1 GENERAL

- 1 1 Each welder shall be required to demonstrate his ability to make sound welds in order to maintain quality construction for all piping systems Welder qualification or re-qualification tests shall be made in accordance with the following procedures
- 1 2 Employees shall pass a qualification test before being allowed to weld on pipe or fittings that are or will be part of a natural gas piping system Trainees who have successfully completed the Apprentice Fitter Primary Shop Training will only be allowed to perform welding on pipe sizes in which they have qualified until subsequent qualification testing of these welders complies with qualification test requirements in this standard
- 1 3 For persons who have previously qualified requalifying tests shall be required as a result of any one of the following conditions
 - 1 3 1 A period of one year has elapsed since the previous qualification test
 - 1 3 2 A welder has not worked at the particular welding process for a
 period of six months or more
 - 1 3 3 There is specific reason to question the ability of the welder to make sound welds
 - 1 3 4 Change in welding process from gas to shielded arc welding or vice versa from one gas or one arc welding process to another gas or another arc welding process from manual to semi-automatic or automatic
 - 1 3 5 Change in pipe material from ASTM or API Standard 5L and 5LX grade X42 groups to API Standard 5LX groups in excess of grade X42 and vice versa
 - 1 3 6 Change in position for Butt Welds only a change from vertical to horizontal or vice versa
 - 1 3 7 Change in filler metal from one classification group to another
 - 1 3 8 Change in direction vertical-down to vertical-up or vice versa

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- 1 4 After testing the specimens in accordance with the Standard D-31 the report forms (Pages 5 and 6) shall be prepared
- 1 5 The district offices are to retain all test reports in order to verify that the welder has maintained qualification
- The 4 or 6 testing spools in 4½ lengths with 37½0 bevels on one end are available from Central Varehouse Code 02-2579 for 4 x 156 (oxy-acet/lene qualification) 02-2580 for 6 x 156 (arc welder qualification)
- 1 7 he 3/4 x 4 o long EH Pipe Nipples BOE are also available from Central Warehouse Code 02-2578
- 1 8 4 sleeve and niople for sleeve weld test is available from Central Warehouse Code 02-2059
- 2 WELDER QUALIFICATION AND REQUALIFICATION TESTS
 - 2 1 Arc Welder Oualification
 - 2 1 1 The following tests are required for Arc Welder Qualificatio
 - (1) Butt weld with 6 diameter x 4 5 minimum length spools (156 w t recommended)
 - * (2) Sleeve on 4 pipe (fillet welds) sleeve 188 w t
 x 3 I Pipe 156 w t x 9 L
 - (3) Pranch connection -3/4 x 4 5 long LH nipple on 2 3 or 4 pipe

See Section 2 3 for test weld procedures

- 2 1 2 A welder passing the tests specified on 2 1 1 is qualified to arc weld pipe and fittings on all systems with a design pressure stress level of less than 20° of SHYS. See Standard D-30 2 for qualification requirements for higher stress levels
- 2 2 Oxy-Acetylene Welder Qualification
 - 2 2 1 The following tests are required for Oxy-Acetylene qualifi-
 - * (1) Butt weld with 4 diameter x 4 5 minimum length spool (156 w t recommended) (This part of the test is not required for welders who successfully complete the 2 buttweld required for oxy-acetylene qualification for over 20% of SMYS)

Perform butt weld test on one end of sleeve weld test specimen

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- (2) Sleeve on 4 pipe (Same as arc weld qualification)
- (3) Branch connection 3/4 x 4 5 long EH nipple on 2 3 or 4 pipe (Same as arc weld qualification)

See Section 2 3 for test weld procedure

2 2 2 A welder passing the test specified in 2 2 1 is qualified to oxy-acetylene weld pipe and fitting for 4 and smaller pipe and service connections on pipe 8 and smaller for all systems with a design pressure stress level of less than 20% of SMYS See Standard D-30 1 for qualification for butt welds at over 20% of SMYS

2 3 Test Weld Procedure

- 2 3 1 Arc welds are performed using the methods outlined in Standard D-22 Oxy-acetylene welds are performed using the methods outlined in Standard D-20
- 2 3 2 The butt welds and sleeve welds are made with the pipe in the horizontal fixed position. The branch connection is made with the header in the horizontal fixed position and the branch not more than 45° from the top of the header. For all test welds no movement or rotation of the pipe is allowed during welding.
- 2 4 Test Weld Inspection Requirements
 - 2 4 1 All test welds shall be visually inspected. The weld shall be free of cracks inadequate penetration unrepaired burnthrough and other defects. It shall present a neat workman-like appearance. Arc burn due to striking an arc out of the weld groove is not allowed. Any weld not meeting these requirements shall be failed without performing any destructive tests.
 - 2 4 2 Butt welds shall be destructively tested in addition to visual tests Take samples shown on Page 7 (Drawing 282917) Four root bend samples are required See Standard D-31 for specimen tests and requirements
 - 2 4 3 A knock off test in addition to the visual inspection is required for the branch connection
- 2 5 A requalification test shall be performed in the same manner as the initial test as outlined in Sections 2 1 and 2 2

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3 SOLDER QUALIFICATION TEST

Personnel who are to make solder joints on copper piping shall satisfactorily demonstrate their ability to make sound joints by passing the following test. A copper joint soldered in accordance with D-10 shall be made on 1/2 or 1 copper pipe with the axis of the pipe stationary in the horizontal fixed position. Bonding must take place in 95% of the total telescoped surfaces. All unbonded surfaces must lie in small isolated pockets.

4 QUALIFICATION RETESTS

- All Employees who rail to meet the requirements for a qualification test may be retested immediately. In such a case, he shall make two welds of each type on which he was failed. For the guided root bend test, satisfactory welds will be indicated if no more than one specimen out of each weld is rejected (See 2.3). In addition, rejection of specimens from both welds at the same specimen position shall be cause for rejection. For the knock-off test, both specimens must pass.
- 4 2 If a horizontal fixed position solder joint fails to show adequate bonding immediate retest may be made by preparing two soldered joints both of which must pass the test requirements
- 4 3 Employees who fail to meet the requirements for a qualification test shall be required to have further training or practice.

 In such a case a complete retest shall be made subsequent to such training or practice.

5 RLCONDS

- 5 1 Records for all velders who have been qualified under this Standard shall be retained as outlined below
- 5 2 All Emplo ee Qualification and Requalification records must be retained for a minimum duration of five ears
- All Employee Qualification and Requalification records must be retained through temporary lapses in a welder's qualification
- 5 4 The Record shall be made by filling out Form 75-27 or Form 75-51 (Gas Standard D-30 Page 5 6)

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