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Foreword

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This third edition cancels and replaces the second edition (ISO 18274:2010), which has been technically revised.

The main changes are as follows:

- new restricted alloy symbols, commonly used in the USA, added to [Table 1](#) and [Table C.1](#);
- alloy symbols updated in [Table 1](#) and [Table C.1](#);
- a new EXAMPLE 4 added to [Clause 11](#) for a Z classification.

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Introduction

For nickel welding consumables, there is no unique relationship between the product form, for example:

- solid wire electrode;
- solid strip electrode;
- solid wire;
- solid rod;

and the welding process used, for example:

- gas-shielded metal arc welding;
- gas tungsten arc welding;
- plasma arc welding;
- submerged arc welding;
- strip overlay welding;
- laser welding;
- other welding processes.

Consequently, solid wire electrodes, solid strip electrodes, solid wires or solid rods can be classified on the basis of any of these product forms and can be used, as appropriate, for more than one of these processes (see also [Annex B](#)).

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Welding consumables — Solid wire electrodes, solid strip electrodes, solid wires and solid rods for fusion welding of nickel and nickel alloys — Classification

1 Scope

This document specifies requirements for classification of solid wire electrodes, solid strip electrodes, solid wires and solid rods for fusion welding of nickel and nickel alloys. The classification of the solid wire electrodes, solid strip electrodes, solid wires and solid rods is based on their chemical composition. It includes those compositions in which the nickel content exceeds that of any other element.

The principles of this document can be applied to metal powders for cladding, hard facing and additive manufacturing.

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements 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 14344, *Welding consumables — Procurement of filler materials and fluxes*

ISO 80000-1:2022, *Quantities and units — Part 1: General*

3 Terms and definitions

No terms and definitions are listed in this document.

ISO and IEC maintain terminology databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <https://www.iso.org/obp>
- IEC Electropedia: available at <https://www.electropedia.org/>

4 Classification

The symbol for the classification is divided into two parts:

- a) the first part indicates the product form, being solid wire electrode, solid strip electrode, solid wire or solid rod, see [5.1](#);
- b) the second part gives a numerical symbol indicating the chemical composition of the solid wire electrode, solid strip electrode, solid wire or solid rod, see [Table 1](#).

5 Symbols and requirements

5.1 Symbols for the product form

The symbol for the solid wire electrode, solid wire or solid rod shall be “S”.

The symbol for the solid strip electrode shall be “B”.

NOTE One product form can be used for more than one welding process.

5.2 Symbol for the chemical composition

The initial symbol “Ni” in [Table 1](#) identifies the welding consumable as a nickel base alloy. The following four digits indicate the chemical composition of the solid wire electrode, solid strip electrode, solid wire or solid rod, determined under conditions given in [Clause 6](#). The first digit is an indicator of the alloy group as follows:

- 1, significant molybdenum addition without significant chromium addition (nickel-molybdenum alloys);
- 2, no significant alloy addition;
- 4, significant copper addition (nickel-copper alloys);
- 5, significant copper additions with aluminium and titanium for precipitation hardening;
- 6, significant chromium addition, with iron less than 25 % (mass fraction) (nickel-chromium-iron and nickel-chromium-molybdenum alloys);
- 7, same as 6, but with aluminium and titanium for precipitation hardening;
- 8, significant chromium addition, with iron more than 25 % (mass fraction) (nickel-iron-chromium alloys);
- 9, an alloy that is precipitation hardenable.

The remaining digits indicate the alloy composition of the welding consumable. The basis of the system of designation is described in [Annex A](#). A description of common uses of each welding consumable alloy is given in [Annex B](#).

NOTE 1 In addition, the chemical symbol can be used.

NOTE 2 Corresponding national classifications are shown in [Annex C](#), [Table C.1](#).

Table 1 — Symbols and chemical composition requirements for solid wire electrodes, solid strip electrodes, solid wires and solid rods

Alloy symbols		Chemical composition, % (mass fraction) ^a													
Numerical ^b	Chemical	C	Mn	Fe	Si	Cu	Ni ^c	Co	Al	Ti	Cr	Nb ^d	Mo	W	Others ^{e, f}
Nickel															
Ni 2061	NiTi3	0,15	1,0	1,0	0,7	0,25	≥ 92,0	—	1,5	2,0 to 3,5	—	—	—	—	P 0,03
Ni 2061B	(NiTi3)	0,15	1,0	1,0	0,7	0,25	≥ 93,0	—	1,5	2,0 to 3,5	—	—	—	—	P 0,03
Nickel-copper															
Ni 4060	NiCu30Mn3Ti	0,15	4,0	2,5	1,2	28,0 to 32,0	62,0 to 69,0	—	1,2	1,5 to 3,0	—	0,3	—	—	—
Ni 4061	NiCu30Mn3Nb	0,15	4,0	2,5	1,25	28,0 to 32,0	≥ 60,0	—	1,0	1,0	—	3,0	—	—	—
Ni 5504	NiCu25Al3Ti	0,25	1,5	2,0	1,0	≥ 20,0	63,0 to 70,0	—	2,0 to 4,0	0,3 to 1,0	—	—	—	—	P 0,03
Nickel-chromium															
Ni 6072	NiCr44Ti	0,01 to 0,10	0,20	0,50	0,20	0,50	≥ 52,0	—	—	0,3 to 1,0	42,0 to 46,0	—	—	—	—
Ni 6073	NiCr38AlNbTi	0,03	0,50	1,0	0,30	0,30	≥ 63,0	1,0	0,75 to 1,20	0,25 to 0,75	36,0 to 39,0	0,25 to 1,00	0,50	—	P 0,02 B 0,003 Zr 0,02
Ni 6076	NiCr20	0,08 to 0,15	1,0	2,00	0,30	0,50	≥ 75,0	—	0,4	0,15 to 0,50	19,0 to 21,0	—	—	—	P 0,03
Ni 6082	NiCr20Mn3Nb	0,10	2,5 to 3,5	3,0	0,5	0,5	≥ 67,0	—	—	0,7	18,0 to 22,0	2,0 to 3,0	—	—	P 0,03

^a Single values for all elements are maxima except where the ≥ sign is used.^b Symbols with B have more restricted chemical compositions than symbols without B. Symbols with B meet the requirements of symbols without B but not vice versa.^c Up to 1 % (mass fraction) of the nickel content can be cobalt unless otherwise specified. For certain applications, lower cobalt levels can required and should be agreed between contracting parties.^d Up to 20 % (mass fraction) of the niobium content can be tantalum.^e The total of unspecified elements shall not exceed 0,5 % (mass fraction).^f Phosphorus 0,020 % (mass fraction) maximum and sulfur 0,015 % (mass fraction) maximum unless otherwise stated.

Ag ≤ 0,000 5 % (mass fraction), B ≤ 0,020 % (mass fraction), Bi ≤ 0,000 1 % (mass fraction), Pb ≤ 0,002 0 % (mass fraction), Zr ≤ 0,15 % (mass fraction).

Consumables for which the chemical composition is not listed shall be symbolized similarly and prefixed by the letters Ni Z. The chemical composition ranges are not specified and it is possible that two electrodes with the same Z-classification are not interchangeable.