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# Specification and qualification of welding procedures for metallic materials — Qualification based on pre-production welding test

Descriptif et qualification d'un mode opératoire de soudage pour les matériaux métalliques — Qualification sur la base d'un assemblage soudé de préproduction



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# Introduction

In EN ISO 15607, one of the methods of welding procedure qualification is based on pre-production welding test.

Qualification based on a pre-production welding test can be used where the shape and dimensions of the standard test pieces (e.g. those of prEN ISO 15614) do not adequately represent the joint to be welded.

In such cases, one or more special test pieces can be made to simulate the production joint in all essential features, e.g. dimensions, restraint, heat sink effects, limited access. In the case of resistance welding, actual components have to be used for the pre-production test.