Overview

American Welding Society





Welding Distributor Member	316L is similar to 316 but contains an average .02% carbon, producing a weld deposit with excellent resistance against intergranular corrosion caused by carbide precipitation. 316L is used for welding AISI types 316L, 318 and 319L that may be exposed to organic and inorganic acids. (Tri-mix gas = 90% He + 7.5% Ar + 2.5% CO_2)					
Features/Benefits	 Welds most high grades of stainless up to a 316L Excellent corrosion resistance Good high-temperature resistance 					
Applications	 Tanks and vats Pumps and impellers Hospital equipment Food processing equipment 					
 Method of Application	MIG Wire: MIG welding machine TIG Wire: TIG welding machine					
 Identification	MIG: labeled wire spool TIG: stamped/tagged wire					
Directions for Use	For TIG: set machine on DC straight polarity. For MIG: set machine on DC reverse polarity. Make sure base metal is clean of any contaminants such as grease and oil. Hold a short arc and weld with stringer beads or slight weave.					
Technical Specifications	ANSI/AWS A5.9: ER316L ASME SFA 5.9: ER316L					
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⁽¹⁾98% Ar, 2% O₂

Typical Weld Metal Properties

Tensile Strength: 70,000 PSI minimum Elongation: 30% minimum

Typical GMAW Welding Procedures: DCEP Short Circuit

Wire Diameter Wire Speed (ipm) Amps Volts **Electrical Stickout** Tri-mix (cfh) 0.023" 180 - 400 30 - 85 14 – 19 3/8" - 1/2" 20 - 25 0.030" 150 - 350 45 – 125 15 – 20 3/8" - 1/2" 20 - 25 60 - 150 3/8" - 1/2" 20 - 30 0.035" 120 - 330 16 – 22 90 - 210 17 – 22 3/8" - 1/2" 25 - 30 0.045" 100 - 280 0.030" 280 - 600 160 - 220 24 – 28 3/8" - 1/2" (1)25 – 35 Spray 0.035" 250 - 470170 - 295 23 - 291/2" - 3/4" (1)25 - 35 0.045" 200 - 385 195 - 360 24 - 30 1/2" – 3/4" (1)30 - 35 1/16" 110 - 200 210 - 380 25 – 31 1/2" – 3/4" (1)35 - 40

Typical GTAW Welding Procedures: DCEN with EWLa-2 Truncated Conical Tip

Filler Wire Size	Tungsten	Amps	Volts	Gas Cup Size	Argon (cfh)	Base Thickness
1/16"	1/16"	80 – 150	12	3/8"	20	1/16" – 1/8"
3/32"	3/32"	150 – 250	12	3/8"	20	1/8" – 3/16"
1/8"	1/8"	200 – 375	12	1/2"	25	1/4" - 1/2"

Procedures may vary with change in position, base metals, filler metals, equipment and other changes.