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**Welding consumables—Wire electrodes
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metal arc welding of non alloy and fine
grain steels—Classification
(ISO 14341:2010, MOD)**



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PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee WD-002, Welding Consumables, to supersede part of AS/NZS 2717.1:1996, *Welding—Electrodes—Gas metal arc*, Part 1: *Ferritic steel electrodes*.

The objective of this Standard is to specify requirements for manufacturers and users on the classification of wire electrodes and weld deposits in the as-welded condition and in the post-weld heat-treated condition for gas shielded metal arc welding of non alloy and fine grain steels with a minimum yield strength of up to 500 MPa or a minimum tensile strength of up to 570 MPa.

This Standard is an adoption with national modifications and has been reproduced from ISO 14341:2010, *Welding consumables—Wire electrodes and weld deposits for gas shielded metal arc welding of non alloy and fine grain steels—Classification*, and has been varied as indicated to take account of Australian/New Zealand conditions. The modifications are specified in Appendix ZZ. The information in Appendix ZA is intended to give users more details regarding the use and selection of Gas Metal Arc Welding (GMAW) wire electrodes.

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<i>Reference to International Standard</i>	<i>Australian/New Zealand Standard</i>
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13916 Welding—Guidance on the measurement of preheating temperature, interpass temperature and preheat maintenance temperature	13916 Welding—Guide on the measurement of preheating temperature, interpass temperature and preheat maintenance temperature

Only international references that have been adopted as Australian or Australian/New Zealand Standards have been listed.

The terms ‘normative’ and ‘informative’ have been used in this Standard to define the application of the appendix to which they apply. A ‘normative’ appendix is an integral part of a Standard, whereas an ‘informative’ appendix is only for information and guidance.

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INTRODUCTION

This International Standard recognizes that there are two somewhat different approaches in the global market to classifying a given wire electrode, and allows for either or both to be used, to suit a particular market need. Application of either type of classification designation (or both where suitable) identifies a product as classified in accordance with this International Standard.

This International Standard provides a classification in order to designate wire electrodes in terms of their chemical composition and, where required, in terms of the yield strength, tensile strength and elongation of the all-weld metal. The ratio of yield strength 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 does not necessarily ensure that the weld metal tensile strength matches that of the parent material. Therefore, where the application requires matching tensile strength, selection of the consumable should be made by reference to column 3 of Table 1A or 1B.

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

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**Welding consumables—Wire electrodes and weld deposits for gas shielded metal arc welding of non alloy and fine grain steels—
Classification (ISO 14341:2010, MOD)****1 Scope**

This International Standard specifies requirements for classification of wire electrodes and weld deposits in the as-welded condition and in the post-weld heat-treated condition for gas shielded metal arc welding of non alloy and fine grain steels with a minimum yield strength of up to 500 MPa or a minimum tensile strength of up to 570 MPa. One wire electrode can be tested and classified with different shielding gases.

This International Standard constitutes a combined specification providing classification utilizing a system based upon the yield strength and the average impact energy of 47 J of all-weld metal, or utilizing a system based upon the tensile strength and the average impact energy of 27 J of all-weld metal.

- a) Clauses and tables which carry the suffix letter “A” are applicable only to wire electrodes classified to the system based upon the yield strength and the average impact energy of 47 J of all-weld metal in accordance with this International Standard.
- b) Clauses and tables which carry the suffix letter “B” are applicable only to wire electrodes classified to the system based upon the tensile strength and the average impact energy of 27 J of all-weld metal in accordance with this International Standard.
- c) Clauses and tables which have neither the suffix letter “A” nor the suffix letter “B” are applicable to all wire electrodes classified in accordance with 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 544, *Welding consumables — Technical delivery conditions for filler materials and fluxes — Type of product, dimensions, tolerances and markings*

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

ISO 14175:2008, *Welding consumables — Gases and gas mixtures for fusion welding and allied processes*

ISO 14344, *Welding consumables — Procurement of filler materials and fluxes*

ISO 15792-1:2000, *Welding consumables — Test methods — Part 1: Test methods for all-weld metal test specimens in steel, nickel and nickel alloys*

ISO 80000-1:2009, *Quantities and units — Part 1: General*