

Tailor Welded Blank Inspection

TEMATE SI-WB

Equipment Highlights

- Non-contact EMAT technique.
- Guided waves fill up the volume of the material and provide thru thickness inspection in one pass.
- Detects and discriminates “planar” defects such as lack of fusion, lack of penetration, concavity or mismatch, and “point” defects such as holes and porosity.
- Less sensitive to probe positioning, no “rastering” motion or “phased array” of sensors necessary. Self-calibrated sensor. No need for teaching period or regular calibrations. Permits inspection at up to 1m/s in completely automated environments.
- Exclusive flexible sensor technology that conforms to the surface and undulations of the part.
- Multi-sensor capabilities with one system controlling up to three sensor heads.
- Optional 3D cameras detect surface and cosmetic defects as required by ISO.

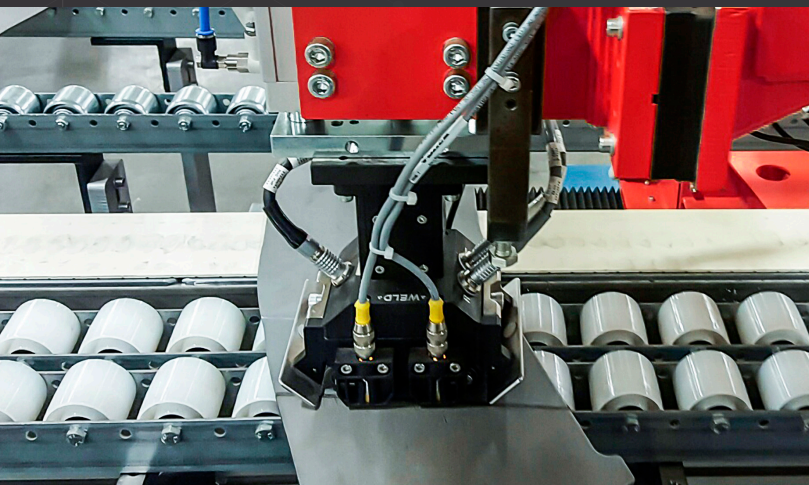
The TEMATE SI-WB is the industry standard for automated inspection of laser welds in Tailor Welded Blanks. The TEMATE SI-WB can detect all internal and external defects including porosity, pinholes, lack-of-fusion, lack-of-penetration, concavity, convexity, mismatch, excessive root and crown, and blank misalignment.

Advantages of the TEMATE SI-WB over other techniques:

- Adaptable to carbon steel, aluminum, and stainless steel blanks.
- Detects and flags all structural defects that can compromise the quality of the weld, including internal defects invisible to the naked eye.
- Detects all defects that will cause stamping failures while keeping rejects to a minimum.
- Self-calibrated sensor inspects at speeds up to 1 m/s.
- Optional 3D camera module available for measurement of surface defects (meets ISO 13919 standards).
- Process monitoring package with advanced algorithms to track deviations and provide early warnings before defects occur.
- Only inspection system endorsed by OEMs for inspection of safety parts.

The system can be installed in-line or off-line and adapted to any line configuration. The TEMATE SI-WB can be installed on a robotic positioner (articulating or Cartesian) or on a stationary mount. Custom Integrations for tailor welded blank inspection, such as the TEMATE WB-TableScan are also available.

The system meets ISO 13919 requirements, the most stringent quality standards, and is most proven and reliable system in the market with hundreds of systems installed.



TEMATE SI-WB Specifications

Materials Inspected	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Steel and Aluminum, all grades coated and uncoated. 0.010" (0.3 mm) to 0.138" (3.5 mm) thickness. 			
Defect Detection	* t2 = Thickness of thinnest blank H = Height	EMAT	VISION	
			3D (top) 3D (bottom)	
	Lack of Fusion	10% t2 x 12mm	NA	
	Lack of Penetration	10% t2 x 12mm	NA	H ≥ 50µm*
	Porosity & Pinholes	≥ 0.3mm	NA	
	Concavity	10% t2 x 12mm	H ≥ 50µm*	
	Mismatch	10% t2 (negative only)	H ≥ 50µm*	
	Blank Misalignment	NA	0.5mm @ 50m/min, 0.05mm @ 10m/min	
	Excess Weld Metal	NA	H ≥ 50µm*	NA
	Excessive Root Penetration	NA	NA	H ≥ 50µm*
*Exceeds ISO 13919 requirements Actual resolution of camera is 2 microns				
Inspection Technique	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Volumetric guided waves for inspection of the weld (i.e. top and bottom surface, and internal). Dry-coupled piezoelectric testing provides the high accuracy and repeatability of EMAT and conventional UT for applications where liquid couplant is not an option. Pitch-catch and pulse-echo configurations. Maximum sample rate of 2000 pulses per second. 			
Sensor Head Assembly	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6" (152 mm) W x 7.1" (180 mm) L x 5.9" (150 mm) H. Weight 10 lbs (4.5 kg). Includes pulsed electromagnet, EMAT coil circuit, protective wear pad, vertical compliancy unit. Replaceable protective wear pad is in contact with the part surface during inspection and provides protection for the EMAT coil circuit. Vertical compliancy to the part surface accommodated in the sensor up to 0.25" (6 mm). 			
Data Acquisition Electronics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Industrial enclosure; NEMA 12 and IP 55 per EN 60 529/10.91 protection rating, located up to 165 cabling feet (50 m) from sensor. Enclosure is 24" (610 mm) W x 32.3" (820 mm) L x 69" (1750 mm) H, weighing 500 lbs (225 kg). Includes EMAT T/R electronics, magnet pulser, power supplies, computer, communication interfaces, monitor, keyboard and mouse. TEMATE software capable of operating under multiple operating systems. Automatic and manual operation modes. Easy-to-use interface to define and save inspection settings. 			
Software Features	<p>Real Time Acquisition & Processing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Uses fast FPGA-based signal acquisition and processing. Provides uninterrupted control and analysis of all time sensitive operations, including real-time display and disposition. <p>Processing Link</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Connects real-time acquisition & processing with the user interface. Decouples acquisition from user interface for easy hardware upgrades, and rapid customization. Organizes and prepares data received from real time acquisition & processing for representation. <p>NDT-WEB User Interface</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provides display and user controls customized for the application using proprietary NDT-WEB real-time web technology. Broadcasts its own Wi-Fi signal for simple access by any device using a regular browser and IP address (no client software needed). Alternatively, users can connect to the equipment using an external video monitor or ethernet port. Permits easy customization of user controls and display without affecting the operation of the equipment. Includes built-in features to connect to NDT-LINK, Innerspec's web portal for support, spares purchasing, and automated/remote operation and process control tools. 			
Power and Environmental Ranges	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 115v AC to 220v AC (Electrical power and air requirements may vary depending on the integration.) Operating temperature 32°F (0°C) to 105°F (40°C). Humidity non-condensing 5% to 95%. 			