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TGA-53

Characteristics and Applications

TGA-53 is designed for welding mild steel and 490N/mm² grade steel. The product is often applied to butt or fillet welding of high pressure piping for shipbuilding and general construction. As an all-position welding rod for TIG welding, it is especially suitable for the root pass of pipe welding. Use DC(-) polarity.

Notes on usage

- 1. 100% Argon shielding gas with 99.997% high purity is recommended and the flow rate must be properly controlled. The recommended flow rate is 7-12l/min when arc current is 100-200Amp and it goes up to 12-15l/min when arc current rises to 200-300Amp.
- 2. Select right gas cup size and employ proper stick out of tungsten electrode.
- 3. To obtain a very clean weld pool, keep the weld plate free from dirt, rust, paint and any other atmospheric contamination.
- 4. Trailer Shield is required to ensure the weld pool completely shielded until solidification is complete and no porosity problem.

Typical chemical composition of wire (wt%):

С	Mn	Si	Р	S	Ni	Cr	V	Cu
0.07	1.23	0.66	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.025	0.005	0.02

Typical mechanical properties of all weld metal:

Yield strength MPa(ksi)	0 0		Charpy V-Notch J (ft-1bf) -20°C (0)	PWHT	
449(65)	534(77)	33	140(103)	AW	

Sizes available:

Diameter (mm)	1.6	2.0	2.4	3.2
Length (mm)	915			

