
**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**

*Descriptif et qualification d'un mode opératoire de soudage pour
les matériaux métalliques — Épreuve de qualification d'un mode
opératoire de soudage —*

*Partie 1: Soudage à l'arc et aux gaz des aciers et soudage à l'arc du
nickel et des alliages de nickel*





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Introduction

All new welding procedure tests are to be carried out in accordance with this document from the date of its issue. However, this document does not invalidate previous welding procedure tests made to former national standards or specifications or previous issues of this document.

Two levels of welding procedure tests are given in order to permit application to a wide range of welded fabrication. They are designated by levels 1 and 2.

Level 1 is based on requirements of ASME Section IX and level 2 is based on the previous issues of this document.

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1 Scope

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

This document applies to production welding, repair welding and build-up welding.

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

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.

Two levels of welding procedure tests are given in order to permit application to a wide range of welded fabrication. They are designated by levels 1 and 2. In level 2, the extent of testing is greater and the ranges of qualification are more restrictive than in level 1.

Procedure tests carried out to level 2 automatically qualify for level 1 requirements, but not vice-versa.

When no level is specified in a contract or application standard, all the requirements of level 2 apply.

This document applies to the arc and gas welding of steels in all product forms and the arc welding of nickel and nickel alloys in all product forms.

Arc and gas welding are covered by the following processes in accordance with ISO 4063.

111 — manual metal arc welding (metal-arc welding with covered electrode);

114 — self-shielded tubular-cored arc welding;

12 — submerged arc welding;

13 — gas-shielded metal arc welding;

14 — gas-shielded arc welding with non-consumable electrode;

15 — plasma arc welding;

311 — oxy-acetylene welding.

The principles of this document may be applied to other fusion welding processes.

NOTE A former process number does not require a new qualification test according to this document.

Specification and qualification of welding procedures that were made in accordance with previous editions of this document may be used for any application for which the current edition is specified. In this case, the ranges of qualification of previous editions remain applicable.