

DATA SHEET

This Chart shows graphically the importance of Electrode maintenance. This is not only important from the quality of the weld, which is of first importance, also extra load added to the welding machine and equipment. Read the data on the chart, you can then draw your own conclusions.

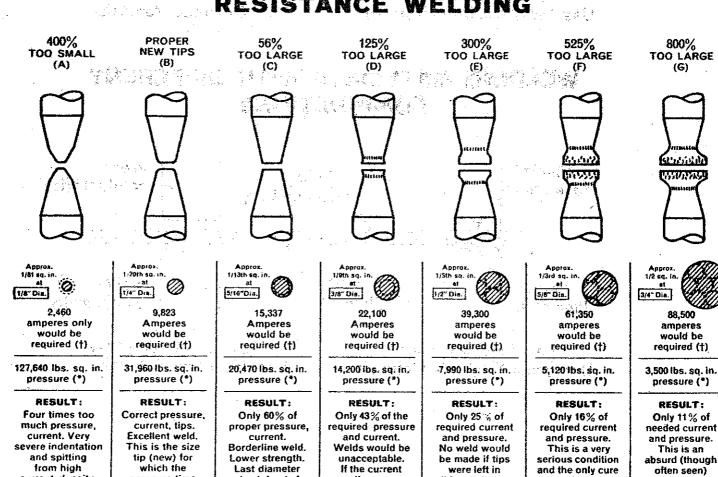
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RESISTANCE WELDING



or time were

increased with

tips in this

condition a

large weak weld

would result.

this condition.

pressure time

and current

are adjusted.

size tolerated

unless current

and pressure

were set between

the 1/4 and 5/16

size tips

current density.

CORRECTION:

to 1/4

Cut current to 1/4

Cut pressure

is to dress the

tips back to (B)

condition.

condition that

only heats a spot.

⁽¹⁾ Current density required for this gage to be 200,000 amps. per sq. in. Setting is 9,900 amps for condition (6)

^(*) Five inch diameter air cylinder A 80 lbs. air pressure-1570 lbs. on ram. Reproduced by permission of McGraw-Hill Book Company, Inc.

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WELD DEFECTS AND CAUSES

This chart is intended only as a check list of the possible causes of some of the more common weld defects. The data shown should be used only as a guide and applies basically to two equal thicknesses of mild steel.

			TYPE OF DEFECT							
OF CAUSE	POSSIBLE CAUSE OF WELD DEFECT		EXPULSION AT WELD INTERFACE	SURFACE EXPULSION ELECTRODE STICKING	ELECTRODE Mushroom	LOW WELD Strength	EXCESSIVE WELD INDENTATION	INTERNAL CRACKS IN WELD NUGGET	CRACKS IN PARENT METAL	DISPLACED WELD NUGGET
AREA										6
WELDING ELECTRODES WELDING CONDITIONS	SQUEEZE TIME—Short		×	×	:		-			
	WELD TIME	Short				×				·
		Long			×		×	1		
	HOLD TIME—Short			×				×	10	
	WELD FORCE	Low	×	×	×		~	×		
		High			<i>V</i>	×	×		×	e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e
	WELD CURRENT	Low				×				
		High	~	~	×		~			
	ELECTRODE FACE AREA	Small			×	×			<u> </u>	
		Large	·.			"	10	<i></i>		
	ELECTRODES MISALIGNED					<u> </u>				×
	INSUFFICIENT COOLING				×		1		×	
	POOR HEAT BALANCE			~		×				×
	CONDUCTIVITY ELECTRODE MATERIAL	Low	·	×	×					
		High			,	~				1
	DIRTY-SCALEY MATERIAL		×	×	<i></i>	1 / (×		, ,
PARTS WELDED	POOR FIT UP		×	~		10	×			×
	INSUFFICIENT EDGE DISTANCE		×			<i>V</i>	.11			. 1
	WELDS TOO CLOSE TOGETHER		•			×	,			
	METALLURGY OF MATERIAL WELDED		100	<i></i>		1	<i>V</i>	×	×	
MISC.	POOR HEAD FOLLOW-UP		~	1			1	×		
	WELDER HEAD IMPACTS WORK				×		×			
	POOR VOLTAGE REGULATION		~	~						
	POOR AIR PRESSURE REGULATION		~	1						

NOTE: Causes Considered Individually

Correct Setup for Flat or Low depth Assemblies. NOTE:

- 2.) LOWER ARM CASTING is at top of Vertical 1.) ARMS Do Not travel past parallel line,
 - Arm, allowing maximum current to arm.
- each other, Tip Holders have less of their length 3. With Arms set-up at minimum distance from than current must travel allowing max current flow.

FIG. "B"

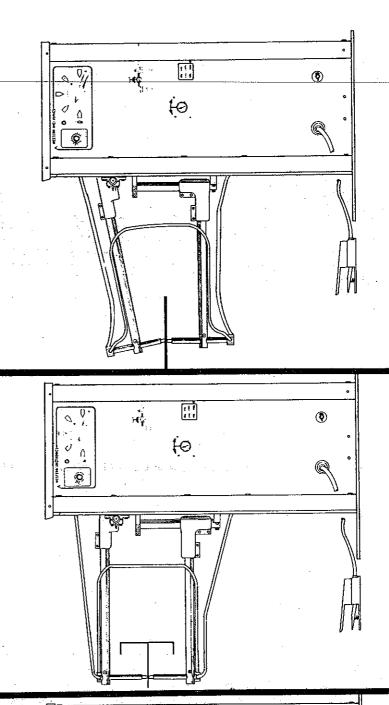
Arm does not travel beyond level or parallel line. This requires two 8" Tip Holders. Correct set up for welding deep assemblies. Upper

INCORRECT SET-UP—Arm travels beyond level (parallet) line. This condition can cause the follow-FIG. "C" ing failures.

1.) When Arm travels too far, Tip pressure will decrease or Tips will not make firm contact, causing poor welds and "Blow-outs."

2.) Damage to Secondary Straps from severe

3.) Lower casting in inverted position can cause failure of the casting.



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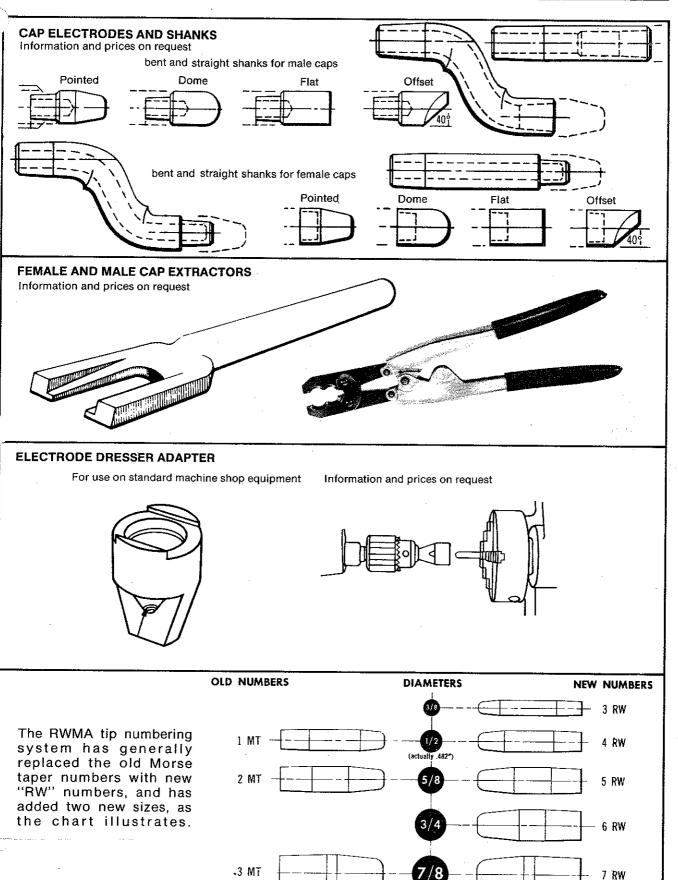
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ILLUSTRATION SHOWING PROPER SET-UP OF ARMS/TIP HOLDERS

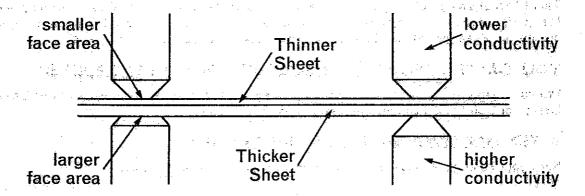
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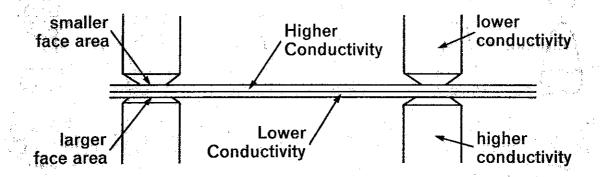
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