

## **Characteristics and Applications:**

TL-50 is a low hydrogen type electrode for the welding of 490N/mm<sup>2</sup> high tensile steel. The welding can be done with stable arc, less spatters, good slag covering, release, and good X-ray soundness. It is suitable for low alloy steels, medium carbon steels, heavy steel plates, cast steels. Proper base metals such as: structural steel, steel tubes for Heat transfer, plate for pressure vessel, low-alloy steel tube, mechanical structural carbon-steel plate, API-5L.A25.X52.X56.X60.X65, etc. Due to good X-ray and mechanical properties, TL-50 is used for skill testing and competition by choice.

### Notes on usage:

- 1. Clean up the contaminations on the base metal to avoid porosity and crack.
- 2. Dry the electrodes at 300-350  $^\circ\!\mathrm{C}$  for 60 minutes, and keep at 100-150  $^\circ\!\mathrm{C}$  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.

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

С	Mn	Si	Р	S
0.08	1.1	0.5	0.020	0.006

## Typical mechanical properties of weld metal:

Yield strength MPa(ksi)	Tensile strength MPa(ksi)	Elongation %	Charpy V-Notch J (ft-lbf) -30°C (-20°F)
445(65)	550(80)	27	140(103)

# Welding position:



# Sizes and recommended current range (AC or DC<+>):

Diameter (mm)		2.6	3.2	4.0		5.0
Length (mm)		350	350	350	450	450
Amps	F	60-90	90-130	130-180		180-240
	V&OH	50-80	90-120	110-160		160-200

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