



CORROSION CONTROL

Site Risk/Aspect Assessment & Method Statement Procedure



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Site Health & Safety Risk / Environment Aspect Assessment & Method Statement/Pin Brazing Procedure

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|---|---------------------------------------|--|--|
| <b>1a. Client name:</b>   |                                       | <b>1b. Job no:</b>                       |  |
| <b>1c. Contracted company:</b>  | <b>1d. Customer Safety Serial No:</b> | <b>2. Area where work is to be done:</b> |  |
| BAC Corrosion Control Ltd   | N/A                                   |  |  |
| <b>3. Exact location of the work:</b>   |                                       | <b>4. Order number:</b>                  |  |
|   |                                       |  |  |
| <b>5a. Job description (sequence of works):</b>   |                                       |  |  |
| Ascertain the exact location of the Pin Brazing   |                                       |  |  |
| Prepare the area on the substrate to be Pin Brazed  |                                       |  |  |
| Pin Braze the connections and test the connections with a 1kg hammer and low resistance ohm meter |                                       |  |  |
| <b>5b. Services provided by the client: N/A Client will be undertaking work</b>                   |                                       |  |  |
| Permit to work as required  |                                       |  |  |
| Safe and dry access to the relevant structure.  |                                       |  |  |
| Safety guardian and associated equipment including confined space entry where necessary           |                                       |  |  |
| Welfare and messing facilities  |                                       |  |  |
| First aid facilities  |                                       |  |  |
| Vehicle parking   |                                       |  |  |
| <b>5c. Actions required before the job will commence: N/A Client will be undertaking work</b>     |                                       |  |  |
| Site access and safety arrangements   |                                       |  |  |
| Notify other contractors that BAC personnel will be working in the area                           |                                       |  |  |
| Location of any other services in the vicinity of the proposed excavation locations               |                                       |  |  |
|   |                                       |  |  |
| <b>6a. Anticipated start date:</b>  | <b>6b. Anticipated end date:</b>      | <b>7. Duration of work:</b>              |  |
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**8a. Emergency plan including Environmental requirements: N/A Client will be undertaking work**

Site specific plan to be confirmed by site staff

**8b. Emergency contact: N/A Client will be undertaking work**

Inform the site supervisor and/or the duty staff about the incident to ensure the relevant persons know the location of the casualty and/or location of the incident within the site

Site specific contact to be confirmed by site staff. If there is not a site specific contact the emergency services should be contacted by dialling 112 or 999

Local accident and emergency hospital;

**8c. Access and egress: N/A Client will be undertaking work**

Use designated site paths and walkways where provided. Only use ladders appropriately fixed or footed.

**8d. Assembly point: N/A Client will be undertaking work**

To be confirmed by site personnel

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|--|--|--|
| <b>9. Number of employees on site:</b> | <b>10a. Site contact &amp; number:</b> | <b>10b. Office contact &amp; number:</b> |
|--|--|--|

|     |     |     |
|-----|-----|-----|
| N/A | N/A | N/A |
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**11. Equipment:**

|                       |  |
|-----------------------|--|
| <b>a. To be used:</b> | <b>b. Safety precautions required:</b> |
|-----------------------|--|

**All tools and equipment should be checked for worthiness before use. Any defective tools or equipment should not be used and should be returned to BAC Telford for quarantine.**

|            |                 |
|------------|-----------------|
| Hand tools | LEP and gloves. |
|------------|-----------------|

|                              |   |
|------------------------------|---|
| Low Ohm meter c/w test leads | Check and ensure test lead and ohm meter insulation integrity – Valid Calibration |
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|                 |             |
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| Pin Brazing gun | Wear gloves |
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**12. Personal protective equipment to be used:**

| a. Type:   | b. Make, model & applicable standard: | c. To protect against:  |
|--|---------------------------------------|---|
| <b>All Personal Protection Equipment (PPE) should be checked for worthiness before use. Any defective PPE should not be used and should be discarded in accordance with site procedures.</b> |                                       |   |
| Eye protection   | EN175:1997/166:1995/169:1992          | Air born debris   |
| Safety hat   | EN1384:2017                           | Falling objects   |
| Dust Mask  | FFP3 to EN149:2001                    | Smoke inhalation  |
| Safety foot wear   | EN ISO 20345: 2011 S3                 | Damage to feet from uneven ground, falling objects impact from hand tools |
| Gloves   | EN12477:2001/A1:2005 Type B           | Cutting hands on abrasive surfaces and chemical contact                   |
| High visibility clothing   | EN471                                 | Moving traffic or plant   |
| Ear defenders  | EN352-1                               | Noise   |

**13. Hazardous substance:**

| a. Hazardous substance to be used: | b. Risk/Aspect it presents: | c. Controls required: |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|
| NONE                               | N/A                         | N/A                   |

**14. Contractors to be used:**

All must be final client /pre approved and have their own RA & MS

None directed by BAC

**15. Technical content of the job / method statement/ Pin Brazing Procedure:**

**PREPARATION OF THE SURFACE**

*It is crucial that to achieve a successful pin Braze, the area of connection onto the substrate (or metal pipeline) has a clean bright metal finish. In order to achieve this some degree of surface preparation will be required.*

*Pipeline and plant owners often have their own procedures for surface preparation and you should fully familiarise yourself with these procedures prior to any surface preparation works.*



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#### STEP ONE



Figure 4

*If necessary, the surface encompassing the pin Braze area and adjacent earth connection shall be degreased before any grinding operation.*

*Scrape and clean the steel and clean an area for the earth device as near as possible to the Braze area as illustrated in STEP ONE - figure 4.*

*The metal surface must then be prepared to a bright clean finish to ensure a sound electrical connection between the earth device and the substrate. Never continuously work the metal such that any wall thickness is reduced.*

*An area sufficient to accommodate the Brazing pin and cable lug must be correctly located and cleaned to a bright metal finish.*

*To prevent the cleaned metal surface re-oxidising, we recommend that pin Brazing must take place as soon as possible after surface preparation, i.e. not more than 5 minutes delay.*

*Note that when using the optional 18V grinder (part #273 199 0685) you must carefully read the specific instruction manuals for this equipment. The manuals detail the safe operation of the equipment and the PPE required during their use.*

#### LOADING THE PIN INTO THE BRAZING GUN

*Load the gun with a Brazing pin and ceramic ferrule individually by hand. Ensure that they are both back fully inserted and tight with the palm of your hand, as illustrated in STEP TWO – figure 5.*

#### STEP TWO



Figure 5

**DO NOT STRAIGHTEN THE KINKED END OF THE PIN FUSE WIRE.**



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The legs of the pin holder must be adjusted as necessary to ensure a firm grip of the pin while maintaining concentricity with the ferrule holder.

**Important:**

Under no circumstances should a Brazing pin which has been inserted and then removed from the gun be re-inserted and used for Brazing without checking the kinked end profile and fuse wire connection to pin.

#### ADJUSTMENT OF BRAZING GUN

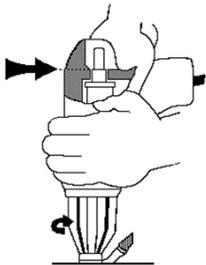
Before connecting the earth device to the steel, adjust the Brazing pin "Lift Height" as follows:

Hold the cable lug or stinger flat on the steel surface (for direct pin connection). Insert a loaded Brazing pin into the hole in the lug and press the gun/ferrule against the surface of the lug evenly overcoming the internal spring. Turn the ferrule holder until the white adjustment indicator tube is flush with the gun's rear face. The Brazing gun should now be correctly set, as illustrated in STEP THREE – figure 6.

When using threaded Brazing pins, i.e. M8 Brazing pin, the ceramic ferrule must be flat against the steel surface when checking the white adjustment indicator tube.

#### STEP THREE

Figure 6



#### LOCATION OF CONNECTIONS

The desired position of the required pin Braze area should be accurately marked on the steel. Do not use any oil based marker e.g. spray paint, as this will contaminate the grinding burr.

When pin Brazing onto a coated substrate then sufficient coating needs to be removed in order to accommodate both the earth device and area of the pin Braze, this would be a minimum of 14 cm x 4 cm using the standard earth device. If the earth device is placed on a separate earth point on the substrate then the area required at the pin Braze point will be a minimum of 4 cm x 4 cm.



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STEP FOUR

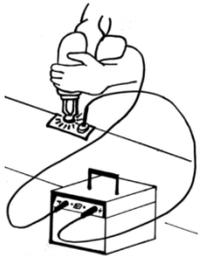


Figure 7

1. The magnetic earth device must be applied to the cleaned surface to ensure a sound electrical circuit.
2. The Brazing gun must be correctly adjusted with the correct pin and ferrule fitted.
3. Locate the Brazing pin so that the pin is in the centre of the hole in the cable lug. For vertical surfaces, the pin must be at the upper part of the hole in the cable lug.
4. Apply sustained pressure on the Brazing gun so that full contact is made between the ferrule and the bond attachment (or the steel surface when using threaded pins).
5. When the operator is ready to Braze, he should look well to one side to protect his eyes from glare. The operator's stance should be stable to enable this movement to be made without altering the critical positioning of the gun.
6. Hold the gun firmly and close the circuit by squeezing the trigger.

KEEP THE TRIGGER DEPRESSED UNTIL THE BRAZE IS COMPLETE

7. After about 2 seconds the fuse wire should rupture, disconnecting the circuit. The arc will extinguish and the pin or stud will be shot forward into the molten filler.
8. In the event of a fuse not rupturing after the normal time, the gun must be withdrawn completely from the work, keeping the trigger depressed.
9. After the fuse has ruptured, the gun must be held in place for a further 3 seconds to allow the Braze to set
10. Remove the gun by pulling straight off the substrate or pipeline in line with the brazing pin, then break off the ferrule if this is remaining in the ferrule holder. This can be achieved by levering against a suitable edge. Beware, it may be hot.
11. Hold the gun in a vertical position then depress the ejector button to expel the remaining fuse wire. Catch the wire in your hand to ensure it has been ejected, as illustrated below in figure 7(a).



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Figure 7(a)



#### TESTING A COMPLETED BOND

Threaded pin attachments should be tested by a torque device. For an M8 pin the torque device should be set to 10 Nm. The threads will fail at 25 Nm so do not use excessive force.

For the Direct Pin Braze test the strength of the connection by lifting and tugging the cable upwards and tapping the connection with a hammer whilst breaking off the shank, refer to STEP FIVE – figure below: There should be absolutely no movement or peeling of the pin brazed cable lug from the substrate.

The shank of the plain pin must be carefully broken off with a hammer taking care not to damage the lug. This must be done before another pin Braze is made to the bond. After breaking off the shank the broken surface should be level or thereabouts with the outer surface of the lug (figure 9 [A]). The lug shall be complete in all aspects.

Using a calibrated low ohm resistance meter, measure the contact resistance between the pin Brazing cable lug or threaded stud. Measure the resistance of the cable length (lug to lug or lug to free end) (R1) then measure from the cable end to the substrate immediately adjacent to the pin brazed cable lug (R2). Deduct R1 from R2 The resultant reading should be

$\leq 0.0001\Omega$  or  $100\mu\Omega$

#### STEP FIVE



Figure 8



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If the surface of the broken pin is proud of the surface of the lug this is an indication that the Brazing time was too short \* (figure 9 [B]). The reason for a short Braze time is usually the result of excessive current being drawn due to the gun "lift height" being incorrect. This short time can also be caused by a poor earth connection.

If the surface of the broken pin is below the surface of the lug, this is an indication that the Brazing time was too long (figure 9 [C]). The reason for a long Braze time is the result of insufficient current being drawn. Insufficient current is usually the result of a poor battery condition.

If it is known that the battery is good then the cause may be incorrect setting of the gun "lift height".

If the ferrule is not held against the copper lug and is in partial contact then the arc can escape out of the gap and this will result in the side of the copper lug burning away.

\* When using cable lugs part number #278 100 9000 /#278 100 7360 this result (figure 9 [B]) is acceptable due to thickness of copper material at Braze area. Height of remaining brass shank should not exceed 2mm.

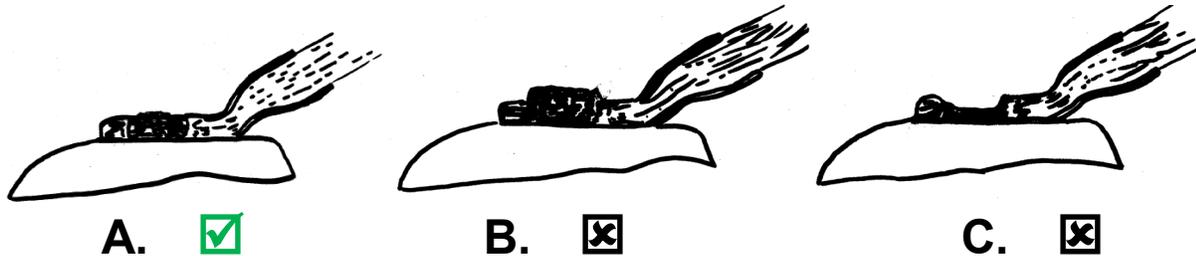


Figure 9



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**FAULT DIAGNOSIS OF UNSATISFACTORY PIN BRAZE CONNECTION**

Some common problems can be experienced by operators when first using the equipment. Listed below are a series of faults together with the most likely cause and remedy solutions. In the event of persistent problems or faults, contact the service engineer for advice or repair.

| PROBLEM  | POSSIBLE CAUSE   | REMEDY   |
|--|--|--|
| No arc or there is a short "pop" of the pin          | Circuit not complete or highly resistive   | <i>Check fuse wire on pin is engaged<br/>Check earth device is connected</i>                                 |
|  | Batteries flat   | <i>Charge/replace batteries</i>  |
| Arc time too short<br><a href="#">Figure 9 (B)</a>   | Excessive current drawn<br>Poor earth connection   | <i>Check gun adjustment<br/>Reset earth connection</i>   |
| Arc time too long<br><a href="#">Figure 9 (C)</a>    | Insufficient current drawn   | <i>Check gun adjustment<br/>Recharge batteries</i>   |
| Bond falls off when tested                           | Too short Brazing time<br>Base metal not clean enough  | <i>See above<br/>Thoroughly clean the area to be Braze</i>   |
| Fuse wire stuck in contact nipple                    | Pin loose in holder<br>Failure to eject previous fuse wire   | <i>Tighten fit of pin holder jaws<br/>Replace contact nipple</i>   |
| Brazing pin fails to push into molten Braze material | Pin is out of line from the ferrule due to off centre ferrule holder jaws caused by heavy removal of spent ferrule | <i>Take care not to bend ferrule holder jaws when removing spent ferrule<br/><br/>Replace ferrule holder</i> |



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| 16. Risk/Aspect Assessment of the work to be done. What/who are the:- |   |                    |                    |    |       |  |                   |   |       |
|---|---|--------------------|--------------------|----|-------|--|-------------------|---|-------|
| No.   | Aspect/Hazards  | Impact/Consequence | Pre-Control Rating |    |       | Control Measures to be employed  | Final Risk Rating |   |       |
|   |   |                    | L                  | x  | S = R |  | L                 | x | S = R |
| 1   | Sharp objects / abrasive work & hot surfaces            |                    | 4                  | 3  | 12    | Wear gloves  | 2                 | 3 | 6     |
| 2   | Falling objects   |                    | 3                  | 4  | 12    | Walk within designated walkways and wear a safety hat and high visibility clothing             | 2                 | 4 | 8     |
| 3   | Road traffic. Some locations are installed near roadway |                    | 4                  | 5  | 20    | Follow the highway code, site rules, use designated walkways and wear high visibility clothing | 2                 | 5 | 10    |
| 4   | Trips, slips and falls                                  |                    | 3                  | 4  | 12    | Care to be taken on uneven ground and wear safety boots with ankle support                     | 2                 | 4 | 8     |
| 5   | Back injury   |                    | 3                  | 3  | 9     | Follow appropriate lifting procedure   | 2                 | 3 | 6     |
| 6   | Smoke Inhalation  |                    | 4                  | 12 | 16    | Wear Correct Face Mask   | 2                 | 2 | 4     |
| 7   | Eye Injury  |                    | 4                  | 16 | 64    | Wear Eye protection  | 2                 | 2 | 4     |

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|------------|--|-----------|---------------|-------------|---------------|
| 5. Extreme | 5 (LOW)  | 10 (MED)  | 15 (MED)      | 20 (HIGH)   | 25 (HIGH)     |
| 4. Major   | 4 (LOW)  | 8 (MED)   | 12 (MED)      | 16 (MED)    | 20 (HIGH)     |
| 3. Minor   | 3 (LOW)  | 6 (MED)   | 9 (MED)       | 12 (MED)    | 15 (MED)      |
| 2. Limited | 2 (LOW)  | 4 (LOW)   | 6 (MED)       | 8 (MED)     | 10 (MED)      |
| 1. Trivial | 1 (LOW)  | 2 (LOW)   | 3 (LOW)       | 4 (LOW)     | 5 (LOW)       |
|            | 1. Unlikely                                    | 2. Rarely | 3. Occasional | 4. Frequent | 5. Inevitable |
| Rating     | Review Period: 12 months                       |           |               |             |               |
| (HIGH)     | Intolerable – Do not start work                |           |               |             |               |
| (MED)      | Tolerable – Reduce ALARP                       |           |               |             |               |
| (LOW)      | Tolerable – monitor to ensure risk remains low |           |               |             |               |

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**17. Safety & Environmental content of the job:**

*The following work will be completed using the controls listed above in point number 8,11,12,13,14,15 and 16:*

Carry out the inspection in accordance with the relevant British standards for cathodic protection taking into account the presented risks, and using the correct procedures and personal protection equipment

Ensure site personnel and other contractors are aware that you are working in the specified locations and the correct client permits are in place

When working in areas of moving vehicles or machinery ensure the relevant persons have been notified, use of designated walkways where possible and high visibility clothing worn

**BAC Internal Review**

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