

AWS E308-16, E308H-16

Smootharc™ Plus 308/308H-16**DESCRIPTION:**

Smootharc Plus 308/308H-16 delivers outstanding performance, especially for projects that require you to do a lot of out-of-position welding. Used for welding all 18 Cr-8 Ni steels, it utilizes a fully alloyed wire that features a rutile coating and is specially formulated with more than .04 carbon to give you maximum elevated-temperature strength. Smootharc Plus 308/308H-16 is easy to strike and restrike, and it produces a smooth running arc that results in a finely rippled bead surface with easy slag removal.

Note: Actual certs are included in every master carton of stainless stick electrodes at no charge.

FEATURES:

- Spray-like arc transfer
- Extremely high moisture resistance
- Directional arc
- Easy strike and re-strike
- All-position
- Self-detaching slag
- Electrode does not overheat

BENEFITS:

- Low spatter and less clean-up
- Extends shelf life of product in open environments
- Metal goes where directed, excellent for out-of-position welding
- Easy to use, less chance of starting defects
- Welds extremely well in flat, horizontal, vertical, and overhead positions
- Less cleaning time and less chance of slag inclusions
- Minimal stub loss, cost-effective

TYPICAL WELD METAL PROPERTIES(Chem Pad):**

Weld Metal Analysis		AWS Spec	
		E-308-16	308H-16
Carbon (C)	0.06	0.08 max	0.04 to 0.08
Chromium (Cr)	19.5	18.0 to 21.0	18.0 to 21.0
Nickel (Ni)	9.7	9.0 to 11.0	9.0 to 11.0
Molybdenum (Mo)	0.1	0.75 max	0.75 max
Manganese (Mn)	0.7	0.5 to 2.5	0.5 to 2.5
Silicon (Si)	0.7	0.90 max	0.90 max
Phosphorus (P)	0.025	0.04 max	0.04 max
Sulphur (S)	0.025	0.03 max	0.03 max
Copper (Cu)	0.1	0.75 max	0.75 max

TYPICAL MECHANICAL PROPERTIES(AW):**

		AWS Spec (min)
Tensile Strength	94,000 psi (649 MPa)	80,000 psi
Yield Strength	68,500 psi (473 MPa)	not required
Elongation % in 2"	45%	35%
Schaeffler Number	4-10	not required
DeLong Ferrite Number	4-10	not required
WRC Number Range	4-10	not required

CONFORMANCES AND APPROVALS:

- AWS A5.4, E308-16, E308H-16, ASME SFA 5.4

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RECOMMENDED WELDING PROCEDURES:

- GENERAL:** DCEP (electrode positive, work negative) or AC
- ARC LENGTH:** Short (less than half the diameter of the electrode)
- FLAT & HORIZONTAL:** Angle electrode 10-15° from 90°
- VERTICAL-UP:** Use weaving techniques; reduced amperage compared to flat position setting
- OVERHEAD:** Use slight weaving motion within the puddle
- STORAGE:** Smootharc Plus electrodes have a high degree of moisture resistance; however, for critical applications, the electrode should be held at 225°F after opening
- RECONDITIONING:** If exposed to atmosphere for extended periods, recondition at 500°F for one (1) hour

RECOMMENDED OPERATING PARAMETERS:

Diameter		Type of Power	Minimum Amps	Flat & Horizontal Optimum Amps	Maximum Amps
Inches	mm				
3/32	2.4	DCEP or AC	45	65	80
1/8	3.2	DCEP or AC	55	105	120
5/32	4.0	DCEP or AC	65	140	170
3/16	4.8	DCEP or AC	160	170	205

AVAILABLE DIAMETERS AND PACKAGES:

Diameter		Length		6-lb. Can	10-lb. Can
Inches	mm	Inches	mm		
3/32	2.4	10	254	S735031-039	—
1/8	3.2	14	355	—	S735044-088
5/32	4.0	14	355	—	S735051-088
3/16	4.8	14	355	—	S735058-088

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