



American Welding Society®

BECOMING A CERTIFIED WELDING FABRICATOR



Quality management program meets AWS requirements for welding procedures, welder performance and welding inspection

Fabricators have a competitive edge against non-certified welding operations, especially in the international marketplace

CWF certification is cost-effective and achievable for any welding fabricator, including small to midsize shops.

Welding fabrication is a fiercely competitive market, and bidding projects is a balancing act between quality and cost. Hiring fabricators based primarily on price without qualifying their quality management system and other facility resources may actually cost more in the end. Certified Welding Fabricators (CWF) have demonstrated through an audit performed by AWS that they have resources, procedures, and personnel to apply a quality management system that conforms to the internationally recognized AWS standard. Both you and your customers will do business with even greater confidence: trusting that every product was fabricated under a quality, best practices system.

KEY BENEFITS

- ♦ Improved performance; reduced costs, repair, rework
- ♦ Creates a standard form of communication within your organization
- ♦ Provides framework for personnel who are trained to a common goal
- ♦ Systematic methods pinpoint problems and their root cause
- ♦ Increases your credibility and marketability as a quality fabricator in both domestic and international markets—especially to engineers and customers
- ♦ AISC fabricators are automatically qualified for CWF accreditation through a reciprocity agreement
- ♦ Your facility is listed on *aws.org* and in the award-winning *Welding Journal*

WHO CAN BECOME A CWF?

Any job shop, manufacturer, fabricator or OEM is eligible to become a Certified Welding Fabricator. Enhance your prospects of winning project bids and get an edge on international competitors by becoming a Certified Welding Fabricator.



CONTACT US TODAY

The CWF is affordably priced to fit the budgets of corporate training programs, academic institutions, and apprenticeships. For corporate and institutional sales, contact sales@aws.org.

ABOUT AWS

The American Welding Society is a not-for-profit organization committed to connecting the welding industry to our extensive collection of resources, informing our members of technological advancements and developing the next generation of welding professionals with the help of the AWS Foundation. AWS serves nearly 70,000 members worldwide and is composed of 22 Districts with 250 Sections and Student Chapters. For more information, visit the American Welding Society's website at aws.org.



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