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## Foreword

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This document was prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 44, *Welding and allied processes*, Subcommittee SC 10, *Quality management in the field of welding*.

This third edition cancels and replaces the second edition (ISO 13918:2008), which has been technically revised.

The main changes compared to the previous edition are as follows:

- a) everything according conformity evaluation has been deleted from this document;
- b) fully-threaded stud (FD), virtually fully-threaded stud (MD) and insulation pin/nail (ND) have been introduced;
- c) threaded stud has been renamed to partially threaded stud (PD);
- d) abbreviation *P* for pitch has been introduced;
- e) that a stud may consist of two different materials combined by friction welding has been introduced in [5.3.3.1](#);
- f) value for CEV ( $CEV \leq 0,38$ ) in [Table 2](#) has been changed;
- g) SD3 materials according ISO 15510 have been introduced in [Table 2](#);
- h) PT, UT and IT materials according ISO/TR 15608 have been introduced in [Table 2](#);
- i) where applicable, the dimensions  $d_3$  and  $h_4$  are now for guidance only.
- j) " $y_{\min}$ " has been changed to " $y + 2P$ " in [Table 5](#), column  $l_2$ ;
- k) " $y_{\min} + 1$ " has been changed to " $y + 2P$ " in [Table 6](#), column  $d_1$ ;
- l) " $\alpha \pm 2,5^\circ$ " has been changed to " $\alpha \pm 7^\circ$ " in [Table 6](#), column  $d_1$ ;

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- m) " $\alpha \pm 2,5^\circ$ " has been changed to " $\alpha \pm 7^\circ$ " in [Table 9](#), column  $D_6$ ;
- n) " $b$ " has been changed to " $b + 2P$ " and values for M 5 and M 8 have been changed to 7,5 mm and 12 mm in [Table 9](#), column  $D_6$ ;
- o) the column header " $d_1 - 0,4$ " has been changed to " $d_1 \pm 0,4$ " in [Table 10](#);
- p) " $\alpha \pm 2,5$ " has been changed to " $\alpha \pm 7$ " in [Table 10](#);
- q) the column header " $b_{\min}$ " has been changed to " $b_{\min} + 2P$ " in [Table 13](#);
- r) the column header " $b$ " has been changed to " $b_{\min} + 2P$ " in [Table 16](#);
- s) a nominal diameter ( $d_1 \pm 0,1$ ) of 8 mm has been introduced with an internal thread diameter ( $D_6$ ) of M5 and M6 in [Table 16](#);
- t) in all tables for the dimensions of ceramic ferrules, the values for the nominal diameter ( $D_7$ ), the grip diameter ( $d_8$ ), the base diameter ( $d_9$ ) and the height ( $h_2$ ) have been deleted;
- u) [Table 17](#) has been introduced;
- v) a note that stud and ceramic ferrule are generally a coordinated system from the same manufacturer has been introduced in [Clause 7](#);
- w) [10.1](#) has been introduced;
- x) Annex A has been deleted;
- y) figures, normative references and layout have been editorially revised.

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This corrected version of ISO 13918:2017 incorporates the following correction:

- footnote <sup>b</sup> in [Table 11](#) has been modified.

## Introduction

The range of types of studs specified in this document represents customary applications.

This document can be used in all fields of the metal-working industry.

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# Welding — Studs and ceramic ferrules for arc stud welding

## 1 Scope

This document specifies the following:

- requirements for studs and ceramic ferrules for arc stud welding;
- dimensions, materials and mechanical properties.

Table 1 shows types of studs and the symbols for studs and ceramic ferrules that are covered by this document.

**Table 1 — Types of studs and symbols for studs and ceramic ferrules**

Welding technique	Type of stud <sup>a</sup>	Symbol for studs	Symbol for ceramic ferrules
Drawn arc stud welding with ceramic ferrule or shielding gas	Fully-threaded stud	FD	UF
	Virtually fully-threaded stud <sup>b</sup>	MD	MF
	Partially threaded stud	PD	PF
	Threaded stud with reduced shaft	RD	RF
	Unthreaded stud	UD	UF
	Insulation pin/nail	ND	UF
	Stud with internal thread	ID	UF
Short-cycle drawn arc stud welding	Shear connector	SD	UF/DF
	Threaded stud with flange	PS	—
	Unthreaded stud	US	—
	Stud with internal thread	IS	—
Stud welding with tip ignition	Threaded stud	PT	—
	Unthreaded stud	UT	—
	Stud with internal thread	IT	—

<sup>a</sup> Further types of stud and ceramic ferrules can be specified as required for special applications.

<sup>b</sup> Also called MPF, stud with a nearly full thread and a minimum length of the unthreaded part.

## 2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 898-1, *Mechanical properties of fasteners made of carbon steel and alloy steel — Part 1: Bolts, screws and studs with specified property classes — Coarse thread and fine pitch thread*

ISO 3506-1, *Mechanical properties of corrosion-resistant stainless steel fasteners — Part 1: Bolts, screws and studs*

ISO 4042, *Fasteners — Electroplated coatings*

ISO 4759-1, *Tolerances for fasteners — Part 1: Bolts, screws, studs and nuts — Product grades A, B and C*

ISO 6947, *Welding and allied processes — Welding positions*

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ISO 15510, *Stainless steels — Chemical composition*

ISO/TR 15608, *Welding — Guidelines for a metallic materials grouping system*

ISO 16120-2, *Non-alloy steel wire rod for conversion to wire — Part 2: Specific requirements for general purpose wire rod*

### 3 Terms and definitions

No terms and definitions are listed in this document.

ISO and IEC maintain terminological databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <https://www.iso.org/obp>
- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>

### 4 Symbols and abbreviated terms

$b$	length of the thread
$c_d$	depth of the crack in the head
$d_1$	nominal diameter
$d_2$	diameter at the weld area
$d_3$	diameter of the weld collar
$d_4$	diameter of the ignition tip
$d_5$	head diameter of shear connector
$D_6$	internal thread diameter
$h_1$	height of the flange
$h_3$	height of the head on shear connector
$h_4$	height of the weld collar
$h_5$	height of the thread run-out part of stud types PS and PT
$l_1$	overall length of the stud (excluding aluminium ball or ignition tip)
$l_2$	nominal length of the stud
$l_3$	length of the ignition tip
$P$	pitch
$y$	length of the unthreaded part
$\alpha$	face angle

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## 5 Requirements

### 5.1 Ordering information

At the time of order, the manufacturer shall obtain the following information:

- a) a reference to this document if the purchaser demands compliance;
- b) quantities to be delivered;
- c) complete product designation;
- d) other requirements as agreed with the purchaser (e.g. low-temperature requirements).

### 5.2 Dangerous substances

Materials used in products shall not release any dangerous substances in excess of the maximum levels permitted in the relevant regulations of the state of destination.

### 5.3 Product requirements

#### 5.3.1 Dimensions and tolerances on dimensions, form and position

Dimensions and tolerances on dimensions form and position shall be in accordance with the requirements given in [Clause 6](#).

For coated threaded studs, the tolerances shall apply before coating.

Studs shall be free of defects which can affect the application.

#### 5.3.2 Coating

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Unless otherwise specified, studs PS, US, IS, PT, UT, IT of property class 4.8 shall be supplied with electroplated copper coating (C1E).

#### 5.3.3 Materials and mechanical characteristics

##### 5.3.3.1 General

The materials listed in [Table 2](#) shall be used, under the provisions of [5.3.4](#).

The mechanical characteristics of the studs shall comply with the specifications in [Table 2](#).

Studs may consist of two different materials combined by friction welding (dual-material stud).

NOTE The welding part corresponds to the parent metal to avoid problems with dissimilar materials in fusion welding, the rest generally consists of high alloy steel for enhanced corrosion resistance.

##### 5.3.3.2 Shear strength

Shear strength shall be checked by testing the minimum tensile strength of the studs.

**Table 2 — Materials and mechanical characteristics of finished studs**

Symbol	Material/ material group/ property class	Standard	Mechanical properties of the finished stud
FD MD PD RD UD ID	4.8	ISO 898-1 <sup>c</sup>	See ISO 898-1
	A2-50, A2-70, A4-50, A4-70, A5-50, A5-70	ISO 3506-1 <sup>c</sup>	See ISO 3506-1
ND	Mild steel, copper coated C2E	ISO 16120-2	$R_m < 450 \text{ N/mm}^2$
	Austenitic stainless steel	ISO 15510	$R_m < 700 \text{ N/mm}^2$
SD1	Material group 1 with the limits: $C \leq 0,2 \%$ <sup>a</sup> $CEV \leq 0,38^a$ $Al \geq 0,02 \%$ <sup>a,b</sup>	ISO/TR 15608	$R_m \geq 450 \text{ N/mm}^2$ $R_{eH} \geq 350 \text{ N/mm}^2$ $A_5 \geq 15 \%$
SD2	Material group 1 with the limits: $C \leq 0,2 \%$ <sup>a</sup> $CEV \leq 0,35^a$ $Al \geq 0,02 \%$ <sup>a,b</sup>	ISO/TR 15608	$R_m = 400 \text{ N/mm}^2$ to $550 \text{ N/mm}^2$ $R_{eH} \geq 235 \text{ N/mm}^2$ $R_{p0,2} \geq 235 \text{ N/mm}^2$ $A_5 \geq 20 \%$
SD3	X5CrNi18-10 X6CrNi18-12	ISO 15510 ISO 13918:2017 standards.iteh.ai/catalog/standards/sist/c81e3a24-8a0c-4231-74cf-63551a/iso-13918-2017	$R_m = 500 \text{ N/mm}^2$ to $780 \text{ N/mm}^2$ $R_{p0,2} \geq 350 \text{ N/mm}^2$ $A_5 \geq 25 \%$
PS US IS	4.8	ISO 898-1 <sup>c</sup>	See ISO 898-1
	A2-50, A2-70, A4-50, A4-70, A5-50, A5-70	ISO 3506-1 <sup>c</sup>	See ISO 3506-1
PT	4.8	ISO 898-1 <sup>c</sup>	See ISO 898-1
UT	A2-50, A2-70, A4-50, A4-70, A5-50, A5-70	ISO 3506-1 <sup>c</sup>	See ISO 3506-1
	Group 32	ISO/TR 15608	$R_m \geq 370 \text{ N/mm}^2$
	Group 21	ISO/TR 15608	$R_m \geq 100 \text{ N/mm}^2$
IT	Group 22.3	ISO/TR 15608	$R_m \geq 230 \text{ N/mm}^2$

<sup>a</sup> Values from the ladle analysis.  
<sup>b</sup> If other elements for killing are used, they shall be reported in the inspection document.  
<sup>c</sup> Only weldable materials shall be used for studs.

**5.3.4 Weldability**

Only weldable materials shall be used for studs.

Non-alloyed steel studs are weldable if the hardness increase is low. In general, this is the case when the carbon content is  $\leq 0,20 \%$ . Free-cutting steel studs are generally not weldable. Killed materials shall be used.

Austenitic stainless steel studs are generally weldable. Free-cutting stainless steel studs are generally not weldable.