

Material Product Data Sheet

Tungsten Carbide Filled Tubular Steel Welding Rod

Weld Rod Products: WokaDur A, WokaDur A-Plus

1 Introduction

WokaDur™ A is steel- or nickel-plated tubular steel welding rod filled with first-melt quality cast tungsten carbide (CTC). WokaDur A-Plus is similar to WokaDur A, except it is filled with first-melt quality spherical cast tungsten carbide (CTC-S), which has a higher hardness. WokaDur A and WokaDur A-Plus can be supplied nickel-plated, if so desired by the customer.

These products have been designed for hardfacing of low alloyed steel by oxy-acetylene welding.

1.1 Typical Uses and Applications

WokaDur A and WokaDur A-Plus produce hard overlay deposits on mild or low-alloyed steels with a carbon content up to 0.5 %. The main applications are tool-ing for mining, oil drilling, deep drilling, clay processing and brick manufacturing. The chemical composition of WokaDur A allows its use in the food industries for applications with direct contact to comestibles. Typical applications where these products are used:

- Road and highway construction equipment
- Mining equipment
- Oilfield equipment
- Deep drilling equipment
- Agitators in chemical and food industries

Quick Facts

Classification	Steel rod, tungsten carbide filled
Chemistry	WFeC
Deposit Hardness	52 – 67 HRC
Manufacture	Filled tubular rod
Carbide Hardness	Minimum 1600 HV0.1
Weld Deposit Density	12.4 g/cm ³
Service Temperature	≤ 500 °C (930 °F)
Purpose	Wear resistance
Process	Oxy-acetylene welding



WokaDur A 4 mm tungsten carbide-filled welding rod.

2 Material Information

2.1 Chemical Composition and Hardness

Product	Nominal Chemical Composition (wt.%)				Carbide Hardness HV0.1 (min)	Deposit Hardness HRC	Hard Phase wt. %
	C _{TOTAL}	Fe	W	Mn			
WokaDur A	2.4	40	balance	---	2000	57 – 62	57 – 63
WokaDur A-Plus	2.4	40	balance	---	2600	62 – 67	57 – 63

2.2 Primary Carbide Grain Size and Type, Available Lengths and Diameters

Product	Primary Carbide Grin Size mm	Primary Carbide Type	Available Lengths	Available Diameters
WokaDur A	0.2 – 3.0	Cast (CTC) (W ₂ C-WC)	350 mm (13.75 in)	3.5 mm (0.14 in)
			500 mm (19.5 in)	4.0 mm (0.16 in)
			700 mm (27.5 in)	5.0 mm (0.20 in)
WokaDur A-Plus	0.2 – 0.7	Spherical Cast (CTC-S) (W ₂ C-WC)	700 mm (27.5 in)	6.0 mm (0.24 in)
				3.5 mm (0.14 in)
				4.0 mm (0.16 in)
				5.0 mm (0.20 in)
				6.0 mm (0.24 in)

Other primary carbide grain sizes, lengths and diameters are available on request and can be tailored for on-site conditions and special applications.

2.3 Key Selection Criteria

The main selection criteria for choice of product are:

- WokaDur A is filled with cast tungsten carbide [W₂C-WC] having a minimum carbide hardness of 2000 HV0.1. The carbide content is approximately 60 % depending on the grain size. The rods can be nickel-plated if desired by the customer.
- WokaDur A-Plus filled with spherical cast tungsten carbide [W₂C-WC] having a minimum carbide hardness of 2600 HV0.1. The morphology and hardness of the spherical cast tungsten carbide produces deposits with higher wear resistance than can be achieved using standard crushed cast carbide. The rods can be nickel-plated if desired by the customer. WokaDur A-Plus is recommended for applications that require additional hardness and wear resistance.
- WokaDur A and WokaDur A-Plus meet EN 14700: T Fe20,

2.4 Related Products

We offer a wide variety of carbide-containing hardfacing welding products in a number of forms designed for convenient application. Products are available for oxy-acetylene welding, MIG / open arc welding and powders for PTA welding. These products are available with different carbide types and hardness, matrix materials and matrix materials so customers can choose a product that is suitable for both their budget and surface application. Please contact your Account Representative for additional information.

3 Coating Information

3.1 Key Welding Recommendations

- The surface to be welded should be free from grease, oil, fats, lipids, rust and other foreign matter
- Use welding positions PA or PB (DIN EN ISO 6947)
- Multilayer welding is possible (1 to 3 passes)
- It is essential to slowly and uniformly preheat the substrate to a temperature of approximately 400 to 600 °C (750 to 1110 °F), depending on the type of base material
- Use a slightly excessive acetylene feather
- Apply the material uniformly using a dabbing technique within the torch flame to produce an even droplet pattern
- Avoid excessive puddling during processing
- Sweat the deposit to the base metal with minimum penetration
- Deposits are not machinable or forgeable, but can be ground to diameter or finished with diamond tools

3.2 Recommended Welding Parameters

Parameter	Recommended Setting	
Carrier Gas	Oxygen	
Carrier Gas Pressure	2 – 4 bar	29 – 58 psi
Fuel Gas	Acetylene	
Fuel Gas Pressure	0.5 – 0.8 bar	7 – 12 psi
Nozzle Size	6 – 9 mm	

Above parameters are for welding on a mild steel substrate with a carbon content of 0.1 % and a thickness of 15 mm (0.59 in)

3.3 Welding Parameter Development

For specific application needs, we can provide parameter advice and parameter development services may be available.

4 Commercial Information

4.1 Ordering Information and Availability

Product	Order No.	Package Size	Rod Diameter	Rod Length	Carbide Grain Size	Color Code
WokaDur A	1077020	5 kg (11 lb)	3.5 mm (0.14 in)	350 mm (13.75 in)	40 – 150 mesh	---
WokaDur A	1065178	5 kg (11 lb)	3.5 mm (0.14 in)	350 mm (13.75 in)	0.5 mm	White
WokaDur A	1065179	5 kg (11 lb)	3.5 mm (0.14 in)	500 mm (19.5 in)	0.2 – 0.7 mm	White
WokaDur A	1067544	5 kg (11 lb)	3.5 mm (0.14 in)	700 mm (27.5 in)	0.5 mm	White
WokaDur A	1067538	5 kg (11 lb)	5.0 mm (0.20 in)	700 mm (27.5 in)	0.5 mm	White
WokaDur A	1065181 ^b	5 kg (11 lb)	5.0 mm (0.20 in)	500 mm (19.5 in)	0.2 – 0.7 mm	White
WokaDur A	1065182	5 kg (11 lb)	5.0 mm (0.20 in)	500 mm (19.5 in)	0.7 – 1.2 mm	Yellow
WokaDur A	1065470 ^b	5 kg (11 lb)	5.0 mm (0.20 in)	700 mm (27.5 in)	0.5 mm	Blue
WokaDur A	1068660 ^a	5 kg (11 lb)	6.0 mm (0.24 in)	700 mm (27.5 in)	3.0 mm	Blue
WokaDur A	1065759 ^{a, b}	5 kg (11 lb)	6.0 mm (0.24 in)	700 mm (27.5 in)	3.0 mm	Blue
WokaDur A-Plus	1065472 ^a	5 kg (11 lb)	3.5 mm (0.14 in)	700 mm (27.5 in)	0.2 – 0.7 mm	White

Please note:

■ All materials are globally available on a special order basis, except as noted. Please allow adequate lead time.

^a These products include a nickel-plated strip

^b These products are stocked

4.2 Handling Recommendations

- Store in the original container in a dry location.
- Open containers should be stored in a drying oven to prevent moisture pickup.

4.3 Safety Recommendations

See the SDS 50-1079 (Safety Data Sheet) in the localized version applicable to the country where the material will be used. SDS are available from the Metco Joining & Cladding web site at www.metcojoiningcladding.com (Resources – Safety Data Sheets).

Information is subject to change without prior notice.