special testing to assure that the welding procedure produces weldments which are not prone to low energy fracture through the heat affected zone.

(e) Welding procedures that utilize type E 6012, E 6013, E 6014, E 6024, E 7014, or E 7024 electrode will be approved only for the specific type, size, and brand electrode used. If a different type, size, or brand of electrode is used, a new procedure qualification test must be conducted.

(f) Welding or brazing procedure approvals cannot be transferred from one plant to another plant of the same company or from one company to another.

(g) (Modifies QW 253, QW 254, and QW 255). Item QW 402.4 is an essential variable for all procedure specifications.

§ 57.04—Procedure Qualification Range

§ 57.04–1 Test specimen requirements and definition of ranges (modifies QW 202, QW 210, QW 451, and QB 202).

The type and number of specimens that must be tested to qualify an automatic, semiautomatic, or manual procedure specification shall be in accordance with QW 202, QW 210, or QB 202 of the ASME Code as applicable, except as supplemented by §§ 57.03–1(b) and 57.03–1(d).

§ 57.05—Performance Qualifications

§ 57.05–1 General.

(a) This subpart supplements the various paragraphs in section IX of the Code dealing with Performance Qualifications (see §57.02–2).

§ 57.05–2 Transfer of performance qualifications.

(a) The performance qualification records of a welder may be transferred from one plant to another of the same company or from one company to another company provided the following requirements are met:

(1) The transfer is authorized by the cognizant Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection;

(2) A copy of the qualification test records of each welder together with employment records and identification data are transferred by the plant or company which qualified the welder to the new plant or company; and,

(3) The new plant or company accepts the welder as qualified.

§ 57.05–3 Limited space qualifications.

When a welder is to be qualified for welding or torch brazing of piping on board ship in a limited or restricted space, the space restrictions shown in connection with Figure 57.05–3(a) or (b) shall be used when welding and brazing the test joint.