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This fourth edition cancels and replaces the third edition (ISO 15614-13:2021), which has been technically revised.

The main changes are as follows:

- petal test changed to bend test and bend test changed to three-point bend test;
- scope aligned with ISO 15614-1;
- [Clauses 2, 3, 7 and 8](#) updated;
- clause numbering revised;
- [Annex A](#) and Annex B combined into a new [Annex A](#).
- [Table 1](#) modified;
- Clause 9 aligned with ISO 15614-1;

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Introduction

It is intended that all new welding procedure qualifications be carried out in accordance with this document from the date of its publication.

However, this document does not invalidate previous welding procedure qualifications made to other standards or specifications, provided the intent of its technical requirements is satisfied and the previous welding procedure qualifications are relevant to the application and production work on which they are to be employed.

The primary purpose of welding procedure qualification is to demonstrate that the joining process proposed for construction is capable of producing joints having the required mechanical properties for the intended application.

Details of the ISO 15614 series are given in ISO 15607:2019, Annex A.

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1 Scope

This document specifies how a preliminary welding procedure specification (pWPS) is qualified by welding procedure tests.

This document defines the conditions for the execution of welding procedure tests and the range of qualification for welding procedures for all welding operations within the qualification of this document.

Two classes of welding procedure tests are given in order to permit application to a wide range of welded fabrication. They are designated by classes A and B. In class A, the extent of testing is greater and the ranges of qualification are more restrictive than in class B.

Procedure tests carried out to class A automatically qualify for class B requirements, but not vice-versa.

When no class is specified in a contract or application standard, all the requirements of class A apply.

NOTE Class B corresponds to level 1 and class A corresponds to level 2 in accordance with ISO 15614-1.

This document applies to upset (resistance butt) welding and flash welding of any metallic materials in all product forms (e.g. with solid, tubular, flat or circular cross-sections). It covers the following resistance welding processes, as defined in ISO 4063:2023:

- 24 – flash welding, using direct current or alternating current with various movement sequences, constant flashing and pulsed flashing;
- 25 – resistance butt welding (upset welding), using direct current or alternating current with various current and pressure sequences.

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 669, *Resistance welding — Resistance welding equipment — Mechanical and electrical requirements*

ISO 4136, *Destructive tests on welds in metallic materials — Transverse tensile test*

ISO 5173, *Destructive tests on welds in metallic materials — Bend tests*

ISO 6520-2, *Welding and allied processes — Classification of geometric imperfections in metallic materials — Part 2: Welding with pressure*

ISO 6892-1, *Metallic materials — Tensile testing — Part 1: Method of test at room temperature*

ISO 9015-2, *Destructive tests on welds in metallic materials — Hardness testing — Part 2: Microhardness testing of welded joints*