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wires and rods for arc welding of
stainless and heat-resisting steels—
Classification**



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PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee WD-002, Welding Consumables, to supersede AS 2717.3:1992 *Welding—Electrodes—Gas metal arc, Part 3: Corrosion-resisting chromium and chromium-nickel steel electrodes*.

The objective of this Standard is to specify requirements for classification of wire electrodes, wires and rods for gas-shielded metal arc welding, gas tungsten arc welding, plasma arc welding, submerged arc welding and laser beam welding of stainless and heat-resisting steels.

This Standard is identical to, and has been reproduced from, ISO 14343:2002, *Welding consumables—Wire electrodes, wires and rods for arc welding of stainless and heat resisting steels—Classification*.

An informative Annex giving information on health and safety has been added to this Standard.

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INTRODUCTION

It is recognized that there are two somewhat different approaches in the global market to classifying a given stainless steel welding consumable, and that market allows for either or both to be used, to suit a particular market need. One is termed the “Nominal Composition” approach, which uses designators that indicate the principal alloying elements at their nominal levels, in a particular sequence, sometimes followed by chemical element symbols to indicate compositional modifications to the original grade. The other is termed the “Alloy Type” approach, which uses tradition-based three or four digit designations for certain original grades, sometimes followed by one or more chemical element symbols which indicate compositional modifications from the original. In both approaches, classification is based upon the chemical composition of the product. In many cases a given product can be classified using both approaches, because the composition ranges, although slightly different, overlap to a considerable extent, in the two approaches.

Application of either type of classification designation (or both where suitable) identifies a product as classified according to this International Standard. Many, but not all, commercial products addressed by this International Standard can be classified using both approaches, and suitable products may be so marked. The classification according to system A is mainly based on EN 12072. The classification according to system B is mainly based upon standards used around the Pacific Rim.

For stainless steel welding consumables, there is no unique relationship between the product form (wire electrode, wire or rod) and the welding process used (gas-shielded metal arc welding, gas tungsten arc welding, plasma arc welding or submerged arc welding). For this reason, the wire electrodes, wires or rods may be classified on the basis of any of the above product forms and can be used, as appropriate, for more than one of the above processes.

AUSTRALIAN/NEW ZEALAND STANDARD

Welding consumables — Wire electrodes, wires and rods for arc welding of stainless and heat-resisting steels — Classification

1 Scope

This International Standard specifies requirements for classification of wire electrodes, wires and rods for gas-shielded metal arc welding, gas tungsten arc welding, plasma arc welding, submerged arc welding and laser beam welding of stainless and heat-resisting steels. The classification of the wire electrodes, wires and rods is based upon their chemical composition.

This document is a combined standard providing for classification utilizing a system based upon classification according to nominal composition or utilizing a system based upon classification according to alloy type.

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2 Normative references

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ISO 31-0:1992, *Quantities and units — Part 0: General principles*

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

ISO 864, *Arc welding — Solid and tubular cored wires which deposit carbon and carbon manganese steel — Dimensions of wires, spools, rims and coils*

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