RESISTANCE WELDING ELECTRODE MAINTENANCE

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.

YOU CAN'T AFFORD TO NEGLECT YOUR ELECTRODES!

Keep your Electrodes dressed for maximum production and quality welds.

A TIP DRESSER WILL PAY DIVIDENDS!

We can supply you with hand operated Tip Dressers or Pneumatic Power Driven Dressers. Design or type will depend on your production requirements. Pages 45 & 50.

RESISTANCE WELDING











525% Too Large (F)















Approx. .012 sq.in.















39,300

amperes

would be

required (†)

7,990 lbs. sq. in.

pressure (*)

RESULT:

Only 25: of

required current

and pressure.

No weld would

be made if tips

were left in



5/8" Dia. 61,350

Approx. .307 sq.in.

amperes would be required (†)

5,120 lbs. sq. in. pressure (*)

RESULT: Only 16% of required current and pressure. This is a very serious condition and the only cure is to dress the tips back to (B) condition.

Approx. .442 sq.in.



88,500 amperes would be required (†)

3,500 lbs. sq. in. pressure (*)

RESULT: Only 11% of needed current and pressure. This is an absurd (though often seen) condition that only heats a spot.

2,460 amperes only would be required (†)

127,640 lbs. sq. in. pressure (*)

RESULT: Four times too much pressure. current. Very severe indentation and spitting from high current density

CORRECTION: Cut pressure to 1/4 Cut current to 1/4

9,823 amperes would be required (†)

31,960 lbs. sq. in. pressure (*)

RESULT: Correct pressure, current, tips. Excellent weld. This is the size tip (new) for which the pressure, time, and current are adjusted

Approx. .077 sq.in.



15,337 amperes would be required (†)

20,470 lbs. sq. in. pressure (*)

RESULT: Only 60% of proper pressure, current. Borderline weld. Lower strength. Last diameter size tolerated unless current and pressure were set between the 1/4 and 5/16 size tips.

14,200 lbs. sq. in. pressure (*)

amperes would be

required (†)

RESULT: Only 45% of the required pressure and current. Welds would be unacceptable If the current or time were increased with tips in this condition a large weak weld would result.

this condition.



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

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