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# AWS ANNOUNCES REVISED GUIDE FOR NONDESTRUCTIVE EXAMINATION OF WELDS

**MIAMI, FL., September 28, 2009** - A revised edition of the American Welding Society's AWS B1.10 *Guide for the Nondestructive Examination of Welds* has been published. The standard known as B1.10M/B1.10:2009 supersedes the 1999 edition.

The 64-page book provides a reference guide for the kinds of nondestructive methods that are used to verify that welds meet the requirements of a code or specification. The nondestructive examination methods described are visual, liquid penetrant, magnetic particle, radiographic, ultrasonic, electromagnetic (eddy current) and leak. Both metric and U.S. Customary Unites are provided throughout.

This guide also describes weld discontinuities, where they are likely to occur, and the methods best suited to their detection.

The revised standard is the joint effort of the AWS B1 Committee on Methods of Inspection, made up of expert volunteer inspectors, suppliers, end-users, and researchers.

AWS B1.10M/B1.10:2009 Guide *for the Nondestructive Examination of Welds* is available at (888) WELDING or www.aws.org/standards for $104. American Welding Society members can purchase the standard for just $78.

*About AWS*

*The American Welding Society (AWS) was founded in 1919 as a multifaceted, nonprofit organization with a mission to advance the science, technology and application of welding and allied joining and cutting processes including brazing, soldering, and thermal spraying. Headquartered in Miami, Florida, and led by a volunteer organization of officers and directors, AWS serves more than 50,000 members worldwide and is composed of 22 Districts with 250 Sections and student chapters. For more information, visit the society's website at http://www.aws.org and click on "Pressroom."*

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