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Foreword

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This third edition cancels and replaces the second edition (ISO 14341:2010), which has been technically revised. The main changes compared to the previous edition are as follows:

- all references have been updated;
- in [Table 3A](#), the footnote for Cu that appeared in the 2008 edition has been reintroduced;
- in [Table 3B](#) and Table 4B, a new symbol S8 has been added;
- in [Table 3B](#), Ni, Cr, Mo and V values have been added for symbols S2, S3, S4, S5, S6, and S7;
- [Clause 8](#) has been updated to the latest agreed text;
- in [Clause 11](#), an example for a Z classification has been added as Example 2A.

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Introduction

This document recognizes that there are two somewhat different approaches in the global market to classifying a given wire electrode, and allows for either or both to be used, to suit a particular market need. Application of either type of classification designation (or both where suitable) identifies a product as classified in accordance with this document.

This document provides a classification in order to designate wire electrodes in terms of their chemical composition and, where required, in terms of the yield strength, tensile strength and elongation of the all-weld metal. The ratio of yield strength to tensile strength of weld metal is generally higher than that of parent metal. Users should note that matching weld metal yield strength to parent metal yield strength does not necessarily ensure that the weld metal tensile strength matches that of the parent material. Therefore, where the application requires matching tensile strength, selection of the consumable should be made by reference to column 3 of Table 1A or 1B.

It should be noted that the mechanical properties of all-weld metal test specimens used to classify the electrodes vary from those obtained in production joints because of differences in welding procedures such as electrode size, width of weave, welding position and material composition.