Subject: QW-301.4 and QW-360, Welding Operator Performance Qualification Ranges

Question: Is it the intent of ASME Section IX, QW-301.4, that the WOPQ shall include the ranges qualified in accordance with QW-452 for each welding operator?

Reply: No.

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