
**Welding consumables — Wire electrodes,
wires, rods and deposits for gas-shielded
arc welding of creep-resisting steels —
Classification**

*Produits consommables pour le soudage — Fils-électrodes, fils,
baguettes et dépôts pour le soudage à l'arc sous protection gazeuse
des aciers résistant au fluage — Classification*

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Foreword

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Introduction

This International Standard provides a classification in order to designate wire electrodes, wires and rods in terms of their chemical composition and, where required, in terms of the yield strength, tensile strength and elongation of the all-weld metal deposit. The ratio of yield to tensile strength of weld metal is generally higher than that of parent metal. Users should note that matching weld metal yield strength to parent metal yield strength will not necessarily ensure that the weld metal tensile strength matches that of the parent material. Where the application requires matching tensile strength, therefore, selection of the consumable should be made by reference to column 4 of Table 2.

It should be noted that the mechanical properties of all-weld metal test pieces used to classify the electrodes, wires and rods will vary from those obtained in production joints because of differences in welding procedure such as electrode size, width of weave, welding position and material composition.

This International Standard was prepared in collaboration with the International Institute of Welding. It recognizes that there are two somewhat different approaches in the global market to classifying a given wire electrode, wire, rod or deposit, and allows for either or both to be used to suit a particular market need. Application of either type of classification designation (or of both, where suitable) identifies a product as classified in accordance with this International Standard. The classification in accordance with system A is mainly based on EN 12070:1999. The classification in accordance with system B is mainly based upon standards used around the Pacific Rim. Future revisions will aim to merge the two approaches into a single classification system.

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1 Scope

This International Standard specifies requirements for classification of wire electrodes, wires and rods for gas-shielded metal arc welding and tungsten inert-gas welding of creep-resisting steels, and for their deposits in the as-welded or post-weld heat-treated condition. One wire electrode can be tested and classified with different shielding gases.

This International Standard is a combined specification providing for classification utilizing a system based upon the chemical composition of wire electrodes, wires and rods with requirements for yield strength and average impact energy of 47 J of all-weld metal, or utilizing a system based upon the tensile strength of the all-weld metal deposits and the chemical composition of wire electrodes, wires and rods.

- 1) Clauses, subclauses and tables which carry the suffix letter "A" are applicable only to wire electrodes, wires, rods and deposits classified in accordance with the system based upon the chemical composition with requirements for yield strength and the average impact energy of 47 J of all-weld metal deposits under this International Standard.
- 2) Clauses, subclauses and tables which carry the suffix letter "B" are applicable only to wire electrodes, wires, rods and deposits classified in accordance with the system based upon the tensile strength of all-weld metal deposits and the chemical composition of wire electrodes, wires and rods under this International Standard.
- 3) Clauses, subclauses and tables which do not have either the suffix letter "A" or the suffix letter "B" are applicable to all wire electrodes, wires, rods and deposits classified under this International Standard.

2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application 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 31-0:1992, *Quantities and units — Part 0: General principles*

ISO 544, *Welding consumables — Technical delivery conditions for welding filler materials — Type of product, dimensions, tolerances and markings*

ISO 4063, *Welding and allied processes — Nomenclature of processes and reference numbers*

ISO 13916, *Welding — Guidance on the measurement of preheating temperature, interpass temperature and preheat maintenance temperature*

ISO 14175, *Welding consumables — Gases and gas mixtures for fusion welding and allied processes*

ISO 14344, *Welding and allied processes — Flux and gas shielded electrical welding processes — Procurement guidelines for consumables*

ISO 15792-1, *Welding consumables — Test methods — Part 1: Test methods for all-weld metal test specimens in steel, nickel and nickel alloys*

3 Classification

Classification designations are based upon two approaches to indicate the chemical composition of the wire electrode, wire or rod, and tensile properties and impact properties of the all-weld metal deposits obtained with a given wire electrode, wire or rod. The two designation approaches include additional designators for some other classification requirements, but not all, as will be clear from the following clauses. In most cases, a given commercial product can be classified in accordance with both systems. Then either or both classification designations can be used for the product.

A wire electrode, wire or rod shall be classified in accordance with its chemical composition as given in Table 1.

When the wire electrode, wire, rod or deposit is classified in combination with a shielding gas, the classification shall be prefixed with a symbol in accordance with Clause 4 as appropriate.

3A Classification by chemical composition

The classification is divided into two parts:

- 1) the first part gives a symbol indicating the product/process to be identified;
- 2) the second part gives a symbol indicating the chemical composition of the wire electrode, wire or rod used (see Table 1).

3B Classification by tensile strength and chemical composition

The classification is divided into four parts:

- 1) the first part gives a symbol indicating the product/process to be identified;
- 2) the second part gives a symbol indicating the strength and elongation of the all-weld metal deposit in the post-weld heat-treated condition (see Table 2);
- 3) the third part gives a symbol indicating the shielding gas used (see 4.4);
- 4) the fourth part gives a symbol indicating the chemical composition of the wire electrode, wire or rod used (see Table 1).

4 Symbols and requirements

4.1 Symbol for the product/process

The symbol for the wire electrode, wire or rod used in the arc welding process shall be the letter G (gas metal arc welding, process 135, in accordance with ISO 4063) and/or W (tungsten inert-gas welding, process 141, in accordance with ISO 4063) placed at the beginning of the designation.

4.2 Symbol for the chemical composition of wire electrodes, wires and rods

The symbol in Table 1 indicates the chemical composition of the wire electrode, wire or rod, determined under the conditions given in Clause 6.

4.3 Symbol for the mechanical properties of all-weld metal

4.3A Classification by chemical composition

No symbol shall be used for the mechanical properties of the all-weld metal. The all-weld metal deposit obtained with the wire electrodes, wires and rods in Table 1 under the conditions given in Clause 5 shall also fulfil the mechanical property requirements specified in Table 2.

4.3B Classification by tensile strength and chemical composition

The symbol for the tensile strength of the all-weld metal deposit produced by the gas-shielded metal arc welding process and the tungsten inert-gas welding process shall be 49 for 490 MPa minimum tensile strength, 52 for 520 MPa minimum tensile strength, 55 for 550 MPa minimum tensile strength and 62 for 620 MPa minimum tensile strength. The complete mechanical property requirements that shall be fulfilled by the various compositions are specified in Table 2.

4.4 Symbol for shielding gas

4.4A Classification by chemical composition

No symbol shall be used for the shielding gas.

4.4B Classification by tensile strength and chemical composition

The symbols C and M indicate shielding gas as described in ISO 14175. No symbol shall be used for tungsten inert-gas welding when argon shielding gas as per ISO 14175 is used.

The symbol C shall be used when the classification has been performed with the shielding gas ISO 14175 – C1, carbon dioxide.

The symbol M shall be used when the classification has been performed with the shielding gas ISO 14175 – M21, but restricted to Ar + 18 % to 25 % CO₂.

The symbol A shall be used when the classification has been performed with Ar + 1 % to 5 % O₂. This range of gas mixtures is not described in ISO 14175.

4.5 Rounding-off procedure

For the purposes of determining compliance with the requirements of this International Standard, the actual test values obtained shall be subjected to the rounding-off instructions given in ISO 31-0:1992, Annex B, Rule A. If the measured values are obtained by equipment calibrated in units other than those of this International Standard, the measured values shall be converted to the units of this International Standard before rounding off. If an average value is to be compared to the requirements of this International Standard, rounding off shall be done only after calculating the average. In the case where the testing standard cited in the normative references of this International Standard contains instructions for rounding off that conflict with the instructions of this International Standard, the rounding off requirements of the testing standard shall apply. The rounded-off results shall fulfil the requirements of the appropriate table for the classification under test.

Table 1 — Symbols and all-weld metal chemical composition requirements

Symbol for classification in accordance with		Chemical composition % (by mass) a, b												
		C	Si	Mn	P	S	Ni	Cr	Mo	Cu	Ti	V	Other elements	
chemical composition ^c ISO 21952-A	tensile strength and chemical composition ^d ISO 21952-B	0,08 to 0,15	0,50 to 0,80	0,70 to 1,30	0,020	0,020	—	—	0,40 to 0,60	—	—	—	—	
	(1M3)	0,12	0,30 to 0,70	1,30	0,025	0,025	0,20	—	0,40 to 0,65	0,35	—	—	—	
	1M3	0,08 to 0,15	0,05 to 0,25	0,30 to 1,70	0,025	0,025	—	—	0,45 to 0,65	—	—	—	—	
	MnMo	0,12	0,60 to 0,90	1,10 to 1,60	0,025	0,025	—	—	0,40 to 0,65	0,50	—	—	—	
	3M3 ^e	0,12	0,40 to 1,00	1,00 to 1,80	0,025	0,025	—	—	0,40 to 0,65	0,50	0,02 to 0,30	—	—	
	3M3T ^e	0,06 to 0,15	0,40 to 0,70	0,70 to 1,10	0,020	0,020	—	0,30 to 0,60	0,50 to 1,00	—	—	0,20 to 0,40	—	
	MoVSi	0,12	0,10 to 0,40	0,20 to 1,00	0,025	0,025	—	0,40 to 0,90	0,40 to 0,65	0,40	—	—	—	
	CM	0,12	0,30 to 0,90	1,00 to 1,80	0,025	0,025	—	0,30 to 0,70	0,40 to 0,65	0,40	0,02 to 0,30	—	—	
	CMT ^e	0,08 to 0,14	0,50 to 0,80	0,80 to 1,20	0,020	0,020	—	0,90 to 1,30	0,40 to 0,65	—	—	—	—	
	(1CM3)	0,06 to 0,15	0,50 to 0,80	0,80 to 1,20	0,020	0,020	—	0,90 to 1,30	0,90 to 1,30	—	—	0,10 to 0,35	—	
(CrMo1Si)	1CM	0,07 to 0,12	0,40 to 0,70	0,40 to 0,70	0,025	0,025	0,20	1,20 to 1,50	0,40 to 0,65	0,35	—	—	—	
	1CM1	0,12	0,20 to 0,50	0,60 to 0,90	0,025	0,025	—	1,00 to 1,60	0,30 to 0,65	0,40	—	—	—	
	1CM2	0,05 to 0,15	0,15 to 0,40	1,60 to 2,00	0,025	0,025	—	1,00 to 1,60	0,40 to 0,65	0,40	—	—	—	
	1CM3	0,12	0,30 to 0,90	0,80 to 1,50	0,025	0,025	—	1,00 to 1,60	0,40 to 0,65	0,40	—	—	—	
	1CML	0,05	0,40 to 0,70	0,40 to 0,70	0,025	0,025	0,20	1,20 to 1,50	0,40 to 0,65	0,35	—	—	—	
	1CML1	0,05	0,20 to 0,80	0,80 to 1,40	0,025	0,025	—	1,00 to 1,60	0,40 to 0,65	0,40	—	—	—	
	1CMT	0,05 to 0,15	0,30 to 0,90	0,80 to 1,50	0,025	0,025	—	1,00 to 1,60	0,40 to 0,65	0,40	0,02 to 0,30	—	—	
	1CMT1	0,12	0,30 to 0,90	1,20 to 1,90	0,025	0,025	—	1,00 to 1,60	0,40 to 0,65	0,40	0,02 to 0,30	—	—	
	(2C1M3)	0,04 to 0,12	0,50 to 0,80	0,80 to 1,20	0,020	0,020	—	2,3 to 3,0	0,90 to 1,20	—	—	—	—	
	(2C1ML1)	0,05	0,50 to 0,80	0,80 to 1,20	0,020	0,020	—	2,3 to 3,0	0,90 to 1,20	—	—	—	—	
(CrMo2Si)	2C1M	0,07 to 0,12	0,40 to 0,70	0,40 to 0,70	0,025	0,025	0,20	2,30 to 2,70	0,90 to 1,20	0,35	—	—	—	
	2C1M1	0,05 to 0,15	0,10 to 0,50	0,30 to 0,60	0,025	0,025	—	2,10 to 2,70	0,85 to 1,20	0,40	—	—	—	
	2C1M2	0,05 to 0,15	0,10 to 0,60	0,50 to 1,20	0,025	0,025	—	2,10 to 2,70	0,85 to 1,20	0,40	—	—	—	
	2C1M3	0,12	0,30 to 0,90	0,75 to 1,50	0,025	0,025	—	2,10 to 2,70	0,90 to 1,20	0,40	—	—	—	
	2C1ML	0,05	0,40 to 0,70	0,40 to 0,70	0,025	0,025	0,20	2,30 to 2,70	0,90 to 1,20	0,35	—	—	—	
	2C1ML	0,05	0,40 to 0,70	0,40 to 0,70	0,025	0,025	—	2,30 to 2,70	0,90 to 1,20	0,35	—	—	—	

Table 1 (continued)

Symbol for classification in accordance with		Chemical composition % (by mass) ^{a, b}											Other elements	
		chemical composition ^c ISO 21952-A	tensile strength and chemical composition ^d ISO 21952-B	C	Si	Mn	P	S	Ni	Cr	Mo	Cu		Ti
(CrMo2LSi)	2C1ML1	0,05	0,30 to 0,90	0,80 to 1,40	0,025	0,025	—	2,10 to 2,70	0,90 to 1,20	0,40	—	—	—	—
	2C1MV	0,05 to 0,15	0,10 to 0,50	0,20 to 1,00	0,025	0,025	—	2,10 to 2,70	0,85 to 1,20	0,40	—	—	0,15 to 0,50	—
	2C1MV1	0,12	0,10 to 0,70	0,80 to 1,60	0,025	0,025	—	2,10 to 2,70	0,90 to 1,20	0,40	—	—	0,15 to 0,50	—
	2C1MT	0,05 to 0,15	0,35 to 0,80	0,75 to 1,50	0,025	0,025	—	2,10 to 2,70	0,90 to 1,20	0,40	0,02 to 0,30	—	—	—
	2C1MT1	0,04 to 0,12	0,20 to 0,80	1,60 to 2,30	0,025	0,025	—	2,10 to 2,70	0,90 to 1,20	0,40	0,02 to 0,30	—	—	—
	3C1M	0,12	0,10 to 0,70	0,50 to 1,20	0,025	0,025	—	2,75 to 3,75	0,90 to 1,20	0,40	—	—	—	—
	3C1MV	0,05 to 0,15	0,5	0,20 to 1,00	0,025	0,025	—	2,75 to 3,75	0,90 to 1,20	0,40	—	—	0,15 to 0,50	—
	3C1MV1	0,12	0,10 to 0,70	0,80 to 1,60	0,025	0,025	—	2,75 to 3,75	0,90 to 1,20	0,40	—	—	0,15 to 0,50	—
CrMo5Si	(5CM)	0,03 to 0,10	0,30 to 0,60	0,30 to 0,70	0,020	0,020	—	5,5 to 6,5	0,50 to 0,80	—	—	—	—	—
(CrMo5Si)	5CM	0,10	0,50	0,40 to 0,70	0,025	0,025	0,60	4,50 to 6,00	0,45 to 0,65	0,35	—	—	—	—
CrMo9		0,06 to 0,10	0,30 to 0,60	0,30 to 0,70	0,025	0,025	1,0	8,5 to 10,0	0,80 to 1,20	—	—	—	0,15	—
CrMo9Si	(9C1M)	0,03 to 0,10	0,40 to 0,80	0,40 to 0,80	0,020	0,020	—	8,5 to 10,0	0,80 to 1,20	—	—	—	—	—
CrMo91		0,07 to 0,15	0,60	0,4 to 1,5	0,020	0,020	0,4 to 1,0	8,0 to 10,5	0,80 to 1,20	0,25	—	—	0,15 to 0,30	Nb: 0,03 to 0,10 N: 0,02 to 0,07
(CrMo9Si)	9C1M	0,10	0,50	0,40 to 0,70	0,025	0,025	0,50	8,00 to 10,50	0,80 to 1,20	0,35	—	—	—	—
	9C1MV	0,07 to 0,13	0,15 to 0,50	1,20	0,010	0,010	0,80	8,00 to 10,50	0,85 to 1,20	0,20	—	—	0,15 to 0,30	Nb: 0,02 to 0,10 Al: 0,04 N: 0,03 to 0,07 Mn + Ni: 1,50

Table 1 (continued)

Symbol for classification in accordance with		Chemical composition % (by mass) a, b											Other elements
		C	Si	Mn	P	S	Ni	Cr	Mo	Cu	Ti	V	
chemical composition ^c ISO 21952-A	tensile strength and chemical composition ^d ISO 21952-B	0,12	0,50	0,50 to 1,25	0,025	0,025	0,10 to 0,80	8,00 to 10,50	0,80 to 1,20	0,40	—	0,10 to 0,35	Nb: 0,01 to 0,12 N: 0,01 to 0,05
	9C1MV1												
	9C1MV2	0,12	0,10 to 0,60	1,20 to 1,90	0,025	0,025	0,20 to 1,00	8,00 to 10,50	0,80 to 1,20	0,40	—	0,15 to 0,50	Nb: 0,01 to 0,12 N: 0,01 to 0,05
CrMoWV12Si		0,17 to 0,24	0,20 to 0,60	0,40 to 1,00	0,025	0,020	0,8	10,5 to 12,0	0,80 to 1,20	—	—	0,20 to 0,40	W: 0,35 to 0,80
Z ^f	G ^f	Any other agreed composition											

a A designation in parentheses, e.g. (CrMo1) or (1CM), indicates a near match in the other designation system, but not an exact match. The correct designation for a given composition range is the one not in parentheses. A given product may, by having a more restricted chemical composition which fulfils both sets of designation requirements, be assigned both designations independently, provided that the mechanical property requirements of Table 2 are also satisfied.

b Single values shown in the table are maximum values.

c If not specified, Ni < 0,3, Cu < 0,3, V < 0,03, Nb < 0,01 and Cr < 0,2.

d The weld metal shall be analysed for the specific elements for values as shown in this table. Other elements listed without specified values shall be reported, if intentionally added. The total of these latter (unspecified) elements and all other elements not intentionally added shall not exceed 0,50 %.

e Compositions containing approximately 0,5 % Mo, without Cr and with Mn significantly in excess of 1 % may not provide optimum creep resistance.

f Consumables for which the chemical composition is not listed in the table shall be symbolized similarly and prefixed by the letter Z (ISO 21952-A) or G (ISO 21952-B). The chemical composition ranges are not specified and therefore two electrodes with the same Z or G classification may not be interchangeable.

Table 2 — Mechanical properties of all-weld metal

chemical composition ^a	Symbol for classification in accordance with tensile strength and chemical composition ^{a, i} ISO 21952-B	Minimum proof strength ^b MPa	Minimum tensile strength MPa	Minimum elongation ^c %	Impact energy at +20 °C ^j		Heat treatment of all-weld metal		
					Minimum average from three test pieces	Minimum single value ^d	Preheat and interpass temperature °C	Post-weld heat treatment of test piece Temperature °C	Time min
	X 52X 1M3	400	520	17	—	—	135 to 165	605 to 635 ^e	60 ^f
MoSi	(1M3)	355	510	22	47	38	< 200	—	—
MnMo	(3M3)	355	510	22	47	38	< 200	—	—
(MoSi)	X 49X 3M3 X 49X 3M3T	390	490	22	—	—	135 to 165	605 to 635 ^e	60 ^f
MoVSi		355	510	18	47	38	200 to 300	690 to 730 ^g	60 ^f
(CrMo1Si)	X 55X CM X 55X CMT	470	550	17	—	—	135 to 165	605 to 635 ^e	60 ^f
CrMo1Si	(1CM)	355	510	20	47	38	150 to 250	660 to 700 ^g	60 ^f
(CrMo1Si)	X 55X 1CM	470	550	17	—	—	135 to 165	605 to 635 ^e	60 ^f
(CrMo1Si)	X 55X 1CM1 X 55X 1CM2 X 55X 1CM3 X 55X 1CMT X 55X 1CMT1	470	550	17	—	—	135 to 165	675 to 705 ^e	60 ^f
	X 52X 1CML	400	520	17	—	—	135 to 165	605 to 635 ^e	60 ^f
	X 52X 1CML1	400	520	17	—	—	135 to 165	675 to 705 ^e	60 ^f

Table 2 (continued)

chemical composition ^a ISO 21952-A	Symbol for classification in accordance with tensile strength and chemical composition ^{a, i} ISO 21952-B	Minimum proof strength ^b MPa	Minimum tensile strength MPa	Minimum elongation ^c %	Impact energy at + 20 °C ^j		Heat treatment of all-weld metal		
					Minimum average from three test pieces	Minimum single value ^d	Preheat and interpass temperature °C	Post-weld heat treatment of test piece Temperature °C	Time min
CrMoV1Si		435	590	15	24	21	200 to 300	680 to 730 ^g	60 ^f
CrMo2Si	(2C1M)	400	500	18	47	38	200 to 300	690 to 750 ^g	60 ^f
(CrMo2Si)	X 62X 2C1M X 62X 2C1M1 X 62X 2C1M2 X 62X 2C1M3 X 62X 2C1MT X 62X 2C1MT1	540	620	15	—	—	185 to 215	675 to 705 ^e	60 ^f
CrMo2LSi	(2C1ML)	400	500	18	47	38	200 to 300	690 to 750 ^g	60 ^f
(CrMo2LSi)	X 55X 2C1ML X 55X 2C1ML1	470	550	15	—	—	185 to 215	675 to 705 ^e	60 ^f
	X 55X 2C1MV X 55X 2C1MV1	470	550	15	—	—	185 to 215	675 to 705 ^e	60 ^f
	X 62X 3C1M	530	620	15	—	—	185 to 215	675 to 705 ^e	60 ^f
	X 62X 3C1MV X 62X 3C1MV1	530	620	15	—	—	185 to 215	675 to 705 ^e	60 ^f
(CrMo5Si)	X 55X 5CM	470	550	15	—	—	175 to 235	730 to 760 ^e	60 ^f
CrMo5Si	(5CM)	400	590	17	47	38	200 to 300	730 to 760 ^g	60 ^f
CrMo9 CrMo9Si	(9C1M)	435	590	18	34	27	200 to 300	740 to 780 ^g	120 ^f
	X 55X 9C1M	470	550	15	—	—	205 to 260	730 to 760 ^e	60 ^f

Table 2 (continued)

Symbol for classification in accordance with	chemical composition ^a	tensile strength and chemical composition ^{a, i}	Minimum proof strength ^b	Minimum tensile strength	Minimum elongation ^c	Impact energy at + 20 °C ^J		Heat treatment of all-weld metal		
						Minimum average from three test pieces	Minimum single value ^d	Preheat and interpass temperature	Post-weld heat treatment of test piece	
ISO 21952-A		ISO 21952-B	MPa	MPa	%	°C	°C	Temperature	Time	
CrMo91	(9C1M)		415	585	17	47	38	250 to 350	750 to 760 ^g	120 ^f
	X 62X 9C1MV X 62X 9C1MV1 X 62X 9C1MV2		410	620	15	—	—	205 to 320	745 to 775 ^e	120 ^f
CrMoWV12Si			550	690	15	34	27	250 to 350 ^h or 400 to 500 ^h	740 to 780 ^g	120 minimum
Z	X XXX G							As agreed between purchaser and supplier		

a A designation in parentheses, e.g. (CrMo1) or (1CM), indicates a near match in the other designation system, but not an exact match. The correct designation for a given composition range is the one not in parentheses. A given product may, by having a more restricted chemical composition which fulfils both sets of designation requirements, be assigned both designations independently, provided that the mechanical property requirements of this table are also satisfied.

b The 0,2 % proof strength ($R_{p0,2}$) is used.

c The gauge length is equal to five times the test piece diameter.

d Only one single value lower than the minimum average is permitted.

e The furnace shall be at a temperature not higher than 315 °C when the test piece is placed in it. The heating rate, from that point to the holding temperature, shall not exceed 220 °C per hour. When the holding time has been completed, the assembly shall be allowed to cool in the furnace to a temperature below 315 °C at a rate not exceeding 195 °C per hour. The assembly may be removed from the furnace at any temperature below 315 °C and allowed to cool in still air to room temperature.

f The tolerance shall be minus zero, plus 15 minutes.

g The test piece shall be cooled in the furnace to 300 °C at a rate not exceeding 200 °C/h. The assembly may be removed from the furnace at any temperature below 300°C and allowed to cool in still air, to room temperature.

h Immediately after welding, the test piece shall be cooled down to 120 °C to 100 °C and kept at this temperature for at least 1 h.

i See 4.1 and 4.4B for the explanation of the initial and second "X", respectively.

5 Mechanical tests

5A Classification by chemical composition

Tensile and impact tests shall be carried out in the as-welded or post-weld heat-treated condition, as specified in Table 2, using a type 1.3 all-weld metal test piece in accordance with ISO 15792-1 prepared using 1,2 mm diameter wire for gas metal arc electrodes, or a type 1.1 test piece in accordance with ISO 15792-1 prepared using 2,4 mm diameter rod or wire for tungsten inert-gas welding. The welding conditions are described in 5.1 and 5.2A. The shielding gas shall be as recommended by the manufacturer and shall be recorded in the test report.

5.1 Preheating and interpass temperatures

Preheating and interpass temperatures shall be as specified in Table 2. The preheating and interpass temperature shall be measured using temperature indicator crayons, surface thermometers or thermocouples (see ISO 13916).

The interpass temperature shall not exceed the maximum temperature indicated in Table 2. If, after any pass, this interpass temperature is exceeded, the test piece shall be cooled in air to a temperature within the limits of the interpass temperature range.

5.2 Welding conditions and pass sequence

5.2A Classification by chemical composition

The welding conditions shall be as indicated in Table 3A and the pass sequence as given in Table 4. The direction of welding to complete a layer shall not vary, but the direction of welding of layers shall be alternated.

Table 3A — Welding conditions (classification by chemical composition)

Process	Diameter mm	Welding current A	Welding voltage V	Contact-tip-to-work distance mm	Travel speed mm/min
G	1,2	280 ± 10	a	20 ± 3	450 ± 50
W	2,4	200 ± 20	b	—	150 ± 20

^a The welding voltage will depend on the choice of shielding gas.
^b It is not possible to set the voltage on TIG equipment.

5B Classification by tensile strength and chemical composition

Tensile tests shall be carried out in the post-weld heat-treated condition using a type 1.3 all-weld metal test piece in accordance with ISO 15792-1 prepared using 1,2 mm diameter wire for gas metal arc electrodes, or a type 1.1 test piece in accordance with ISO 15792-1 prepared using 2,4 mm diameter rod or wire for tungsten inert-gas welding, and welding conditions and the as-welded or post-weld heat-treated condition as specified in Table 2 and as described in 5.1 and 5.2B. If 1,2 mm diameter or 2,4 mm diameter is not manufactured, use the closest size at settings as recommended by the manufacturer.

5.2B Classification by tensile strength and chemical composition

The welding conditions in Table 3B shall be used with the pass sequence in Table 4. The direction of welding for each pass shall not vary. However, the direction of welding for different passes may be alternated.

Table 3B — Welding conditions (classification by tensile strength and chemical composition)

Process	Diameter mm	Welding current A	Welding voltage V	Contact-tip-to-work distance mm	Travel speed mm/min
G	1,2	290 ± 30	a	20 ± 3	330 ± 60
W	2,4	220 ± 30	b	—	125 ± 25

^a The welding voltage will depend on the choice of shielding gas.
^b It is not possible to set the voltage on TIG equipment.

Table 4 — Pass sequence

Diameter mm	Passes per layer	Number of layers
1,2	2 or 3	6 to 10
2,4	2 ^a	8 to 11

^a The top layer can be completed with 3 or 4 passes.

6 Chemical analysis

Chemical analysis shall be performed on specimens of the product. Any analytical technique may be used, but in cases of dispute reference shall be made to established published methods.

7 Retests

If any test fails to meet the requirement, that test shall be repeated twice. The results of both retests shall meet the requirement. Specimens for the retest may be taken from the original test piece or from a new test piece. For chemical analysis, retesting need only be for those specific elements that failed to meet the test requirement. If the results of one or both retests fail to meet the requirement, the material under test shall be considered as not meeting the requirements of this specification for that classification.

In the event that, during preparation or after completion of any test, it is clearly determined that prescribed or proper procedures were not followed in preparing the weld test piece or test specimen(s), or in conducting the tests, the test shall be considered invalid, without regard to whether the test was actually completed, or whether the test results met, or failed to meet, the requirement. That test shall be repeated, following proper prescribed procedures. In this case, the requirement for doubling the number of test specimens does not apply.

8 Technical delivery conditions

Technical delivery conditions shall meet the requirements in ISO 544 and ISO 14344.

9 Examples of designations

9A Classification by chemical composition

The designation of wire electrodes, wires and rods shall follow the principles given in the examples below:

Example 1A:

9B Classification by tensile strength and chemical composition

The designation of wire electrodes, wires, rods and deposits shall follow the principles given in the examples below:

Example 1B:

An all-weld metal deposit produced by gas metal arc welding (G) having a minimum tensile strength of 550 MPa (55), deposited under mixed gas (M), using the wire 1CM in the post-weld heat-treated condition is designated:

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