KST-308LB

COVERED ELECTRODE

FOR STAINLESS STEEL

KISWEL

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■ Description

- **Covering is lime type for welding of 18%Cr-8%Ni stainless steel**
- **Easy welding performance without hardening brittleness because of austenitic structure of the deposited weld metal**
- **This electrode offers superb notch toughness at -196℃**
- **Stables arc performance in almost welding current**
- **Redry the electrode at 250~350℃ for 30~60 minutes prior to use**

■ Classification

- **AWS A5.4 : E308L-15**
- **JIS Z 3221 : ES308L-15**
- **EN ISO 3581-A : E 19 9 L B 22**
- **EN ISO 3581-B : ES308L-15**

■ Welding Position



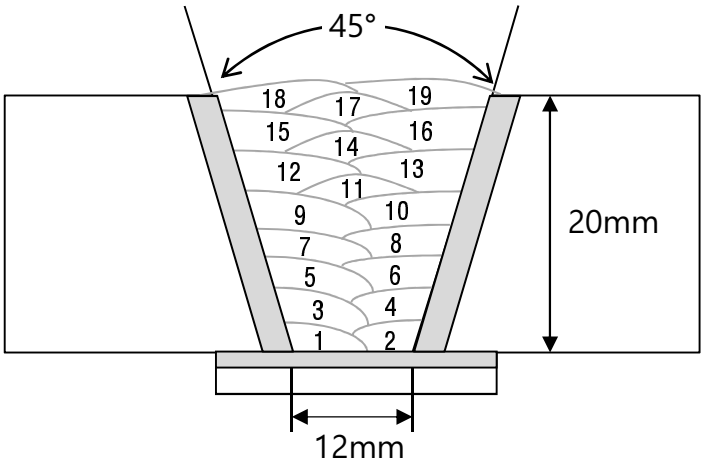
■ Base Materials

1.4306 X2CrNi19-11, 1.4301 X5CrNi18-10, 1.4311 X2CrNiM18-10, 1.4312 GX10CrNi18-8, 1.4541 X6CrNiTi18-10, 1.4546 X55CrNiNb18-10, 1.4550 X6CrNiNb18-10

AISI 304, 304L, 304LN, 302, 321, 347
ASTM A157 Gr.C9
ASTM A320 Cr. B8C or D

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■ All Weld Metal Test Specimen



Base metal	A36 (Buttering)
Size	4.0*350mm
Polarity / Current	DC+ / 130~135A
Welding Position	PA / 1G
Heat Input	7.2~10.5 kJ/cm

■ Typical Mechanical Properties of Weld Metal

	Y.S (MPa)	T.S (MPa)	El. (%)	I.V (J) (J @ Temp.)	PWHT	Remark
AWS Spec.	-	≥520	≥30	-	A.W	1G
KST-308LB	420	590	45	42 @ -196℃ (LE : 0.45mm)	A.W	

■ Typical Chemical Composition of Weld Metal (%)

	C	Si	Mn	P	S	Ni	Cr	Mo
AWS Spec.	≤0.04	≤1.00	0.5~ 2.5	≤0.04	≤0.03	9.0~ 11.0	18.0~ 21.0	≤0.75
KST-308LB	0.02	0.51	1.85	0.024	0.010	10.34	18.85	0.09

■ Weldability

		Flat, H-Fillet	V-Up
Arc	Stability	Good	Good
	Concentration	Good	Excellent
	Force	Good	Good
Slag	Fluidity	Excellent	Good
	Removability	Good	Good
Spatter	Quantity	Excellent	Excellent
Fume	Quantity	Good	Good
Porosity	Occurrence	Excellent	Excellent

■ Bead Appearance



H-Fillet, 3.2*350mm, DC+ 105~110A



V-Up, 3.2*350mm, DC+ 75~80A

■ Field Test Result



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3G, 4.0*350mm, DC+ 100~105A

■ Welding Efficiency

Nominal electrode efficiency (%)	Deposition efficiency (%)
80~85	50~55

1) Size : 3.2*350mm

2) Nominal electrode efficiency (%) : M_D/M_{CN} *100

3) Deposition efficiency (%) : $M_D/(M_E-M_S)$*100

* M_D : mass of deposited weld metal
* M_{CN} : nominal mass of consumed core wire
* M_E : total mass of electrodes tested
* M_S : total mass of the stub ends

■ IGC Test Result & Ferrite Number

ASTM A262 Practice E	FN (WRC 1992)
Pass (No Crack)	3~8

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■ Packaging and Available sizes



Diameter (mm)		2.5 / 2.6	3.2	4.0	5.0
Length (mm)		300	350	350	350
Plastic tube	Inner	2, 5Kg			
	Out	20Kg (2Kg x 10EA, 5Kg x 4EA)			
Vacuum	Inner	2Kg			
	Out	10Kg (2Kg x 5EA)			

* Identification Imprint : E308L-15 KISWEL

* Tip Color : None

■ Recommended Welding Parameter (DC+)

Diameter (mm)	2.5 / 2.6	3.2	4.0	5.0
Length (mm)	300	350	350	350
Flat, Fillet	50~80	90~110	110~150	140~180
V-Up	40~60	60~80	80~120	-

■ Control Instruction

1. Storage

1) On principle covered electrodes should be in their original packaging until used. If possible the packs of electrodes should be taken out of storage in the sequence in which they were received in warehouse.
2) The covered electrodes must be stored in dry rooms to protect them against damage caused by moisture. The room must be fitted out with pallets or shelves since storage directly on the floor or against the walls is not recommended.
3) Opened packs of electrodes should also be stored in dry and, if necessary, heated rooms so that there is no likelihood of the temperature dropping below the dew point.

AWS Classification	Store Condition (Opened packs of electrode)	
	Ambient Air	Holding Oven
E308L-15	Not recommended	High 30~140℃ than room temperature

2. Re-drying

1) Where electrodes have become damp it is recommended that re-drying is carried out immediately prior to welding in accordance with the temperature details specified in the following table.
2) Electrodes that have been in direct contact with water, grease or oil should not be used for welding fabrication.

Type of coating	Re-drying temp. (℃)	Re-Drying time (min)
Lime	250~350	30~60

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