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Abstract

This standard describes preparation and assessment of a fillet weld test piece.

Test conditions prescribed and results required should not be considered to be requirements or expectations for a procedure qualification.

This specification makes use of both U.S. Customary Units and the International System of Units (SI). Since these are not equivalent, each system must be used independently of the other.



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Foreword

This foreword is not part of this standard but is included for informational purposes only.

This document is the second adoption of ISO 15792-3:2011 with additional informative annexes.

Please note that ISO uses commas (,) and AWS uses periods (.) for decimals. The ISO decimal commas have been replaced by periods in this document for consistency.

This edition adds a method of measurement using fillet weld gauges and reorganization of the requirements in Clauses 6 and 7.

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Standard Methods for Classification Testing of Positional Capacity and Root Penetration of Welding Consumables in a Fillet Weld

1. Scope

1.1 This standard specifies the preparation and assessment of fillet weld test pieces for conformity assessment of positional usability and root penetration requirements of arc welding consumables classification standards for welding non-alloy and fine grain steels, low alloy steels, stainless steels, and nickel base alloys.

This standard does not specify acceptance requirements.

1.2 Units of Measurement. This standard makes use of both U.S. Customary Units and the International System of Units (SI). The measurements are not exact equivalents; therefore, each system must be used independently of the other without combining in any way when referring to weld metal properties. The specification A4.5M uses SI Units. The specification with the designation A4.5 uses U.S. Customary Units. The latter are shown within brackets [], in appropriate columns in tables and figures and in paragraphs.

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American Welding Society:

- (1) ANSI Z49.1, *Safety in Welding, Cutting, and Allied Processes*
- (2) AWS Safety and Health Fact Sheets
- (3) Other safety and health information on the AWS website

Material or Equipment Manufacturers:

- (1) Safety Data Sheets supplied by materials manufacturers
- (2) Operating Manuals supplied by equipment manufacturers

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AWS A3.0M/A3.0, *Standard Welding Terms and Definitions, Including Terms for Adhesive Bonding, Brazing, Soldering, and Thermal Spraying*

ANSI Z49.1, *Safety in Welding, Cutting, and Allied Processes*