# **Available Training on Reactive Metals**

# 1. Introduction to Reactive and Refractory Metals

a. Brief history and sources of materials

# 2. Production Processes

#### 3. Applications of Reactive Metal

- a. Titanium
- b. Zirconium
- c. Tantalum/Niobium

# 4. Alloy Grades, Mechanical, Chemical and Physical Properties

- a. Metallurgy
- b. Alloys
- c. Material properties

# 5. Chemical and Physical Properties

# 6. Specifications

- a. ASTM
- b. ASME
- c. AWS

# 7. Fabrication Properties

- a. Major considerations during equipment fabrication
- b. Formability
- c. Machining and grinding

# 8. Corrosion Properties of Reactive and Refractory metal

# 9. Corrosion Processes

- a. Forms of corrosion
- b. Oxide films

#### 10. Performance of Reactive and Refractory Metals in Corrosive Media

- a. Sulfuric acid
- b. Hydrochloric acid
- c. Nitric acid
- d. Phosphoric acid
- e. Organic acids
- f. Chloride media
- g. Alkaline media

#### 11. Welding of Reactive Metals, Including Weld Inspection

a. Considerations when welding reactive metals

# 12. Welding Processes, Equipment, Gases, Shielding and Environment

- **13. Welding Parameters and Precautions**
- 14. Weld Contamination
- 15. When Weld Heat Treatment is Required
- 16. Weld Quality Tests
- 17. Weld Inspection
- 18. Weld Repair/Field Repair

#### **19. Heat Treatment of Reactive Metals**

- a. When HT is required for reactive metals
- b. Types of heat treatments
- c. Cleanliness, proper support, temperature monitoring, atmosphere, etc.
- d. Surface appearance and inspection

#### 20. Safety

- a. Health-related issues
- b. Threshold value limits
- c. Toxicity of Ti, Zr and Ta
- d. Fabrication safety
- e. Handling of material
- f. Machining
- g. Grinding
- h. Cutting (flame, water jet)
- i. Welding
- j. Standards on combustible metals and dust
- k. NFPA 484: Standard for Combustible Metals
- I. NFPA 652: Standard on the Fundamentals of Combustible Dust
- m. Storage of material
- n. Solids
- o. Fines (chips, sponge, powder, etc.
- p. Proper disposal of flammable materials
- q. Fire safety

# 21. Pyrophoric Reactions of Metals

- a. Pyrophoric film formation
- b. When this occurs in zirconium
- c. Passivation of a pyrophoric film
- d. Steaming of vessels

# 22. Equipment Design and Fabrication

- a. Heat exchangers
  - i. Tube-to-tubesheet considerations
  - ii. Design, end configuration, grooves, etc.
  - iii. Testing processes
  - iv. Piping systems
  - v. Design and fabrication configurations
  - vi. Types of fittings and flanges

# 23. Columns

- a. Trays and internals
- b. Fasteners

# 24. Pressure Vessels

- a. Clad or solid
- **25. Inspection Techniques for Vessels**

# 26. Explosion Cladding

- 27. Equipment Maintenance and Operation
  - a. Maintenance requirements
  - b. Operation considerations

# 28. Reactive Metal Equipment Cleaning

- a. Mechanical cleaning
- b. Chemical cleaning

# **Reactive Metal Weld Training**

- 1. Introduction and Overview of Reactive Metal Welding in Industry
  - a. General history of reactive metal welding
- 2. Development of Welding Processes
- 3. Fundamentals Oxygen, Iron, Carbon, Nitrogen, Hydrogen and Titanium or Zirconium
  - a. Titanium
  - b. Zirconium
  - c. Tantalum (and Niobium)
- 4. Effects of Oxygen, Iron, Carbon, Nitrogen, and Hydrogen in Welding

# 5. Base Material

- a. Titanium
- b. Zirconium
- c. Tantalum/Niobium

# 6. Filler Metals, Specifications and Grades

- a. Specifications
- b. Grade selection
- c. Wire identification and cleanliness
- d. Wire storage

# 7. Dissimilar Reactive Metal Welding

- a. Titanium
- b. Zirconium
- c. Tantalum/Niobium
- 8. Base Metal and Welding Microstructures

#### 9. Heat Treatment of Welds

- a. Titanium
- b. Zirconium
- **10. Gas Tungsten Arc Welding Process**
- **11. Equipment for Manual Welding**
- 12. Joint Design and Preparation
  - a. Cleaning
  - b. Filler metal
- 13. Inert Gas Shielding
- 14. Dew Point Indicators, Oxygen Meters, and Surrogates
- 15. Purging
- 16. Fitting and Tacking
- 17. Welding Procedures and Techniques
- **18. Weld Discontinuities and Defects**
- **19. Weld Quality Tests and Checks**
- 20. Welder Training and Welder Qualification
- 21. When a Welding Procedure Qualification is <u>not</u> Enough
- 22. Weld Safety