provided.

6.1.4 In all cases, except of 6.1.1 here in above, the minimum preheat shall not be less than 10 °C.

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6.2 FERRITIC STEELS

The minimum preheat temperature for carbon and alloy steels shall be:

- For equipment and vessels - as given in EN 13445-4, as a minimum, with the following specific requirements:

1. All carbon steel in excess of 32 mm shall be preheated to 80°C minimum. A preheat of 100°C shall be used in cases where carbon steel material of thickness over 32 mm but not exceeding 38 mm is used without post weld heat treatment (PWHT).

2. All Mo containing steel materials in excess of 16 mm shall be preheated to 120°C minimum.

- For piping and piping components - as given in EN 13480-4.

The above temperatures must be intended as a minimum, in dependence of a lot of favorable combinations.

The Contractor is requested, under its full responsibility, to establish the minimum preheat temperatures related to: chemical analysis, thickness, welding process and heat input, restraint of the parts being joined, etc.

It shall be ascertained that specified preheat, if required, prevails throughout thickness of parts being welded and not just at the surfaces. Contractor shall provide all necessary equipment for proper control of the preheat temperature.

Tack welding, welding of temporary attachments, or even striking of arcs is not permitted without the specified preheat.


6.3 AUSTENITIC STAINLESS STEELS AND HIGH NICKEL ALLOYS

Preheat of these alloys above the ambient temperature is normally not required even for thick sections. Preheat should be performed only for removal of condensation, ice etc. For all thicknesses of austenitic stainless steel and high nickel alloys, preheat shall be at least 20°C. Maximum interpass temperature shall not exceed 175°C.

6.4 ALUMINIUM AND ALUMINIUM ALLOYS

In gas-shielded arc welding of aluminum and aluminum alloys, preheating of parts to be welded is only required:

- When the temperature of the parts is below 10°C or,
- For gas tungsten-arc welding of parts thicker than 5 mm with alternating current or,
- For gas metal-arc welding of parts thicker than 25 mm.

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When preheating is required, a preheating temperature in the range of 65° to 95 °C shall be used. A higher preheating temperature shall not be used, unless otherwise authorized in writing by Owner.

6.5 WELDING DISSIMILAR METALS OR THICKNESSES

For welding material combinations of dissimilar metals or of different thicknesses, the minimum required preheat temperature shall be that for the material requiring the higher preheat unless otherwise approved in writing by the Owner. For welding of ferritic steels to austenitic or non-ferrous metals, the austenitic or non-ferrous side of the joint shall not be preheated. In order to achieve the required preheat of the ferritic steel without adversely affecting the austenitic or non-ferrous material, the use of a buttering layer on the ferritic steel should be considered.

6.6 ARC CUTTING

Specified preheating is also required prior to electric arc cutting operations used for cutting or grooving plates, for back gouging double welded joints and for gouging to remove defects.

6.7 PREHEAT MAINTENANCE FOR CIRCUMFERENTIAL BUTT JOINTS

For circumferential butt joints for which required preheat temperature is less than 120°C, the welding and also preheat may be interrupted provided the weld deposit thickness is at least 25% of the joint thickness or 10 mm, whichever is greater. The weld shall be allowed to cool slowly to room temperature.

Prior to resumption of welding, preheat shall be re applied.


For circumferential butt joints and highly restrained joints of ferritic alloys normally requiring a preheat of 120°C or higher, such as shell welds and nozzles to vessel or nozzles to header welds, respectively, preheat shall be maintained without interruption until the commencement of post weld heat treatment, unless either a 200 °C preheat or a post weld soak a 200°C for two (2) hours is used and the weld is insulated and allowed to cool slowly after welding.

7. WELDING

7.1 GENERAL

The welding processes listed in TABLE 1 "Acceptable Welding Processes" of this specification are acceptable for fabrication subject to the limitations stated therein.

Request to use any other welding process shall be submitted to Owner for approval.

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Unless otherwise allowed in writing by Owner all butt joints which are accessible from both sides shall be back gouged or ground to sound metal after welding the first side and then back welded on the reverse side.

Where access or wall thickness precludes the use of double welded butt joints, single welded joints shall be made using a root pass deposited by the TIG or MIG/MAG (Short Arc) process, except that for carbon steel piping the use of E 35 3 C 2 5, EN ISO 2560 electrodes for root pass welding by MMA (SMAW) is also acceptable.

The use of consumable insert rings for TIG is an exception.

Permanent backing rings shall not be used, unless specifically allowed in writing by Owner.

Temporary backing rings shall have the same chemical composition as the base materials to be joined and shall be removed after welding.

Consumable inserts are acceptable for piping welds and shall have the same chemical composition as the base metal or as the filler metal.

All welds of nozzles, man ways and their reinforcement to equipment shell, heads, skirt and/or piping shall be full penetration.

All welds shall be regarded as requiring at least as much care as main seams. This includes welds for items such as fit-up clips, insulation rings, ladder and pipe clips, etc.

Proper application of qualified procedures by qualified welders using the appropriate preheat is essential, preheat shall not be less than that used for main seams.

For any equipment constructed of Carbon and Carbon-Manganese steels, the Vanadium content shall not exceed 0.07% and the maximum Carbon equivalent shall be as per applicable EN standards.

The Carbon equivalent and Vanadium content shall be defined on the material certificates.


7.2 BASE METAL PREPARATION

Joint preparation for welding may be performed by machining, grinding, thermal cutting, or combination thereof. See relevant paragraph for preheating restrictions.

Excessively deep or sharp irregularities in joint edges shall be removed by machining or by grinding. Joint edges shall be crack and lamination free prior to welding.

When thermal cutting or carbon-arc gouging is utilized on ferritic or stainless steels, the beveled surfaces shall be ground approximately 1.5 mm to remove any hardened or sensitized zone prior to welding.

Prior to welding, all oil, grease, dirt, rust and excessively thick or loose scale shall be removed from the surface of the joint and the adjacent base metal within 25 mm from the edge of the joint. Oil and grease shall not be removed by heating with a torch.

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It is very important when welding ferritic steel components which are internally lined with high chrome or nickel-chrome materials, to remove the high alloy material prior to any cutting or welding operation.

To ensure complete removal of residual cladding and high chrome filler metal from previously clad surfaces, all surfaces shall be etched with an 8% nitric acid solution or similar solution approved by Owner.

Acid etching and grinding shall be repeated as required until high alloy material is completely removed prior to welding or cutting. For other clad materials consult Owner for appropriate test procedures.

7.3 WELDING ITEMS COATED WITH LOW MELTING METALS AND PROPRIETARY ITEMS

For all vessels, parts painted with zinc rich paints or hot dip galvanized shall not be welded to the vessel, unless the zinc in the area adjacent to the zone to be welded is completely removed by sand blasting, grinding or taping prior to welding. Removal of the zinc rich areas by burning is not permitted.

Cadmium plated materials shall not be welded to carbon or stainless steel.

Welding of property items such as Alonized pipe, etc, is not permitted without prior written approval from Owner.

7.4 HEAT EXCHANGER TUBE TO TUBE SHEET WELDS


Seal welds are required when specified on the Material Requisitions or Job Specifications.

Strength welds are required in case of any of the following conditions:

- When specified on the Material Requisition or Job Specification.
- When the design pressure (shell and/or tube side) is greater than 80 bar.
- When the differential design temperature (between tube and shell side) is greater than 400°C.
- For waste heat exchangers.
- Hydrogen service (i.e. where the hydrogen partial pressure exceeds 7 bar).

For exchangers in aqueous hydrogen sulfide service, carbon steel tube sheets shall have 0.21% C maximum and carbon steel tubes 0.18% C maximum. Hardness of welds and heat affected zone (HAZ) shall not exceed 200 BHN.

Tube to tube sheet mock-up samples shall be submitted to Owner for any of the following conditions:

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- a. When specified on the Requisition.
- b. Nonferrous material.
- c. When strength welds are specified.

For the qualification of these welds, mock-up samples shall be constructed using actual production welders, materials and procedures for the piece of equipment involved.

Mock-up samples shall have a minimum of six (6) tubes 75 mm in length from the backside of the tubesheet, using the same pitch arrangement as the piece of equipment involved.

7.5 STORAGE TANKS

Welding of storage tanks shall conform to pertinent paragraphs of this specification and to provisions of the applicable technical standard. The welding process used for both the horizontal and vertical joints of the shell courses shall be approved by the Owner. The use of automatic welding processes for these joints is allowed provided they have been qualified in accordance with EN 15614-1 and the relevant technical standard.

7.6 STRIP LINED CONNECTIONS

The inside surface of base material shall be cleaned to remove rust, mill, scale, dirt, weld spatter, etc., and weld reinforcement shall be ground flush with the inside surface.

Acceptable welding processes are manual TIG and MMA (SMAW). Acceptable filler materials are the same as those used for clad restoring.


7.7 WELDING CLAD/OVERLAY MATERIALS

The following requirements apply to equipment made of internally clad/overlaid steel plate:

The overlay welding procedure shall be developed and qualified in accordance with the requirements of EN 1011-5, EN ISO 9692-4 and EN ISO 15614-7.

The procedure qualification record shall contain the following information as minimum.

- Results of liquid penetrant test on first and last passes.
- Results of guided bend tests.
- Ferrite content of the overlay, where applicable.
- Ferricyanide test, where applicable.
- Chemical analysis.

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Elements to be included in the chemical analysis of the weld metal overlay shall include carbon, Cb/C ratio if applicable, plus all other elements contained in the filler metal in excess of one percent.

Sample material for chemical analysis shall be taken at least 2.5 mm into the overlay. The depth at which these samples were taken shall be indicated on the procedure qualification record.

The overlay surface shall be relatively smooth (waving is permissible but without notches, undercuts, etc., that would serve as stress risers). The interface between base metal and overlay shall be prepared by grinding where necessary to eliminate pockets, sharp notches, and other flaws which would prevent full bonding of the overlay material.

Qualification weld test specimens shall be subjected to PWHT, if required, equivalent to that anticipated for fabrication, including aggregate time at temperature, with appropriate allowance for repairs.

Clad/Overlaid carbon steel or alloy steel components shall be welded using the following sequence of welding, and the filler metals specified in TABLES 1 and 5.

7.8 SEQUENCE OF WELDING

Strip of grind back clad/overlay material at least 6 mm from the root of the base material.

The stripped area shall be acid etched to ensure complete removal of the Clad / overlaid material.

Tack weld joint from base material side.

Weld the base material completely from the non-clad/overlaid side of the joint using the appropriate filler metal for this base metal.

Back grind to sound metal the root of the base material (clad/overlaid side) and back weld the joint with the same filler metal used in step 3 flush with the base material surface.

Filler metal shall not come in contact with the clad/overlaid material.

Overlay the joint between the clad/overlaid materials with the appropriate filler metals indicated in TABLE 5.

Overlay surface shall blend with the clad/overlaid surfaces. Dye check overlay surfaces to assure that they are crack free.

Undercutting: minimum base material thickness shall not include the thickness that will be removed to prepare the surface for back-cladding.

Unless otherwise indicated on the Owner drawings, the top 2.5 mm of all overlay shall meet the full chemical requirements for specified filler metal type. This type of overlay will be considered to be the corrosion allowance.

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Excess thickness in the overlay necessary to obtain the 2.5 mm minimum will not be considered in strength calculations. Maximum overlay thickness shall not exceed 10 mm, unless specifically indicated in Material requisitions or drawings. Minimum overlay thickness shall be 3 mm.

The surface of weld overlay shall be left in the "as deposited" condition except for gasket surfaces or other surfaces requiring machining or grinding to meet requirements stipulated in the purchase order on the equipment drawings.

Samples for chemical analysis shall be taken using either a chipping or a drilling technique and shall be removed from the overlay starting at a depth of at least 2.5 mm from the surface.

All areas from which samples have been removed for chemical analysis shall be repaired by the fabricator using already qualified Welding Procedure Specification and qualified welder.

Chemical analysis checks shall be conducted per the following:

- For equipment which is clad and requires that seams be overlaid, at least one (1) chemical analysis shall be made on each circumferential and longitudinal overlaid shell and head welds.
- For equipment which is entirely overlaid, at least one (1) chemical check shall be made on each shell course and each head (minimum of five (5) checks per vessel) for both automatic and manual weld applications.
- Nozzle and piping which have been overlaid require that the deposited overlaid material have a chemical analysis taken on weldments made for each welder, each welding process, and each lot of weld wire and/or flux, with a minimum of one (1) chemical check for every four (4) nozzles, unless otherwise specified in writing by Owner.

Chemical analysis samples shall be taken at locations designated by the Owner Representative.

The Inspector shall consider those locations containing visual weld abnormalities or where weld process, weld wire and/or welders have been changed in addition to


those others representative of normal conditions.

For situation where a clad (or overlaid) component is welded to corresponding base material with a continuous full fillet weld.

Consult Owner for determination of the appropriate filler metal for each joint in question.

Indication of overlap between adjacent passes is to be indicated on WPS.

All PWHT procedures for PWHT of clad piping or equipment are to be submitted to Owner for approval.

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Equipment and Piping involving austenitic stainless-steel overlays or clad restoring shall conform to the requirements below, unless otherwise indicated by Owner drawings or requisitions.

| CHROMIUM CONTENT of overlay | FERRITE | Cb/C |
|---|--------------------|-------------------------------|
| Up to 20%, Incl. 20% to 22%, Incl. Greater than 22% | 4-10 4-9 4-9 | 35 Max. 25 Max. 15 Max. |

Frequency and location of measurements shall be the same as those required for chemical analysis.

Ferrite numbers may be determined by use of the Severn Gauge, Fisher Ferrite meter, or Delong diagram and shall be measured before PWHT

The magnetic gage shall be calibrated before measurement by the Vendor on at least two standards (calibration test blocks) having of ferrite content in the range 3 - 10 and with a minimum spread of five (5) numbers, the standards shall be either primary or secondary weld metal standards.

Equipment not complying with the chemical and/or ferrite requirements shall be reported to the Owner for resolution.

Ferricyanide test shall be reported on WPQR and applied to all finished welds in 70 Ni 30 Cu cladding or overlay to ascertain the absence of iron pick-up.


Ferricyanide test shall be carried out as follows:

- Clean welds and adjacent surfaces with hydrochloric acid.
- Check weld deposits for cracks and repair, if any.
- Clean again as per point a.
- Check for iron pick-up or porosity with a 4% solution of potassium ferricyanide $K_3Fe(CN)_6$.

A blue color will indicate the presence of iron.

7.9 HARDFACING

Hardfacing deposits shall be qualified according to EN ISO 15614-7 and according to following restrictions, prior to start of production welding.

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A buffer layer shall be deposited on ferritic steels, using ENi6082 (EN ISO 14172) or SNi6082 (EN ISO 18274) filler materials, in order to provide suitable base material for hard facing unless otherwise indicated on Owner drawings.

Hardfacing material shall be in accordance with EN 14700 as required by the specific application.

7.9.1 HARDFACING QUALIFICATION SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

- The maximum acceptable width of hairline cracks shall not exceed 0.8 mm.
- Cracks shall not reach the base material.
- Hardness tests on Cobalt base deposited material shall be 40 HRC minimum.
- Hardness on HAZ of ferritic base material shall be in accordance with what required in this Specification for the subject steel.

7.9.2 PRODUCTION TESTS


- The maximum acceptable width of hairline cracks shall not exceed 0.8 mm.
- Cracks shall not show evidence that they reach base material.
- Hardness test to be 40 HRC minimum.

8. WELDING FILLER METALS

Electrodes and/or filler metals shall be selected such that:

- a. The strength of deposited weld metal shall be at least equal to the specified minimum tensile strengths of the material being welded.
- b. When joining similar materials, the chemical composition of the deposited weld metal shall match that of the base material as closely as possible.

However, this shall not preclude the use of welding materials containing alloying elements of different types or in different amounts than those in the base materials provided there is evidence that such elements are not harmful and are the only way to achieve desirable weld metal properties, such as adequate tensile strength after post weld heat treatment or adequate impact strength at low temperatures. In any case a written approval by Owner shall be obtained before production commence.

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8.1 FERRITIC STEELS

Filler metals for similar welds in ferritic steels shall meet the chemical and mechanical properties of the base material. In case of welding between dissimilar ferritic steels normally the lower grade weld filler metal shall be used. The use of filler material between dissimilar ferritic steel shall be approved by the Owner.

For carbon-molybdenum and chromium-molybdenum materials, the chromium and molybdenum content of deposited weld metal shall be verified by chemical analysis of the weld deposit on the procedure qualification test plates.

It shall be checked further by PMI examination performed in accordance with Job Specification DSF-SPC-QAC-004. PMI measurements shall be obtained from one location for each longitudinal joint between neighboring circumferential joints, one for each circumferential joint and one for each nozzle joint. Owner shall designate the locations at which PMI measurements are to be taken.

PMI examination shall be performed by a qualified, independent laboratory, and results shall be approved by Owner.

For welds or components that PMI measurements fail to meet requirements, the entire weld or component shall be removed and replaced, while PMI testing will be further extended.

8.2 AUSTENITIC STAINLESS STEEL AND HIGH NICKEL ALLOYS


Unless otherwise authorized in writing by the Owner, filler metals for joining similar and dissimilar stainless steels and high nickel alloys shall meet with requirements of TABLE 4, "Acceptable Filler Metals for Joining Austenitic Stainless Steels and High Nickel Alloys", of this specification. Additional requirements of the weld deposit are outlined in the notes of TABLE 4.

8.3 ALUMINIUM AND ALUMINIUM ALLOYS

Unless otherwise authorized in writing by the Owner, filler metals for joining similar and dissimilar aluminium and aluminium alloys shall meet with the requirements of TABLE 6, "Acceptable Filler Metals for Joining Aluminium and Aluminium Alloys" of this specification.

8.4 FERRITIC STEELS TO AUSTENITIC STAINLESS STEELS AND TO HIGH NICKEL ALLOYS

For Carbon and Low Alloys steels welded to Austenitic stainless steels (EN 10088 series) with operating temperatures below 370°C and in the absence of thermal cycling and PWHT requirements, Stainless Steel filler metal shall be used.

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For these dissimilar base metal combinations with operating temperatures above 370°C, or high frequency thermal cycling is anticipated, nickel alloy welding electrodes/filler metals such as (ENi6082, EN ISO 14172), (SNI6082, EN ISO 18274) or (ENi6092, EN ISO 14172) shall be used.

These filler metals are also an acceptable alternate to stainless steel for lower temperature, except where the environment contains sulphur.

If the environment contains sulphur above 370°C, or thermal cycling conditions are anticipated and/or PWHT is required, consult Owner for further requirements.

For carbon and low alloy steels welded to nickel alloys and in the absence of thermal cycling and of PWHT requirements, nickel alloy welding electrode/filler metals (ENi6082, EN ISO 14172), (SNI6082, EN ISO 18274) or (ENi6092, EN ISO 14172) shall be used.

If post weld heat treatment and/or thermal cycling are involved, consult Owner for further requirements.

For carbon and low alloy steels welded to Monel and in the absence of thermal cycling and of PWHT requirements, use welding electrode (ENi4060, EN ISO 14172) or (ENiCr30Fe9Nb) or nickel filler metal (SNI2061, EN ISO 18274).

If post weld heat treatment and/or thermal cycling are involved, consult Owner for further requirements.

9. POST WELD HEAT TREATMENT

Post weld heat treatments of carbon and low alloy steels shall meet with the following requirements:


- For vessels and equipment: EN 13445, TABLE 3 herein "PWHT requirements for Ferritic Steels". If the Standards specify higher post weld heat treating temperatures, they shall take precedence.
- For piping components: EN 13480, TABLE 3 herein "PWHT requirements for Ferritic Steels" of this specification.

If the Standards specify higher post weld heat treating temperatures, they shall take precedence.

All sizes and wall thickness of alloy steels shall be post weld heat treated.

When joining parts of different thicknesses, holding time shall be that for the thicker material.

Post weld heat treatment of solid austenitic stainless steel and/or high nickel alloy components shall not be performed, unless specifically required and approved by Owner.

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Stress relieve procedure for joints between austenitic stainless steel and other materials shall be submitted to Owner for review.

Post weld heat treatment of solid aluminium and/or aluminium alloy components shall not be performed, unless specifically required and approved by Owner.

Post weld heat treatment may be performed by electric induction, by electric resistance method, or in fuel- fired or electrical furnaces.

Equipment shall be provided to record the metal temperatures of the part of components being heat treated and to control heating and cooling rates and holding times.

When partial, multiple, or field post weld treatment and/or local PWHT of lined, clad, or overlaid equipment is involved, Contractor shall present details of proposed post weld heat treatment method to Owner for his review and approval.

All machined surfaces shall be protected against oxidation during heat treatment.

Unless otherwise allowed in writing by Owner, no welding nor striking of arcs are permitted after final post weld heat treatment.

10. QUALITY

10.1 REPAIR, INSPECTION, REJECTION

Weld repairs shall comply with the requirements of the applicable Standard as mentioned herein above, including preheat requirements or recommendations, postweld heat treatment requirements, and non-destructive examination.

Defects shall be removed by chipping, gouging, or grinding and the repaired weld shall be post weld heat treated, if PWHT was originally required, re-examined by the original method(s) for the presence of defects within the acceptance limits.

Welds indicating irremediable or injurious defects, improper fabrication and/or excessive repairs, shall be subject to rejection at any time, at Owner discretion.


For pressure-containing items, all required repairs of base metal shall be reported to Owner for review and approval, prior to making the repair.

All personnel performing NDT shall be qualified as minimum level II in accordance with EN ISO 9712

Inspection shall be performed on all full thickness butt welds as stated below:

10.1.1 PIPING

a. Radiographic technique shall conform to EN ISO 17636-1. Testing technique and level shall be selected according to EN ISO 17635 Annex A. Acceptance criteria shall be in

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accordance with the requirements of the relevant technical standards. All welds that are part of natural gas networks shall be examined 100%.

- b. Three-fifths of the welds examined shall consist of welds joints a welding neck flange to another component, if the fabrication involves such joints.
- c. The work of all welders and welding operators or combinations thereof of each low alloy, high alloy, non- ferrous materials, as per applicable ENs shall be included in radiography. Sufficient coverage on random or spot radiography shall also include the welding process(es) used by each welder or welding operator.

d. Non-Destructive Evaluation by Automatic Ultrasonic Methods (Phased Array / TOFD)

Automatic Ultrasonic examination of welds may be applied as alternative to the radiographic technique under the terms that will be agreed in the contract. Automatic ultrasonic examination shall be performed by approved equipment using Phased array/TOFD techniques.

Prior to use of an Automatic Ultrasonic testing technique, contractor shall submit a detailed written procedure for approval by the Owner. The submitted procedure shall include all aspects of testing, proposed defect acceptance limits, equipment calibration and qualification of the proposed method.

10.1.2 VESSELS AND EXCHANGERS


- a. Radiographic technique and acceptance requirements shall conform to EN ISO 17636-1.
- b. In cases where radiographic testing is not 100%, the work of all welders employed on the job shall be included in this radiography.
- c. When submerged arc welding has been used for main seams, all intersections of seams, and all stopping and starting points of weld beads shall be radiographed.

10.2 HARDNESS LIMITATIONS

Hardness limits in the base material, weld metal, and/or heat affected zones of piping and equipment shall be in accordance with the applicable technical specifications.

To verify compliance with the applicable hardness limitations, the following shall apply as minimum:

- For items or equipment-at least one hardness measurement shall be taken on 10% of the longitudinal seams, on 10% of the girth seams and on 10% of the nozzles-shell weldments.
- For piping and piping components-at least one hardness measurement shall be taken on 10% of the welds on pipe which does not require PWHT and on each furnace batch of piping

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which is heat treated after welding, hot forming, and hot bending. At least one hardness measurement shall be taken on 100% of those joints which are locally heat treated.

Areas to be checked shall be located by the Owner Inspector. If hardness measurements exceed the limitations, Owner shall be contacted for further resolution.

Owner approval shall be obtained for additional stress relieve treatments beyond that required by standards, item drawing, or this specification when used for the purpose of decreasing hardness.

For hydrogen service, production weldments shall be randomly checked for hardness with a portable hardness tester in accordance with ASTM A83 3 or ASTM E110. The maximum hardness is 237 BHN. Other hardness limits shall be as specified by the engineering design. The extent of hardness testing shall be based on the design criteria as follows:

- MAOP < 40% SMYS: 5% random
- MAOP ≥ 40% SMYS: 20% random
- MAOP ≥ 2,000 psig and all cyclic service conditions: 100%


10.2.1 ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR WELDING PROCEDURE QUALIFICATIONS

Procedure qualification tests for welding mild steels and alloyed steels shall include hardness tests of the weld metal and heat affected zone in as welded conditions or after post-weld heat treatment, if any. Hardness Testing is not required for the qualification of austenitic stainless steel or nickel alloy welding procedures, unless specifically required by the applicable technical standards.

Hardness shall be checked in fused zone, in heat affected zone (to the distance of 0.5 mm from the nearest point of the fuse zone) and in base material.

At least six check points are required for each line:

- The first line shall be positioned 1 mm below the external surface of the deposited material.
- The second line shall be positioned as near as practical midway between the surface and the center of thickness.
- The third line shall be positioned perpendicularly to the above line and shall be symmetrical to the welded area (center of weld).
- Where more than one welding process is involved (e.g. first pass TIG/ SMAW all the remaining passes, or SMAW/SAW combination) one additional check points line shall be foreseen, so that the passes of all processes are crossed by lines parallel to the first/second line.

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The hardness test of WPQR shall be carried out with Vickers Pyramid (VPN) 10 kp load or with Brinell std. ball 10 mm 3.000 kp.

If the manufacturer already holds WPQR record with hardness testing (on cross section), performed other than indicated above, he may be exempted from the above hardness testing requirements by Owner's written approval.

For Hydrogen service, hardness testing shall be conducted for welding procedure qualification tests with acceptance criteria described in ASME B31.12 section GR-3.10.

10.3 FERRITE MEASUREMENTS OF SOLID AUSTENITIC STAINLESS STEELS

The need for conducting ferrite measurements on austenitic stainless-steel production weldments shall be specified on the Owner drawings and/or requisitions and shall conform to the following restrictions:

- Ferrite measurements shall be taken in the as- welded condition prior to PWHT, if PWHT is required.
- Ferrite measurements shall be performed in the center of the weld utilizing a Ferritscope or by using the DeLong or Schaeffler diagrams in conjunction with the results of a chemical analysis.

The chemical analysis samples shall be removed from the center of the weld deposit at a thickness of 2 mm from the weld surface.

The magnetic gauge shall be calibrated before measurements by the manufacturer on at least two reference calibration blocks having a ferrite content in the range $3 \div 10$, and with a minimum spread of five (5) numbers, the reference blocks shall be either primary or secondary weld metal blocks as described in EN ISO 17655

An annual calibration certification for the equipment shall be available for the inspector.

One ferrite measurement shall be taken for every 3 m of weld with a minimum of four (4) measurements for each circumferential and two (2) measurements for each longitudinal weld.


A minimum of two (2) measurements shall be taken on each piping circumferential and longitudinal (if fabricated) joint.

A minimum of one ferrite measurement shall be taken on all nozzles penetration welds.

Measurement sites shall be designated by the Owner Inspector.

Unless otherwise specified on the Owner drawings, all ferrite measurement shall fall within the ferrite number range of 4 to 10.

If any ferrite measurement falls outside the permitted range, two additional measurements shall be taken adjacent to the original test. If these additional measurements fall outside the

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specified number range, the readings shall be referred to Owner for resolution and further action.

Ferrite measurements of solid austenitic stainless steel shall be reported on WPQR, when required in production.

Test methods, acceptable values, etc, shall be as for production welds.

10.4 WELDING REQUIREMENTS FOR IMPACT TESTING

10.4.1 PROCEDURE QUALIFICATION

Testing for welding procedure qualification, shall include Charpy V-notch testing of both the weld metal and the HAZ at the minimum design temperature. In case of multi-process welding qualifications, Charpy V-notch specimens shall be tested from each used welding process (weld metal and HAZ) as required by EN 15614-1.

10.4.2 PREVENTION OF STRESS RISERS

During production welding special care shall be taken to eliminate or prevent stress risers which might cause low impact strength due to notch effect or abrupt change in section.

Reference lines shall not be stamped upon the vessel.

Welder's and welding operator's symbols may be stamped upon the vessel in accordance with the provisions of EN 13445, provided that a round nose stamp is employed and that the symbol is located at least 25 mm from the edge of the weld.

10.5 WORKMANSHIP

Unless otherwise specified, reinforcement of butt weld on plate joints shall not exceed the following:

| Plate Thickness | Max. Thickness of Reinforcement, mm |
|----------------------|--|
| Up to 13 incl. | 2 |
| Over 13 to 25, incl. | 2.5 |
| Over 25 to 50, incl. | 3 |
| Over 50 | 4 |

Weld reinforcement of pipe joints shall not exceed 2 mm for wall thicknesses up to and including 13 mm or 3 mm for wall thicknesses over 13 mm and shall be dressed to blend smoothly into the adjacent surface.

Internal penetration on single welded butt joints shall not exceed 3 mm.



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11. TABLES


TABLE 1. - Acceptable Welding Processes

| Welding Process | Items to be specified in Welding Procedures | Restrictions (See next page) |
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| MMA (SMAW) - Manual Metal Arc. | a, b | 16 |
| TIG – Tungsten Inert Gas | a, b, c, d, e, f, h, k | 1,13 |
| PAW - Plasma Arc | a, b, c, d, e, f, h | 1 |
| MAG – Metal Active Gas | a, b, e, f, h, k | 1,2,3,12,13 |
| MAG – Metal Active Gas - CO ₂ Spray | a, b, e, h, k | 12,13 |
| MIG – Metal Inert Gas | a, b, e, f, h, i, k | 1,12,13 |
| MIG – Metal Inert Gas - Pulsed Arc | a, b, e, f, h, i, k | 1,2,3,12,13 |
| FCAW - Flux - Cored Arc - CO ₂ | a, b, e, h, i | 5,9,11 |
| FCAW - Flux - Cored Arc - Self | a, b, e, h, i | 5,9,11,14 |
| SAW - Submerged Arc | a, b, g, h, i, j | 4,5,8,10,11 |
| EGW - Electrode Gas | a, b, e, h, i, j | 6, 9 |
| ESW - Electroslag | a, b, d, g, h, i, j | 6, 9 |
| FGW - Oxy Fuel Gas | b, e | 7 |

Restrictions:

Unless otherwise authorized in writing by Owner, the use of these welding processes is subject to indicated restrictions:


1. Internal purging with inert gas is required for consumable insert welding of all materials and for root/second passes of single welded butt joints in materials with over 3% total alloy content.
2. Manual short arc or pulsed arc welding is:
 - a. Allowed for root pass welding of butt joints in any material regardless of thickness.
 - b. Allowed for full thickness butt welds and fillet welds in pressure parts, structural supports, and equipment internals if the thickness of either material at the joint does not exceed 9 mm.
 - c. Not allowed where large material mass heat sinks can affect the integrity of welds, such as nozzle welds, reinforcing pads, flange welds, etc., where the thickness of either material at the joint exceeds 9 mm.
 - d. Not allowed for piping of nominal diameter less than 75 mm, then only where the direction of travel is indicated in the procedure.
 - e. To be inspected as stated in previous paragraphs, with 5% of welds radiographed in addition to applicable European Standard requirements.

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- f. The work of all welders employed utilizing this process shall be included in the radiography.
 - g. Shall not be used to deposit filler passes or cover passes in the downhill direction.
 3. Automatic short arc or pulsed arc welding is allowed for full thickness butt welds in all sizes of piping within the following limitations:
 - a. PA position only.
 - b. For thickness over 9 mm, use of an automatic arc oscillator is recommended and a minimum current of 170 amperes is required for all passes after the root pass.
 - c. 5% of welds in thicknesses up to 9 mm and 10% of welds in thicknesses over 9 mm must be radiographed in addition to any applicable Standard requirements. Technique and acceptance standards shall be as stated in this specification.

The work of all welders employed utilizing this process shall be included in this radiography.

 - d. Not allowed where large material mass heat sinks can affect the integrity of welds, as with couplings, weldolets, branch welds, fillet welds on slip-on flanges, socket-welded flanges and fittings, etc, where the thickness of either material at the joint exceeds 9 mm.
 - e. Not allowed for piping of nominal diameter less than 75 mm, then only where the direction of travel is indicated in the procedure.
 - f. Shall not be used to deposit filler passes or cover passes in the downhill direction.
 4. The use of neutral flux (non-voltage sensitive) is required for submerged arc welding of carbon steel base metals thicker than 25 mm and for all materials over than carbon steel. If voltage sensitive flux (flux containing alloying elements) is used, each production weld shall be tested for hardness.
 5. The use of alloy wire and neutral flux, rather than alloying through the flux, is required where an alloy weld deposit is desired.
 6. Welding shall be followed by appropriate normalizing treatment to restore notch toughness to base material and weldments.
 7. Not allowed, unless authorized in writing by Owner.
 8. Use of manual submerged arc welding is not permitted.
- The manufacturer and brand name or grade of flux shall be specified in the welding procedure.
9. This welding process is not acceptable for field welding

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10. Start and run off pads of same materials as base material shall be used on all longitudinal seams.
11. The flux and wire combination actually used shall be the same used in the procedure qualification.
12. Gas Metal Arc welding shall not be used for welding attachment of nozzles to vessels.
13. When this welding process is used for field welding, suitable precautions shall be taken to shield the welding area from wind or drafts which could interfere with the shielding gas protection.
14. Self-shielded flux-cored arc welding, without external shielding gas, of carbon or alloy steels is not acceptable for pressure joints or for welds subject to vibration.
15. Individual beads deposited by standard automatic processes shall not exceed 6.35 mm deep.
16. Only low-hydrogen electrodes shall be used for shielded metal arc welding all carbon and low alloy steels, except for root pass welding of single side welded joints as specified in relevant paragraph of this specification.


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TABLE 2. - Specific items to be included in welding procedures

| Code used in table 1 | Description |
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| a | Welding current type, polarity, amperage(s) and voltage(s) including appropriate ranges. |
| b | Filler metal type, classification, where classified and manufacturer's designation. |
| c | Non-consumable electrode type. |
| d | Arc starting aids or devices. |
| e | Shielding gas composition and flow rate. |
| f | Composition and flow rate of internal gas purging. |
| g | Classification, if any, and manufacturer's trade name or designation for welding flux. |
| h | Travel speed for mechanized welding. |
| i | Special requirements such as constant potential power sources, pulse setting, wire feed or oscillation rates, electrode stick out, etc. (as applicable). |
| j | Single or multiple arcs. |
| k | Specific precautions that will be taken for field welding, if applicable, to prevent wind or drafts from interfering with the shielding gas protection. |

TABLE 3. - P.W.H.T. Requirements for Ferritic Steels

| | Temperature Range Degrees C (7) | | |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------|
| Material | Items of Equipment and Vessels | Piping and Piping Components | See note(s) |
| Carbon Steel | 600-650 | 600-650 | (1) |
| 0.5 Mo | 635-660 | 620-675 (4) 635-660 (5) | (1), (2) |
| 1.25 Cr - 0.5 Mo | 660-690 | 700-745 | (2), (3), (6) |
| 2.25 Cr - Mo | 675-700 | 700-760 | (2), (3), (6) |
| 9 Cr-1 Mo 5Cr-0.5 Mo | 720-745 | 700-760 | (2), (3), (6) |

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TABLE 3. - P.W.H.T. Requirements for Ferritic Steels (Cont'd)

Notes:

1. Weldment is only to be PWHT if required by Standards and/or by service requirements. Different PWHT temperatures than those mentioned in table 3 can be used if allowed by the applicable technical standards. If PWHT is required, use the indicated temperature range for holding temperature. Heating and cooling rates and holding time shall be as per requirements of applicable European Standards, and in case something is not covered by them, ASME, Piping Code, or applicable International Codes, unless otherwise specified.
2. PWHT over 660°C may damage properties of carbon steel, carbon 1/2 Mo and Mn-Mo. Contractor shall be responsible to procure materials that will satisfy specified materials properties after PWHT at the specified temperatures. Mill test reports shall be based on test samples post weld heat treated at the specified temperatures. Consult with Owner, if necessary
3. Where restraint conditions necessitate the practice of post weld heat treating the chrome-moly alloy steels immediately upon completion of welding, it is recommended that the welds be cooled to 120°-150°C after welding and prior to initiating the post weld heat treatment.
4. Use for alloy steels having a minimum specified tensile strength of less than or equal to 500 N/mm² for thicknesses greater than 19 mm.
5. Use for alloy steels having a minimum specified tensile strength greater than 500 N/mm² for all thicknesses.
6. Welds for all thicknesses shall require PWHT

Use the indicated temperature range for the holding temperature. Heating and cooling rates and holding time shall be as per requirements of applicable European Standards, and in case something is not covered by them, ASME, Piping Code, or applicable International Codes, unless otherwise specified.
7. When chrome-moly castings are to be welded either in shop or in field, they shall always be postweld heat treated.
8. Chrome moly piping and fittings shall always be post-weld heat treated except as allowed by standard and piping material specifications.



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**TABLE 4 - ACCEPTABLE FILLER METALS FOR JOINING AUSTENITIC STAINLESS
STEELS AND HIGH NICKEL (1),(2),(3),(4),(5),(6),(7),(8)**

| MAT'LS TO BE USED | 301 302 304(6) | 304L | 309 309S | 310 310S | 316 (3) (6) | 316L (3) | 317 (3) | 321 (6) | 347 (6) | 348 | Incoloy 800 Inconel 600 | Monel |
|----------------------------|----------------------|------|-------------|-------------|-------------------|-------------|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--|-------|
| 301 302 304 (6) | 308 | 308 | 308 | 308 309 | 308 309 | 308 | 308 | 308 | 308 | 308 | ENi6082 (EN ISO 14172) SNI6082 (EN ISO 18274) | — |
| 304L | | 308L | 308 | 308 309 | 308 | 308L | 308 | 308L | 308L | 308L | ENi6082 (EN ISO 14172) SNI6082 (EN ISO 18274) | — |
| 309 309S | | | 309 | 309 | 309 316 | 316 309 | 317 30 | 347 309 | 347 309 | 348 309 | ENi6082 (EN ISO 14172) SNI6082 (EN ISO 18274) | — |
| 310 310S | | | | 310 | 309 316 | 309 316 | 309 | 309 | 309 | 309 | ENi6082 (EN ISO 14172) | — |
| 316 (3)(6) | | | | | 316 | 316 | 316 | 316 | 316 | 316 | ENi6082 (EN ISO 14172) SNI6082 (EN ISO 18274) | — |
| 316L (3) | | | | | | 316L | 316 | 316L 321 | 316L 347 | 316L 348 | ENi6082 (EN ISO 14172) SNI6082 (EN ISO 18274) | — |
| 317 (3) | | | | | | | 317 | 317 321 | 317 347 | 317 348 | ENi6082 (EN ISO 14172) SNI6082 (EN ISO 18274) | — |
| 321 (6) | | | | | | | | 321 347 | 321 347 | 347 348 | ENi6082 (EN ISO 14172) SNI6082 (EN ISO 18274) | — |
| 347 (6) | | | | | | | | | 347 | 347 348 | ENi6082 (EN ISO 14172) SNI6082 (EN ISO 18274) | — |
| 348 | | | | | | | | | | 348 | ENi6082 (EN ISO 14172) SNI6082 (EN ISO 18274) | — |
| Incoloy 800 Inconel 600 | | | | | | | | | | | ENi6082 (EN ISO 14172) SNI6082 (EN ISO 18274) | |
| Monel | | | | | | | | | | | ENi4060 (EN ISO 14172) SNI4060 (EN ISO 18274) | — |


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TABLE 4. -Acceptable Filler Metals for Joining Austenitic Stainless Steels and High-Nickel Alloys (1), (2), (3), (4), (5), (6), (7), (8) (Cont'd)

Notes:

1. Deposited stainless steel weld metal shall have delta ferrite content as specified in this specification.
2. Low carbon filler wires will result in lower tensile strengths. They shall only be used if either specifically requested by Owner or specifically approved in writing by Owner.
3. Filler metals used in welding 316, 316L, or 317 parts in fatty acid service shall contain a minimum Mo content of 2.5% and a maximum carbon content of 0.03%.
4. Where type 347 filler metal is specified, this applies to coated electrodes. For bare welding filler metal, use type 321.
5. For materials and/or combinations of materials not listed in table 4, consult Owner for specific recommendations.
6. Where High carbon grade materials (i.e 304H, 316H, 321H, 347H) are welded together the filler metal shall have a carbon content of 0,04% to 0.08%, this is applied in equipment and piping operating in "Creep" range.
7. Do not use type 347 filler materials when design temperature is above 400°C
consult Owner when higher design temperature is encountered.
8. Filler metal used in welding Monel parts in hydrofluoric acid service shall contain no niobium.

TABLE 5. - Acceptable Filler Metals for Weld Deposit and Clad Restoring

| Cladding material | Filler materials for weld deposit and clad restoring (3),(4) | |
|----------------------------|--|-------------------|
| 70 Ni 30 Cu (5) | ENi4060 (EN ISO 14172) (1) | |
| 12%Cr Type 410 | Do not overlay | |
| 12%Cr Type 410 S (2) | Cyclic service : ENi6082 & ENi6092 (ELOT EN ISO 14172) SNi6082 (ELOT EN ISO 8274) Low sulphur Temp ≤ 425 °C: T 2312L (ISO 17633) S ≤ 0.5% max. S 2312L (EN 12072) Temp > 425 °C: ENi6082 (ELOT EN ISO 4172) SNi6082 (EN ISO 18274) High sulphur T 2312L (ISO 17633) S > 0.5% S 2312L (EN 12072) | |
| Austenitic stainless steel | First pass | Subsequent passes |
| Type 304 | 309L | 308 |
| Type 304 | 309L | 308L |
| Type 316 | 309L | 316 |
| Type 316 | 309L | 316L |
| Type 321/347 | 309L | 347 |
| Nickel 200 | E Ni 1 | |


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TABLE 5. - Acceptable Filler Metals for Weld Deposit and Clad Restoring (Cont'd)

Notes:


1. Monel welding electrode 190 or equal.
2. Consult Owner Material/Welding engineer for the selection of filler material.
3. The chemical composition of weld overlays shall meet the requirements of EN 1011-5 and EN ISO 9692-4, pertinent specifications.
4. All overlaying requires at least two passes, unless Vendor verifies that other processes can meet chemical requirements.
5. Overlays usually require a minimum of two layers however, single-layer overlays are acceptable provided dimensional requirement are met, chemical composition, at the specified depth, and soundness are satisfactory.
Owner approval is required prior to use in fabrication.
The number of layers in production shall not be less than the number of layers in the procedure qualification test.
6. Annealed Monel material.

**TABLE 6 -ACCEPTABLE FILLER METALS FOR JOINING ALUMINUM AND
ALUMINUM ALLOYS (1)**

| Material to be welded | 1060 | 1100 | 3003 | 3004 | 5050 | 5052 5652 | 5083 | 5086 | 5154 5254 | 5456 | 6061 6063 |
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| 1060 | ER 1260 ER 4043 | ER 1100 ER 4043 | ER 1100 ER 4043 | ER 4043 | ER 1100 ER 4043 | ER 4043 | ER 4043 ER 5356 | ER 4043 ER 5356 | ER 4043 ER 5183 | ER 4043 ER 5356 | ER 4043 |
| 1100 | | ER 1100 ER 4043 | ER 1100 ER 4043 | ER 4043 ER 5356 | ER 4043 ER 5356 | ER 4043 ER 5356 | ER 4043 ER 5356 | ER 4043 ER 5356 | ER 4043 ER 5183 | ER 4043 ER 5356 | ER 4043 |
| 3003 | | | ER 1100 ER 4043 | ER 4043 ER 5356 | ER 4043 ER 5356 | ER 4043 ER 5356 | ER 4043 ER 5356 | ER 4043 ER 5356 | ER 4043 ER 5183 | ER 4043 ER 5356 | ER 4043 |
| 3004 | | | | ER 4043 ER 5356 | ER 4043 ER 5356 | ER 4043 ER 5356 | ER 5356 ER 5556 | ER 5356 ER 5556 | ER 5356 ER 5654 | ER 5356 ER 5556 | ER 4043 ER 5356 |
| 5050 | | | | | ER 4043 ER 5356 | ER 4043 ER 5356 | ER 5356 ER 5556 | ER 5356 ER 5556 | ER 5356 ER 5654 | ER 5356 ER 5556 | ER 4043 ER 5356 |
| 5052 5652 | | | | | | ER 4043 ER 5356 | ER 5356 ER 5556 | ER 5356 ER 5556 | ER 5356 ER 5654 | ER 5356 ER 5556 | ER 5356 ER 5556 |
| 5083 | | | | | | | ER 5183 ER 5356 | ER 5356 ER 5556 | ER 5356 ER 5556 | ER 5183 ER 5556 | ER 5356 ER 5556 |
| 5086 | | | | | | | | ER 5356 ER 5556 | ER 5356 ER 5556 | ER 5356 ER 5556 | ER 5356 ER 5556 |
| 5154 5254 | | | | | | | | | ER 5356 ER 5654 | ER 5356 ER 5556 | ER 5356 ER 5556 |
| 5456 | | | | | | | | | | ER5356 ER5556 | ER5356 ER5556 |
| 6061 6063 | | | | | | | | | | | ER4043 ER5356 |

Notes:

1. The filler metal listed on the top line of each combination is the preferred wire. The filler metal listed on the bottom line of each combination is an acceptable alternate.
2. The choice of filler metal may be limited by service conditions such as immersion in fresh

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or salt water, exposure to specific chemicals, or to a sustained temperature between 65 °C and 230 °C.

Contact Owner if such condition exists for specific recommendation.

The following documents are attached to the present Job specification "Inspection and Test Instructions" and shall be submitted to Purchaser offices during the relevant inspection activities:

- a)** "Contents of Inspection Data Book".
- b)** Cover page of "Inspection Data Book".
- c)** "Form SUB-ORDER STATUS".
- d)** Sample of "Materials Certificates" Index.
- e)** Sample of "Notice for Inspection".

Note: The above-mentioned documents will be finally reviewed by the Owner / Owner's representative, after the contract award.