## **Characteristics and Applications:**

TL-88B2 is an iron powder low hydrogen electrode. The weld metal contains 1.25%Cr-0.5%Mo that makes the electrodes more efficient at 550 , With the characters of stable arc, little spatter, complete slag covering, it's suitable for the welding of steel tube for heat transfer of boiler (STPA22,23, A335-P11,P12, A199T11 A200T11 A213T11 12), drawing steel (A387Gr11 12), casting iron (A217-WC6), and forging and forging steel (A182-F11,F12).

## Notes on usage:

- 1. Clean up the contaminations on the base metal and welding seam so as not to derogate the weld metal quality from particles.
- 2. Dry the electrodes at 350-400°C for 60 minutes before using.
- 3. Use back-step method to prevent arc starting from blowholes and hold for 3-5 seconds at every end-up.
- 4. Maintain short arc length. Moving range should be controlled within 3 times of the wire's dia when you are welding with weave method.
- 5. Do not exceed the range of recommended current. Over heat input might decrease the impact value.
- 6. Pre-heat the workpiece at 150~300 and proceed PWHT at 620~700

## Typical chemical composition of weld metal (wt%):

| С    | Mn   | Si   | Р     | S     | Cr   | Мо   |
|------|------|------|-------|-------|------|------|
| 0.06 | 0.65 | 0.18 | 0.016 | 0.008 | 1.21 | 0.50 |

## Typical mechanical properties of weld metal:

| Yield strength<br>MPa(ksi) | Tensile strength<br>MPa(ksi) | Elongation<br>% | PWHT       |  |
|----------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------|------------|--|
| 530(77)                    | 625(91)                      | 26              | 690°C x1hr |  |

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