# 312 Sterling® AP



AWS A5.4: E312-16 Welding Positions:

### FEATURES: BENEFITS:

Spray-like arc transfer
 Electrode doesn't overheat
 Low spatter and less clean-up
 Less stub loss, cost-effective

Directional arc
Metal goes where directed
Easy strike and re-strike
Easy to use, less chance of starting defects

All-position
 Welds extremely well in flat, horizontal, vertical (up) and overhead positions

Easy slag release
 Less chance of slag inclusions

TYPE OF CURRENT: Direct Current Electrode Positive (DCEP) or AC

#### RECOMMENDED WELDING PROCEDURES:

**ARC LENGTH:** Short (less than 1/2 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

**VERTICAL-DOWN:** Not recommended

**OVERHEAD:** Use slight weaving motion within the puddle

STORAGE: AC-DC electrodes have a high degree of moisture resistance; however, for critical applications, the electrodes

should be held at 215°F - 300°F after opening.

**RECONDITIONING:** If exposed to atmosphere for extended periods, recondition at 660°F for 2 hours.

#### TYPICAL WELD METAL PROPERTIES\* (Chem Pad):

Weld Metal Analysis (%)		AWS Spec
Carbon (C)	0.10	0.15 max
Manganese (Mn)	0.80	0.5 to 2.5
Phosphorus (P)	0.020	0.04 max
Sulphur (S)	0.020	0.03 max
Silicon (Si)	0.93	1.00 max
Copper (Cu)	0.15	0.75 max
Chromium (Cr)	29.00	28.0 to 32.0
Nickel (Ni)	9.00	8.0 to 10.5
Molybdenum (Mo)	0.11	0.75 max

#### TYPICAL MECHANICAL PROPERTIES\* (As Welded):

Mechanical Tests		AWS Spec
Tensile Strength	115,000 psi (759 MPa)	95,000 psi
Yield Strength	85,500 psi (590 MPa)	Not required
Elongation % in 2" (50 mm)	25%	22%
DeLong Ferrite Number Range	25-80	Not required
Schaeffler Number Range	25-80	Not required
WRC Number Range (1992)	25-80	Not required

Note: Nitrogen (N) assumed to be 0.06% for calculation purposes.

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Diameter Inches (mm)		Weld Position	Type of Current	Amperage Ran	
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3/32	(2.5)	Flat & Horizontal	DCEP or AC	40	80
1/8	(3.2)	Flat & Horizontal	DCEP or AC	80	120
5/32	(4.0)	Flat & Horizontal	DCEP or AC	100	160

Maintaining a proper welding procedure - including pre-heat and interpass temperatures - may be critical depending on the type and thickness of steel being welded.

#### **AVAILABLE DIAMETERS AND PACKAGES:**

Diam Inches	neter (mm)	Len Inches	gth (mm)	5-Lb. Can	6-Lb. Can	7-Lb. Can
3/32	(2.5)	12	(300)	S480631-036	_	_
1/8	(3.2)	14	(350)	_	S480644-032	_
5/32	(4.0)	14	(350)	_	S480651-032	_

#### **CONFORMANCES AND APPROVALS:**

- AWS A5.4, Class E312-16
- ASME SFA 5.4

**TECHNICAL QUESTIONS?** For technical support of Hobart Filler Metals products, contact the Applications Engineering department by phone toll-free at 1-800-532-2618 or by e-mail at Applications. Engineering@hobartbrothers.com

Consumers should be thoroughly familiar with the safety precautions on the warning label posted in each shipment and in the American National Standard Z49.1, "Safety in Welding and Cutting," published by the American Welding Society, 8669 NW 36th St., Miami, FL 33166 (can also be downloaded online at www.aws.org); OSHA Safety and Health Standards 29 CFR 1910 is available from the U.S. Department of Labor, Washington, D.C. 20210

Safety Data Sheets on any Hobart Brothers LLC product may be obtained from Hobart Customer Service or at www.hobartbrothers.com.

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