STRATA 581 – Super, easy to use electrode for low alloyed steels

FEATURES & APPLICATIONS

All position welding of fine grained unalloyed structural and construction grade steels with a carbon content of up to .4%.

New technology - Very unique "Double Coated" low hydrogen electrode excels at AC welding

- Unique "Double" flux coating separates those flux constituents which impair arc stability to the outside of the flux coating
- The only "Low Hydrogen" electrode that can easily be used on low open circuit voltage AC farm type welders
- The unusually stable arc makes this electrode ideally suited for root passes and positional welding

ALL WELD METAL ANALYSIS (TYPICAL WEIGHT %)

Microstructure: In the stress-relieved condition the microstructure consists of acicular ferrite with some tempered bainite.

Flux Colour: White/Grey

С	Mn	Cr	Si	Мо	S	V	Р	Ni	Fe
.08	1.12	.20	.60	.30	011	.08	.010	.30	Bal

TYPICAL MECHANICAL PROPERTIES

Undiluted Weld MetalMaximum Value Up ToTensile Strength87,000 PSI (630 MPa)Yield Strength72,000 PSI (520 MPa)Elongation31%Impact Energy12J: -20°C



WELDING CURRENT & INSTRUCTIONS

Recommended Current: DC Reverse (+) or AC

Diameter (mm)	3/32 (2.5)	1/8 (3.25)	5/32 (4.0)	3.16 (5.0)
Minimum Amperage	60	90	140	200
Maximum Amperage	90	135	190	260

Welding Techniques: Clean areas to be joined. Initiate arc and use conventional "stringer weld" technique. Electrode can be dragged.

Welding Positions: Flat, Horizontal, Vertical up, Overhead

Deposition Rates:

Diameter	Length	Weldmetal/	Electrodes	Arc Time of	Amperage	Recovery
(mm)	(mm)	Electrode	per lb (kg) of	Deposition	Settings	Rate
			Weldmetal	min/lb (kg)		
3/32 (2.5)	12" (300)	.42oz (12g)	38 (83)	38 (84)	75	118%
1/8 (3.25)	14" (350)	.59oz (17g)	27 (60 <mark>)</mark>	21 (47)	115	118%
5/32 (4.0)	18" (450)	1.4oz (39g)	12 (26)	18 (39)	165	118%
3/16 (5.0)	18" (450)	2.3oz (64g)	7 (16)	13 (28)	230	118%

APPROXIMATE ELECTRODE PACKAGING & DIMENSIONS

Diameter (mm)	3/32 (2.5)	1/8 (3.25)	5/32 (4.0)	3/16 (5.0)
Length (mm)	14" (350)	14" (350)	18" (450)	18" (450)
Electrodes/lb	21	12	6	5
Electrodes/kg	46	26	14	10